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Courts: Special Sessions

1912

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS,
FIRST DIVISION.

COR. FRANKLIN & CENTRE STREETS,
NEW YORK.

JUSTICES' CHAMBERS.

No. 32 Franklin Street,

New York City, Jany. 6, 1912.

To His Honor,
The M A Y O R,
City Hall,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

In the matter of Harry Bird, whose discharge from the Catholic Protectory you recommended to Commissioner Drummond in your letter of December 20th last, I beg to advise you that after careful investigation it was found best to parole the boy as requested. This has accordingly been done, and I take great pleasure in advising you to that effect.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice.

Jan 6, 1912.

Dec. 20, 1911.

Re to parole of Harry
Bird from Jethro's Rectory.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

No. 32 Franklin Street, New York.

January 16, 1912.

James Matthews Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New York.

Dear Sir:-

I have this day received a communication from Chief Magistrate Kempner, enclosing a letter from you relative to the case of one John Young who appeared in the Childrens Court, Kings County, August 28th, 1911. I will give the matter my immediate attention.

Very truly yours,,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice.

Jan. 16/12.

P.E. - case of John Young
who appeared in Children's
Court, Kings County,
Aug 28/11. which will
have attention.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

32 Franklin Street, New York City,

January 23, 1912.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the M a y o r ,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 22nd instant, enclosing a letter from Sadie Lippman of 27 East 111th Street, Manhattan, relative to the case of her brother, who was sentenced to the Penitentiary by the Court of Special Sessions, on a charge of soliciting.

I will give the matter my immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

Jan. 23/12.

Jan. 22/12.

Get. letter from Radis
Lippman re brother
being sent to
Penitentiary.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

32 Franklin Street., New York City,
January 25, 1912.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the M a y o r ,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

In further reply to your communication of the 11th instant, addressed to Hon. Otto Kempner, and enclosing a letter from Mrs. Leon Faberg, of 18 Weiher Court, The Bronx, with reference to one John Young, who was brought before the Children's Court on August 12th, I beg to say that I have had a careful examination made of the disposition of this case, and find the following to be the facts:

John Young was arrested at Coney Island and brought to the Children's Court, Brooklyn, charged with being a vagrant. After various adjournments for investigation by the Society of Prevention of Cruelty to Children the case was dismissed by Mr. Justice Fleming on August 28th, 1911. Under these circumstances it was impossible for Mr. Blood, agent of the Gerry Society to hold the boy longer in custody. An effort was made to secure work for the boy through Father Blake in the St. Vincent's Home, but the boy refused to stay there, and

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ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

J.M., Esq., -2-

later returned to Manhattan. The aunt is in error in saying that the boy was committed to the Catholic Protectory for such was not the case; nor was he placed on probation. The present complaint is, in my judgment, wholly unfounded.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

Jan. 25/12.

Jan. 11/12.

Report on letter Mrs
Leon Fabry re -
case of John Young.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

32 Franklin Street, New York City,

January 30, 1912.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the M a y o r ,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir: -

In further reply to your favor of the 22nd instant, enclosing a letter from Sadie Lippman, 27 East 111th Street, Manhattan, relative to the case of her brother, who was sentenced to the Court of Special Sessions to the Penitentiary on a charge of soliciting, I beg to say that I have carefully examined into the facts of the case, and have had a long conversation with Miss Lippman and her father and brother-in-law, and have advised them that there is nothing that the Court of Special Sessions can do at this time, and that their proper remedy is to prosecute the appeal which has already been taken. To my mind, the charge *made by these Lippmanns* against the probation officer is entirely unfounded.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice.

Jan. 30/12.

Jan. 22/12.

