

New York May 29th 96

To
Hon W. L. Strong
Mayor of N. Y. C.

Dear Sir

Having read of the
sad Calamity that has be-
fallen the City of St Louis. And
not knowing the Mayor's Name of
said City I take the liberty to
write to you to join in offering
my services as a Nurse to the
poor victims if needed. I am
at present with a Patient who
does not require my services as
much as those poor Creatures And
I feel it my duty as a Nurse
to offer my services gratis. Hoping

that this will go no further
than your scrap basket when
read. And that you will par-
don the liberty I have taken
in writing to you.

I remain respectfully
Miss H. V. Rockwell
Mount Kisco

Westchester Co
N. Y.

Cc Mrs George Carpenter

Jefferson Building, 5 Court Sq.
Brooklyn, May 29th. 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,
Mayor, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor and pleasure of handing you herewith copy of a letter recently received from General T. S. Peck, Adjutant Gen'l of Vermont, a prospectus of the proposed Magazine is also enclosed. I know that you will be only too glad to co-operate with me in the work of launching a Magazine that will at all times be American, when I tell you that the entire profits arising from the enterprise (until \$300,000 has been received) will be used in erecting a suitable monument to the memory of those heroes who gave up their lives while confined on English Prison Ships during the struggle of our forefathers for independence, a duty that their descendants have too long neglected. With one hundred letters from our most prominent citizens similar to the one enclosed from General Peck, I will quickly launch a Magazine that will attain a circulation exceeding that of any now being published by January 1st. 1897. and this means that the corner stone for the monument will be laid July 4th. 1897.

Sincerely and Patriotically Yours

Geo. Benson

235 WEST 128TH STREET.

May 29. 96

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Mayor

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge receipt of the official notice of my selection by you as Inspector of Common Schools for the 31st district.

I can only repeat the regret, already verbally expressed to you, that it is not my privilege to accept this high honor, because of my non-residence in the designated district.

The office is one peculiarly within my inclinations, and I flatter myself that the representations of the friends who have secured me this distinction at your hands, is justified: all the greater must be, and is, my regret.

Thanking you however for your confidence and consideration, I beg to subscribe myself
Your devoted servant
Wm. L. Lewis.

COLUMBIA COLLEGE
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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May 29, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York,
City Hall, New York.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I cannot refrain from expressing to you my profound disappointment and dissatisfaction at the action of the Board of Education yesterday, in reelecting Mr. Jasper. In so doing the Board of Education have been unworthy of their trust, and have put a distinct slight upon your administration. I cannot but feel that Mr. Maclay has not acted as the community had a right to expect he would. The consideration that he has received at your hands has been such as to justify your friends in expecting that he would cut loose from the Tammany Hall and School Ring influences, and take a leading part in the movement to put the public schools on a higher plane of usefulness. We shall put a mark against the name of every man who voted for Mr. Jasper yesterday, and at the proper time ask you to see that he is displaced from this Board. I believe, however, that the use of Mr. Gilman's name has been a great thing for the public. It has led them to see what opportunities for usefulness and distinction there are in the service of common schools.

I need hardly say that every school reformer in the city is deeply indebted to you for your cordial sympathy and support in their efforts.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Murray Butler

COLUMBIA COLLEGE
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF PHILOSOPHY

May 21, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

Permit me to congratulate you upon the extraordinary excellence of the list of school inspectors made public by you yesterday. The names of many of these men and women are familiar to all intelligent people in the community, and they give new evidence that your administration is to be remembered in history as that in which the great educational revival took place in this city.

I observe from the morning papers that some members of the Board of Education seem to wish to make themselves, the city and your administration ridiculous in the eyes of the country, by their attitude toward President Gilman. I earnestly hope that you will put your foot down in this matter, and insist that this great opportunity shall not be permitted to be lost to the city by the action of a few disappointed individuals. I have never seen the city so aroused on any matter as it is regarding the possibility of getting Mr. Gilman here. What his coming would mean to your administration, both now and in the future, I am sure you understand perfectly.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Nicholas Murray Butler

TAXPAYER'S ASSOCIATION,

10th, 11th & 17th Ward,

of the

City of New York,

Headquarters: No. 101 Avenue A.

New York, May 29, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir,

It is the duty of all good citizens to carefully note the doings of our Legislative Body, for by so doing they are enabled to signify their displeasure at any bill presented, the enactment of which may be of a detrimental character, so with amazement almost akin to horror, have we noticed the suggestion that the center of Tompkins Square Park, or as much thereof as may be thought necessary, shall be used as a public bathing place.

At a special meeting of the Taxpayer's Association held on the 27th of May, it was unanimously RESOLVED that the Secretary present to your Honor, the unquestionable protest of this body of representative citizens, residing near and about said Tompkins Square Park for such or any other purposes.

AND FURTHER we wish to call your Honor's attention to the fact that the ground was given to the citizens to be used as a Park only, and that, as such, it should be held sacred. That the city has appropriated and spent large sums of money to beautify the same, and that after years of patience it is to-day, a pleasure to the

eye and the only spot on the east side where the citizens find fresh and wholesome air for their suffering families, during the days and nights of excessive heat.

Again, with feelings that words cannot express, this Association and also in behalf of our numerous surrounding neighbors, we protest, against the using of any part of said Tompkins Square Park for the erection of a public bathing pavilion or for any other purpose, than that for which the ground was given, to wit - A Public Park.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John Becker Secretary.
340 - East 9th Str.

Henry Finck President
189 - 2nd Str.

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NEW YORK, May 31, 1896,

The Honorable
Wm. L. Strong
Mayor of the City of New York.

Your Honor

In accordance with a resolution passed at the Convention of Health Protective Associations held at the Academy of Medicine 17 W. 43^d Street, May 14, to the effect that the papers read at the Convention should be published together with the full minutes of the proceedings, I beg, in the name of the Ladies Health Protective Association of New York City, to ask you to favor me with the speech delivered by you at the above Convention, that I may incorporate it in the report.

Very truly yours

Genie H. Rosenfeld
Recording Secy.

New York City
June 1st 1896

To the Mayor of N. Y. C.

Dear Sir.

I appeal to
you in behalf of hard working
people who need their nights
rest. Of the Saloon No. 220
East 27th St. kept by John
Dunn. They are preparing &
putting up partitions for 10
beds. by hiring Top floor of
said tenement house. His
mother occupying first floor
& two tenants on next floor.

He is going to apply for
Hotel Licence. Which will
make this sheet worse than
it is. No night rest hardly
now, how will it be then.
They seem to be sure to get it
on account of their great pull
which they seem to have as
the law does not affect them
from selling beer on Sundays
now. Therefore I appeal to you
to investigate as it is truly
needed.

Yours Respectfully
W. Moretes. f

Pomona Cumberland Co. Tennessee

June 1st 1896.

Hon. William H. Strong
Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir

while downing frauds in New York City, it would be a charity to hard working writers all over our country, if a few rascally publishers could be severely dealt with.

I know your time is valuable and I shall at once ask the favor I come seeking.

Will you give me the address of a law firm that will sue a publisher for damages, for the loss of a manuscript of mine, and take the damages, part or all of them for their fee?

Is there a firm in New York,

that will ~~undertake~~² cases for the
poor, both inside and outside the
city, for what they can make out
of them, as a nominal fee?

My case is, on the 21st day of
last Jan. I mailed a manuscript
to P. F. Collier 521 W. 13th St
New York, and it has not been
returned. I have written time
and again enclosing stamped
and addressed envelopes for re-
ply, inquiring about it, but all
my letters have been ignored.

I wrote to the post-office officials
in regard to this matter, and
found as I expected all my letters
had been received, ^{by publishing} The evident
truth is an honest firm would
have replied, even if the man-
uscript was lost.

I am not physically able to

copy this manuscript, and I am not financially able to employ a lawyer. But it is not right because of my poverty, that this publisher by not being called to account for this ^{incorrigible} rascality, should be allowed to mistreat other writers.

However valueless a manuscript may be from a literary standpoint it represents work, is property, and I have no doubt, a publisher can be made to pay for its loss.

This house has stolen quite a number of stamps from me, and been the means of other loss to me. If you will give me the name of an honest lawyer who will take this case for the damages, it will be helping to fight another fraud in New York. I think I have a strong case.

Very Truly yours

Mrs. Alice Eave

Navy Yard, New York,

June 1, 1896.

My dear Mr Mayor:-

Some time ago, while I sat near you at a public dinner, you asked me some questions with regard to the new dry dock which is being built at this Navy Yard. I therefore beg leave to give you the following information:

The new timber dry dock at the Yard yard is *670*. feet long and *151*. feet wide, over all; is *35.5* feet deep from the coping to the floor, and it is expected that there will be *29*. feet of water over the sill at mean high water and *24.6* feet at mean low water, and that the dock could receive a ship about *625*. feet long. The original contract price of this dock was \$412,000.00, and it was to have been completed in *twenty seven* months from the time of the signing of the contract.

The first contractor, who was unsatisfactory, only did about a third of the work, after which it was put into the hands of the present contractor, and as we were obliged to make a new agreement with the latter because he commenced the work under certain disadvantages, the total contract price under the two contracts became *538679.88* dollars; and certain changes which we have desired to make as the work has progressed, have increased the total estimated cost to about *551679.88* dollars.

This dock is excavated in soft soil, most of it is silt and clay, and part of the additional expense last above mentioned,

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was caused by the nature of the neighboring soil, which being plastic, settled toward the excavation, and also necessitated the use of a good many longer piles than had originally been contracted for; this all owing to the softness of the ground.

Hoping the above information may be of use to you, I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

Montgomery Mead
Commodore USA

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of New York City.

CRANE'S



FRANKLIN A. WILCOX.
GEO. BETHUNE ADAMS.
HERBERT GREEN.

Law Offices of
WILCOX, ADAMS & GREEN,
1 BROADWAY,

NEW YORK, June 1st, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor, &c.,

Dear Sir:-

After my conversation with you, this morning, relating to the extension of the elevated railroad and recalling what you stated that the Company's proposition was to extend in the upper sections of the City in sections each year, I beg to suggest that in view of the fact that they have already obtained consent of a very large number of the abutting property owners from Tremont (170th St.) to Fordham station, on the understanding that such extension should be made in a short time, that they should now be called upon to carry out this agreement, and I think they are willing to do so. Of course the extension of their east side line, commencing at 143rd St. to Mt. Vernon would greatly aid in the development of that section, and as the City will probably make great and valuable concessions to the Company in the lower part of the City, the consideration would be comparatively small, to impose as a condition these extensions through the North side.

The solution of this problem, successfully will be in my estimation the most important problem of the many which you have been called upon to consider during your administration. I sincerely hope that the Company will be prepared to meet the situation in as broad and liberal a spirit as you will, representing the

City's interest. It is to be remembered that the outlying districts are generally settled by the poorer class of people who are compelled to economize their time and money, so that a minute or a penny saved becomes very important to each individual, and the new North Side must have these facilities or come in fatal competition with Brooklyn's very gridiron of railways in every direction, and where it is possible now for a passenger to go from the Brooklyn Bridge to Coney Island for five cents and be transferred without extra charge to almost any point of the City.

