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Police Department

1913, Nov. 14-29

November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Inspector Commanding First District, with reference to letter signed "A citizen", complaining of alleged disorderly house at 103 Third Avenue; forwarded from your office September 25th.

Original letter of complaint is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**CITY OF NEW YORK**

REC'D 1ST. DEPUTY

FIRST INSPECTION DISTRICT.

N. Y. November 7th, 1913.

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The POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(Through Official Channels).

S I R :

Re anonymous complaint relative to
alleged disorderly house at premi-
ses No. 103 Third Avenue. Forwarded
by His Honor, The Mayor.

Immediately upon receipt of this communication it was
referred to the members of the Force assigned to duty in this
district for investigation.

Patrolman Thomas F. Kelly, Shield No. 10008, 1st Dis-
trict, reports that the premises complained of is located on the
fourth floor of a five story and basement brick tenement house,
and is at present unoccupied, the former tenant Edna White hav-
ing vacated the premises on or about October 15th, 1913. This
place was kept under surveillance since receipt of communication,
but to date, no violations of law have been observed thereat.

However, Continued attention will be given this matter
by the members of the Force of this district, and if any viola-
tions of law are observed thereat, prompt and proper police ac-
tion will be taken.

The identity of the writer could not be ascertained.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,

Thomas Myers
Inspector First District.

N. Y. Nov. 7th, 1913.

Myers, Thomas
Inspector First District.

Report rel. to complaint of
alleged disorderly house at
premises No. 103 Third Ave.

City Sept. 25/13

To His Honor

The Mayor

Dear Sir

A woman named White
occupies ^{12 45 PM} 2 rooms 4th floor
#103 - 3rd are She receives male
calls to the # of 30 or 50 every
day and on Saturday night
and Sunday many more.
Cannot something be done
to stop this as quite a
number of respectable people
and young children live
here, who cannot feel to
see the conditions. I had
already written the late
Mayor just before he

left for Europe ..

Please see that some action
is taken in this matter.

I am Sincerely & Respectfully
a Citizen

I do not sign my name
as this woman is not
friendly terms with a
bad gang of loafers
and I fear for myself
& family

November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Lieutenant Commanding Special Squad No. 3, with reference to letter of Huberth and Huberth, complaining of gangsters in their neighborhood; forwarded from your office October 28th.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
SPECIAL SQUAD

November 12th 1913.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER:-

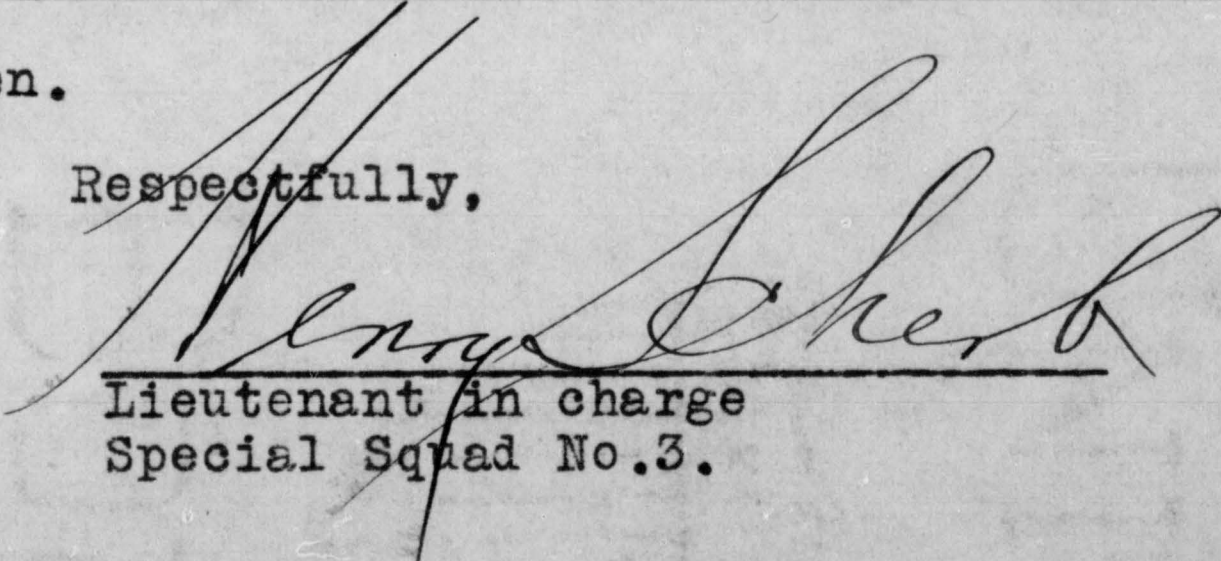
Re-Communication from
Huberth & Huberth of No.253 West 58th Street, relative to disorderly gang in vicinity of No.1889 First Avenue.

I have the honor to report that the locality complained of has been kept under close observation at irregular hours of the day and night since receipt of complaint by the members of this SQUAD, and during these periods of observation, nothing was observed that would justify police action, except that on one occasion a number of boys were observed congregated in front of the premises complained, who were conducting themselves in an orderly manner, and who were warned by the officers against the continuance of this practice.

The janitor of these premises on a subsequent visit was interviewed, who stated that since the above warning she had experience no further annoyance, and that the nuisance complained of had abated.

The complainants, Huberth & Huberth, were interviewed and informed of action taken.

Respectfully,


Lieutenant in charge
Special Squad No.3.

HUBERTH & HUBERTH

REAL ESTATE & INSURANCE

NEW YORK AMERICAN BUILDING

253 WEST 58TH STREET

NEW YORK

TELEPHONES 9364
9365 COLUMBUS

October 27", 1913.

Hon. Adolph L. Kline,
City Hall,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

We are the agents for the owner of #1889 First Avenue which house he was forced to take over recently in a foreclosure proceeding due to the deterioration of the neighborhood on account of the intimidation of tenants occupying the house by the gangsters that have for the past year or so infested this section. We have repeatedly appealed to the police for relief of this condition, but instead of the matter getting better, it has gradually grown worse.

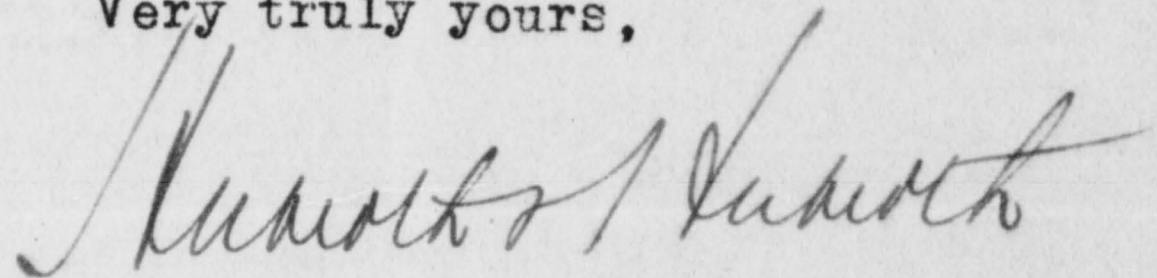
The store of this building is occupied by the Street Cleaning Department, and they too have had a great deal of trouble with these gangsters. Last week one day these same gangsters broke into this store, stole about \$50 worth of rubber boots, considerable of the men's clothing, took the shields off of the coats, maliciously destroyed the helmets and threw them in a corner and stole several of the nozzles which we understand cost considerable. Seven bullets were put through the plate glass windows.

It seems to us as though matters have come to a sorry pass, and it reminds one of reading what happened years ago in

A.L.K.

the rough border mining towns. The owner of this property is compelled to pay taxes, and one of the reasons that he pays taxes is that he ^{ought to} get police protection, which in this neighborhood we are not getting. We are willing to aid in every way to bring about order in this neighborhood, and ask that something be done immediately to relieve us of a situation that is becoming positively appalling, and which shortly will mean the confiscation of this property.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Samuel J. Smith".

MFH/MEF

OFFICE OF THE
POLICE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Detective Division, relative to communication of Mrs. Lydia B. Albin, Mechanicsburg, Pa., forwarded from your office with letter of October 30th, requesting location of her son.

Original letter from Mrs. Albin is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Detective *LDW*

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Serial

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File No.

1069

Officer

Mcayhams 41

Mechanicsburg, Oct. 28/13.

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AD. DEPUTY
MISSIONER

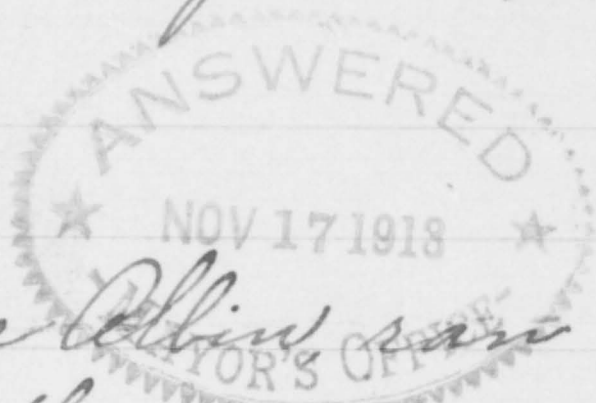
City Mayor

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N. Y. City.

NEW YORK

My son, Wayne Edwin, ran away from home three weeks ago. I had a letter from him two weeks ago, stating that he was in N. Y. City, working for a rich man, but fails to give his address, what his work is or who he is working for. His father died three years ago and he is my only child, and being only 13 yrs. old I feel very anxious about him. His letter was postmarked Sta. F. He wrote to the police of Sta. F., sent his photo. and gave his description but have had no reply. If we do not hear from him soon again



RECEIVED
DETECTIVE BUREAU, N. Y. CITY
CORRESPONDENCE ROOM
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POLICE DEPT.

or he does not come home, we
will have to hunt him up.
Let us know what would be
the best thing to do, and if
a detective is employed what
the cost would be. Please do
all you can for us and oblige
his anxious mother.

Cordially yours,
Mrs. Lydia B. Albin
* 318 S. Frederick St.,
Mechanicsburg, Pa.
Cumb. Co.

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK**

November 11th, 1913.

COMMANDING OFFICER,
Detective Division.

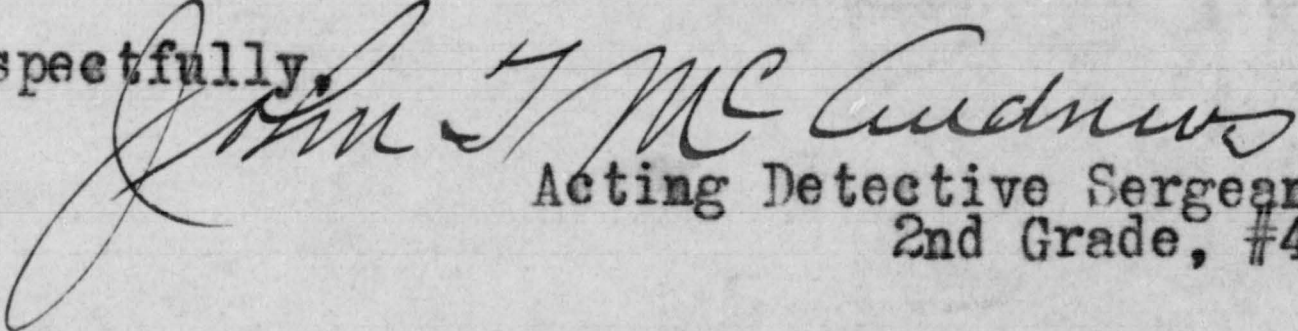
Sir:

Relative to communication MPS 1069, would respectfully submit the following report;

Located WAYNE ALBIN at the Children's Aid Society Lodging House, 225 West 35th Street.

He was placed in the custody of the Society For The Prevention Of Cruelty To Children, 23d Street & 4th Avenue to await the arrival of his mother, Mrs. Lydia A. Albin, 318 South Frederick Street, Mechanicsburg, Pa., who was notified by telegram through the Chief of Police of said City.

Respectfully,


Acting Detective Sergeant;
2nd Grade, #41.

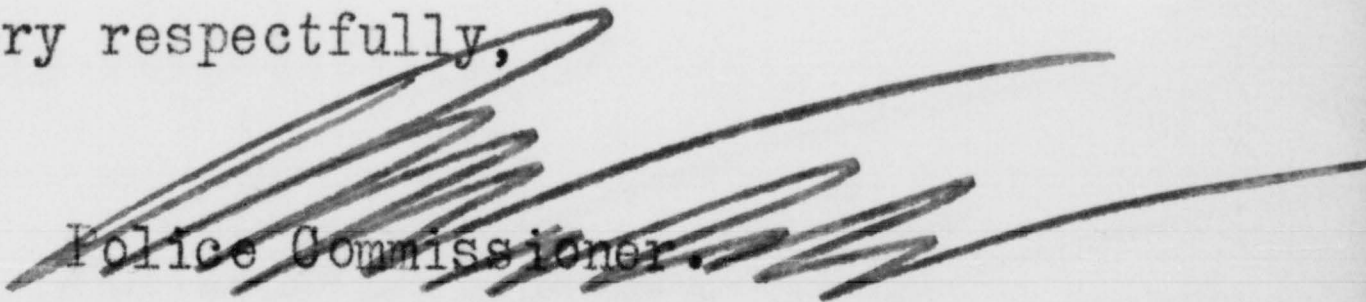
OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit
herewith report of the Inspector Com-
manding First District, with reference
to complaint of the Rev. Father Currie
regarding police protection in his
neighborhood; forwarded from your of-
fice November 3d.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**CITY OF NEW YORK****FIRST INSPECTION DISTRICT.**

REC'D 1ST. DEPUTY

NOV 11 9 22 AM 1913

N. Y. November 7th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(Through Official Channels).

S I R :

Re communication from Rev. Father Curry, St James Church, James St near Madison St, rel. to inadequate police protection at night in the vicinity of Oliver, James & Madison Streets, New York City. Forwarded by His Honor, The Mayor.