Report on letter Radie
Lippman re-case
of brother sentenced to
Penitentiary

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

32 Franklin Street, New York City,

February 28, 1912.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the M a y o r ,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 27th instant, relative
to the case of Irene Plunkett, 1859 East 48th Street,
Brooklyn, N.Y. I will give the matter my immediate
attention.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

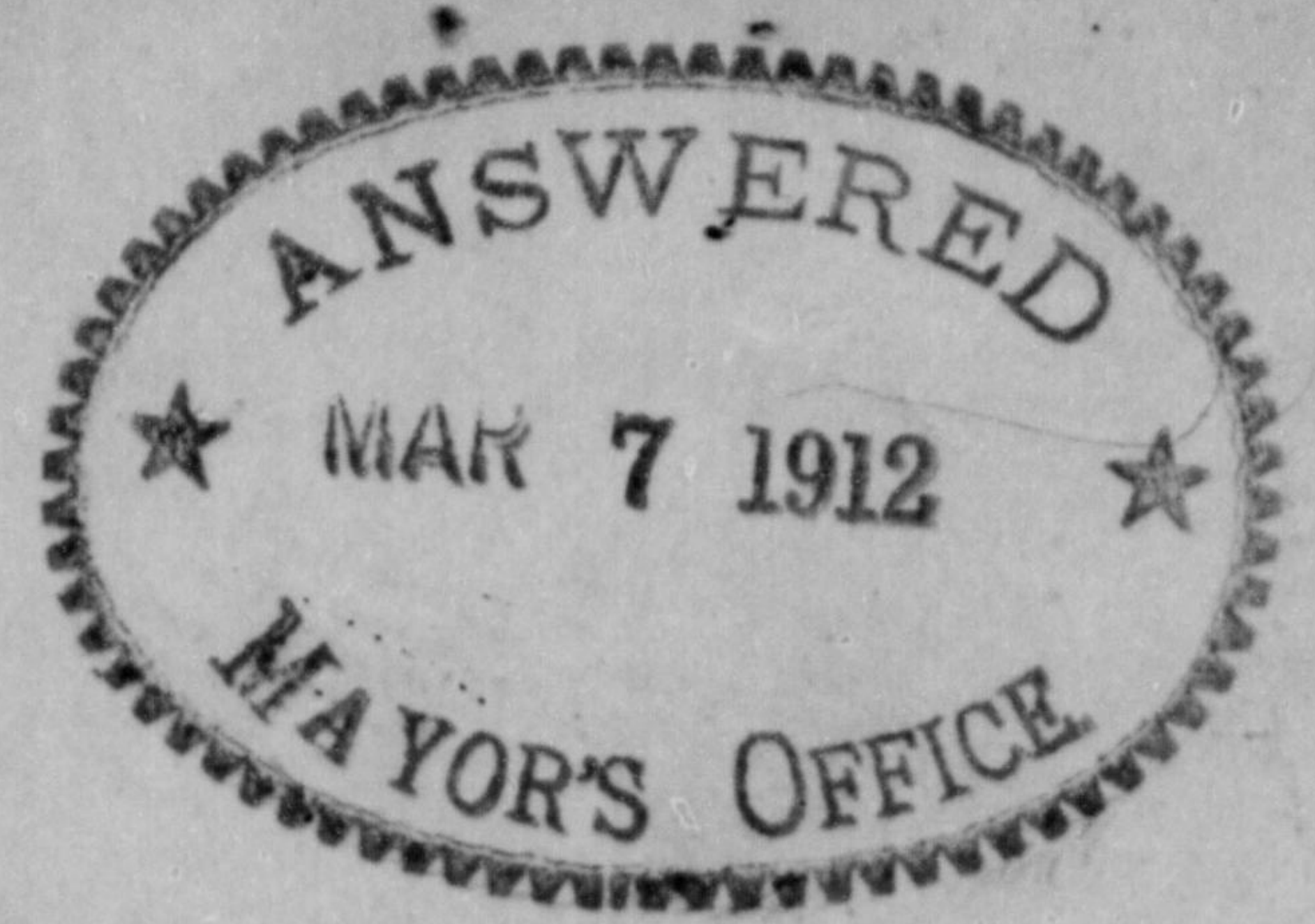
Chief Justice.

Feb. 28/12.

Feb. 27/12.