Very respectfully yours,

Franklin A. Miles

American Academy
OF
Political and Social Science
PRESIDENT
EDMUND J. JAMES
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
CHICAGO

June 1st, 1896.

My Dear Sir:

In making certain comparative studies in Municipal Administration, I desire to have access to the Reports of some representative American cities. I should be glad if you would send to me copies of such City Reports, Mayor's Reports, Departmental Reports, etc. for the year 1895 and for any preceding years as you may have for distribution.

Very truly yours,

Edmund J. James
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[Handwritten initials]

23 East Forty Fourth Street.

Hon. Geo. L. Strong
Dear Sir,

Upon opening
my certificate of
appointment as an
Inspector of Public
Schools I am dis-
appointed to find
that it lacks your
signature.

Worshipful or not that

may be necessary
for my credentials
as an Inspector. I
regret the omission
because I should
value the autograph.
I thank you for return
the document - and
hop that you will
do me the favor to
sign it.

Believe me with respects

Very truly yours

William Bacon Smith

June 1. 1896.

24 State Street, New York City,

June 1st, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

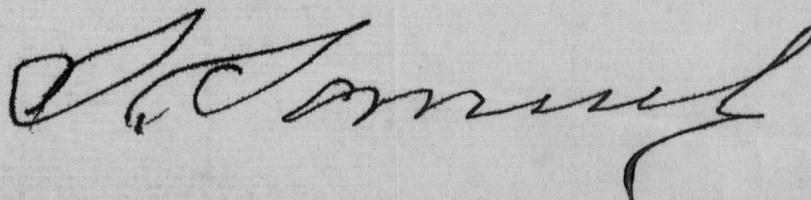
Dear Sir:-

I desire to acknowledge receipt of a notification to appear at the City Hall on Tuesday next to take the oath of office as an Inspector of Common Schools.

As I have never filled an office to which there was attached no responsibility, I beg to decline the doubtful honor you propose conferring upon me. I look upon the position of Inspector (under the new school law) as that of a mere detective, stripped of all power, except such as every good citizen feels himself called upon to exercise, that of making known to the proper official source any misdoing in public affairs. My fourteen years of gratuitous service should entitle me to higher consideration from you.

The abolition of the Trustee System, and with it of the perfect civil service attached thereto, has opened the way in the near future for politics and sectarianism in our schools, such as has not been known since the days of Tweed; under such possibilities, I do not desire to become an Inspector.

Very respectfully yours,



Bliss & Schley,
Counsellors at Law,
160 Broadway,
New York.

George Bliss.
William T. Schley.

June 2nd, 1896.

Dear Sir:

As I am trying a case in Court and cannot be at the meeting of the Board of Apportionment, I ask you to lay this letter before the Board.

I write in behalf of the Refuse and Garbage Co., whose bid is the lowest for the removal of all substances, and as to whose plans and appliances I invite the most thorough scrutiny.

The Commissioner of Street Cleaning has recommended the award of the contract for removing garbage to one of the bidders who bid for that alone and then proposes that the City shall itself remove the ashes and make a contract with Mr Tate in accordance with a letter of his by which he proposes to pay a large sum for what is known as the scow trimmings.

With reference to the policy of breaking up the contract into three parts I have nothing now to say, though if I were present I might have some suggestions to make, but I desire to suggest that it is not fair to bidders to award the contract for scow trimmings to Mr Tate when other parties have had no opportunity to bid therefor. I am aware that it has been suggested that the provisions of the Charter as to contracts and advertising

do not operate to prevent the Board from awarding the scow trimming contract privately, but a careful examination made within a few days convinces me that this view is not correct and if acted upon will surely lead to litigation. Whether this view is correct or not, I submit that the Board of Apportionment cannot afford in a matter involving so much to make a private contract with a party who from the very fact that he now offers to pay such a sum has, if we assume he is now acting in good faith, clearly been having for many months an arrangement privately made which has been very advantageous to himself.

I respectfully suggest that if the Board is of the opinion that the garbage contract should be awarded separately, being influenced to that determination by the offer of Mr Tate to pay a large sum for the scow trimmings, that one of two courses should be pursued, either that no award for the garbage contract should be made until there has been an advertisement and opportunity for others to bid for the scow trimmings, or what would probably be fairer, if the scow trimmings are to play so important a part in the matter, that new bids be sought for all three divisions into which it is proposed to divide the business.

You will perceive that if you award the contract for garbage at your meeting to-day, relying upon Mr Tate's bid, it may well be that Mr Tate will not give the proper security to carry out his bid, and then you are bound by your award of the

garbage contract and the profit which the Street Cleaning Commissioner figures out from the plan he proposes would vanish.

Your obedient servant,

George Bliss
per G.B.J.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

18 Broadway,
New York.

June 2nd. 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Mayor City of New York

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of the official notification of my appointment as Inspector of Common Schools of the Twenty sixth School District.

Under the circumstances I beg most respectfully to decline.

I am, Dear Sir,

Respectfully yours,

Josh. C. Steub

W. H. BIRCHALL, Prest.

S. R. SMITH, Vice Prest.

M. M. CORWIN, Cashier.



Westchester, N. Y., June 2nd, 1896

Job E. Hedge, Sec'y.,

My Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 29th ult. received.

I feel grateful to the Mayor for the compliment he has paid me in naming me as one of the school inspectors, but I would not be able to give the position the attention it requires, on account of my business engagements; I am compelled to respectfully decline the appointment.

Yours Respectfully,

W. H. Birchall

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Hon. William L. Strong.

Mayor City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of May 29th duly at hand. I thank you very much for the honor you have conferred on me in appointing me an inspector of Common Schools for the 32nd School District.

I do not consider that it is possible for me to give the position the proper attention it requires and feel that I must decline the appointment.

Thanking you again, I remain

Very truly yours.

Olin J. Stephens

HEADQUARTERS: 108 FULTON ST., N. Y. CITY.

COLORED REPUBLICAN ASSOCIATION,

STATE OF NEW YORK.

(INCORPORATED SEPTEMBER 5, 1894.)

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Hon, Wm L Strong.
Mayor N Y City.

New York, June 3rd, 1896.

Dear Sir:-

I am conscious of the fact that, at this period of excitement you have little or no time to answer voluminous correspondence, I desire however, to disabuse your mind of the unanimous approval of Gov. Morton's candidacy among the Colored citizens of the State of New York, and to assure you that, through the efforts of those of us who have faith in the staunch Republicanism of Maj. McKinley and his special fitness for the high office to which Ohio and the country at large seek to place him, that the Colored Republican Association of the State of New York, which I organized in 1894, and of which I have the honor of being its president, at its very inception, through my efforts - early expressed its approval of Hon. William McKinley as the nominee for 1896.

I desire to call your attention to the fact that, a number of colored men have been selected by the Morton faction to go to St. Louis to influence the colored delegates from the South against the candidacy of Gov. McKinley. Our association desires to charter a car and carry a committee of its members representing 25 or 30 counties, to St.

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Louis in the interest of the nomination of Gov. McKinley, and to counteract the efforts of this Morton faction, with the Southern delegates with whom they have been laboring. It is the purpose of the Committee to have an inscription on both sides of the car "Colored Republican Association of the State of New York for McKinley." The Committee will be composed of members of this association all reputable representative men from at least 25 or 30 different counties. Let me also say that I have been compelled to bear all of the expense of the association and also for the fight which I have been making in the past eighteen months in the interest of Gov. McKinley have been paid by me, and I am proud to say that the battle has been a successful one "See enclosed clipping". During all of this fight the Morton men have had plenty of money, they have been supplied to go to St. Louis. I am anxious to keep up my fight until the battle is won at St. Louis. We need money to carry out this glorious and grand object, and the association has appealed to you to come to its rescue at this point. Any contribution which you may feel disposed to contribute will be gladly received by this association. You can send your check to Pierre Henry, 108 Fulton Street, N.Y. City. A committee of the association desires to call on you; if it is convenient

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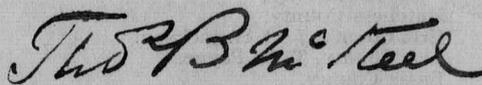
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you
you will please state a time and place. Hoping to hear from by return mail,
I remain

Yours truly,



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Hon. William L. Strong.

Honorable Sir-

This letter coming as it does from one of your most ardent admirers and from a working man who spent what little money he had and a good deal of his time in furthering your candidacy two years ago should merit your kind indulgence.

The writer of this is the young man who at the ^{Sturtevant} Colman house, insisted on your coming down to the Battery and addressing an outdoor meeting (the first outdoor Anti-Tammany meeting ever held there) for which act of courage the people of the first Assby Dist. will never forget you -

You will permit me your honor to refer to the Police Board matter.

When Com. Roosevelt was attending to his arduous



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duties as chronic officer holder in Washington
when Com. Andrews was attending to his very arduous
duties as Son in Law of a very prominent Republican
General in Yorkers.

When Com. Grant was attending to his very arduous duties
as a guest of several Western Grand Army Posts then
it was that Com. Parker had his coat off and was
working for you, as I myself personally know, like
a braver, jeopardizing not only his law practice
and making enemies for himself, but also ~~was~~
endangering his health by making three and four
speeches a night, doing as much as any ten, yes
twenty men to make it possible for you to hold
your most honorable position.

Knowing Com. Parker but slightly having only
met him during that Campaign, I take up the
gauntlet for him not on account of any of
his actions during this controversy, but because



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I think that gratitude is the greatest virtue,
while ingratitude is not only a crime but a
sin, of which our honored Mayor will never be
guilty

Your Honor should never forget that during the darkest
hours of that memorable campaign while the other
three commissioners were following their pleasures,
Andrew D Parker braved the storms of winter
and the heat of summer working day and
night for you

Hoping Your Honor whatever statements I
have made will be received in the same spirit
in which they are tendered

I subscribe myself
Your most obedient
Servant.

Jos. H. Steinhardt

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T. A. ROBERTS,
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ALBERT JOHNSON.

Asbury Park, June 27th 1896

Hon. Wm. L. Strong

Dear Sir

I write at the request of many persons. to ask you to come to Asbury Park, & address the people at one of our National Services held during the months of July, & August. in the Great Auditorium on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

We hope to have with us. Gov. Suggs of N. J. Gov. Hastings of Pa. Gen. M. B. Atkinson. Mr. John W. Vanaman & others. We are more than desirous that the Mayor of New York should honor us with his presence. During these services: which consist of good music. and a simple address on any subject. which the speaker may select. I am sure that

that you will not only honor the Committee
by ~~stating~~ to the Auditorium, but that you
serve the Cause of good Government.

As you do not know me, I beg leave to
refer you to Mr. Morris K. Jessup, Mr. D.
Willis James, & Mr. Wm. E. Dodge, who
have known me well, for over 35 years.

Hoping for a favourable reply.

I am Most Respectfully
Ces. J. King

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Asbury Park, July 15th 1896

Hon. W. L. Strong.