Immediately upon receipt of this communication it was referred to the Commanding Officer of the 5th Precinct for investigation.

He reports that the vicinity mentioned is well policed, the members of the Force performing duty thereat are sufficient to afford necessary protection.

The complainant Reverend Father Curry was personally interviewed by the Commanding Officer of the 5th Precinct and stated that it was his desire to have more policemen stationed in the vicinity on Election Evening, November 4th, 1913, only, as he had been informed trouble was expected thereat; that he was satisfied this locality was well policed and had made no request for additional policemen other than as requested for November 4th, 1913.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,

Thomas Myers
Inspector First District.

N. Y. November 7th, 1913.

MYERS, THOMAS

Inspector First District.

Report rel. to complaint of
inadequate police protection
at night, in vic. of Oliver,
James & Madison Streets.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

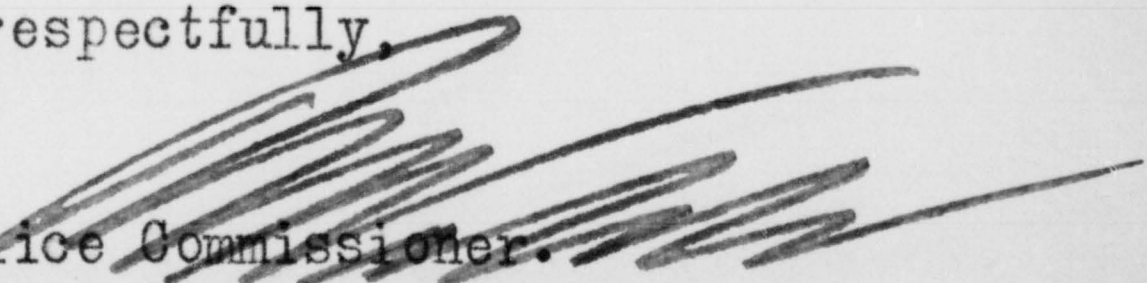
Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Lieutenant Commanding Special Squad No. 3, with reference to letter signed Mrs. Hanley, complaining of saloon at 92d Street and Dahlgren Place, Fort Hamilton; forwarded from your office August 7th, 1913.

Original letter of complaint is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
SPECIAL SQUAD

November 6th 1913.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER:-

Re-Communication from
Mrs. Hanley, forwarded by "HIS HONOR THE MAYOR", relative to
excise violation and disorderly house, saloon, 92nd Street and
Dahlgreen Place, Fort Hamilton.

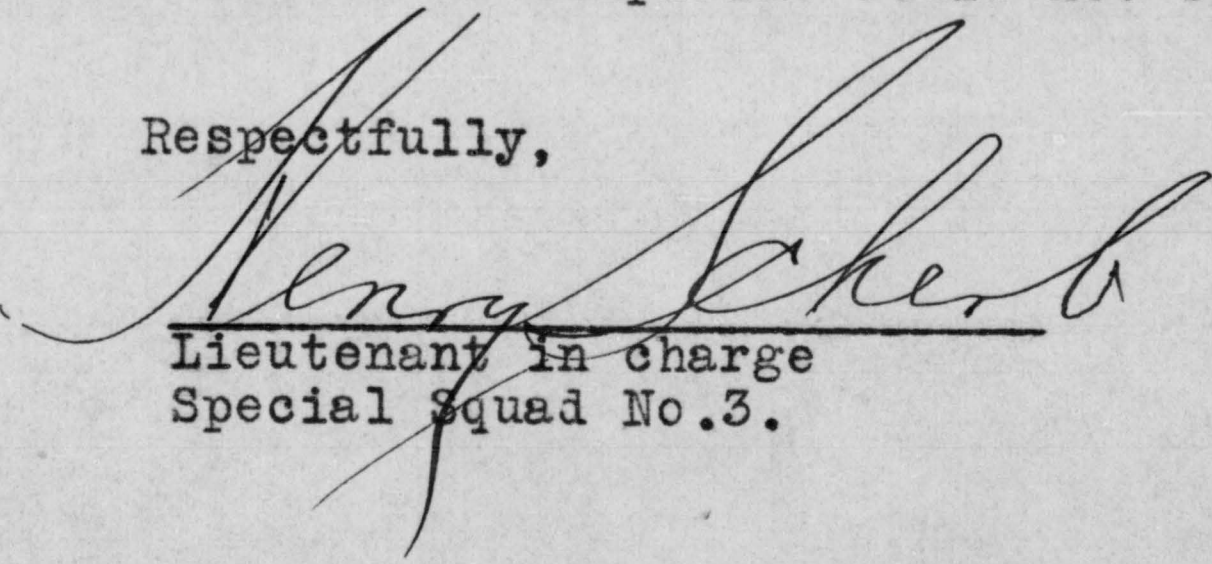
I have the honor to report that Patrolmen Michael
C. Erb, Shield No. 1166 and Robert H. Miller, Shield No. 7653,
were assigned to investigate the attached complaint, who re-
port that the premises complained of is a Hotel, operated
under Liquor Tax Certificate No. 7842, issued to one Kate
Clough, and is located at the N.E. corner of 92nd Street and
Dahlgreen Place, Fort Hamilton.

They further report that in compliance with your
permission and directions they entered these premises at
6.45 P.M., Sunday, November 2nd 1913, and obtained the neces-
sary legal evidence of violation of the Liquor Tax Law, (Selling
to officers two glasses of lager beer). Proper affidavits were
formulated and a warrant obtained from Chief Magistrate Kemptner
for the arrest of the defendant in this case which will be
executed as soon as the defendant is located.

In addition to the above they further state that they
have kept these premises under observation between the hours
of 6.00 and 9.00 A.M., on several occasions, during which time
no liquors were observed being sold to minors, as alleged by
complainant.

Writer of attached letter of complaint could not be
located.

Respectfully,


Lieutenant in charge
Special Squad No. 3.

Aug 6 1913

Honorable Mayor
Sir:

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I beg leave to inform you
of a law which is being violated by a
saloon owned by a Mrs Kate Blough
92 St + Dahlgren Pl. Fort Hamilton,
Liquor is being sold to minors between
the hours of 6 + 9 a.m. This place is also
run as a disorderly house, liquors + beer
being sold openly on Sundays and the
noise from within is disgraceful.

Hoping you will look into the matter
and save our children a terrible disgrace
and thanking you in advance

Yours Respectfully
Mrs Hanley

Fort Hamilton

OFFICE OF
THE POLICE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Lieutenant Commanding Special Squad No. 3, with reference to letter signed A. Lamont, complaining of alleged disorderly saloon at 7th Avenue and 25th Street; forwarded from your office October 30th.

Original letter of complaint is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Sept. 27. 1913

Mr Mayor

I am surprised at what I saw last week. The vilest place in the City I think. I was looking for a wayward friend from home and was told she frequented a saloon on 7th Ave. and 25 St. what I saw I cannot describe in a letter. there were young

girls smoking cigarets at
3 or 4, belock in the
mornng. the language
they used was something
shocking. They make their
living in this place and
have for years. now please
Mr Mayor do something the
place is open all night long
a jew runs the place

Respectively
R Lamont

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
SPECIAL SQUAD

November 6th 1913.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER:-

Re-Letter of A. Lamont,
forwarded by "HIS HONOR THE MAYOR", relative to disorderly house
at 7th Avenue and 25th Street.

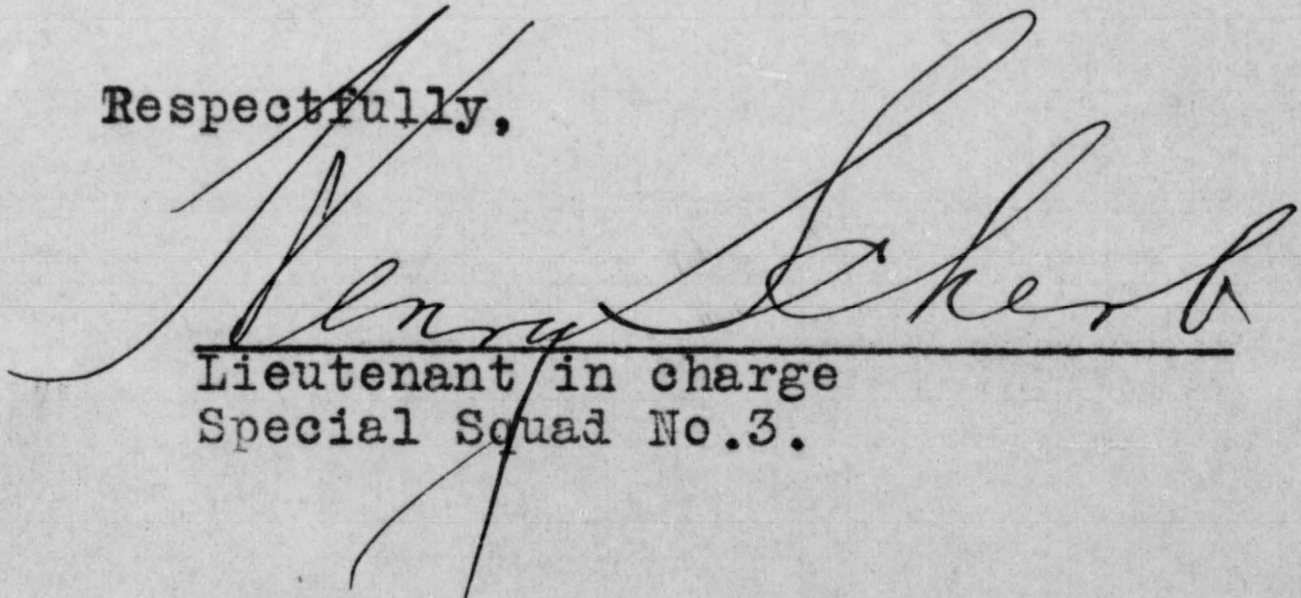
I have the honor to report that Patrolmen Michael C. Erb, Shield No.1166 and Robert H. Miller, Shield No.7653, were assigned to investigate the attached complaint, who report that the premises complained of is a Licensed Liquor Saloon, known as the "Imperial Cafe", and is located on the ground floor of premises No.262 Seventh Avenue, N.W. corner of 25th Street and 7th Avenue.

They further report that in compliance with your permission and directions they entered this saloon at 1.45 P.M. Sunday, November 2nd 1913, and obtained the necessary legal evidence of violations of the Liquor Tax Law, (Selling to officers two glasses of lager beer). Proper affidavits were formulated and a warrant obtained from Chief Magistrate McAdoo for the arrest of the bartender, who will be apprehended when located.

While obtaining the above evidence and on subsequent visits to this saloon for the purpose of executing the warrant, no women were seen in this saloon, nor were any other conditions observed that would warrant police action.

The writer of attached letter of complaint could not be located.

Respectfully,


Lieutenant in charge
Special Squad No.3.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

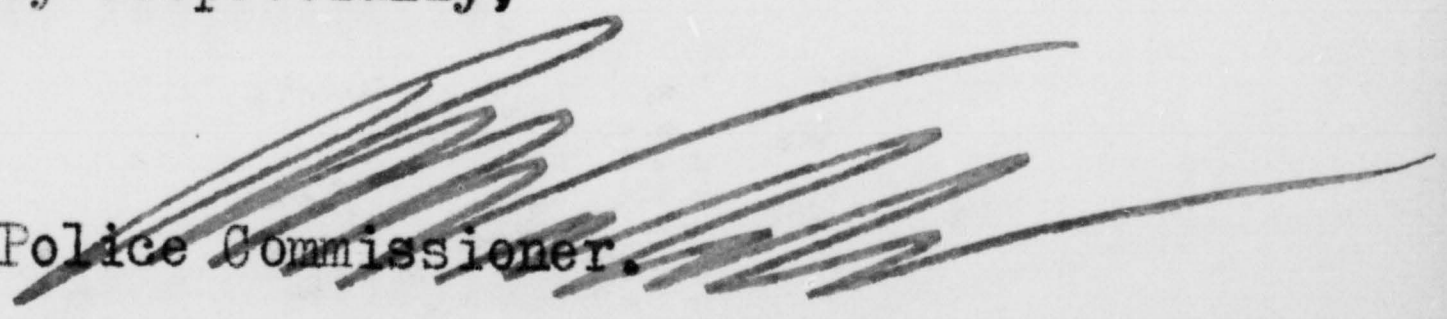
Hon. Adolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Inspector commanding the Fifth Inspection District, relative to communication signed "Adolph Wilmerding," forwarded from your office with letter of September 23rd, with reference to alleged illegal resorts in East 84th, 83rd, 82nd and 81st Streets.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

New York Sept 17/13.

Dear Sir,

wishing you a most
Successful administration, I desire to have
you close the following illegal resorts.

Nos 233 East 84 St.

" 307-311 E. 83 St.

" 358 East 82 St.

" 227 East 81 St.

and there are several other suspicious
places which the police must know about.
A report from this precinct should
confirm the above existing places.
All night Cabaret and orchestra music
is played in the 2^d Avenue restaurants and
this formerly respectable locality, is now
very vicious - please close these places

East 84 St.

Respectfully yours
Adolph Wilmerding.

5th Inspection District Office.

October 23, 1933.

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(through official channels)

S I R :

The attached complaint signed Adolph Wilmerding, alleging illegal resorts in the 35th Precinct, has been investigated and I have the honor to report.

233 East 84th Street is a five story tenement with a Weiss Beer saloon on the ground floor conducted by Louise Miller.

307 East 83rd Street is a five story tenement with a Weiss Beer saloon on the ground floor conducted by Mrs. Newman.

311 East 83rd Street is a three story tenement with a pool parlor and lunch room in the basement, conducted by Fritz Wohsner.