John Little Greene
Plunkett 1859 &
48 St. Brooklyn.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE



32 Franklin Street, New York,

March 6, 1912,

James Matthews Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Matthews:-

In further reply to your communication of February 27th, relative to a complaint made by one Irene Plunkett, of 1859 East 48th street, Brooklyn, I beg to enclose you copy of a letter from Mr. Stiefel, Assistant Corporation Counsel, in charge of Bastardy cases, all of which is self explanatory. The letter states that the ~~sole~~ and only reason why the sum of two dollars per week has not been paid is ~~due to~~ the fact that an appeal has been taken and a bond given for a stay pending the argument. This argument is expected to be heard in April.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell
CHIEF JUSTICE.

Copy

Hon. Isaac Franklin Russell,
Chief Justice,
32 Franklin Street,
New York City.

My dear Judge:-

I have your favor dated March 1st, 1912, with enclosed communication received from the Mayor's office, dated February 27th, 1912, a letter from Irene Plunkett, and copies of the records of the Court of Special Sessions in the bastardy proceedings in which one, Joseph A. Walsh, was the defendant. In regard thereto, I desire to inform you as follows:

FIRST: The defendant was convicted during the month of June, 1911.

SECOND: In the latter part of June, a notice of appeal from the adjudication of the Court of Special Sessions to the Appellate Division was served.

THIRD: During the November term, a motion was made by me, returnable November 13th, to dismiss the appeal for failure to prosecute the same as required by the rules of the Court. The motion came on for hearing before the Appellate Division, and Mr. Justice Jenks, presiding, granted the defendant appellant until January 23rd, 1912, to procure the minutes of the proceedings and cause the proposed case to be printed. The Appellate Division was not in session on January 23rd, and, therefore, it became necessary to make another motion during the March term of the Court. This motion was heard on March 4th, and the defendant again, upon his application, was granted ten days more within which time to prepare the case on appeal. To-day I received the printed copies on appeal, and I hope to be able to argue this appeal during the April term.

I wish to impress upon you the fact that there was no delay in this office, upon the appeal, and that it has been my invariable practise to endeavor to cause the appellants to act as quickly as the law will permit.

I return the papers to you.

Respectfully yours,

Herman Stiefel,

Assistant Corporation Counsel.

March 6/12.

Feb. 27/12.

Report on letter Irene Plunkett.
re nonpayment of \$2 per week
for support of child by J. A. Walsh.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
CHAMBERS
FRANKLIN CHASE HOYT
JUSTICE

March 25, 1912.

Hon. William J. Gaynor,
Office of the Mayor, City Hall,
Borough of Manhattan, City of New York.

S i r :-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 20th, enclosing communication sent to you by Commissioner Waldo, "showing that a truck thief has been paroled after conviction", and to thank you for calling my attention to this matter.

Unfortunately, the police report which was sent to you is rather misleading in that it states that one Joseph Schwartz was convicted in the Court of Special Sessions and was paroled by me on the 2nd of March.

As a matter of fact this boy (a child of fourteen years of age) was found guilty of juvenile delinquency in the Children's Court on the 23rd of February, 1912. It developed that he had been used as a tool by a gang of adults, and it was shown that he had never been arrested before. After remand to the Children's Society for eight days and an exhaustive investigation, I decided to give the boy a chance and placed him on probation on the 2nd of March. In taking this action I was actuated by the hope not only of saving the child himself but of aiding the police in running down the real offenders through the boy's assistance which he promised cheerfully to give. The complainants themselves, I may add, strongly urged that the boy should be placed on probation and not committed, while the police officers also suggested to the court that this action

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JUSTICE

Hon. William J. Gaynor -2-

would assist them materially in detecting the adults guilty of planning the larceny.

The end of the story, however, is disappointing. The day after he had been paroled a representative of the United Hebrew Charities, who had volunteered to look after the boy, reported that he was not keeping the conditions of his probation. The court thereupon issued a bench warrant for his arrest and return to the court. Before the police succeeded in executing this warrant Schwartz again attempted to commit a similar offense and was re-arrested. On his appearance in court he was again remanded in order to furnish the police with some further information, and was then committed by me to the House of Refuge where he now is.

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Franklin Chase Hoyt

TEMPORARY CHAMBERS
346 BROADWAY,
MANHATTAN
ROOM 638.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

New York City, April 24, 1911.