In answer to my invitation, written in June, asking you to deliver an address at one of our National Services, held in this place during July & August. You kindly promised to give me an answer later. At the request of many persons residing here, & the Committee in charge of these services I respectfully urge you to come if it be possible. The dates now open are August 9-16, 23, 30. I do hope your Hon. will be able to give a favorable answer to this appeal.

Respectfully,
Geo. J. Mingins

New York City June 3^d 96

Honorable Wm L. Strong

P.S. did you see the article in
the Albany Sun about when
they were putting in
of lights
in West
chester
St

Keep a copy
of this letter

Dear Sir; This is to notify you
that you would need to keep a sharp
eye on the doings of the Mount Morris
Electric Light Co. in the matter of the
number of Electric lights and the distance
these lights are from each other that they
furnish the city. This Company is
Continually Scheming to
Steal Rob & Cheat the City
by putting up about twice as many
Electric lights as is necessary in each
& Every Street in which they can get
permission to put up electric lights
there should be a rule established &
that at once Prohibiting electric light
Co's from placing electric lights closer to
each other, than a certain distance to be prescribed
by the city, say the same distance as is between each
over

Electric ^{lights} on 14th St. (which is lit up by another Co.) and which is well illuminated, it is safe to say that if the Mount Morris Electric Light Co. had the contract to light 14th St or Eighth St they would put down twice as many poles & put up twice as many lights although wholly unnecessary but that would be in keeping with their policy of defrauding the city. Here is a few instances of where they have put up more lights than necessary Green St. as thick as butterflies Vandam St. but the most outrageous humbug is the way they 'rang in' about half a dozen lights on Jackson Square Stars * indicates lights



they moved the Electric light pole on which was an Electric light by which the park was lit up by the U.S. Electric Light Co.

over to the other (west side) of Eighth ave so as to have a chance to 'ring in' more lights around the square, although if they had let that lamp stay where it was it would have fully illuminated the area that they have half a dozen illuminating now. Every place they are compelled to use the subway (and that's very few places) like on Morton St. between Greenwich & Washington. They put up Electric lights and in every instance more than is necessary. 3 Electric lights on this short block, Here only a couple of weeks ago they put up another lamp on the North-East Corner of Washington Square East of Washington place although there is an Electric light right across the st in Wash Park. The instances are too numerous to mention take the lower part of Hudson St. around duane or at least the st. the station house is in see all the unnecessary Electric lights there and also the lower part of Greenwich St. on some corners they have two Electric lights for instance Cortlandt st where one would be sufficient. But they say that a good many of the leading lights of Tammany Hall are interested

in this Mount Morris Electric Light ^{Co.}
Such as Plunkitt, Grant, & Gilroy
Plunkitt, is one of heaviest stockholders
and that most of these unnecessary
lamps were put up & 'rung in' on the
city during Tammany Hall's reign
and that the present city officials ^{now} have
'got on to' the game yet, And that they
have influence enough to keep a sub-way
from being built along Greenwich St and
9th Ave from Vandam St to the Harlem
river, because the Mount Morris E. L. Co
would then have to use the subway and
pay rent there for - instead of maintaining
dangerous high tension Over head wires free along
this populous thoroughfare You should
Compel the Sub-way Commission to
Construct a Sub-way at once from Vandam
St. to the Harlem River along Greenwich
& 9th Ave & Compel the Co. to place their dangerous
overhead wires there - in-bids it would make ^{work}
for the thousands of starving working men who are
working around unable to find work Grant wants
the wires under ground but he didn't bother the Co. account of being

Chicago & Alton Railroad Co.

261 BROADWAY.

WM. J. BOGERT,
General Eastern Freight Agent.

NEW YORK, June 4th, 1896

My dear Hedges:-

I suppose you have enough to do looking after the office you are in and holding down your job to say nothing of the time you and the Mayer spend under the Staats Zieting building, still I would ask if someone cannot see that the urinals are kept clean so that they wont overflow and run down opposite my office window on to the crossing to this side of Broadway. Its a "bleoming" shame to have this in a city like ours, dont you think?

Truly yours,



Mr. Job E. Hedges,

Mayers Office, New York City.

New York, June 4/96

Honorable William L. Strong,

Dear Sir,

Allow me to complain and state as follows:

I keep a soda water stand at 330 Cherry St. and have obtained for that the necessary permit.

The person against whom I complain and whose name is unknown to me is making preparations to open up another soda water stand a few paces from the place occupied by me.

As I was informed by

reliable authorities that he has no right to carry on the same business on the same block, and inasmuch as that will injuriously affect my business, I take the liberty of asking you to give instructions that the person complained of be restrained from opening up the stand right next to me.

Hoping that you will kindly pay some attention to this matter I am

Yours very respectfully

David Horowitz,
330 Cherry St.,
New York, City.

New York
June 4th 1896

Hon. Mayor Strong
Dear Sir - I wish
to call your attention to
a Hotel that is over a
Stable at 145 Christopher
Street it is a disgrace to
the People of the Parish
of Saint Veronicas Church
to see men going in and
out of that so called
Hotel on Sunday Morning
as the Parishioners are
leaving Church this Stable
Hotel is Run by S. De
Bingay our Church is

My opinion about 70
feet from this soe
called Hotel it is
shamefull to see Drunken
Men sitting in these
Window Every Sunday
Hoping you will
give this your special
attention

I Remain
Yours Respect a Reformer
and a Rep

PLANS TO CHANGE THE TOMBS.

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The rear building will have a cell capacity of 360. It is also proposed to extend the present men's and women's prisons up three stories. These now have a capacity of 80 and 68 cells, respectively, and the three new tiers, if added, will give them 90 more cells, making a grand total of cells for the whole prison of 920, as against 283, the present building's capacity.

Each cell will be over 8 feet long by 5 feet wide, and provided with the usual cot, lavatory, and other necessities. At the end of each tier of ten cells will be arranged a sink and a bathroom.

All prisoners will be carried to the various tiers on elevators, and each floor will be supplied with the proper kitchens and pantries. A special restaurant will be located on one of the upper floors, and from it those who wish may have their meals specially delivered.

One of the best features of the new Tombs will be that providing that men and women detained simply on suspicion or as suspects will be kept entirely aloof from the ordinary or indicted prisoners. These suspects will have decent airy rooms of ample size and without the usual prison aspect to them.

Exercise and airing rooms will be situated on the upper floors of the building, the one for the men on the north side of the prison and that for the women on the south side. Smaller rooms will be provided for young criminals, boys and girls.

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Mr. Post took the plans under consideration, and later will report to the Board of Estimate.

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Respectfully,

Thurl American.

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THROGS NECK,
WESTCHESTER,
NEW YORK.

Hon. H. L. Strong
Mayor New York City

Dear Sir

I beg to acknowledge
the receipt of yours
of 29th Inst. notifying
me of my appointment
as "Inspector of
Common Schools for the

Thirty fifth School District.

I appreciate very highly
the honor conferred upon
me, and regret that
circumstances will
not permit me to
accept the appointment.

Very truly yours

G. H. Jackson

June 5/96

Dear Mayor

Pardon the liberty I take in writing
to you not knowing who to give this information
to these places I speak of are the vilest -
dens in my neighborhood they are as follows
Jacobs Saloon Cor. Thompson & Blecker Sts -
Daggitts Hotel " " " "

This man Daggitt is a hard customer these
saloon I speak of have hotel license and
how they ever got them is a mystery the places
are full of women & men black & white all
night long Sunday included the noise
is something terrible the police seem
to pay a little attention to it I hope
some step will be taken to close these
saloons up. I wish you could only see
for your self some night - at 10 or 11 o'clock

the fun as they call it begin and last all
night-long up to six o'clock A. M. this
is getting to be hard on a person who has
a family and works hard and in night-
time to be kept-awake by these women
& men they called themselves but they are
far from being human. Kindly pardon
the liberty I take in writing to you
and believe me yours
July 9. M. C. Lewis

J. M. C. Assoc.
N. Y. City

New York June 6. 96

To his honor, the Mayor of
the city of New York

Your honor!

Reading in the newspapers
that a certain Reverend Faust
speaking to you in favor of the so very
poor, poor Jewish peddlars, we beg
you to be very kind to them, but
your honor, please, remember the
poor ~~old~~ Christian, who have to
suffer the most. This poor peddler
cheat this poor, but decent working
peopel it is a shame -

We beg your honor, do something
for the poor Jewish peddlars
but do not forget the poor
Christian.

An old Veteran and Citizen
our police knows this peddlars
good enough

95

66 West 56th Street.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:-

On Thursday,
May twenty-eighth, you very
courteously entrusted your
then sworn-in Public
School Inspectors for the
eighteenth District - Miss
Marion Houston and myself
with the selection of names
of two Roman Catholics to
be appointed in the same
District.

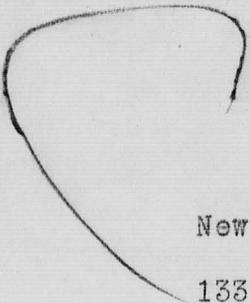
Neither of us know-
ing any one of that faith

eligible to the position, it
was agreed that I should
apply to his Grace, Archbishop
Corrigan, who could naturally
recommend the best.

I have the honor to enclose
to you the result in the com-
munication from the Arch-
bishop, and shall immedi-
ately transmit to you what-
ever other names he may
send to me.

Trusting this may meet
your esteemed approval,
I have the honor to remain

Yours obediently,
(Mrs. A. H.) Minnie S. Louis.
New York,
June 6. 1896.



New York, June 6, 1896.

133 East 35th St.

Hon. William L. Strong:-

Dear Sir:-

I have today received a note from
your confidential clerk as follows:

"I am directed by the Mayor to say that he is in receipt
of your favor of the 5th instant, has noted carefully its con-
tents, and will be guided accordingly."

I appreciate the courtesy of your communication, but there
must be some misunderstanding somewhere as the letter you refer to must
have come from some other hand. I wrote you a few lines some five or
six weeks ago but nothing since that time.

Yours very sincerely,

C. H. Parkhurst



New York June 6 1896

Board Rapid Transit Commissioners,
Gentlemen:

As a taxpayer on property in Canal St and in Christopher St, I desire to protest against those streets being turned over to the Manhattan Corporation under such free and easy regulations as characterized the surrender of other downtown streets.

Downtown property owners want no more "L" roads. They hope to live to see every pillar of the present ones rooted from the ground. There is not a single property owner, I believe, on Greenwich St, Church St, Pearl St, West Broadway, Park Row or



71 Cortlandt Street.

154 GREENWICH STREET,

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the Bowery who would not willingly contribute a twenty five per cents assessment on the appraised value of his property toward the cost of an underground road on the assurance that the gangling iron nightmare would be forever removed from his rights.

The.

uptown people want more "L" roads. Give them to the uptown people! The cross town traffic could be easily accommodated by the "L" management arranging for a system of transfers on the street lines through Christopher and Canal streets.

If the greater good of the whole city requires



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the ruination of those streets, let proper precautions be taken for the protection of property owners. Let the "L" people announce in advance the exact nature of the structure they propose to erect and let them pay down in advance for the privilege such a sum as an honest board of appraisers - chosen half by the "L" people and half by the property owners - may assess.