355 East 82nd Street is a five story tenement with a vacant store on the ground floor.

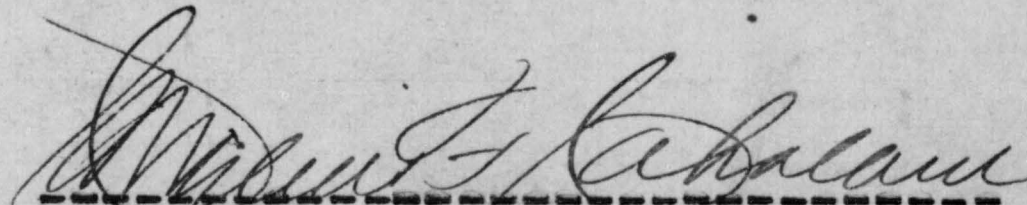
227 East 81st Street is a five story tenement with a Weiss Beer saloon on the ground floor conducted by Mary Schaefer.

The above mentioned places as well as a number of Hungarian Restaurants located in the 35th Precinct have been closely watched by the police of the 35th Precinct and frequently visited at uncertain hours of the day and night by plain clothes patrolmen assigned to duty in this district but up to the present time no evidence of violations of the law could be obtained. The surveillance will be continued and prompt action taken if the law is found to be violated.

Effort was made to locate the writer but without success.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,


Inspector 5th District.

October 23, 1913.

Cahalane. Cornelius E.
Inspector 5th District.

Reports re. dis. houses in the
35th Precinct.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK

Office of the 5th. Inspection District.

New York, November 11th 1913

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER,

(Through Official Channels)

Sir--.

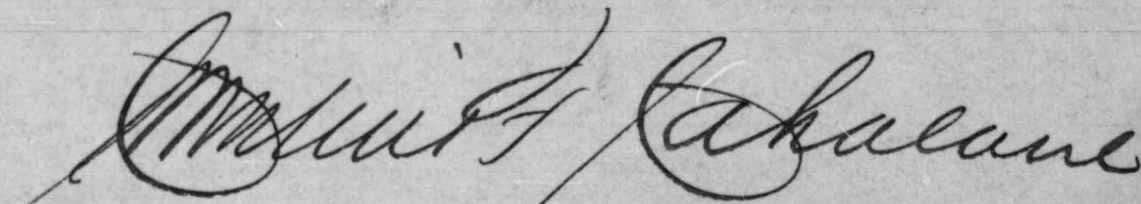
Supplemental to report of October 23rd 1913, with regard to premises mentioned in attached complaint, I have the honor to submit that I have personally visited and inspected each of the places mentioned and which are conducted as Weiss Bier Stubes and are frequented by Hungarians in this section, as well as the men assigned to duty in the 5th Inspection District.

To date nothing was observed that would constitute a violation of law. Most of the places mentioned have females engaged as waitresses and if prostitution is carried on, as a rule it is not practiced in the building and must be done by appointment with the female who meet in some other place than in the premises.

From my observation the premises mentioned are being conducted in an orderly manner. Men attached to this district are constantly visiting the premises for the purpose of obtaining the necessary legal evidence.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,


Inspector, 5th. District.

New York, November 11th 1913

CAHALANE, Cornelius F

Inspector, 5th. District.

Report relative to Weiss Bier
Stubbs mentioned in attached
complaint.

OFFICE OF
THE POLICE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
New York City.

S i r:

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of report made by the Lieutenant commanding Special Squad No. 3 in regard to anonymous communication, forwarded with letter from your office on November 1st, complaining of Excise violation at southeast corner of 159th Street and Amsterdam Avenue.

Herewith I return original letter of complaint.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF NEW YORK

SPECIAL SQUAD

November 13th 1913.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER:-

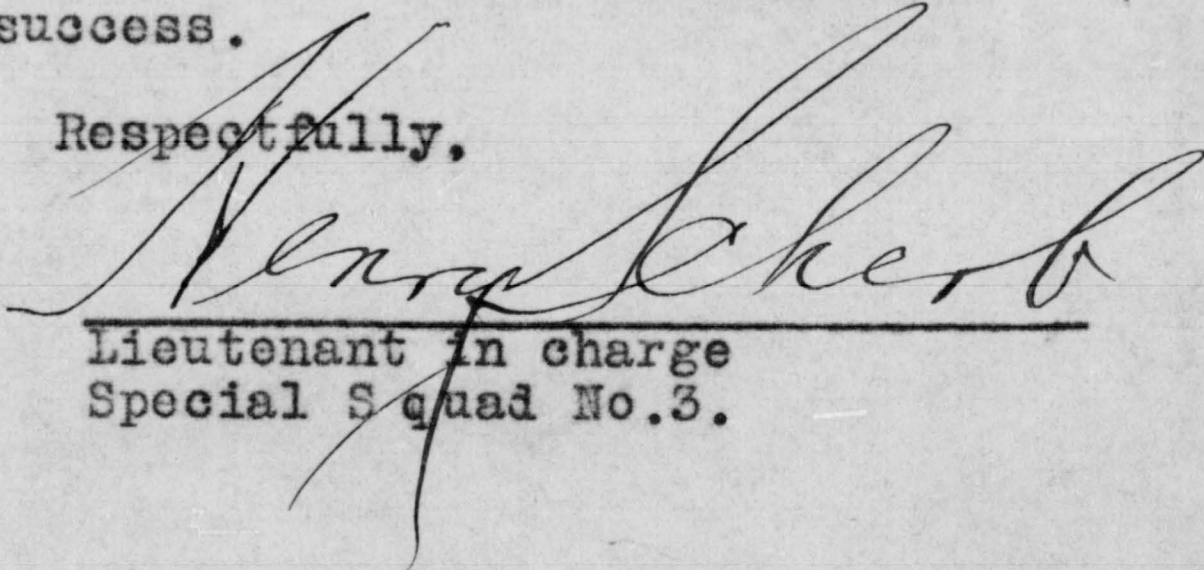
Re-Anonymous communication forwarded by "HIS HONOR THE MAYOR", relative to excise violation at S.E. corner 159th Street and Amsterdam Avenue.

I have the honor to report that Patrolmen Michael C. Erb, Shield No.1166 and Robert H. Miller, Shield No.7653, were assigned to investigate the attached complaint, who report that the saloon complained of is located on the ground floor of a four story brick building at No.1995-97 Amsterdam Avenue, S.E. corner of 159th Street, and is operated under Liquor Tax Certificate No.2052, issued in the name of one Henry Muller.

They further report that in compliance with your permission and directions, they entered the rear room of this saloon at 11.00 P.M., Sunday, November 9th 1913, and while in there obtained the necessary legal evidence of violation of the Liquor Tax Law, (Selling to officers two glasses of lager beer). Proper affidavits have been formulated and a warrant obtained from Chief Magistrate McAdoo, which will be executed as soon as the defendant is located.

Efforts were made to locate the writer of attached letter of complaint, without success.

Respectfully,


Lieutenant in charge
Special Squad No.3.

NEW YORK Oct, 23, 1913

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The Honorable Major
City Hall, N.Y.

Dear Honor,

I beg to ask you to have conditions investigated in the back rooms of a saloon at South East corner of 159th, Str. and Amsterdam Ave. There is music, danzing and a horrible noise going on every day until 3 and 4 oclock in the morning. I am one of the tenants in this house and have been kept awake many of nights on account of that.

Hoping you will comply with my request and thanking you in advance

Respectfully Yours

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THE COMMISSIONER
November 14, 1913.

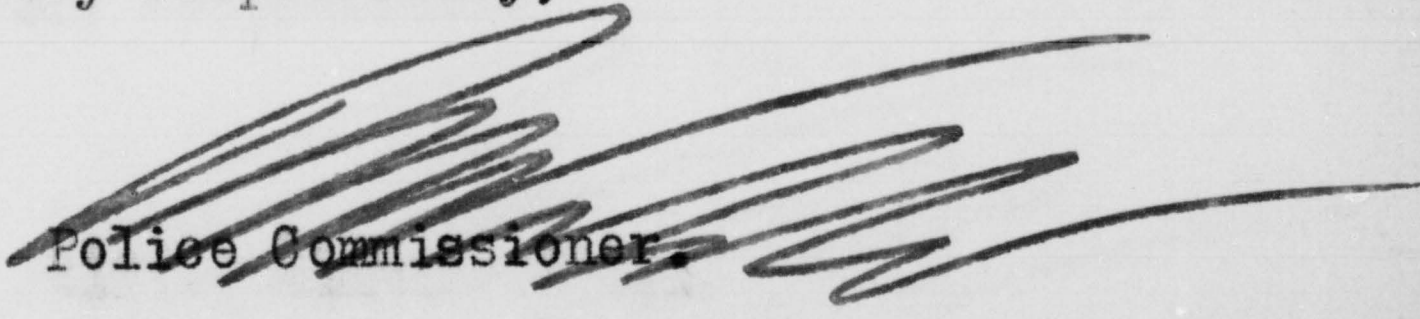
Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Inspector commanding the Fourth Inspection District, relative to anonymous communication forwarded from your office with letter of October 24th, with reference to alleged disorderly houses at Nos 825-827 Seventh Avenue.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Oct 23, 1913

1ST DEPUTY

Mayor of City of N.Y.

OCT 28 2 34 PM 1913

Sir:

You have done good
work in this
neighborhood but
have over looked one
notorious spot

827 & 825 - 7 are ^{is} run
by two women heir
entrance through
825 - ^{persecution} give this
prompt action.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
FOURTH INSPECTION DISTRICT.

New York, November 11-1913

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,

(Through Official Channels.)

S i r : -

In compliance with the first endorsement of attached anonymous communication forwarded to his Honor the Mayor, complaining of disorderly houses at Nos. 825-827 Seventh Avenue, the following is respectfully submitted.

Matter investigated by Patrolmen William O. Jones, Shield No. 4285 and John W. Sutter, Shield No. 3806, who report having kept the premises complained of under surveillance since receipt of complaint, but failed to observe any conditions that would lead one to believe that there was a disorderly house being operated thereat. They also interviewed several residents of the immediate vicinity and none had any complaint to make or could they give any information relative to said premises. Inspection of the premises failed to locate the entrance from No. 825 to 827 Seventh Avenue as alleged in attached communication.

I assume the responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,

John F. Dwyer

Inspector, 4th District.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 14, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Detective Division, with reference to letter of W. Park, requesting information of one Jane Park; forwarded from your office October 27th.

Original letter of inquiry is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Mr W Park
1st Cliff Lane
Tellside
Hendal

Westmoulant

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Detective

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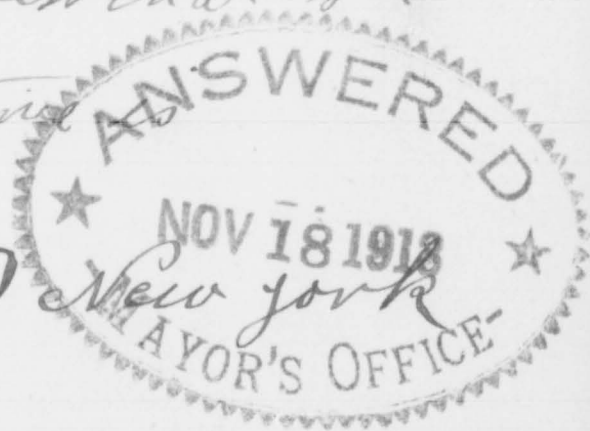
Dear Sir

In answer to your letter about

No.

my sister I thank you very kindly for
the way you are assisting me to find her
but I made a mistake in the address
I sent you as the address that she
wrote from the last time
214 East 14 Street New York
city

Box 122 America this is



the exact address and I hope it
will be of some help to you and
will be very pleased to hear further
news

Yours Obedient
Servant
W. Park

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OFFICE

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK

November 6th, 1913.

COMMANDING OFFICER,
Detective Division. *REC'D 1ST. DEPUTY*

Sir:

NOV 7 3 41 PM 1913

Relative to communication MPS 820, would respectfully submit the following supplemental report;

Searched City and telephone directories and the name of JANE PARKS does not appear in same.

There is no such number as "217 East 14th Street", numbers 213, 215, 217, 219, 231 East 14th Street have been omitted.

Made inquiry at 203, 205, 207 and 209 East 14th Street and JANE PARK is not known there.

P. O. Box 122 is rented by the International Publishing Supply Company, 117 John Street, N. Y. and JANE PARK is not known by said Company.

No record of her having had said box.

Respectfully,

John T. McAndrews
Acting Detective Sergeant,
2nd Grade, # 41.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 15, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Detective Division, relative to communication from A. J. Johnson, Postmaster at Gardenton, Manitoba, forwarded from your office with letter of November 3rd, requesting information concerning the "Protection Realty Company" of this City.

Original letter of inquiry is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

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Gardenton Manitoba
Oct 28th /13

To The Mayor of
New York. U.S.A.

Dear Sir.

Although being a Perfect
Stranger to you. I write to ask if you
would be kind enough to inform me
if the "Protection Realty Company"

649 West Forty Third St - New York
is a genuine company - they
claim to own Property there.

and have sold a lot on what
they call Waldorf Terrace to a
lady friend of our family. It is
three years ago since she
bought the lot. And is in
possession of the deed, but up to
date has not been assessed for
taxes. She receives letters once in a
while telling her not to worry as the
taxes are paid up to date of Oct 20 /13
we have the idea that she is being
cheated. And would be obliged if you
could give us information of the said
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Company-

Trusting to hear from you
At an early date

I remain Yours truly

A. J. Johnson

Postmaster

Garfield P.O.

Manitoba

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**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK**

November 11th.1913.

COMMANDING OFFICER,

DETECTIVE DIVISION?