To
His Honor, the Mayor,
City Hall,
New York City.

My dear Judge Gaynor:-

In further reply to your favor of the 17th instant, in which you suggest that some of our Children's Court Judges attend the National Conference of Charities and Correction, I beg to say that I have written to Judge Willard H. Olmsted on this matter, and that he expresses himself as pleased to represent this court at the conference if it is your desire to designate him as a delegate.

I enclose the letters which you sent me from Chief Magistrate McAdoo and Mr. Robinson.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

Enclosures.

Apr 24/1911

Re. to Apr 17/11

next re. to Letter
of G. B. Robinson
Re. to Conference on
National Charities
Corrections

Chief Justice.

Acting Chief Justice.

TEMPORARY CHAMBERS
346 BROADWAY,
MANHATTAN.
ROOM 636.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK
ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

New York City, April 27, 1911.

Robert Adamaon, Esq.,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, New Yoek City.

My dear Mr. Adamson:-

I have your favor of the 25th instant, in which
you call my attention to the case of William Chiusano, 52
Skillman St., Brooklyn, who desires to secure the return
of a bicycle from the Property Clerk.

I will give this matter my immediate attention.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

Apr 27/11

Re. to Apr 25/11

ack Letter of
W. Thurnau

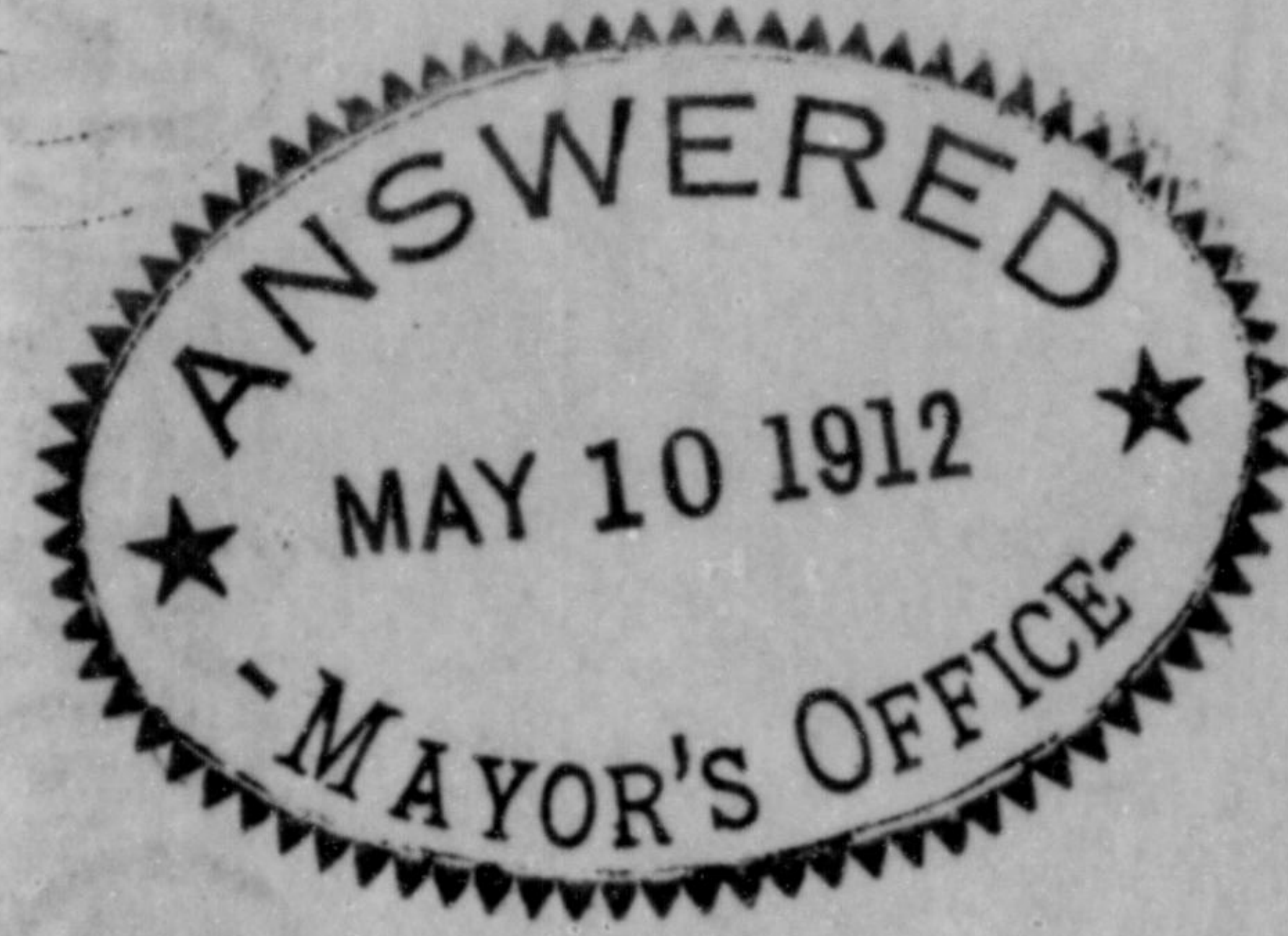
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OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