Anyone who has fought for years and years against the army of lawyers retained under salary by the "L" managements will readily appreciate the justice of this demand

Yours truly
Edward Smith

Fort Washington,

June 7th, 1896.

Dear Sir:

It has just come to my knowledge that ordinance is before you for paving Boulevard Lafayette. I request you on behalf, I think of every property holder fronting on it not to approve it until we are heard.

In two or three days I will present you remonstrance of property holders against it.

Respectfully

Wm. W. A. Strong

Mayor

A. S. Mayer

New York June 7th 1900

Go
Hon Mayor Strong:

Dear Sir:

As you are reviewing all "parades"
Will you kindly review a parade of
the poor cripples who are "living"
monuments of the skill of the Cable
Roads, what the cable can do and
not kill and not pay danger.
If you will kindly state in the
"New York Herald" what day will
be ~~convenient~~ convenient, I think we could
arrange a large parade for you to
review.

A. Vinton.

New York June 8th 1896

To the Honorable Mayor of New York City
Hon. John L. Street Dear Sir

I take the pleasure to Inform you that I have finished that Model of my Improved Automatic, Life, Money and Time saving Car Fender for Cable, Trolley, Air Motors, & Electric Cars also Horseless Carriages, which I have work you when I was working on Model last Dec. I have Letters of Patent in United States England, Canada, Germany, France Hungary, Belgium & Austria
1 Machine is worked by Brakeman and Victim at same time, doing away with Brakemans old excuse I did not see Victim, or could not stop Car, a very good Idea ^{in time.} for dangerous Crossings or Curves such as 14th St. or other Curves.

2 - Machine runs with Momentum of Car
3 - Is Ornamental to Car
4 - Cannot be damaged through
Collisions a great Saving to
Co, in replacing wrecked, and
Repairing damaged Fenders.
Idea of Invention is aimed at
Reliability, Durability and
Ornamentality, with plain and
Simple Mechanism which means
Can be gotten up for a reasonable
price, and as a Reliable Fender, Saves
Life, and Money, through Law Suits.
Also allows better Speed, and better
speed, means less Cars to be run.
Therefore, You will see that it is a
Life, Money & Time Saving Machine
It would give me much pleasure
to show You Model, and its
Working, any time at Your Convenience,
or any Evening, sufficed, by giving
us a Call, You would do us, and
Humanity, a great favor.

For Further Information I would
refer you to my Attorneys
Messrs Edgar Dale & Co
245 Broadway
opp. City Hall
City.

Hoping to have the Honor of
Meeting You in the future

I am
Yours Very Truly
Fred. J. Graf
The Inventor

P.S.

Working Model can be seen at my
Attorneys office,

BALLINGTON BOOTH
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.



Telephone No. 1711, 18th St.
Cable Address: "Volunteers."

The Volunteers

OF AMERICA.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS: UNION SQUARE AND E. 16TH STREET,

New York City, June 8 1896

Mayor Strong.

New York City

Honored Sir:-

Please pardon the intrusion upon your valuable time, but we should esteem it a privilege if you would grant the bearers of this letter, Captain & Mrs Dwylop, who are officers in the "Volunteers", a permit to conduct open-air services, in connection with their meeting place 392 Bowery, New York City.

Believe me to be,

Yours faithfully in a
righteous cause,

Ballington Booth



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HEADQUARTERS

SAMUEL ALMAN, REAR ADMIRAL COMMANDING,
National Assoc'n Naval Veterans, U. S. A.

227 DIVISION AVE., BROOKLYN, N. Y.

BROOKLYN, N. Y. June 8, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of N. Y.,
Dear Sir:

I have made several attempts to see you personally, but in every instance I have failed. I therefore take this opportunity of communicating with you and make known to you my mission.

On the Fourth of July next the National Ass'n. of Naval Veterans of the U. S. will hold their Annual Convention in New York City, commencing

with a big parade in the forenoon.

This is the first time that the Association has met in our city and heretofore wherever our Convention has held its sessions, the cities have always come to our help.

I would therefore ask through you, a donation of \$500. in order to meet expenses incurred in hiring the several bands for the parade. The other expenses we will meet.

I applied to the Board of Aldermen, & they informed me that the Sinking Fund Committees were the powers to appeal to.

May I ask the great favor at your hands to

interest yourself in our be-
half.

Very Truly Yours,

SAMUEL ALMAN,
Rear Admiral Commanding.

New York June 8th 1896

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor of New York
City.

My dear Sir

I write you these few
lines hoping you will
take some action in
my case of dismissal
from the Street Cleaning
Department as I was treated
very unfairly in being
dismissed without ever
getting a chance of proving
my innocence and from
what I understand I
am branded in your
over

Enter as a Blackguard
and a Person of very
little account and it
Placer me in a Position
that I cannot get Employment
with any concern in my
business when you wrote
me that you had authorized
your Secretary to write to
Commissioner Waring to offer
my case and give me a hearing
he would not do it he also
found me guilty without ever
asking me one question one way
or the other and I am willing
to Prove to him that I
I am not the Wretchard
being he said I am but
just the opposite and will
bring Business men to Prove
what I say if he will
give me the chance to do so

and I think I
should have a
Chance just the
same as all of
The Tammany Hall
Men is getting.
all of those that
have been Removed
have been Reinstated
Right along and if
I have to die a
Martyr to my
Party and the men
that I fought
hard to overthrow
Can Laugh and do
as they have a mind
I think it is wrong
and unjust I
hoping you will do
something for me
over

I Remain Yours
Obedient Servant
and good Republican

James J. Shaughnessy

#40 Oak St
City of New York

To the Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor *W. L.*

The undersigned petition the Mayor to veto the ordinance lately passed by the Common Council, to pave Boulevard Lafayette, for the following reasons:-

The Act of 1865 to lay out a **P**ublic Drive, of which this is a part, provided for making a country road.

There has at no time been any petition of property holders for making the road at all, *Other than a Country road.*

Very little of the property through which this road ~~has~~ been made at great and useless cost has any access to it, and has been damaged rather than benefitted by the construction of a huge wall most of the way ~~XXXXXXXX~~ one side from 10 to 48 feet in height, and rock cutting on the other side of similar height.

The earth road may be made at little cost to answer all the wants of the public.

It will be a gross wrong to property owners to subject them to any further cost and expense for improving this road for the benefit of the public at large.

The road is two and a half miles long, and the owners of more than three quarters of the land fronting it can

make no use of it whatever by any method of improvement.

New York June 8. 1896.

Name Twelve hundred ^{Twenty} ~~thirty~~ Feet front.
Lucy Coulson (owner) 1.223.-
Wm Messersmith
Attly

Estate of Hugh W. Camp
Thos P. Camp, Executor 950 350

Estate of Mary V. C. Hays
C. St. John Hays & Co.
1.778

~~J. A. Hays~~ 350.

New York Institution for the Blind
J. Aug. Schumacher
Secretary 1555.-

Estate of Peter W. Sheaffer 3600 feet.
by J. Romaine Brown, agent.

James Gardm. Bennett
by John Townsend.
Attorney.

2000 feet.
Billerfield 240
Ward 1530
Machin 2050
Bennett 2000
Tucker 745
Hays 1778

obj. to
patna
Bulwer
Lafayette

Resolution adopted
June 1896
Approved June 10/96
with favorable
report from
Comm. Public Works
B.

HENRY RICE.
WILLIAM STIX.

BENJ. EISEMAN.
JONATHAN RICE.

DAVID EISEMAN.
ELIAS MICHAEL.

Rice, Stix & Co.
Wholesale Dry Goods.

St. Louis,

6/3/96.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

On receipt of your telegram yesterday evening, offering the generous donation of Five Hundred Dollars to the poor of East St. Louis, Ills., we wired the Mayor of that city, to draw on us for that amount.

The suffering and destitution in East St. Louis is very great, and the Relief Society has not near enough money on hand, to take care of the poor who have suffered by the cyclone, and have no means to rebuild their homes.

With best wishes, we are,

Very truly yours,

Rice Stix & Co.

H. F. Bader, Chairman.
P. W. Abt, Treasurer.
H. D. Sexton, Financial Secretary.
J. J. Reader, Secretary.
Louis Moser.
W. S. Forman.
B. H. Canby.
L. J. Scherrer.
Joseph Nester.
W. J. Broderick.

TORNADO

Relief Association.

OFFICE : No. 404 Broadway.

EAST ST. LOUIS. ILL., June 3rd, 1896. 189

Rice, Stix & Co *St Louis*

Dear Sirs--

In accordance with your telegram I have this day drawn
sight draft on you for \$ *500* ⁰⁰ *donation of W. L. Strong to New York*

This contribution is very timely and will assist materially
in relieving the distress of our unfortunate citizens. Our association
is doing all in its power to meet the requirements of the situation.
The charity of our citizens has been sounded to its depths, and we are
greatly in need of outside assistance.

With assurances of our appreciation of your kindness, I
remain

Yours truly,

Paul W. Abt

Treasurer.

*Cable Address
Nobility, New York.*

*Wholesale Dry Goods,
St. Louis, Mo.*

*Rice, Stix & Co.
51. Franklin St.
New York,*

June 8, 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Col. Strong,

My house requests me to convey to you their sincere gratification of your generous and voluntary contribution to the sufferers of East St. Louis. A formal receipt for your thoughtfulness has no doubt reached you, but they feel that to say that your heart and head always have worked in unison, and that our City should feel proud to be represented by you, in this or still higher civic honors.

With sentiment of highest regard, dear Col. Strong,

Yours very truly,

Henry Rice

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Sayville L I June 8 96

Hon Wm . L . Strong

Dear Sir

Now that the court has decided against the plans of the Rapid Transit Commissioners I beg leave to call your attention to the communication I sent to you some time ago in favor of a covered elevated bicycle path through the city . I proposed that this should be constructed down Broadway but that is a detail and I preferred that ~~this~~ *it* should be constructed by the city and not built over the tracks of the L roads to which there are serious objections. May I ask you to look that paper over again but before doing so let me add a personal observation of two . You do not ride the wheel -- I say so because you have the gout and likely you are contemptuously opposed to what you imagine is a fad and will be but a temporary one . I too have had the gout for forty years I too despised bicycling and hated bicyclers . I learned to ~~ride~~ ride more as a joke than seriously and should not have kept it up at my age - then sixty five but for the improvement I found in my health . At that time I was getting over one of the severest attacks of gout I had ever had , to my delight I found the use of the wheel took all the remains of stiffness and soreness out of ^{my} body . Then I rode for a year without any return then . I made no change in my habits of diet unless it were to be more ^{liberal} in the use of what a kind nature has given for man's comfort and enjoyment even bringing out some old Madeira which had lain untouched for fifty years . There was no return of the trouble next spring which as you know is the season of peril but gout occasionally misses a year and I waited in doubt till this Spring . Then it put in an appearance . I could get on my foot but scarcely walk . I mounted my wheel however

and after riding three days went to a game supper and all that
that implies . It has just suggested its existence once or twice
since but an hour with my Bike put ^{it} to route and today my hands
feet and body are as supple as they can be expected to be . So
I think I can say that Bicycling is a cure and the only cure for
the gout . Try it .