Sir:--

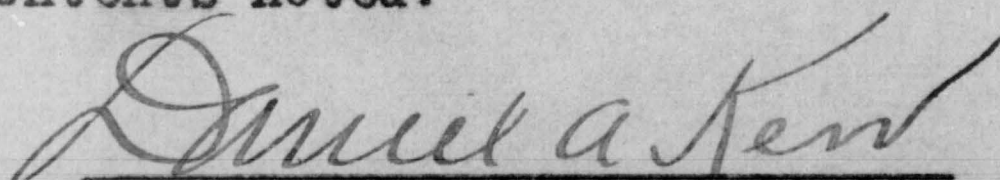
Relative to the attached communication I respectfully submit the following report:

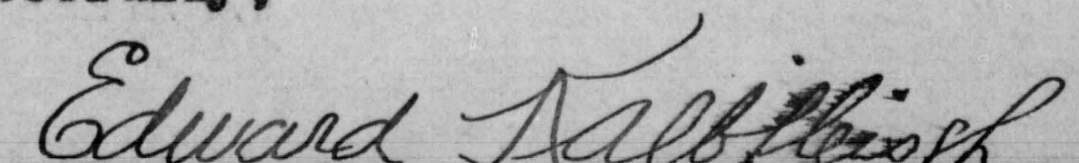
On November 11th.1913, I interviewed Post Office Inspector Barber at his office #13 Park Row who stated that the Protection Realty Company of #649 West 43rd. Street own property at Waldorf Terrace, Long Island and that the taxes on said property are paid in full until December 1913. He further stated that he knows nothing concerning the reliability of the firm in question but to his knowledge no complaint has ever been received detrimental to the standing of said concern.

On November 11th.1913, I interviewed Mr George Sykes, Manager of the Protection Realty Company at his office 649 West 43rd. Street who stated that the company in question are the owners of property at Waldorf Terrace Long Island, and that about one half of said property has been sold at various times but owing to the fact that the taxes are very small the whole amount is paid by the company, and as yet the individual property owners have not been taxed.

Contents noted:

Respectfully,


Acting Captain, 4th Det. Div.


Acting Detective Sergeant.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 15, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 13th, enclosing communication signed "A Heart-broken Mother," alleging that her husband is being forced to make payments to a police Lieutenant. This matter will be immediately investigated.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 15, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Mayor's Office, City Hall, N.Y.C.

S i r :

I have your letter of November
13th, enclosing communication signed
"J. Haucsfeder," with reference to
alleging gambling at premises #59 East
4th Street. This matter will receive
the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

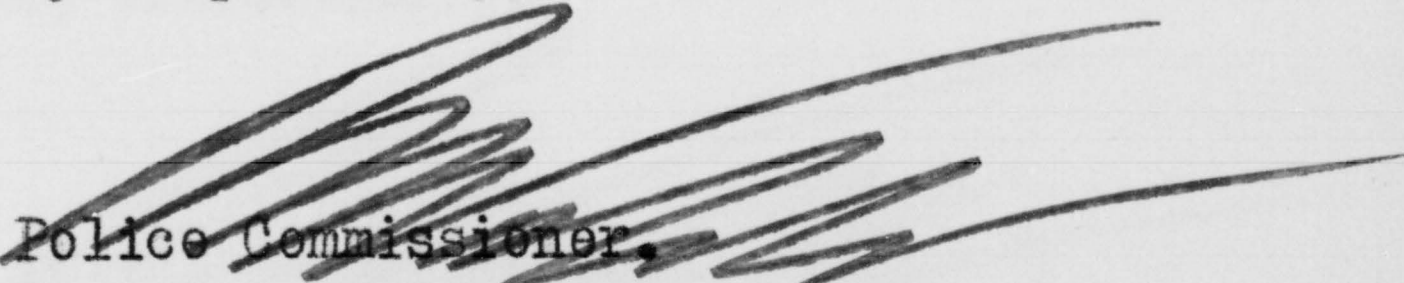
November 15, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 13th, enclosing postal card signed "Rog Melville," alleging that the first floor of premises #262 West 26th Street is conducted as a gambling house and that some one must be getting graft. This matter will be immediately investigated.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 15, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I am in receipt of your letter of November 13th, enclosing communication of Herman Plaut, alleging that his son has been held up and searched on the streets on several occasions. This matter will receive the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONER
November 17, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 14th. The question of mendicancy is receiving special attention of the Inspectors of all Districts, who are supplied with plain-clothes men for this purpose; also the attention of the Special Squads working from this office. The results obtained are splendid.

The City Magistrates are also co-operating with the police in the suppression of this nuisance.

Your correspondent, Mr. Alfred T. White, however, desires that these men should operate under his personal direction, as they did prior to eight years ago, apparently for the purpose of giving himself more importance with his Society, by being able to control a body of policemen.

It is, of course, inconsistent with pub-

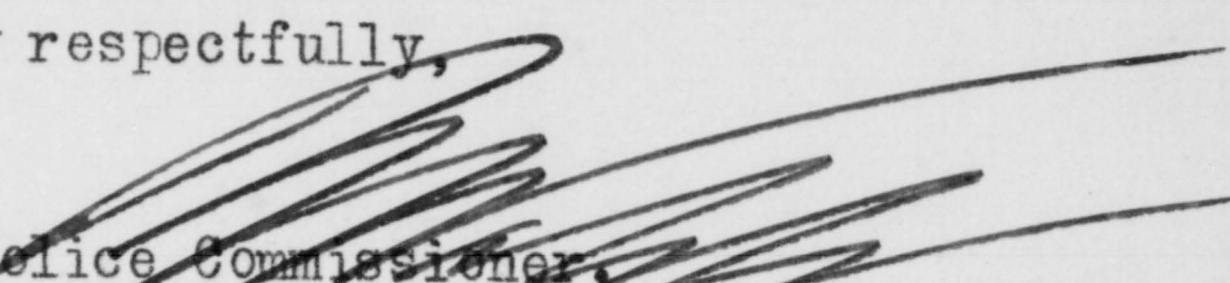
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lic policy that this state of affairs should be
restored.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

November 17, 1913.

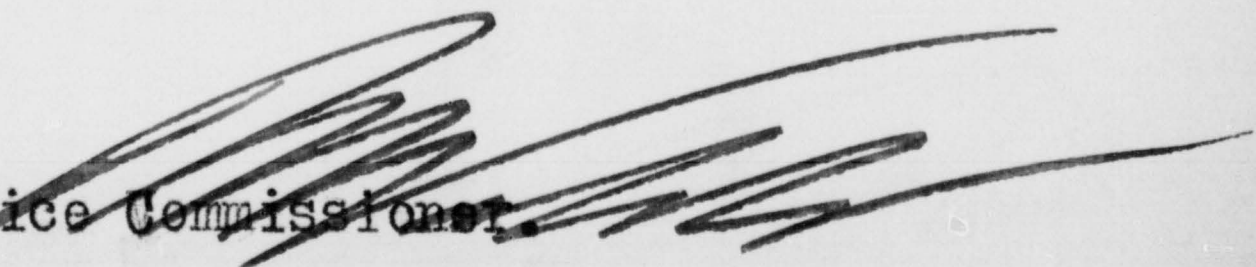
Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Detective Division, relative to communication from Mr. P. Croal, Reedsburg, Wisconsin, forwarded from your office with letter of November 1st, stating that his daughter sent an order to the Standard Mail Order Co., October 7th, and has heard nothing from them since that date.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



Post Card



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THE ADDRESS HERE ONLY

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Mr. P. Croal,
Reedsburg,

P.R.# 3.

Wis.

Never Trouble Trouble
Till
Trouble Troubles you.



Reedsburg, Wis.,

Oct 27, 1913.

Mayor of N.Y. City,
New York City,
N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I write to find out
whether or not, "Standard
Mail Order Co., 423-439 W. 85th
Street, New York City, is a
reliable Co.

My daughter sent an
order to said Company, Oct. 7,
& has received no reply. Will

Yours truly,
P. Croal.

address.

Mr. P. Croal,
Reedsburg,
R. R. #3. Wis.

Complaint No. 2749

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF NEW YORK

26th Prec. Det. Division.

November 12th 1913

Commanding Officer,

Detective Division.

S I R:-

Relative to the attached communication of P. Croal R.R. #3, Reedsburg, Wisconsin, stating that his daughter sent an order to the Standard Mail Order Company on October 7th 1913 and had heard nothing from them since that date, I respectfully report as follows.

The Standard Mail Order Company of 423-35 West 55th Street received by mail an order on October 10th 1913 from Miss Croal calling for a Blue suit.

On October 27th 1913 said concern forwarded to Miss Croal a credit voucher number 208282 which called for goods to the amount of what amount she had sent said company, being temporarily unable to fill her order calling for a blue suit, this fact being contained in said voucher. Upon the receipt by her of said voucher if she did not care to wait to have the original order filled or made a selection of other goods she could return said voucher and said company would forward to her a mail money order.

Mr Clarence Stephenson Superintendent of said company stated that they employ between two and three thousand employees and that the business of this company extends throughout the United States and is transacted through the United States mail, and that frequently they receive orders calling for goods which said company has not in stock and after waiting a reasonable time in anticipation of being able to fill said order and finding that the time would be longer than they expected and in order to appease the anxiety of their customers said company in turn sends them a credit voucher calling for the amount of money sent.

Respectfully,

Geo. F. McGowan
Acting Det. Sgt. 2nd Grade.

Contents noted

Daniel A. Kerr
Acting Capt. 4th Det. Division.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 17, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Chief Inspector, relative to communication from the Wholesale Shoe League, forwarded from your office with letter of November 7th, stating that the retail shoe clerks had declared a strike and that there had been much violence and intimidation of the retail shoe dealers.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,

Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITY OF NEW YORK

240 Centre Street.

New York, November 14th, 1913.

The Police Commissioner.

(through official channels).

Sir:-

I have the honor to submit the following report in reference to attached communication from the Wholesale Shoe Dealers' League, #127 Duane Street, transmitted from the office of His Honor The Mayor, complaining of disorder, violence and intimidation on the part of the Shoe Clerks' Association towards the retail shoe dealers.

Lieutenant Isaac Millhauser, C. O. Squad, who was assigned to investigate the matter, reports having interviewed several of the signers of attached communication who referred him to Mr. Louis M. Taylor, Secretary and Treasurer of their organization, who in turn referred him to Louis Rosenthal, #87 Avenue A, Herman Weil, #97 1st Avenue, Wildfeuer Bros., #43 Avenue A and #89 Avenue B, Jacob Goldstein, #131 Rivington Street, and B. M. Lefkowitz, #110 Delancey Street, all retail shoe dealers, who, when interviewed, made statements showing that a disorder did exist on October 31st, November 6th and November 10th, 1913; that in some instances the cases were not reported to the police but to the Retail Shoe Dealers, and in such cases as were reported to the police of the 13th, 15th and 17th precincts prompt action was taken by detectives and the uniformed force who are still active in the matter and making every endeavor to apprehend violators of law.

Lieutenant Millhauser further reports that most of the dealers interviewed stated that the strike has been settled and that the clerks who were on strike have returned to their former employers.

Continued attention and proper action will be taken should any further disorder occur, but the indications are that no further trouble will occur.

Respectfully,



Chief Inspector.

New York, November 14th, 1913.

Chief Inspector.

Report relative to conditions at
strike of retail shoe clerks.

HORACE C. PRATT, PRESIDENT

EMIL FRIED, VICE-PRESIDENT

LOUIS M. TAYLOR, SECRETARY AND TREASURER

THE WHOLESALE SHOE LEAGUE

DIRECTORS

HORACE C. PRATT
PRES. AMSTERDAM RUBBER CO.
DANIEL T. MERRITT
PRES. MERRITT, ELLIOTT & CO.
THEODORE M. BROWN
PRES. RICE & HUTCHINS N. Y. CO.
ARTHUR E. PATTISON
V. P. MORSE & ROGERS
EMIL FRIED
OF L. FRIED & SONS
EDWARD A. DOW
OF ENDICOTT-JOHNSON CO.
HENRY WEISS
PRES. METROPOLITAN SHOE CO.

127 DUANE STREET

TELEPHONE 1348 WORTH

NEW YORK, Nov. 6th, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,

Dear Sir:-

It has been brought to the attention of this Organization, that a strike has been declared by the retail shoe clerks of this City, in the conduct of which strike there has been much violence and intimidation of the retail shoe dealers.

We are advised by a Committee of the Shoe Retailers' Protective Association that requests have been made to the Police Department for protection, but they have been unable to get practically any such protection, and have been obliged to employ private parties at an expense they are unable to continue.

After careful investigation of the matter, the following resolutions were adopted by the Board of Directors, of The Wholesale Shoe League.

"WHEREAS we are informed by a Committee representing the Shoe Retailers' Protective Association, that a strike has been declared by the retail shoe clerks and that in conducting said strike the clerks have resorted to much violence and intimidation, and

WHEREAS we are informed that insufficient police protection is being given to the said retailers,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of The Wholesale Shoe League, representing the wholesale shoe trade of this City, request the Mayor to direct the proper police authorities to see that adequate police protection is given to the retail shoe dealers of this City."

We have no doubt that the demands made upon the Police Department in connection with the election have had a bearing on this matter, but we hope that you will recognize the necessity for prompt action to prevent further disorders.

Yours very truly,

Daniel T. Merritt

Louis M. Taylor
Secretary.