NEW YORK May 9, 1912.

To
His Honor, The Mayor,
City Hall,
New York City.



My dear Mr. Mayor:-

I have been much annoyed by newspaper publications to the effect that I wanted the public to advise our Court through letters to the Chief Justice regarding the fittest punishment to be meted out to one Joseph Martin, charged with having cruelly beaten a small boy.

I want you to understand that I have committed no such indiscretion. I have had simply nothing at all to do with soliciting such advice from the public. It all came about through the mistaken zeal and unauthorized act of a newspaper reporter.

I have read none of these letters and shall read none of them. The judgment of the Court will be in no way influenced by these communications. I feel I am entitled to have you know the exact facts in this case.

With sincere regards,

Yours truly,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

NEW YORK May 24, 1912.

To
His Honor, The M a y o r ,
City Hall,
New York City.

My dear Mayor Gaynor:-

I have your esteemed favor of the 22nd instant,
enclosing a complaint from one Irene Earll relative to her
non-appointment as probation officer in the Court of Special
Sessions.

I will give my immediate attention to the matter,
and report to you further on the subject.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

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COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

NEW YORK June 12, 1912.

To His Honor,

The Mayor,

City Hall, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

I have your communication of the 11th instant containing **enclosure** of a letter from Rev. Father Lynch and Chief Magistrate McAdoo; and in reply thereto I beg to state that action will be taken in this matter in accordance with your advice.

Sincerely yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

NEW YORK July 6, 1912.

James Matthews, Esq.,
Executive Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

In the absence of Chief Justice Russell, I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 3rd instant, enclosing a complaint made by one Mrs. Ryan, of 205 West 62nd Street, New York City, relative to her son Patrick Ryan now an inmate of the House of Refuge.