Now then to return to my elevated lamb . No mechanical method of
transporting large bodies of people can be a success . I remember
when the stage coach started from the city Hall for Bloomingdale
every hour and let me out to catch gold fish with a pin hook on
the way . ~~In~~ that stage coach was the rapid transit of New York of h
that day and sufficient unto the day was the evil thereof . Then
the omnibuses which used to take me out to spend the day with a
friend in Bleecker street and later went ~~not~~ no farther than Fourteenth
street when my residence was the first house on the block . Then
came the horse railroads and they held the town till they crammed
over a hundred passengers into a single car . Last the elevated and
cable . Antiquated as they are the underground even if successful
to the utmost hopes of its supporters would have to meet the same
fate . But a bicycle road is different . People move themselves ,
they go where they want and do ^{not} have to stop away from their des-
tinations . The track would be no objection having no noise dirt
or smoke . The structure would be light only heavy enough to support
itself in fact , it would shut out little light or air and today
with the terror of destroyed cellars and undermined buildings
hanging over the heads of Broadway property owners through the
excavations for the underground road consents could be got to build
it if they should be needed . The only people who ought to oppose
the plan are the elevated R R and the Cable people . Will you not
give the matter your consideration . Remember my only interest is
for the good of the people , Yours truly, Robert B. Roosevelt

RBR

Replied the district June 9th

209 EAST SIXTEENTH STREET.

My dear Mr Mayor
Will you allow me
to come to City Hall at
any time on Thursday
to be sworn in as a
School Inspector?

I regret that my long
illness has made it im-
possible for me to come
before - & am greatly
obliged for your kindness

in letting it wait over.

I must take this
opportunity also of thanking
you for the appointment,
which it will be my duty
and my pleasure to try
to fulfil as worthily as
I can -

Faithfully & obediently,
Alma Rainesford

My messenger will await
the favor of your reply -

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To the Honorable W. L. Strong
Mayor of the City of New York

Now Sir: Can there be no stop put to the pernicious offence or crime allowed to be disgracefully carried on for years throughout this city, by which ignorance, immorality and vice is privileged and tolerated, and licensed to be propagated in opposition to, and against the wishes of the humane, intelligent and law abiding members of the Community, and in violation of every moral standard of right and justice:

We are having issued in this City for years, at every hour of the day, from noon until 10 p.m. several editions of these penny "fake" evening papers - all of which from the first to the last edition, are nearly, if not exact copies of the previous ones.

It is not alone, that these unprincipled grasping newspaper proprietors - great rascals and benefactors, so-called, send out these fake sensational editions and swindle the public by misrepresentation and fraud, but they are knowingly, cunningly, willfully and criminally guilty of the direct and immediate cause of ruining thousands of young boys and girls of immature age, their victims who peddle their pernicious sheets of trash on the public streets at all hours day and night for a meagre pittance. Those merciless newspaper men who make fortunes on the misfortunes of these poor half fed boys will know that the people will be taxed afterwards for the maintenance and support in our institutions and prisons for of those unfortunate children the offspring of cruel and inhuman parents who are allowed to grow up in ignorance, vice and crime, mainly

through this disreputable and reversed newspaper business. The public
before demands that these people be restrained in their infamous practice of trafficking on
vice and crime.

Done the Honor,

Done, Sir,

Your most obedt servant

Citizen W.

New York City

9th June 1896.

Manhattan
Electrical Supply Co.
32 CORTLANDT ST.
NEW YORK, June 9th 1896

THE MESCO DRY BATTERY
TRADE MARK
MANUFACTURERS OF
ELECTRIC TELEPHONES.
MAGNETO CALL BELLS.
THE MESCO DRY BATTERY.
DOOR OPENERS.
ANNUNCIATORS.
BURGLAR ALARMS AND
MANY OTHER ELECTRICAL SPECIALTIES.

Hon. Wm L. Strong: -

Dear Sir: -

I approach you as a private citizen and not as a voter in the matter of a proposed bicycle tax ordinance. It is contrary to the dictates of good common sense to impose restrictions on an agency which has done more to promote the health recuperative powers of the hardworking classes than any previous attempts of the past. Please remember that the duty of governing persons is

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simply to look after such functions as Thomas Jefferson understood them and which are still so considered by progressive people. I fail to see how the imposing of a bicycle tax falls within the limits of practical government. It may well do in paternal Europe, where the authorities fairly exhaust their wits in devising means to interfere with the public's affairs. I trust you will not allow your administration fall into disrepute by allowing measures of this stamp to become ordinances to the annoyance of the public.

Wishing you a successful
Career, I remain Yours very truly
Bernard Rosenberg
37 Conland St.

June 9th 1876

Phoebe J. B. Wait, M.D.
34th Street & 9th Avenue,
New York.

To His Honor Mayor
Strong

Dear Sir

I have been
appointed a member
of a committee to
confer with you upon
the subject of drink-
ing fountains for
the poor. May I ask
if you will give the
Com an audience
some day this week

Respectfully
P. J. B. Wait.

P. O. Gen. Del.

New York City, June 9th / 1896

Wm. W. Strong Mayor of New York
Mayor's Office, City Hall.

Very Dear Sir

Before going to Albany last winter I submitted papers for you relative to the proposed Permanent World's Fair and its Universality of Nation to be established in New York City, handing such explanatory papers to the President of the Board of Aldermen. Not being able myself to follow up the same at that time, I hope, for all that, said papers received some attention whereby you and the Board had at least a slight introduction to the New Movement at the time. The same is still in progress, and no doubt the Bill will pass the State Legislature next winter. In the mean time the work of organizing a vast Cosmopolitan Exposition Federation will go on, in which the Mayor of New York and each Mayor of a large City has a part as a co-worker, co-organizer and as a member of such Federation of the Leading Men and Women of the Age. That an Association shall collectively have the control of the World's Fair, rather than a Corporation.

Inasmuch as Mr. Sulzer, and Mr. Fairchild both introduced Bills in Congress for Expositions to be located in this City under the Con

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ted of Corporation that will exclude the federated rights of Mayors and City Officials, of Governors of States, Presidents, and the federated rights of eminent Leaders of Schools of Art, Thought, Education Religion and the like; in short exclude the Leading Men and Women of the Age from the management of the People's Institution to be represented by the People's eminent Leaders, it is for this reason that I am disposed to believe that City officials, State and national rulers, presidents of institutions heads of organizations conjointly with leading men and women, will each and all decidedly prefer a Federation to a Corporation. I trust that New Yorkers will not work for an inferior Worlds Fair, while a Superior Affair is being developed by the finer Spirit of the Age.

After my Circulars have been distributed, read and approved of as the embodiment of the best and most advanced and desirable ideal of a Worlds Fair eminently practicable I shall be glad to call to see you in behalf of the highest and finest interests of the People of Europe and America, soliciting your favor, co-operation, membership, as well as your ideals and the ideals of many others to be federated and brought into living conjunction, thus creating a Worlds Fair, wisely locating it and richly endowing it and making it a co-operative success in a way that never can be realized even by the richest and most influential corporation.

Yours Truly
J. Boyer, President of the
International and American Nations Exhibitions &c
under the name The Permanent Worlds Fair and its University
of Nations.

Signatures to Resolutions solicited to constitute the
Membership - List of ^{the} Permanent World's Fair
Federated Association of 10,000 members
more or less.

A RESOLUTION.

The Permanent World's Fair and Its University of Nations, Plan and Scope— For Its Representative Organization as a Federal Cosmopolitan Association.

In behalf of the People of Europe and America whose highest and most diversified Interests, Industries, Arts, Sciences, Religious Institutions, Cities, States, Provinces and Nationalities, are to be represented at their best in such Permanent World's Fair by their most eminent Leaders.

WHEREAS the New Movement for The Permanent World's Fair, in prospect, is the normal and healthy outcome of numerous co-operative facts in modern Civilization, tending toward Centralization, for the supreme advantages of broadly and finely organized ability and talent, organized efficiency and wisdom, relative to a finer commercial and national thrift and to a higher order of æsthetic, festive, social and national happiness, it is deemed eminently desirable, highly expedient and practicable, in conformity with the new requirements of the Age to establish a Cosmopolitan Exposition Federation, with a select membership of 5,000, or 10,000 Men and Women, as the universally recognized Leaders in every nation, representing the best elements, products, phases, institutions and societies of the inner and outer side of modern Civilization, and

WHEREAS the truest Cosmopolitanism is likewise the profoundest Patriotism whereby the Commonwealth of Nations, through and by such Federated World's Fair Association, realizes its highest complementary interests, and finest, æsthetic and social developments, bringing each Foreign and American Section of Nationality and of national Genius into vaster and richer account in and by such Federated and Represented Brotherhood of Nations, and

WHEREAS the Fundamental Idea of such World's Fair is the co-operation of the Fine, Liberal and Useful Arts, Inventions and Sciences; the demonstration of their practical Appliances; and the exhibition of the finest quality, product and creation of Genius as the Prize Winners Best, denoting the Federation of Architecture, Paintings, Sculpture, Design, Opera, Music, Poetry, Literature, Ethics, Religion and other fine and kindred phases of Civilization, based on commercial thrift on the philosophy of every day life, on moral science, on social economy and on the self-adjustment of the organized, federated practical Wisdom of the Age, wherein each phase and superior product of modern civilized life-gift and life-power is represented, centralized newly related and exhibited, at its best, in a way that each individual and particular Art, Section, phase, integrant part, life-gift and life-power shall naturally and normally attain its complementary and most pleasing perfection in living and healthy conjunction with all others, thereby meeting the new and the supreme requirements of the Age, demonstrating a Beautiful Necessity in modern existence as well as affording a richer provision for a finer humanity, and

WHEREAS such Permanent World's Fair Federated Association, embodying a Parliament of the World's Religions a Congress or University of Nations so eminently desirable, inevitable, and so singularly expressive of the desire, wish and will of the People, as a Cosmopolitan Institution; to be located in Central Park, New York City, in the form and figure of a Majestic Art Palace costing Fifty Million (\$50,000,000) Dollars, proving itself the Sublimated Utility and the crowning embellishment and value of such Park embodying a Group of American and Foreign Salons, and a Group of Free Art Academies, for the superior Art Work of the Future and for the finer free Art-Culture of the rising American Genius from every city, town and rural district, and as a Beneficent Institution, for and by the People, for the highest collective good of rich and poor, yet not too good for human nature's daily food, founded, inaugurated, established and maintained for and by the People, yet so as to be select, wise and superior representation, selected from every important department and Institution in Civilization, and

WHEREAS the favorable passage of a Bill, authorizing the establishment of such Permanent World's Fair encouraged by the Leading Men and Women of the Age, is the inauguration of the same, involving the collective co-operation of State and Federal Legislators, of the the Governor of New York State and of the President of the United States, thereby emphasizing their identification with the New Movement, entitling them, conjointly with the Leading Men and Women of the Age to associate and honorary membership in such Cosmopolitan Federation, therefore

(1.) BE IT RESOLVED that such Representatives of Government and State, of the Arts, Sciences, Religions, Public Institutions and of National and International Enterprises and Organizations, as the Leading Men and Women of the Age, constitute the desirable List of Distinguished Names to be enrolled for identification with the New Movement and for the preliminary and original Organization of the proposed Cosmopolitan Exposition Association.