Endicott Johnson
E. A. Dow
Arthur E. Pattison
V. P. Morse & Rogers

Emil Fried

Rice & Hutchins

Metropolitan Shoe Co

Henry Weiss

Nov 12th

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OFFICE OF
THE POLICE COMMISSIONER
November 17, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I am in receipt of your letter
of November 14th, enclosing communication
from M. Wishengrad and others, alleging
that saloon at 9-1/2 Essex Street violates
the law. This matter will be given the
immediate attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

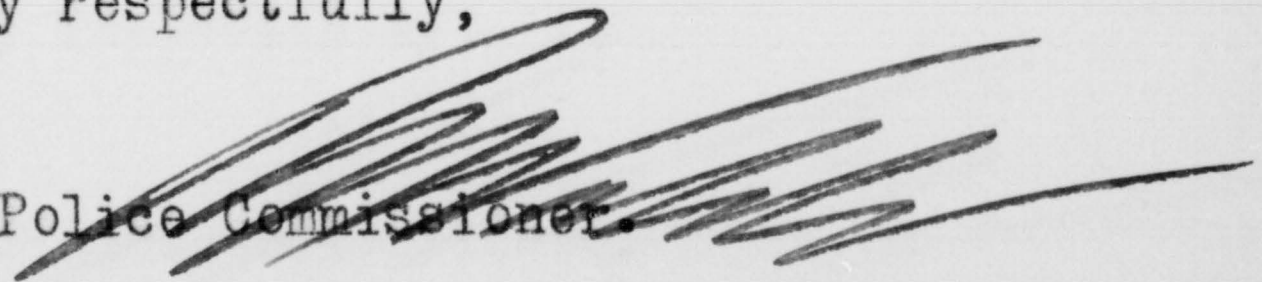
OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 17, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt
of your letter of November 14th, enclosing com-
munication from John K. Fouche, complaining that
his mail box is stuffed with advertising matter.
This matter will be given the attention of the
Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 17, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 14th, enclosing communication from A. H. Michael, with reference to a rescue by a member of the uniformed force. This matter has been referred to the Board of Honor for their consideration.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 17, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 15th, enclosing communication from E. H. Wilson, requesting more police protection in the vicinity of South, Market, Cherry Streets, and James Slip. This matter will be given immediate attention.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 18, 1913.


Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Inspector Commanding Third District, with reference to anonymous communication complaining of all-night orgies at the Pierpont Inn; forwarded from your office October 17th.

Original letter of complaint is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



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Oct. 16, 1913

Hon. F. L. Klaine
Mayor of City of N. Y.

Dear Sir.

I trust you think it
time, for the officers
of this district, to stop
the all night orgies in
Pierrepont down drinking,
dancing & singing until
morning. Keeping the
guests of hotel awake
all night and no more,
by giving this your
attention you greatly
oblige a sufferer.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK

THIRD DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

NEW YORK, November 12th 1913.

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(Through Official Channels)

S I R :-

Re to communication from His Honor,
The Mayor, complaining of all-night
orgies at the Pierpont Inn, I have
the honor to report as follows:

The place in question is located on the ground floor of the
Pierrepont Hotel #43 West 32nd street, and is licensed under the
name of Hilda Bjurstrom, holding liquor tax certificate #4977, and
is conducted as a restaurant by Iver Bjurstrom, husband of the
licensee.

On October 23rd 1913, the aforesaid Iver Bjurstrom, was
arrested by members of the Third Inspection District, charged with
conducting a dance hall at said address, without proper license. He
was discharged in the 10th District Court by Magistrate Campbell.

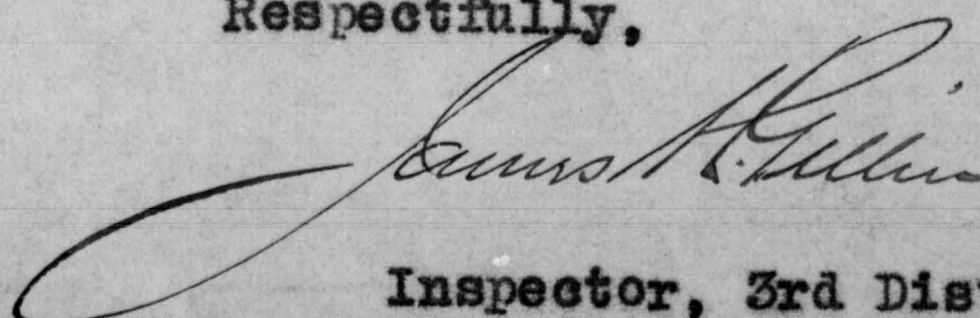
This restaurant is patronized by a respectable class of
people, most of whom are of Swedish nationality. In the restaurant
is a string orchestra and many of his guests take advantage of the
opportunity to dance.

Frequent visits to these premises have failed to reveal any
violation of law.

Mr. J. E. Markell, manager of the Hotel Pierrepont, was
interviewed in an endeavor to ascertain the identity of writer of
complaint, and stated that he did not know who was responsible, that
he did not make complaint and had none to make.

Continued attention will be given this matter, and should
a violation of law be observed, prompt action will be taken.

Respectfully,



Inspector, 3rd District.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 18, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to transmit herewith report of the Detective Division, with reference to letter of William H. Marquand, complaining of theft of plumbing from premises, 1109 Prospect Place, Brooklyn; forwarded from your office October 31st.

Original letter of complaint is herewith returned.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner

TELEPHONES { OFFICE, 1121-J BEDFORD
RESID'E, 1301-R "

ESTABLISHED THIRTY YEARS

(K) **WILLIAM H. MARQUAND**
REAL ESTATE - LOANS - INSURANCE
1562 FULTON STREET

NOTARY PUBLIC
LOANS ON BOND AND MORTGAGE
PROPERTY EXCHANGED

APPRAISING
MANAGEMENT OF ESTATES
A SPECIALTY

BROOKLYN, N. Y. Oct-31-13.

Mayors Office,
N.Y. City. N.Y.

Dear Sirs;-

The premises 1109 Prospect Pl,
Brooklyn, N.Y. has been forcibly entered
and plumbing cut from bath room, under sink
and elsewhere. This is the 4th house in this
row, same owner, that has been entered with-
in the last few months and which has suffered
in this manner. The Police Dept, (Headquarters)
has been constantly notified to no satisfac-
tory purpose. If you will advise me of the
proper Department to notify of these depre-
dations, owner will appreciate it,

Yours truly,

W H Marquand

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POLICE DEPARTMENT
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
269 STATE STREET
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

REC'D 1ST. DEPUTY

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November 7th, 1913.

Commanding Officer,
Detective Division.

Sir:-

Relative to attached communication signed William H. Marquand I have the honor to submit the following report:

At 10:30 A.M., November 3rd, 1913 James Carroll, 17 years, ~~no~~ home and Warren Windhurst, 17 years of 719 Spruce Street, were arrested in the act of burglarizing junk shop at 28 Utica Avenue.

When the prisoners were taken to the 152nd Precinct station house Mr. Marquand ^{was} ~~were~~ present, and each admitted that they had committed the burglaries referred to in his communication. Prisoners were held for action of Grand Jury on November 6th, 1913 by Magistrate Dodd, and Mr. Marquand expressed himself as satisfied with the action taken in connection with larcenies and burglaries referred to

Respectfully,

Contents noted.

James J. Carey
Acting Captain,
11th Detective Division.

John MacLardy

Lieutenant, 152nd Precinct
Detective Division.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 18, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 17th, enclosing communication from Mr. Francis P. Bent, Superintendent of the Tenement House Department, with reference to Patrolman Edwin F. Wardel. This case has already been considered by the Board of Honor.

Very respectfully


Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

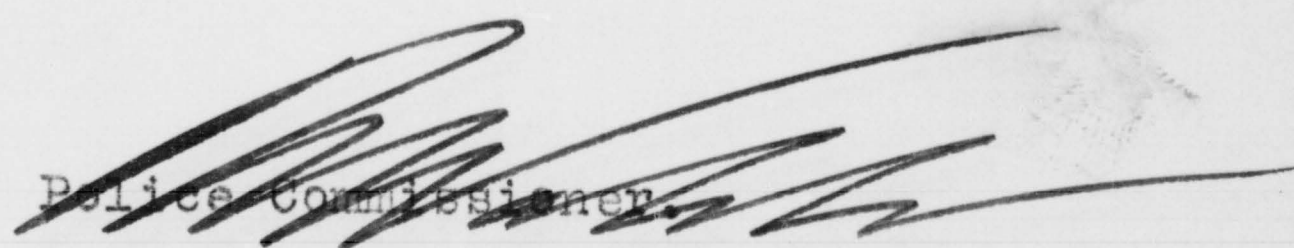
November 18, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :-

I have the honor to state, in reply to communication of James Matthews, your Executive Secretary, dated November 7, 1913, that George E. Golding, Jr., residing at 40 McDonough Street, Brooklyn, N.Y., was re-appointed a probationary Patrolman on October 31, 1913, and assigned to duty in the 16th Precinct.

Respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



November 19, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
New York City.

S i r:

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of report made by the Inspector commanding the Seventh Inspection District in regard to communication from William E. Staib, forwarded with letter from your office on October 28th, relative to Patrolman Daniel Murray, No. 8133, 68th Precinct.

Herewith I return original letter of complaint.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

New York City,
October 27th, 1913.

To the Honorable Mr. Kline,
Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:

I here wish to draw your attention to the brutal action of Police Officer, Daniel Murray, #8133 of the 68th Precinct.

On Sunday, October 16th, about 11 A. M., my son, William, 18 years of age, left his home to take a walk. Five minutes later, I was told that he had been cruelly beaten and arrested by a policeman.

I, at once, went to the 138th Street Police Station, and found that my son had his eye badly cut, and that an ambulance surgeon had to take four stitches in it to close the wound.

The Officer made a charge of felonious assault, in that, the young man had resisted arrest, was playing hand-ball all morning, and that five men tried to take his prisoner away from him, that he struck the prisoner in self-defense and then only after the prisoner had repeatedly struck him in the neck.

At the trial the charge was reduced to disorderly conduct.

We have five witnesses who proved that my son did not strike the Officer, that he did not

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resist arrest, and that no one was near the two to take the prisoner away.

Officer Murray had witnesses there, whom the Judge ordered off the stand, for he saw they were lying to him. And, in "spite" of all this, the case was dismissed and my son compelled to pay a fine of two dollars.

Officer Murray was not on duty, but lives at 144th St. & Willis Ave.. He came out of his home, and warned the boys to stop playing handball and to go away. They laughed at him. He then went into the house donned his uniform, and when he came out again, the ball players ran away, just as my son came walking towards Willis Avenue, and with the above result.

Can such brutal action on the part of an Officer take place, and go even without a reprimand?

I have been told that this is not the first time this Officer has unnecessarily used his club, and if he is allowed to go "scot" free, who can tell when his conduct will become so public, that we will have to hang our heads in shame for our Police.

I know that there are boys who annoy the policemen very much, and they ought to be punished for it.

Trusting that you will give this your attention, and thanking you, I am,

Respectfully yours,

Wm. E. Stair

441 East 144th Street,
Bronx Borough, New York City.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK

NOV 14 9 52 AM 1913
1ST DEPT

New York, November 11th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER
(Through official channels)

S i r : -

The matter of complaint made by one William E. Staib of 441 E. 144th St., to His Honor, The Mayor, that on Oct. 16th, 1913, at about 11 A.M. Patrolman DANIEL MURRAY, 8133, 63rd Precinct, cruelly beat and arrested his son, William Staib Jr., 18 years of age, without cause, in front of premises No. 400 East 144th St., was reopened and reinvestigated at this office this evening, with the result that charges and specifications were formulated, based on the statements made by the said William Staib Jr., and his witnesses and forwarded recommending trial.

This matter was previously investigated on Oct. 25th, 1913, as a result of a report forwarded by the Commanding Officer of the 61st Precinct under rule 172, but because of the failure of the young man to appear, and as he was found guilty and fined by the Magistrate before whom he was arraigned, and together with the statement of the Officer that no more force was used in effecting the arrest than was absolutely necessary, the complaint was adjourned indefinitely pending the appearance of the complainant, and a report to that effect forwarded same day.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of
the above.

Respectfully,

William J. Lahey
Inspector 7th District

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 19, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 18th, enclosing communication of Charles D. Pullen, 1604 Crotona Park East, Bronx, complaining about dirt being dumped in vacant lots. This matter will receive the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,

Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 19, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 18th, enclosing communication signed "Mininberg," complaining of push-cart peddlers in the neighborhood of 161st Street and Union Ave. This matter will receive the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 19, 1913.

Mr. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I am in receipt of your letter
of November 18th, enclosing communicat-
ion signed by Charles Cohen and others,
complaining of alleged disorderly boys
in the neighborhood of East 103rd Street.
This matter will receive the attention
of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 20, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Lieutenant commanding Special Squad #3, relative to communication signed "Mrs. J. Buren," forwarded from your office with letter of October 10th, alleging that two young girls are kept for immoral purposes at premises #105 East 114th Street.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
SPECIAL SQUAD

November 19th 1913.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE POLICE COMMISSIONER:-

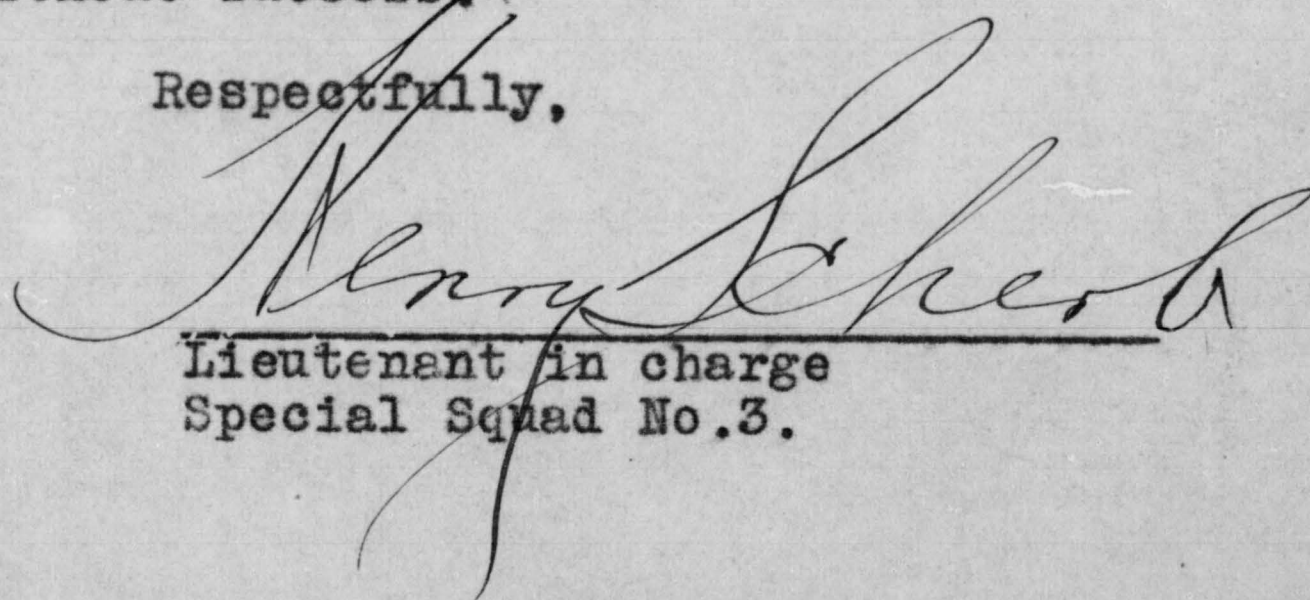
Re-Communication
from Mrs J. Buren, forwarded by "HIS HONOR THE MAYOR", relative to two girls being kept in disorderly house at No.105 East 114th Street, City.