Sec. 2 That such List of Names headed by the President of the United States, by the Governor of each State, by the Leader of each Party, School of Thought of Art and Science, by the Head of each Fraternal Order and Church, by the President of National and International Associations, Clubs, Institutions, Universities and all fine Industries, is a List of Names that expresses an election to associate, or honorary, or active Membership as may be preferred by the individual named in the enrollment and that collectively they constitute the Organizing Commission of and for the proposed Permanent World's Fair.

Sec. 3. That the Leading Men and Women first so nominated and elected to associate, honorary or active membership be encouraged to nominate a second person respectively belonging to their own department, party, trade profession, rank and station in life whereby a fair representation may be secured and a full, adequate number of Membership completed.

Sec. 4. That the influence, position and authority of the President of the United States eminently qualifies him for cosmopolitan co-operation, by and through Diplomacy and, therefore, is respectfully urged to invite all Nationalities to identify themselves with the New Movement toward Cosmopolitan Centralization and to participate in such Permanent World's Fair Festivity and to perfect their several Sections in such federated Art-Palace.

Sec. 5. That the Governor of each State, by message to Senate and Assembly, severally encourage State Representation.

That the Mayor of each large City encourage City Representation.

Sec. 7. That such Permanent World's Fair, federated Association deems it wise, to formulate and adopt a Federal Constitution that is flexible and pliable, with adequate By-Laws for an efficient self-government, for internal Legislation, for consistent and harmonious self-adjustment and readjustment, necessary to a body of comprehensiveists, of original and advanced Thinkers of growing intelligence and culture.

Sec. 8. That hereby such Benevolent Cosmopolitan Association affirms and emphasizes its object, that it is not for money-making but to develop a Beneficent Institution for the People, for the highest good to the largest number, for mutual aid, for charitable and festive purposes, for superior relationships in the co-operation of the Arts, Sciences, Professions and the like and that as an æsthetic benevolent Association shall have complete control of its own Federation Section relative to the æsthetic, intellectual, scientific, educational and religious side represented,— and for the carrying out of such high and laudable purposes, shall ally itself with a permanent body corporate, constituted and authorized, as a financial and modern expedient, as agent and factor, having jurisdiction in the finance of such Institution.

Sec. 9. That as promoters of the New Movement we deem it highly expedient that such World's Fair Association be authorized to organize at an early date, and necessary that the location for its Art-Palace be early fixed for double Cosmopolitan Advantage, gain and interest, in view of the fact, that at the beginning of the 20th century, the Paris World's Fair is to be held, where a goodly number of the Leading Men and Women of America (then already identified with the New Movement for the proposed World's Fair, of fine quality in New York City), will for that very reason, have a double object and all the greater stimulus to study and copy the very best and finest features of the Paris Exposition, and, on their return to America, with new, fresh and fine ideals embody the same in a Permanent Fair, as well as be all the better qualified to suggest a finer landscape embellishment for Central Park in the environments of the proposed Art Palace.

Sec. 10. That the Architectural and Art Societies of America be invited to identify themselves with the Building Commission and to invest their capital and federate their Art-Plans and Talents with the Cosmopolitan Exposition Association and conjointly with eminent Foreign Architects and Artists design a suitable and broadly representative Plan for the Art-Palace, embodying therein their own proposed American Salon, and as a federate American Art-League, construct, manage and control the details of their own Section (in such magnificent Art Temple) in harmonious conjunction with all others.

Sec. 11. That the State of New York and the Executive Department of the Federal Government be encouraged to construct the most prominent and conspicuous portion of the Edifice making their several Sections the nucleus for the other Sections to be federated and that the Federal Government and each State respectively determine the detailed characteristics of their own several Sections and manage the same in harmonious conjunction with all other American and Foreign Sections.

By the agreement of the promoters of the New Movement hereby undersigned, and their associates constituted a Body Corporate and federate to inaugurate, organize and establish the International and American National Fine, Liberal and Useful Art Exposition, under the name The Permanent World's Fair and its University of Nations.

L. Boyer

THE PERMANENT WORLD'S FAIR HEADQUARTERS: New York City.

No. 100

P. O. Gen. Del.

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BURR, COOMBS & WILSON,
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COUNSELLORS AT LAW,
No. 45 Broadway.

TELEPHONE NUMBER, "92 WILLIAMSBURCH."

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THEO. F. JACKSON,
COUNSEL.

Brooklyn, N. Y. June 10, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:

In behalf of the Estate of William K. Knapp, deceased, owner of land on the west side of Boulevard Lafayette, near 162nd St., I beg leave to remonstrate against the approval of the resolution of the Common Council directing the pavement of the said Boulevard with MacAdam pavement.

The road is now a good dirt road and better in that condition than it would be if repaved. The cost of repavement would be a heavy burden on property nearly all of which is unimproved, and it is not needed.

A sewer is now being constructed in front of our property which will impose a very heavy assessment on it, without being of the slightest benefit to it, as the land lies on the west of the Boulevard and descends abruptly to the River.

Very respectfully yours,

Theo. F. Jackson
Atty for Estate of W. K. Knapp

Re: Andrew N. Parker.

New York, 10th June, 1896.

Hon. Wm L. Strong,

Dear Sir,

Perhaps the following statement in regard to Andrew N. Parker may throw a little light upon the causes and motives for his recalcitrant conduct as a Commissioner

When, prior to the Campaign of 1894, he was posing as an Anti-Farm money man, the honest public official who in 1871 resigned a prominent position in the County Auditor Bureau to expose the Tweed Connolly Ring, called upon him. He gave A. N. Parker various information in regard to the continued corruption in the Finance Department implicating among others A. N. Green who received the Comptrollership from Connolly, by the bargain between the Tweed Connolly Ring, and Tilden and his associates. Mr Parker seemed to side with the Ex official and even proffered legal advice ^{free of charge} in regard to action against the successors of Connolly who were implicated. Not long after this Mr A. N. Parker was

appointed by A. M. Green Counsel to the so-called Greater New York Commissioners, and became also a Police Commissioner, holding it seems the two positions simultaneously.

It is publicly stated that Mr Parker was placed by Green Platt Lexow & Co as a Police Commissioner of the Greater Tammany, in case the Supplementary Bills longed for, had been passed and signed by Governorston. The intention was to supersede your appointments by men of their selection.

Now, whether the fact of Mr Parker's connection with the Green Platt Coterie has affected his action as a Commissioner is an unsolved question, who can tell?

It is quite evident that the City and the Citizens suffer from an unharmonious Police Board whose action is retarded by jealousy, discord, and open wrangling, or improper assumption of superior authority by one of them. Your Honor is quite right in desiring the resignation of one or more of the Boards.

c/o
J. D. Stearns
223 Murray Street -

Yours very Respectfully
Theodore Bourne

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"Telephone Call, 1701-18th Str."

NEW YORK, June 10th, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor, New York City.

My dear Sir:

The Empire State Society, Sons of the American Revolution, respectfully ask you to issue such an order as is usual for the display of the flag on the various public buildings of this City, on Monday June 15th, (as the 14th is Sunday) it being the anniversary of the adoption by the Continental Congress of the Stars and Stripes as the ensign of the nation.

This Society is induced to make this request, as it seems fitting that the day should be remembered, and a display of "Old Glory" is the most effective manner of celebrating the event, and this year it will have the additional significance of commemorating the anniversary of the appointment of George Washington to the command of the Continental Army.

On behalf of the Society,

I am very truly,

Your obedient servant,

Stephen M. Wright
State Secretary.

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New York Board of Fire Underwriters,

BUREAU OF SURVEYS,

MUTUAL LIFE BUILDING.
Room 710.

32 NASSAU STREET.

No. 7000

New York, January 10

This Certifies that the Electric equipment of the Edison Electric Illuminating Co. in premises No. Broadway City Hall Park this city, is in full compliance with the Standard requirements of this Board, adopted January 15, 1890 Inspector's report, dated December 16, 1890 and numbered 7037

No alterations to be made in the manner of said equipment without written permission from this Board.

Chas. Hausman
Superintendent.

To the City Hall.

New York, Jan. 9, 1890
See Endorsement on Report No. 7037
Present condition of Equipment approved.
Superintendent.

Present condition of the ...
Report for ...



VO 21661

Subject

The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. of New York.

STATIONS :
53-55-57 DUANE ST.
115-119 EAST 12TH ST.

General Offices, 53, 55, 57 Duane St.

STATIONS :
47-49-51 WEST 26TH ST.
117-119 WEST 30TH ST.
115-122 WEST 53RD ST.

New York, 10th June, 1896

City Hall,

City Hall Park, City.

Gentlemen :

We beg to hand you herewith the New York Board of Fire Underwriters' certificate approving the equipment of your premises for the use of electric current.

Please carefully file this certificate, as we shall require it for endorsement by the Underwriters before current can be turned on in case of future alteration or addition to installation.

That we may be assured of its safe delivery, will you kindly acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

THE EDISON ELECTRIC ILL'G CO.,

by *Arthur Williams*
General Inspector.

(Enclosure.)

CHEESMAN & CLARK,
ATTORNEYS AND COUNSELLORS AT LAW,
97 NASSAU STREET,

NEW YORK,

June 10 1896

Hon Mr L. Strong,

Dear Sir,

The 23rd Street
Baptist Church - 23rd St +
Lex Ave. wish to hold short
services of 15 minutes on the
street in front of the Church
Sunday and Wednesday
evenings - no disturbance will
be caused - the Church and its methods
being too well known in the neighborhood.

Will you kindly issue a
permit in either the Church
or my own name and return to
me, and greatly oblige,

Yours very truly
Francis W. Cheesman



ORGANIZED APRIL 4, 1894.

Marble Hill Property Owners' Association.

JOHN BRANDT,
President.

JOHN M. BROWN,
Vice-President.

GUSTAVE KUSH,
Secretary.

CHAS. MOEHL,
Treasurer.

Marble Hill, New York City, June 10th, 1896

Hon. William L. Strong, 
Mayor City of New York.

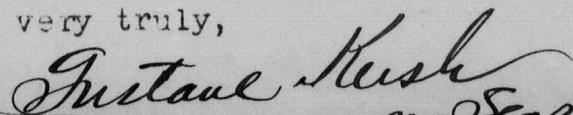
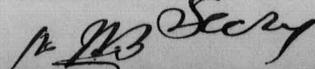
Sir:

At a meeting of the "Marble Hill Property Owners Association" held on Friday evening, June 5th, 1896, it was unanimously Resolved to strongly protest against the privilege proposed to be granted to Bicyclists to use the sidewalks on Kingsbridge Road or Broadway, as we understand a Resolution to that effect is pending before the Board of Aldermen.

This is the only flagged sidewalk in the vicinity of Kingsbridge and Marble Hill and is largely enjoyed by the ladies and children as a promenade between the Harlem Ship Canal and Inwood, by giving it over to Bicyclists it would endanger the lives of pedestrians, and our little ones or prevent them from using the only shady and pleasant walk they have these warm summer days.

We therefore respectfully request your Honor to disapprove of any such Resolution to give Bicyclists our sidewalks.

Yours very truly,


Marble Hill Kingsbridge N.Y.C. 

Grammar School No. 10.
117th St. ^{and} St. Nicholas Ave.
New York, June 11, 1896.

My dear Sir:

The enclosed circular explains itself; it is my earnest desire that you honor this occasion with your presence; it would be peculiarly fitting that you endorse personally so worthy a project, and beside it will give the Teachers of our city an opportunity to welcome you publicly and to show their deep appreciation of the courtesies you extended to them in the matter of the recent hearings.

I sincerely and anxiously hope for a favorable response, and promise that you will be escorted from your home to the hall and thence to any other

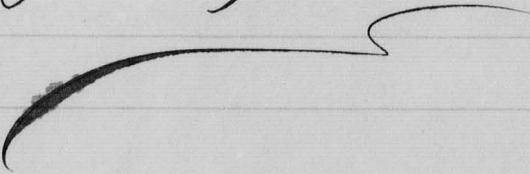
point where you may be due, with not
a moment's delay, even if you can spare
us but five minutes.

With very kindest remembrance,

Believe me,

Ever Gratefully Yours,

Wm. T. Nicholson



TO THE TEACHERS:

The **STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION** will meet in the city of **ROCHESTER**, in Annual Convention on Monday and Tuesday, July 6th and 7th, 1896.

The importance to educators of these annual gatherings has been repeatedly urged of late, and properly so; the bright minds of the Profession meet for the purposes of discussion and instruction, and in the interchange of ideas and experiences *all* are benefited.

In the half century of its existence the Association has *never* met in our city; the delegation from the Metropolis last year made a gallant effort to secure the Convention of '96, but the "Flour City" captured the prize.

This year we desire to attend in as large a body as possible, to the ends first, that our colleagues may enjoy the benefits of the many excellent papers not only at Rochester but in Buffalo, later in the same week at the Annual Convention of the National Educational Association; secondly, that those of our number who have never had the opportunity of visiting Niagara Falls, may do so, availing themselves of the low rates accorded by the Railroads and lastly, that we may secure for the Teachers of "**Greater New York**" the Annual Convention of the State Association of 1897.

We will offer the Grand Central Palace with all its facilities not only for Convention purposes but for an exhibit of School Work from every city in the State, beside the hospitality of our city to our confreres in the Profession.

To further these worthy projects

A Public Meeting of the Teachers

WILL BE HELD AT THE

GRAND CENTRAL PALACE,

43d to 44th STREETS, LEXINGTON AVENUE,

ON THE EVENING OF

FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH, 1896,

AT 8 o'clock.

The Mayor and President Maclay and his colleagues will be invited. Superintendent Jasper will address the meeting, and many prominent citizens will be in attendance.

Brooklyn also will be represented, and will give her support.

There will be music, and accommodations for 5,000 attendants.

For the State Teachers Association,

Committee of Arrangements,

Mr. HUGH P. O'NEIL,

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JNO. T. NICHOLSON,

Chairman of Committee.



Law Department.

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Second Assistant.

June 11th, 1896.

Hon. Wm. R. Strong,
New York City.,

Dear Sir:-

I noticed in yesterdays New York Herald, that you had vetoed a resolution of the Board of Aldermen of your city allowing bicycles the temporary use of the sidewalks in Kingsbridge road. We are in the midst of an agitation over the adoption of an ordinance excluding bicycles from the sidewalks and it would please me very much to receive a copy of your veto with any opinion on the subject that you may have received from the Law Department of the city.

Trusting that you may find it convenient to favor me with these papers in the near future, I am,

Very truly yours,

A. J. Rodenbeck
Corporation Counsel.

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Dated *666 Care my 29*

To *Mayer William J. Strong*
City Hall New York City

*Will you please act as treasurer for the
monetary benefit to be given at our theatre
Saturday June sixth in aid of the
families of those killed in the Stono
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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK,

FOUNDED A. D. 1768.

New-York,

June 4th, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayer etc.,

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Orr has requested me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date appealing for assistance for the people of East St Louis, and to state that he brought the matter to the attention of the Chamber at its meeting to-day and urged upon the members to make generous contributions to aid the sufferers.

Yours respectfully,

Geo. Wilson
Secretary.

Booth Dramatic Society,

CRITERION THEATRE,
FULTON STREET AND GRAND AVENUE.

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ARTHUR HOFFMAN, Secretary,
1115 Madison Street.

Brooklyn, June 4th, 1896.. 189

Hon. William F. Strong,
Mayor, City of New York.
Dear Sir:-

Understanding that you are about to appoint a committee of well known citizens to solicit subscriptions to aid the many unfortunates in St. Louis caused by the recent tornado which resulted with much loss to both life and property, and for the purpose of swelling the fund, offer to assist by the rendition of the famous play entitled "The Still Alarm". I enclose herewith a programme of the performance given by us under the auspices of the Brooklyn Fire Dept. a short time ago, (the object of which is fully explain therein) and realizing for the fund several thousand dollars. The affair was acknowledged by both press and public to be the finest affair given in this city. Mayor F.W. Wurster has witnessed several of our productions during the past season, and so thoroughly did he enjoy them, that I can refer you to him as to his opinion together with the newspaper critics regarding our work. In this production, an opportunity is afforded by the introduction of the New York Fire Dept. in the third act representing the Central Fire Alarm Station.

It occurs to the writer that by giving a performance such as the one in question under the auspices of a committee such as that you are about to select, would result in a grand success. The Grand Opera House or Academy of Music could be secured at little or no expense. The party who furnished the programme for the Brooklyn affair I am sure would be willing to make a like contract for such a worthy cause, and which alone would bring in several thousand dollars. Those taking part in the performance would only be too happy to offer their services free of cost. If the above is thought favorable of, it will be necessary that arrangements be perfected at once.

Awaiting your response, remain,
yours very respectfully,

Arthur Hoffman
Secretary

KOSTER & BIAL'S MUSIC HALL.

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BOX OFFICE STATEMENT.

Day *Sun*

Date *June 7th 1896*

WEATHER. *cloudy*

LOCATIONS	CAPACITY	RETURNED	SOLD	PRICE	AMOUNT
Boxes,	4			15 00	
"	28	Sold at		10 00	
"	18	\$50, \$25,		6 00	675.00
"	4	\$15, \$10.00		5 00	
"	4			4 00	
"	4			3 00	
Orchestra,	400 749	347	395	2 60	
"	219 225			4 00	
Balcony,	111 111	-	225	1 00	225.00
General Admissions,	1000	889	111	1 00	111.00
	218	215	3	1 00	3.00
Family Circle,	250	94	106	25	53.00
Box Seats,				2 00	
Exchanges,			22	1 00	22.00
"				75	-
"				50	-
"				25	-

Total, \$ 1879.00

Treasurer *Ernest Bial*

Boxes were sold as following:

8 Boxes @	50.00	-----	400.00	—
3 " "	25.00	-----	75.00	—
10 " "	15.00	-----	150.00	—
5 " "	10.00	-----	50.00	—

675.00

Cable Address "Kosterbial" New York

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Koster & Bial's Music Hall,

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Albert Bial, Manager

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New York,

June 8th. 189 6.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor "City of New York"

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed we beg to hand you checks amounting to \$1,879, being the gross receipts, as per statement herewith, of a performance given at our house last night for the benefit of the St. Louis Tornado sufferers.

Yours respectfully,

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Check- G. A. Vreeland,	\$4.-	✓
" -Max Loewenstein	6.-	✓
" -Geo. I. Roberts & Bros.	10.-	✓
" -Carl A. Schneible	12.-	✓
" -R. E. Moran	25.-	✓
" -N. Y. Daily News	50.-	✓
" -Isaac Fromme	50.-	✓
" -A. H. Hummel	50.-	✓
" -Della Fox	50.-	✓
" -J. J. Astor	50.-	✓
" -Peter Doelger	50.-	✓
" -Antonio Pastor	50.-	✓
" -Koster, Bial & Co.	1,472.-	✓
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	\$1,879.00	

MAYOR'S OFFICE

H. F. BADER,
MAYOR.

East St. Louis, Ill. June 11th, 1896.

Hon. W. L. Strong, Mayor,
New York,
N. Y.

My Dear Sir:--

Your favor of 9th inst. enclosing draft for \$1879.00, contribution made by Messrs. Koster and Bial for benefit Cyclone Sufferers of our City received. This contribution is very timely, and will assist materially in relieving the distress of our unfortunate citizens.

With assurance of my appreciation of yours and the Messrs. Koster and Bial's kindness,

I am,

Very truly yours,

H. F. Bader
Mayor.

Mrs E. Speer, Mead 126 E. 19
12th, 41 West Chestnut St,
June 12. 1896

Hon. Wm. M. Strong
Mayor re, Sir,

As you kindly invited
me to communicate with
you in matters relating to the
School work, I avail myself
of the opportunity to beg you
not to give to Mr. A. G.
Panderfel the position of In-
spector, which is left vacant
by the resignation of Mr.
Flacour. They have both been
for years Trustees in the

18th ward, as was also Mr. Hoffman whom you have appointed Inspector. I attended two or three meetings of these Trustees. Mr. Vanderpool was evidently the Board, no dissenting voice ever reached my ear. It during this time a very serious wrong was committed in the removal of Miss Gray, Principal of the Primary Dep. of No. 40, and Mr. Hoffman told me, within a month, that it was solely due to the influence

of Mr. Vanderpool's wife. I have no personal acquaintance with any of these school officers but we cannot fail to see that any man who will be a party to the "retirement" of a (valuable) teacher for personal reasons, without evidence of incapacity on her part, is likely to be unfit to meet the serious responsibilities of this position. I grant that these Trustees have kept their school buildings in the main in good condition, but I believe that is chiefly due to Mr. Flaccus

who by arrangement had special
charge of such work. More
than this, Mr. Vanderpool told
me himself of a certain teacher
to whom I objected, that he
had been there a great many
years and was never fit for
the place, yet he had not
had him removed, although
that was the defined duty of
Trustees. He has been a Trust-
tee ten years or more I have
been told.

Again I wrote to Mr. Van-
derpool as Ch^r of the Board
about what I thought an

Answer

STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
ALBANY.

June 12th, 1896.

Governor Morton directs me to convey to you his invitation to dine, with him and your colleagues of the Greater New York Commission, on the evening of Friday, June 19th, at "Ellerslie", Rhinecliff, and to say that it will afford him great pleasure to have your company upon that occasion. It will gratify him also if you can pass the night at Ellerslie.

The train for Rhinecliff leaves New York, Grand Central Station, at 3:30 P. M., arriving at 5:58 P. M.

Very respectfully,

Ashley W. Cole

Private Secretary.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor's Office, N. Y. City.

BALLINGTON BOOTH
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.



Telephone No. 1711, 18th St.
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The Volunteers

OF AMERICA.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS: UNION SQUARE AND E. 16TH STREET,

New York City, ~~June 12th, 1896,~~ 189

Mayor Strong,

City Hall, New York City.