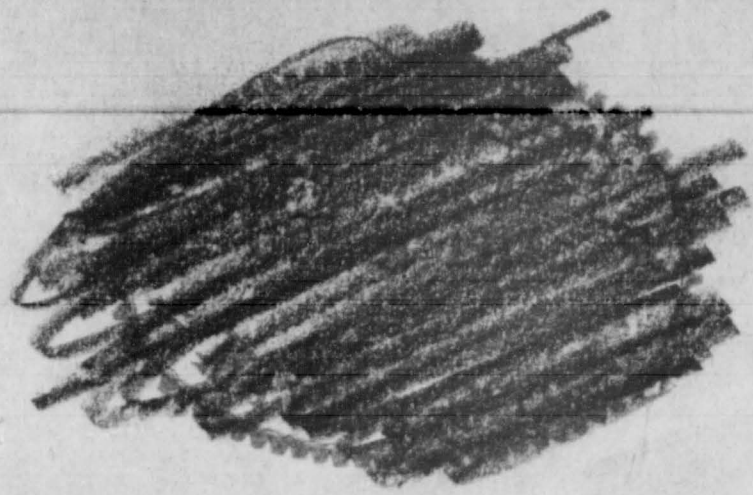
I have the honor to report that Patrolmen John Leidig, Shield No.1607 and Joseph L. Hackett, Shield No.8527, were assigned to investigate the attached complaint, who report that the premises complained of is a three story and basement brick building, conducted by a Mrs. Bertha Bourdon as a furnished room house, containing eleven rooms, all of which are at present occupied by apparently respectable men and women. The proprietress, Mrs. Bourdon, has conducted these premises as a furnished room house for the past two years; she is a married woman with three children, and her husband William Bourdon, conducts a Pawn Broker's Salestore at No.205 East 117th Street.

They further report that they have kept these premises under close observation at irregular hours of the day and night since receipt of complaint, but nothing warranting police action was observed, nor could the allegation that two girls are being kept therein for immoral purpose, be substantiated.

Efforts were made to locate the writer of attached letter of complaint, without success.

Respectfully,


Lieutenant in charge
Special Squad No.3.



New York City

September 25-1913

To the Acting Mayor

I wish to call your attention to two mere children girls who are being housed at 105 East 114 Street by two men and are compelled to assist other men and take to their room for the support of the four of them one girl is a mere child not 15 years of age the other is not 16 the men are large toughs, I submit these facts to you and hope you will help us in this street in trying to keep it clean and moral

Mrs J. Bumer

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 20, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Inspector commanding the First Inspection District, relative to anonymous communication, forwarded from your office with letter of November 1st, alleging that a black hand gang occupy premises #357 E. 4th Street.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
FIRST INSPECTION DISTRICT.

N. Y. November 15th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(Through Official Channels).

S I R :

Re anonymous communication relative to an alleged black hand gang at 357 E. 4th St attempting to poison a Mrs. Herman, # 63 Avenue C; also Mrs. Trauhafitis being in league with the gang which meets in tailor store at 63 Avenue C; also stating the gang is waiting the opportunity to put Mrs. Herman in a taxi-cab and take her to some lonely place to kill her.

Immediately upon receipt of this communication it was referred to the Commanding Officer of the 17th Precinct for investigation.

He reports that the Mrs. Herman mentioned formerly lived at No. 63 Avenue C, but owing to her peculiar actions and quarrelsome disposition, Louis Quinzer, owner of the building dispossessed her and her present whereabouts are unknown.

Re--Mrs. Trauhafitis is in league with the black hand gang which meets in tailor store at 63 Avenue C--this allegation could not be verified. A Mrs. Trauhafitis did formerly reside at 357 E. 4th Street, but she has removed from this location and her present whereabouts are unknown. Tenants of the building who were interviewed, stated that she always bore a good reputation. The tailor store referred to as the place where the gang meets is conducted by one Benjamin Hartman, who stated that he did not know a Mrs. Trauhafitis, nor did any persons ever meet in his store.

I am of the opinion that the writer of this complaint was the Mrs. Herman above referred to, for the reason that persons who are acquainted with her state that she is evidently of unsound mind, as she labors under the delusions that gangs are trying to poison and kill her.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,

Thomas Myers
Inspector First District.

N. Y. November 15th, 1913.

Myers, Thomas
Inspector First District.

Report rel. to complaint of
alleged black hand gang at
357 E. 4th Street, etc.

Oct 31 1913

Dear Sir as I live in the
Neighborhood of 4 Street
between avenue C & D I never
seen any thing like that
before if you want to
catch a Blackhand
gang you go ~~to~~ to 357
E 4 Street and make the
janitor and tell you
how Mrs. Trahaft is
sent out from that gang
to slave ~~in~~ a woman
by the name of Mrs
hermann live track 3
avenue C the gang want
to pay a Surgeon of
money so Mrs Trahaft
is the agent for the
gang she paid the

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tailor in 63 avenue to
let all the screaming
go on in his store
they must to have paid
all the neighbors and
the landlord who
live in the house is
also in the scheme to
say if anything happens
to that woman that she
was crazy and that
gave a oath that they
will be true and not
give away what happens
the woman is frightened
is moving up town some
day next week and the
hard a gang to ~~follow~~
follow the moving van

they follow the woman
 were she buys her meat
 and Groceries want to
 Pay a large sum of money
 to Put Poison in her food
 and they got some sort of
 forged certificate and
 when the woman will
 far from home they will
 Pull her in a taxicab
 if a Policeman may happen
 to be near they will say
 she is a crazy woman
 and run away from
 an asylum and take
 her to some lonely spot
 outside of New York
 kill her you ought
 get the trichaupt woman
 and Hartman the Lar
 Lord of 63 Ave C and
 threaten them with

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arrest if they don't
tell who the Black
hand gang is they
will get frightened
and will pretty soon
much give away
and who is paying for
to go to kill that woman
I would notify the
Police headquarters
work But if they sent
a Detective James
afraid they will
bribe him so I wrote
by you People to
catch that gang
and by going to the
to Janitor Mrs Lamb
and her tell
357 E 4 St far she
knows every thing
a neighbor



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 20, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 19th, enclosing communication from Richard Deeves, suggesting that policemen be taught how to use their clubs.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 20, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have your letter of November 19th,
enclosing communications received by your
office, as follows:

Letter signed Mrs. L. F. Browne, alleging that saloons in the neighborhood of 198th Street and Webster Ave. remain open Sundays;

From William Goebel, 181st Street and Fort Washington Avenue, complaining of the disorderly element which operates on West 31st Street, Manhattan, which makes it difficult to retain tenants in the houses over which he has charge;

From Henry Borden, complaining that a firm of furriers at 28 West 27th Street, Manhattan, work on Sundays to the annoyance of adjoining residents.

These matters will receive the immediate attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,

Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 21, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

In reply to your letter of
November 19th, enclosing communication
signed W. James Cahill, alleging that
his brother, Patrolman John E. Cahill,
was recently murdered: Cahill was
found dead on July 20th, 1913. This
case has been investigated by the Cor-
oner's Jury, and by the District At-
torney of Kings County. I enclose
copy of report made at the time.

Very respectfully,

Police Commissioner.

July 25th, 1913.

Memorandum for
The Police Commissioner.

S i r :

I have the honor to report the following concerning the death of Patrolman John A. Cahill (1838) of the 152nd Precinct about 3.15 a. m., Monday, July 20th, 1913, in the yard of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, Utica Avenue and Lincoln Place, Brooklyn:

Between 5.30 a. m. and 6 a. m., the 20th instant, Mrs. Victor Shuldham, of 1309 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, observed the body of the dead Patrolman in the church yard. Her husband was the first to view it and notified Patrolman John J. Gillen (5155) of the 152nd Precinct, who sent for an ambulance and notified Brooklyn Police Headquarters and the 152nd Precinct.

These witnesses, with Rev. J. F. O'Hara of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, describe the following conditions when they arrived at the scene of the crime:

Body of the Patrolman lying on back, feet towards the rear door of the church. Revolver shot through the head, near the left temple, wounds on right and left side of chest, and outer side of left thigh above the knee. To the right of the body, near right hand, was revolver, from which one cartridge was discharged, revolver subsequently identified as a Smith & Wesson, 38 calibre, double action, No. 160,989, next to which was laying the patrolman's nightstick. Below his feet and on the ground was found one Cromwell Criterion Hunting Knife, 5 inch blade, recently sharpened, 4 inch Stag handle, brass hilt. Between the body and the rear door of the church was found one Octagon shape black steel chisel. The lock of the rear door of the church this chisel appears to have been used to force the door open, and the door was reported open by the witnesses.

Dr. Charles Wuest, Coroner's Physician, describes the wounds, as follows:

Three stab wounds: one, a faint scratch on the right of chest; another, a very faint scratch, about three inches long on the surface of the skin over left nipple, quarter of inches in width and $\frac{5}{8}$ of an inch in depth, which did not penetrate; the third, a cut on the outer side of left thigh, six inches above the knee, three quarters of an inch in width, and one and one half inches in depth.

William J. Plander, Fireman of the Fire Department of the City of New York, attached to Engine Company No. 32, at 49 Beekman Street, residing at 120 Chesnut Street, Cypress Hills, a cousin of Mrs. John E. Cahill, made the following statement to me on the evening of the 23rd instant:

"On Sunday, July 20th, 1913, John E. Cahill came to Mr. Plander's house, Uniondale Avenue, at about 11 a. m. and remained until 4 p. m. Cahill had his old revolver with him. The old revolver is a 38 calibre, Smith & Wesson, nickel plate, black handle, the barrel is shorter than the new one. The old revolver had his shield number - 1838 - on the handle. Cahill said the new revolver was not working right; that he was going to have it repaired. When he left he took the old revolver away. This old revolver, he had repaired at 40 White Street, or on White Street, between Baxter and Lafayette, about one year ago. I took it there and put it in Mr. Cahill's name. It was renicked and the trigger was fixed. The repairs were to cost between \$3. and \$4. I left Mr. Cahill's address, 120 Chesnut Street, with the man who fixed it. I went after it and brought it home here. I am not sure that Mr. Cahill had the two revolver with him on Sunday, but am sure he had the old one because my father had it at Hempstead and he got it on Sunday when he was there. I have searched this house for it and cannot find it. I am pretty positive he had the two revolvers going away. I saw him put one shell in the old gun at the house. I now identify revolver 160989 shown me here in this room as his old revolver. I identify this revolver from the new trigger guard which was put on when fixed and also the cap on the top of the gun."

Frederick Planter, of Union Avenue, Hempstead, L. I., uncle of Mrs. John E. Cahill, made the following statement to me on the evening of the 23rd instant:

"This old revolver, which my son-in-law, John E. Cahill, took away from the house on Sunday, July 20, 1913, was originally mine. I got it from William Bryan, who lived at that time on Schenectady Avenue near St. John's Place. Bryan was an all around man. I bought it from him about 24 years ago. I paid him five dollars for it. This was in my saloon at 171 Rochester Avenue, corner Prospect Place. I had it until about eight years ago when I

gave it to my son-in-law, John E. Cahill. Since the revolver was fixed I have had it at my house in Hempstead where my son-in-law, John E. Cahill, got it last Sunday to take it to Brooklyn with him."

Frederick H. Plander, of Union Avenue, Hempstead, L. I., cousin of Mrs. John E. Cahill, made the following statement to me on the evening of the 23rd instant:

"On Sunday, July 20th, 1913, at my home in Hempstead, L. I., about 11.15 a. m. when John E. Cahill came to our house, he asked my brother Will if he had his revolver here. Will said "Yes." Mr. Cahill said "I'd like to have it, I can't depend on mine; I am going to get my gun fixed Monday." He asked if we had any shells. We said we did not have any; asked for same size. He took a shell out of his pocket and tried it, which fit. I saw my brother Will hand the gun to him. I identify the revolver, No. 160989, as the one which my father owned and which he gave to Mr. Cahill as the one Mr. Cahill took from our house last Sunday to use until he got his regular revolver fixed."

On the revolver above referred to, No. 160989, the number was rubbed off the back of the handle, and the number mentioned was found on the barrel.