Honored Sir:

We should esteem it a great favor if you would grant to the bearer of this letter, Lieutenant Rehberg, who is an officer in the "Volunteer's", a permit to conduct open-air services in connection with her meeting place which is on the corner of 123 rd Street and 3rd Avenue.

Believe me to be,

Yours faithfully in a righteous cause

A large, flowing handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "B. Booth". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping underline that extends across the width of the page.

Res. N.Y. Board of Aldermen
vs
Andrew N. Green. --- } New York 12 June 1896

Hon Wm L Strong

Dear Sir,

With this please find a copy of a Resolution of the N.Y. Board of Aldermen directing that legal proceedings be taken to recover from Andrew N. Green large sums of Public moneys which the Commissioners of Accounts charged he had taken "illegally and corruptly" from the City's funds. The question occurs did he ever refund to the City the amounts specified and required by the Resolution?

May I respectfully suggest that you will ascertain the facts of the case, by some reliable person making examination of the original minutes and records in the case; Report of the Commissioners etc. of the dates mentioned; the total of the amounts abstracted "illegally and corruptly" by Mr Green the report of the Law Committee, and whether the sum due the City was returned by Mr Green? If he is still debtor to the City for the amounts abstracted, he will have to refund, with interest added

· nearly \$300,000.00/100

This he should do before occupying a seat in the Consolidation Commission, if indeed he is eligible, (after such betrayal of trust confided to him by the City,) to be a member of the Commission at all - most likely he is not

I forward the statement of the action of the Aldermen, to you as the Mayor of New York, and also, because of your official position as the leading member of the Commission, representing the largest constituency and the greatest interests in the complication, that you may take action ^{to recover} to the City an amount quite acceptable to the City Treasury, if not paid.

I am,

c/o J. D. Stetson
23 Murray Street

Yours very Respectfully,

Theodore Bourne

Secy of Citizens Investigating
Committee of 1894

June 12th 1896

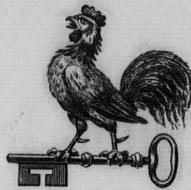
To the Hon. Wm L. Strong
Esq Mayor of the city and
the County of New York

Dear Sir

I most respectfully
inform you that the
same confusion is con-
tinued at the market
Saturday night with one
this troublesome fiddler
can see to find space
to stand some other part
of the market he has
his wagon in the street
I am standing on the
sidewalk he and his

family interrupts my trade
by insulting my customers
I am urged to apply
to you for legal
attendance if you
please I may inform
you that the Market
Policeman will not
see to me the saying
is the policeman wants
me to speak for my-
self and then he will
arrest me for disturbance
anything to get ahead of
the blind prositant
if you may oblige me

I Remain Yours Truly
Lemuel R. Graham
of 114 Goynick st
New York



New York, June 12th, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of New York City.

My dear Mr. Strong:-

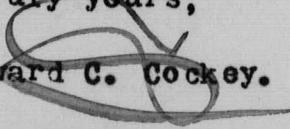
I live in 127th St. I find that 126th St. and 128th St. are both paved with asphalt, therefore, we, the residents of 127th St. are sandwiched in between two beautiful streets.

I am not from Ohio and therefore do not want the earth, but would like to have 127th St. asphalted, so that we of nervous temperaments, being light sleepers shall not be disturbed by the constant heavy traffic over the street, that occurs during the night time.

Most of this traffic is of beer wagons, which I know from personal observation is not in your line. Like myself you keep to good straight whiskey, and in consequence have a keen memory, a fresh head, and a hearty stomach next morning, no matter what the night may have produced.

Is it possible for you to interview Gen. Collis to such an extent as to secure for us a change in the pavement? If so, be assured that we will be yours until death, and that for whatever office you may run, I promise to use all my exertions to secure your election, believing in an honest administration of the office, and the election of men who are conscientious in the discharge of their duties without regard to party behests or whips.

Very truly yours,


Edward C. Cockey.

TAKE A CUP OF WHISKEY-TEA WITH ME MR. MAYOR.

E. C. P.

130 Pearl Street,
New York, June 13th 1896.

The Hon. The Mayor of New York City,
City Hall.

Sir:--

I beg to submit the following statement regarding the action on Thursday lastm the 11th inst. of the Board for the Improvement of Park Avenue from 106th Street to Harlem River in the matter of contracting for Asphalt Mastic to be placed in the troughs of the iron Viaduct Structure now being erected under the auspices of the said Board.

I am engaged in the business of handling paving materials and doing such work and have an extended experience and good reputation, so I obtained copies of the specifications from the Clerk of the Board and after a very careful estimate of cost, including several hours spent in a personal inspection of the structure and after actually mixing and laying a sample of the mastic and after obtaining prices of the various materials required I found that I could carry out the contract at a reasonable profit at a price of 7-19/100 cents per square foot and I made my bid accordingly at that figure and handed it in in due time as required by the Advertisement.

With reference to a clause in the specifications that plans were to be attached to the bids and specifications, I desire to state in passing that blue prints only (and not ^{WSP} plans) furnished to intending bidders by the clerk of the Board and although it was

an unheard of provision that plans be attached to proposals and in this case was ignored by fourteen of the fifteen bidders yet desiring it to be right, I inquired of the clerk of the Board and was informed by him that it was unnecessary to attach blue prints to bids. As a matter of fact the plans were referred to in the specifications and made part of the latter.

On the opening of the bids which ranged from 22 cents to 7-19/100 cents per square foot, my estimate was found to be the lowest and about 50% below the next lowest bidder.

The bids were referred to the President of the Board for investigation and report.

I heard nothing from the President until Wednesday last when in response to my message by telephone, offering to call on him and supply him any information he desired as to my ability to complete the contract satisfactorily, he allowed me the privilege of calling at the office of the Board and talking with him.

In reply to his statement that from his investigation he believed that my bid was below cost, I assured him that I could do the work at any bid price and submitted detailed figures in support of my claim.

The following day, Thursday the 11th inst., I attended at the meeting of the Board and informed the clerk and one of the Commissioners that I was ready to demonstrate my ability to comply with all requirements of the contract to the letter and was anxious

to answer any questions of any member to their satisfaction. I submitted a sample and stated that I was ready to give the bond required. The Board went into execution session and without any justification whatever passed a resolution so the President subsequently informed me authorizing the Engineer to prepare a contract for the work with the bidder whose offer was \$6000. in excess of my own.

I am ready to substantiate the foregoing as to the principal points by competent witnesses and am ready to make a sworn statement as to the truth of every allegation herein contained. I am anxious for an opportunity to present full facts to you in presence of those members of this Board who voted in favor of the above resolution.

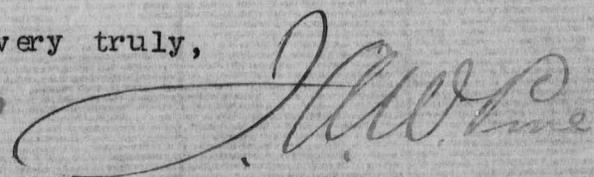
I request you in the interest of the City and in the interest of right to demand a satisfactory explanation or a reconsideration of the above action on the part of this Board.

If it should be claimed now that the failure to attach a blue print was justification for throwing away a large sum of money I will say I understand that the question was never raised by the Board until the bidder who was next above me pointed out the trivial technicality to the Board.

Respectfully requesting your consideration,

I remain,

Yours very truly,



JUDSON LAWSON,
No. 798 West End Avenue,
CORNER 104TH STREET,

New York, June 13, 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of N. Y.
Dear Sir:

I write you, as a member of the committee for selecting a site for the erection of a sailors and soldiers monument, to offer a suggestion.

Do you not think that the south end of Riverside Drive and 73rd ~~St.~~ ^{St.} would be more appropriate a place for this monument, than at 73rd and 5th Ave? for it will not be long before that part of

JUDSON LAWSON,
No. 798 West End Avenue,
CORNER 104TH STREET,

New York, 189

city will be supplanted
with 15 and 20 story
buildings, which would
hide the monument
entirely.

Trusting that this
suggestion will meet your
favorable approbation, I
remain,

Very truly yours,
Judson Lawson

No. _____

L New York

MAY 25 1896

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Mayor's Committee on Public Baths etc

TO MARTIN B. BROWN, Dr.

Printer, Stationer & Blank Book Manufacturer,

49 and 51 PARK PLACE.

6634	g	1000 Lithographed Letter Heads	16	✓	
5	"	1000 Printed Envelopes	7	✓	
6	"	1 Electrotpe of N.Y. City Seal	25		
8	"	250 Plain Letter Sheets	2	✓	
5402	H	500 Plain Letter Sheets	4	✓	
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*ok.
T. J. Tolman
Secy of Mayor's
Committee*



New York, May 29 1896

The Commissioner of Public Works, New York City
To George Hughes & Co., Dr.

Successors to Palmer & Hughes,

Job Printers,

60, 62 & 64 Bible House, Astor Place.

May 13	2500	Wedding Bristol Cards & printing name	1300
	2500	" " Envelopes " " "	1450

The Mayor & Commissioner of Public Works
of the City of New York

\$ 2750

ok.
J. H. Tomman
Secy. Committee
Mayor's Public Works
Thanks

Received Payment,
GEORGE HUGHES & CO.,

Per... R. Lenz

JOSEPH MORROW,
155 E. 76TH STR.,
NEW YORK CITY

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New York June 13th 1896

M. Commissioner of Public Works

New York City

To Joseph Morrow Esq.

Issued

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May 27

To Exhibition of Slides for Lecture
on Public Baths given in Aldermanic
Chamber City Hall. at 4 P.M.

\$ 10.00

at
First Tolman Secty
Mayor's Committee
Public Baths

WITH THANKS
Joseph Morrow
March 13th 1897

JOSEPH MORROW,
155 EAST 76TH STR.,
NEW YORK CITY.

155 E. 76th St

New York June 13th 1896

Mr. Commissioner of Public Works

New York City

To Joseph Morrow Dr.

For

96/	May 23	To 40 Negatives from Photos and Prints of Public Baths	30	✓	12 00
"	"	" 40 Slides from Same to illustrate D. Colman's Lecture	30	✓	12 00
					<u>24 00</u>

ok.
Mrs. Colman
City Mayor's
Committee on Public Baths

With Thanks
Joseph Morrow

March 15th 1894

REEVES, TODD & SWAIN,
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS AT LAW,
55 LIBERTY STREET,
ALFRED G. REEVES.
AMBROSE G. TODD.
HAROLD SWAIN.
NEW YORK.

June 13th, 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor, City Hall,
N.Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

A number of our clients being residents and property owners in the vicinity of 117th Street and Lenox Avenue, have retained us to oppose an application for an amusement license which has either been made or will hereafter be made to you, affecting premises on the southeast corner of said street and avenue.

We therefore, respectfully request to be heard in opposition to the matter before a decision is rendered, and will esteem it a great favor if you will be kind enough to notify us when such a hearing may be had.

Yours with respect,

Reeves, Todd & Swain,
Jes H. R.