On July 24th, 1913, accompanied by Acting Captains John D. Coughlin and Joseph Thompson, and William J. Plander, cousin of Mrs. John E. Cahill, I visited the premises of M. W. Robinson Company, at 88 White street, and in reply to my questions Mr. Hamilton Musk, assistant manager for the said concern, informed me that he had received and entered in the record repair book a 38 calibre double action Smith & Wesson revolver, No. 160,989, left under the name of John E. Cahill, address 120 Chesnut Street, Cypress Hills; that the revolver was sent to the factory of Smith & Wesson at Springfield, Mass., and was received after being repaired and delivered on August 15, 1913, by the secretary and manager of Robinson Company, Mr. Ernest H. Lewis.

William J. Plander, cousin of Mrs. Cahill, admitted that he was the person who brought and secured the revolver and paid \$4.30 charges on it.

In the possession of this Department is the bill of the Smith & Wesson Company on Robinson Company, as well as the record repair book of Robinson Co.

Respectfully,

Second Deputy Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 21, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
New York City.

S i r:

I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of report made by the Inspector commanding the Sixth Inspection District in regard to communication from Charity Organization Society, forwarded with letter from your office on October 15th, complaining of conduct of Patrolman Joseph Pribyl, 43d Precinct.

Herewith I return original letter of complaint.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK

Inspection District No. 6,

November 12th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,

(Through official channels).

S i r: -

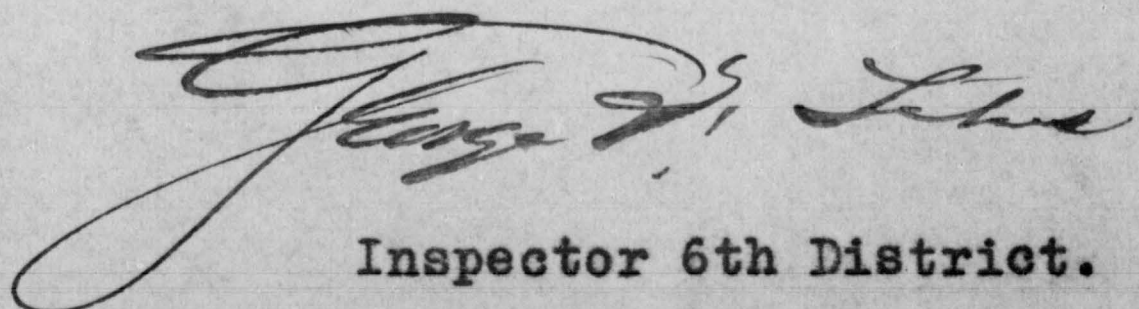
With return of attached communication from the Charity Organization Society, relative to complaint against Patrolman Joseph Pribyl, #7260-43rd Precinct, would state that an effort was made through said Society to have the woman in question, Mrs. James J. Walsh, appear at this office for the investigation of her complaint. The Society notified me that the woman was ill and as soon as she was able they would have her appear.

On the 10th instant a representative from the Society called at my office and stated that Mrs. Walsh had moved and they did not know her present address. This representative was informed that the complaint would be investigated whenever they were able to locate Mrs. Walsh.

This case was previously investigated by Inspector Daly, and attached herewith is copy of his report.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,


Inspector 6th District.

C O P Y.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**CITY OF NEW YORK**

Inspection District No. 6,

April 9th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,

(Through official channels).

S i r:-

With reference to complaint made at this office by Mrs.
James J. Walsh of 253 East 125th Street

"complaining of Patrolman Joseph Pribyl, #7260,
"43rd Precinct, of having arrested her without
"just cause, used her roughly and called her
"vile names,"

the following report is respectfully submitted.

At about 8:45 P.M., on April 3rd, 1913, Mrs. James J. Walsh got into an altercation with a Chinaman in laundry at #2251-2nd Avenue near 125th Street. She got very excited and caused a large crowd to collect, it being a tenement neighborhood. Patrolman Pribyl, who was on patrol, came on the scene and tried to induce Mrs. Walsh to go away. She became more excited, the crowd increased and some of the rough boys of the crowd started to throw missiles. There seemed to be nothing left for him to do but bring Mrs. Walsh to the station house, which he did. Captain McElroy was present and Patrolman Pribyl related the circumstances of the case, which Mrs. Walsh admitted was the truth. She stated to Captain McElroy that she was pregnant and had a baby nine months old at home and two small children that her husband was at work on the subway road; and nobody at home to look after her three children. The circumstances being so appealing the Captain allowed her to go home.

About 11 P.M. same night Mrs. Walsh's husband came up to Patrolman Pribyl on post and started to abuse and threaten him. He placed him under arrest when he refused to go away.

As a result of said investigation I find no grounds upon which to base charges against Patrolman Pribyl.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of this report.

Respectfully,

(Sgd) John Daly,

Inspector 6th District.

ROBERT W. DE FOREST
PRESIDENT

OTTO T. BANNARD
VICE-PRESIDENT

J. PIERPONT MORGAN
TREASURER

EDWARD T. DEVINE
SECRETARY

THE CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

W. FRANK PERSONS
DIRECTOR OF GENERAL WORK
FRANK J. BRUNO
SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT WORK

HARLEM DISTRICT OFFICE
71 EAST 125TH STREET
MISS H. M. PATTERSON
DISTRICT SECRETARY

October 14, 1913.

The Acting Mayor,
City Hall.

Your Honor:-

We feel compelled to ask your attention to the character and conduct of a police officer of this district, Prybell by name, attached to the 126th Street Station. Last April he is said to have grievously insulted and abused a respectable married woman, in whose account of the matter we have confidence. She relates that, interfering in a dispute between her and a laundryman, he called her foul names and pushed her so that she almost fell, then on her protesting arrested her and dragged her roughly through the streets to the 126th Street Station, where she was discharged. His brutality was aggravated by the fact that she was visibly pregnant. The next day her husband remonstrated with Prybell, who knocked him down. She further informs us that foul language and brutal handling are habitual with this officer, as witnessed by many persons of her acquaintance. Her husband reported the matter to Inspector Daly and endeavored unsuccessfully to communicate with the Mayor; but nothing resulted and Prybell is still at his post. Without vouching for the truth of her statements, though we have no reason to doubt them, we feel that the case gravely merits investigation. We shall be glad to make known the nature of our information to any person whom you may authorize.

known to any person whom Your Honor shall designate for such purpose the name of our informant, and shall hope that in this, as in other matters, Your Honor will see fit to carry out the policy of our late Mayor, which, as you have described it, was to ensure the protection of citizens from any aggression by the police, who should be their servants.

Hoping for your interest,
We remain,

Respectfully yours,

CHARITY ORGANIZATION SOCIETY,

by

H. M. Patterson

Harlem District Secretary.

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OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 22, 1913.

Hon. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20th, enclosing communication signed "A True Citizen of Ludlow Street," alleging that there is a disorderly room in premises #167 Ludlow Street and also 163 Ludlow Street. This matter will receive the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 22, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have your letter of November
22nd, enclosing communication from Cap-
tain J. H. Gibbons of the United States
Naval Academy, with reference to midship-
men from the Academy attending the foot-
ball game at the Polo Ground November 29th.
This matter will receive the attention of
the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

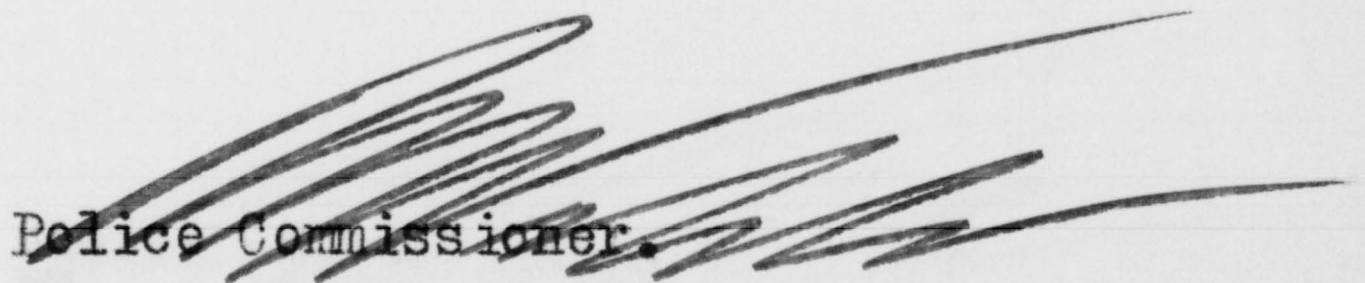
OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 22, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I am in receipt of your letter
of November 21st, enclosing communicat-
ion signed "Mrs. Bertha Braun," alleg-
ing excise violation in saloon on St.
Nicholas Avenue between 178th and 179th
Streets. This matter will receive the
immediate attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 24, 1913.

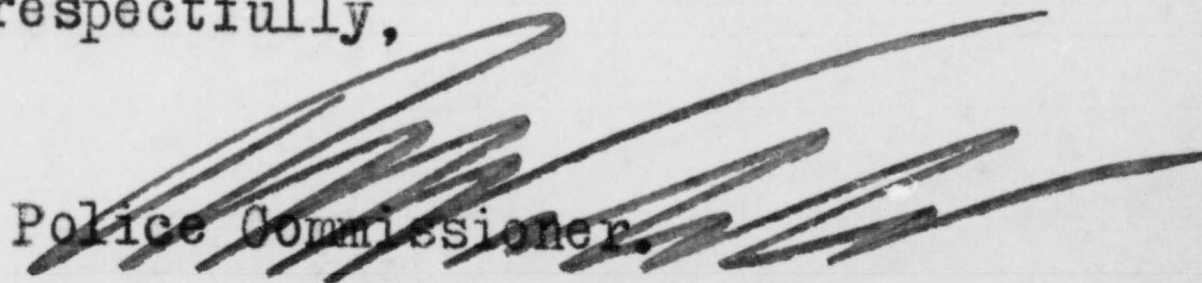
Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
New York City.

S i r:

I have the honor to transmit herewith
copy of report made by the Detective Division
in regard to communication from Mrs. M. A. Kal-
lam, Ridgeway, Va., forwarded with letter from
your office on November 11th, complaining of
the W. J. Thompson Company, 627 West 43d Street.

Herewith I return original letter of
complaint.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Complaint #2821-26 Prec't. D. D.

*Duplicate***POLICE DEPARTMENT****CITY OF NEW YORK****26th Precinct Detective Division.**

November 15, 1913.

Commanding Officer,
Detective Division.

Sir:-

Relative to attached communication, dated Ridgeway, Va., November 3, 1913, and signed Mrs. M. A. Kallam, complaining that she was defrauded by the W. J. Thompson Company, of #627 West 43rd Street, to whom she sent some money (\$15) some time ago for a combination camera and outfit:

I have to report that I interviewed Mr. William J. Thompson, President of the W. J. Thompson Company, Inc., of #627-649 West 43rd Street, and showed him the attached communication from Mrs. Kallam. Mr. Thompson informed me that for the sum of \$15 his company sent Mrs. Kallam a Combination Camera and outfit. Some time later same was returned without the supplies which had been used, so \$8 was refunded for camera, and about \$7 deducted for said supplies.

Mr. Thompson stated they have sold over three thousand of said cameras in past two years and this is the first complaint received, due probably to ignorance in handling. He showed me one of the cameras, which is a box affair, about 1' x 2' and sets on a tripod, and demonstrated same and showed me some pictures taken with same, and it is like those I have seen operated in this city and at beaches by men who derive a living from same.

I also attach hereto a letter from Mr. Thompson addressed to the Police Commissioner in answer to said complaint, explaining said transaction quite fully.

Respectfully submitted,

William H. Randolph

Acting Detective Sergeant.

*Contents noted
Amul A. Kallam
Act Captain
4th Det Dist*

Duplicate - C O P Y -

W. J. THOMPSON CO. (Inc.)

627-649 West 43rd St.,
November 14, 1913.

Honorable Rhinelanders Waldo,
Police Commissioner,
New York City, N. Y.

Honored Sir:

Relative to your letter of November 10th regarding the complaint of Mrs. M. A. Kallon, Ridgeway, Va., we find upon investigation that on July 20, 1913, we received a remittance of \$15.00 from this party to pay for a camera and outfit. This price included the camera, - tintypes and post cards, - enough to take one hundred and fifty pictures.

The camera was returned to us after these supplies had been used, and furthermore, in the use of the camera, it had become rusted so that it was a second hand camera.

In order to satisfy her, on October 20th, we refunded her a check for \$8.00. How we arrived at this item of \$8.00 was that we had to pay ninety cents express charges on the return of the camera, - she had used up \$4.50 worth of supplies, - we had to spend \$1.00 for repairing the camera, - and fifty cents for a developing cup which made a total of \$6.90. Then of course, the camera was still a second hand camera. We thought it a fair adjustment to refund \$8.00.

To show you that the camera is a successful one, - we have sold over three thousand of them in the past two years, and they can be seen working almost daily in the public streets in practically all of the large cities. In fact, they provide many men with their entire livelihood.

We regret very much that Mrs. Kallon should think she was not treated right, as we are a responsible house and endeavor to satisfy everybody who does business with us. We thought we were doing the fair and honorable thing by her when we refunded the \$8.00 and only deducted the actual cost that we had been put to.

Yours very truly,

W. J. THOMPSON COMPANY, Inc.,
(sgd) Wm. J. Thompson,
President.

T/S

Ridgeway Pa
Nov 3rd
Mayor Kline.

Dear Sir,
I am writing you in
regard a company
in your city that has
defrauded me out of
\$8.55 it is a small
amount but it looks
large to me for I am
very poor, and I want
you advise on how
to proceed to get same
or probably you might
shake to the company

I H.

and ask them to send
the amount they claim
to be a reliable Co.

it is the W. J. Thompson Co. (Inc.)

627-649 West 43rd Street

New York City N.Y.

(L. B. Gaselle Manager)

I think the W. J. Thompson Co.
is the same company
that edits the "Rural Home"
a farm paper. The company
makes and sells the
Combination Camera.

I sent them \$15.00 for
one and outfit, and wrote

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them at the same time
not to sent the outfit if it
not do good work
but they sent it just ^{NOV 11} ¹⁹¹³ ^{5th}
same, I kept it for a
while and could never
make a picture with it
also got two first class
Photographers to ¹⁹¹³ ¹¹ ^{5th}
same and they pronounced
it a fake so I wrote
and wrote the company about
it and at last they said
return it and they would
make some pictures with
it and send me, they

Kept some a or 7 weeks
and I had to write until
I was worn out finally
he sent a check for \$8.00
saying that was in full
payment of same.

I have his own
statement where he received
the \$15.00 for the outfit
and the Express was \$1.10
then a package of developer
express on that was 45
making total \$16.55.

I think they are using the
mails for fraudulent purpose
also. I hope you will
kindly favor me by
to secure they of by paying

same - awaiting your

reply

Respt

Stamp enclosed Mrs M. A. Kallan

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 24, 1913.

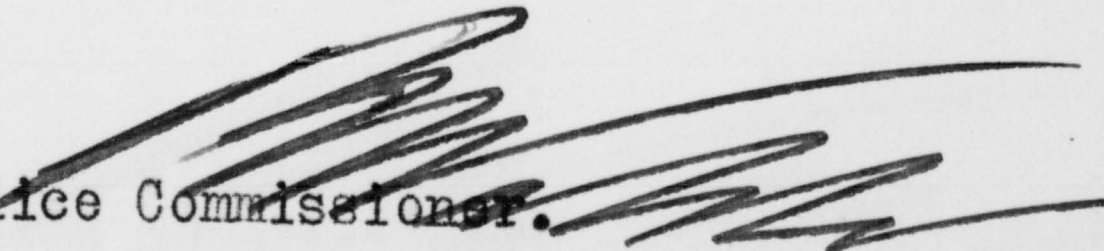
Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit
herewith, copy of the report made by
the Third Deputy Commissioner, relative
to communication of M. Wishengrad and
others, forwarded from your office with
letter of November 14th, stating that
saloon #9-1/2 Essex Street violates the
law.

Original letter of complaint
is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

H-M

POLICE DEPARTMENT
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

Nov. 21, 1913.

The Police Commissioner,

Through official channels.

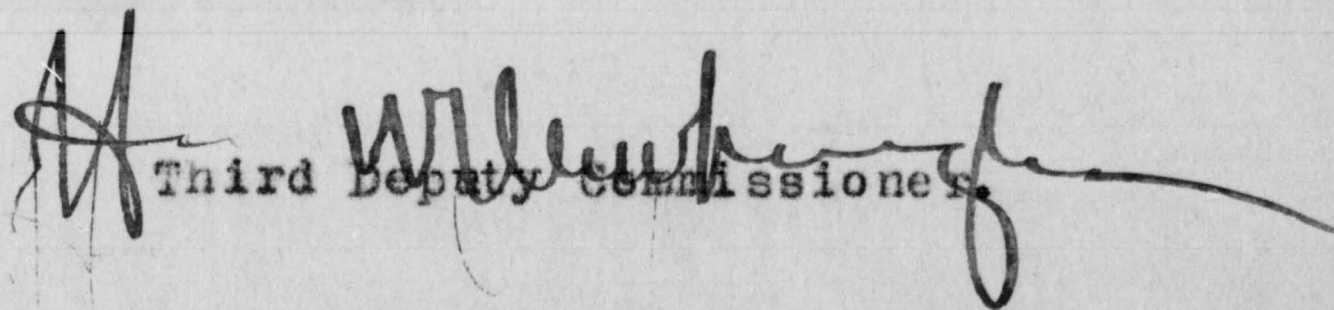
S i r:

In compliance with your directions relative to communication from His Honor, The Mayor, of Nov. 14, 1913 regarding premises 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Essex Street, I desire to state that members of Special Squad No. 4 have been assigned to this place and have obtained evidence of violation of the liquor tax law, and have applied for warrants.

I am endeavoring to arrange with the brewing company that holds a chattel mortgage on these premises, to have the chattel mortgage foreclosed and the license taken possession of by the brewing company.

The premises in question will continue to receive the attention of the members of the Special Squad assigned to this office.

Respectfully,


Third Deputy Commissioner

New York, Nov. 10th, 1913.

Mayor Kline,

Honored Sir:--

We, the undersigned, request you to revoke the license of the saloon, at 9½ Essex Street, N. Y. City, for the following reasons:--

FIRST, Excessive gambling done in the back room.

Second, Liquors sold on Sunday.

THIRD, This place is the hangout of notorious people. such as thieves, pickpockets and gunmen.

FOURTH, We have some inside tips that they keep chloroform, opium and weapons in the saloon, also signals in case they suspect a man of being a detective.

Some of the undersigned have complained to Police Headquarters, but they do not seem to do anything, and therefore we appeal to you to do something to wipe this place out. Almost every night there are wails from mothers and wives, whose sons and husbands have lost all their wages gambling in this saloon.

Thanking you in advance for your promptness in seeing into this matter, we beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

St. Wishengrad
9 Essex St.

Mulligan
5 Essex St.
M. Orleans 5 Essex.

Goldstein, 3 Essex St.
David Miller 13 Essex St.

W. Quinn
#17 Essex St.

H. Vogel, 15 Essex St.
H. Rosenstan 19 Essex St.

H. Nimety
11 Essex St.

M. Lopez
19 Essex St.
690 2/2 1/2
60. 2807 11
J. Goldstein
11 Essex St.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 24, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Inspector in charge of the Fourth Inspection District, relative to communication signed "A. Taxpayer," forwarded from your office with letter of October 6th, complaining of a disorderly house at No. 343 West 58th Street.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
FOURTH INSPECTION DISTRICT.

New York, November 19th-1913.

The Police Commissioner,

(Through Official Channels.)

S i r : -

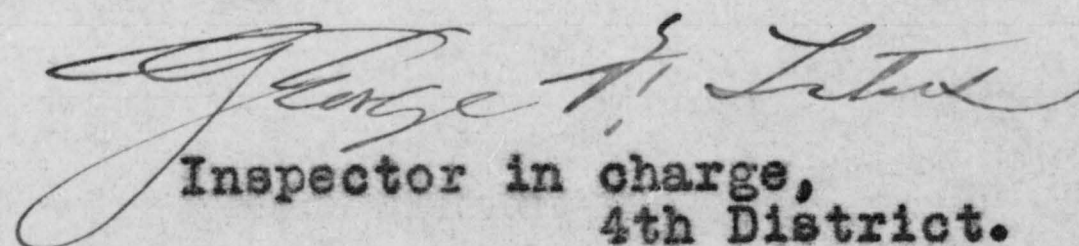
In compliance with the third endorsement of attached communication complaining of a disorderly house at No. 343 West 58th Street, the following is respectfully submitted.

The apartment occupied by Mrs. Mack, the person complained of, at No. 343 West 58th Street, received the attention of the members of the 4th Inspection District for some time past. Frequent visits were made to said apartment at irregular hours of the day and night, but admittance was always refused.

On October 20th 1913, Mrs. Mack vacated here apartment in premises No. 343 West 58th Street and moved to No. 241 West 53rd Street, Manhattan. Her apartment at said premises is being kept under observation, and if the proper legal evidence is obtained that a disorderly house is being conducted thereat prompt action will be taken.

I assume the responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,


Inspector in charge,
4th District.

is taking graft. I have
been complaining now for
the past 6 months, and
it looks very suspicious
that no action is never taken.

I now appeal to you
Hon. Mayor to see what
action you can take in
stopping the rowdies and
hoodlums from pestering
neighbors with their automobiles
at all hours of the night.

Trusting you will take
action in this matter, I thank
you in advance and remain
A Respectable Citizen and
Tax Payer

new York Oct 4th 1913.
Hon. Mayor Kline.
of N. Y. City.
Dear Sir:

I have written to
Com. Waldo, and 3 or 4 times
to Insp. Dwyer regarding ~~an~~
immoral house in said
apartment house 343 West 58th
2 flights up. Mack. It
seems to me that either
letters do not reach people
addressed to, or some body

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the past 6 months, and
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OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 25, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have your letter of November
24th, enclosing communication signed
"A. B. Allen," complaining of soliciting
by women in West 29th Street between 7th
and 8th Avenues. This matter will receive
the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 25, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have your letter of November
24th, enclosing two communications rec-
eived by your office, as follows:

From J. D. Trobaugh, Plainview,
Texas, who sent a sum of money to
a concern in this City (The Quaker
Oil Co.) several weeks ago and has
been unable to get word from them
since;

Letter signed "Mrs. Charles Gray,"
alleging that cocaine is sold in a
saloon at 167 Bleecker Street, Man-
hattan.

These matters will receive the
immediate attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 25, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

On August 14th a letter signed Mrs. Felix Spero, complaining of disorderly saloon at 1641 Amsterdam Avenue, was forwarded from your office to this Department for attention.

Under date of November 24th the Third Deputy Police Commissioner reports that the necessary evidence has been secured, and warrants obtained for violation of the Liquor Tax Law, but that the warrants have not as yet been executed.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 26, 1913.

Hon. Ardolph L. Kline,
Mayor, City of New York,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to submit herewith, copy of the report made by the Inspector commanding the First Inspection District, relative to communication signed "Mr. Kaplan," forwarded from your office with letter of November 1st, alleging that Cafe at #9-1/2 Essex Street is the hang-out for the Dopey Benny gang and that gambling takes place there.

Original letter of complaint is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

Walden
REC'D 1ST. DEPUTY

NOV 10 3 01 PM 1913

New York, Oct. 30th, 1913.

Mayor of New York,
New York City.

Honored Sir:--

I have several times written to the Chief of Police, also telephoned them in regards to the gambling done in the Cafe at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Essex Street, N. Y. City, but up to the present writing, nothing has been done to improve these conditions. When I called up the Police Headquarters on Monday, the party who answered the phone would not even wait to listen what I had to say, he just dropped the wire.

The conditions in this cafe are awful. It is the hang-out of the Dopey Bennie gang. There is a back room in this cafe where all gambling is done. The owners of this cafe keep a revolver, chloroform and they also have a push button behind the bar, so that in case they have suspicions on anybody coming in the saloon, for fear that they might be a detective, they push this button which signals the gamblers in the back, and they all drop their cards.

When you send some one to look into this matter, have them go through the yard, and there they will see the gambling through the windows.

I wish you would attend to this matter at once, as such places ought not to exist.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Kaplan, (A Citizen)
18 Ludlow Street,
N. Y. City.

POLICE DEPARTMENT**CITY OF NEW YORK
FIRST INSPECTION DISTRICT.**

N. Y. November 20th, 1913.

The POLICE COMMISSIONER,
(Through Official Channels).

S I R :

Re complaint of Mr. Kaplan, No. 18
Ludlow St relative to alleged gamb-
ling at premises 9-1/2 Essex Street;
also alleged hangout for Dopey Benny
Gang, etc. Forwarded by His Honor,
The Mayor.

Immediately upon receipt of this communication it was
referred to the members of the Force assigned to duty in this
district for investigation.

Patrolmen Lazarus Benjamin, #256 and Thomas F. Kelly,
#10008, both of the 1st District, report that the premises com-
plained of is located on the ground floor of a five story and
basement brick tenement house, and is conducted by one Henry J.
Cohen as a licensed liquor saloon, operating under liquor tax
certificate No. 5006, issued September 30th, 1913. This place
was kept under surveillance since receipt of communication, but
to date, no violations of law have been observed thereat. Re--
this place is the hangout for the Dopen Benny Gang--this allega-
tion could not be verified.

Re--the owner of this cafe keeps a revolver, chloroform,
and he also has a push-button behind the wall to warn gamblers in
the rear room--a thorough inspection of the premises shows this
allegation to be without foundation.

Re--several previous complaints have been made regard-
ing the above--on October 31st, 1913, communication serial number
250151 was received at this office from the Police Commissioner,
wherein it was stated that gambling was being carried on within
the above premises and that a disorderly gang patronized the place.
As stated in report to the Police Commissioner under date of Nov.
19th, 1913, none of the allegations of said complaint could be
verified.

The writer, Mr. Kaplan does not live at No. 18 Ludlow
street, nor could any person be found in that vicinity who knew
him or had any knowledge of his whereabouts.

However, continued attention will be given this matter
by the members of the Force of this district, and if any viola-
tions of law are observed thereat, prompt and proper police ac-
tion will be taken.

I assume responsibility for the accuracy of the above.

Respectfully,

Thomas Myers
Inspector First District.

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N. Y. November 20th, 1913.

Myers, Thomas
Inspector First District.

Report rel. to complaint of
alleged gambling at No. 9-1/2
Essex St; also hangout for
Dopey Benny Gang.



OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER

November 28, 1913.


Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have your letter of November 26th,
enclosing affidavit of Abraham Stark, com-
plaining of his having been arrested.

This matter will be immediately in-
vestigated.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 29, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r :

I have the honor to acknowl-
edge receipt of your letter of November
28th, enclosing communication of James
C. Waters, Jr., with reference to an
attack made on a child in this City.
This matter is at present being inves-
tigated by the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

OFFICE OF
THE COMMISSIONER
November 29, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r:

I am in receipt of your letter of November 28th enclosing communication from Pierre Brosseau, complaining that he has been denied the privilege of roller skating on Broadway, Riverside Drive and West End Avenue.

This matter will have the attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,


Police Commissioner.

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November 29, 1913.

Hon. James Matthews,
Executive Secretary,
City Hall, New York City.

S i r:

I am in receipt of your letter
of November 28th enclosing communication
from Mrs. J. Harry Jenkins, 21 Louis Place,
Brooklyn, alleging that she was insulted
by Patrolman 6335.

The matter will receive the im-
mediate attention of the Department.

Very respectfully,

Police Commissioner.