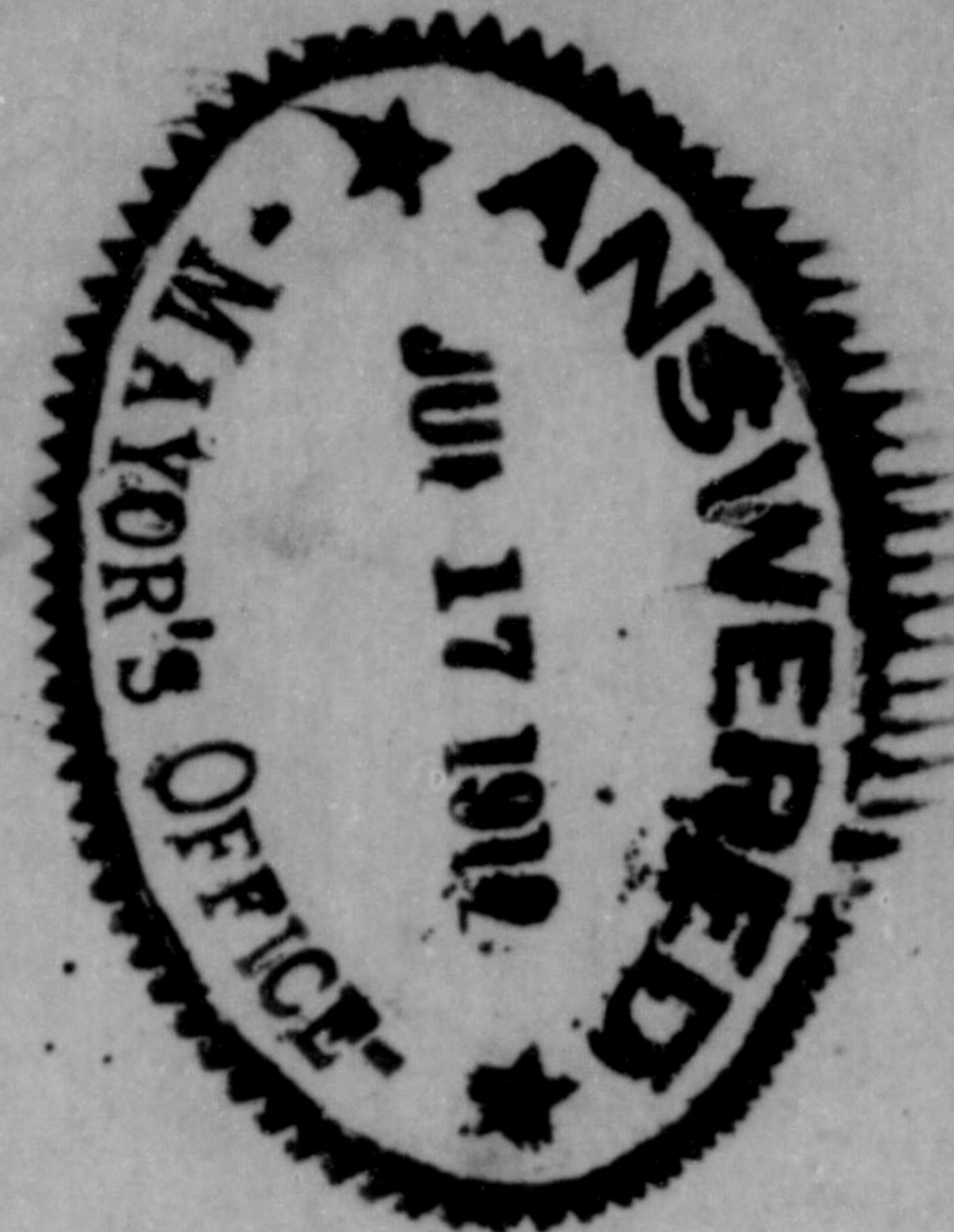
In reply let me say that the Justices of the Court of Special Sessions have no jurisdiction to interfere in the matter which you mention. The boy was re-arrested by a parole officer of the House of Refuge, and not by a probation officer of this Court and I have written Mrs. Ryan to make her complaint to the Superintendent of the House of Refuge.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
CHAMBERS
171 ATLANTIC AVE. BROOKLYN BOROUGH, N.Y.
MORGAN M.L. RYAN
JUSTICE

July 16th, 1912.



Honorable William J. Gaynor,
Mayor of the City of New York.

My dear Mayor Gaynor:-

I went out to Jamaica yesterday and saw Mr. Todd, the Principal and Superintendent of the Truant and Parental Schools, in relation to William Whalen, The boy has a good record in the Truant School and Mr. Todd, has promised to recommend that he be paroled to his parents. He will probably be allowed to go home in a day or two.

The delay in this case is due to the failure of Mr. Whalen's attorney, to submit affidavits in the motion for a new trial. The attorney stated that he expected to take a vacation and the hearing was adjourned to suit his convenience. Mr. Whalen's statement, to the effect that Mrs. Whalen had submitted an affidavit to me is untrue. Not a single affidavit has been submitted.

Mr. Whalen's intimation that his boy is the victim of injustice is too absurd to merit serious consideration but, in justice to myself, I will give you a brief history of the case.

After having made numerous efforts to keep William Whalen in school, the attendance officer finally

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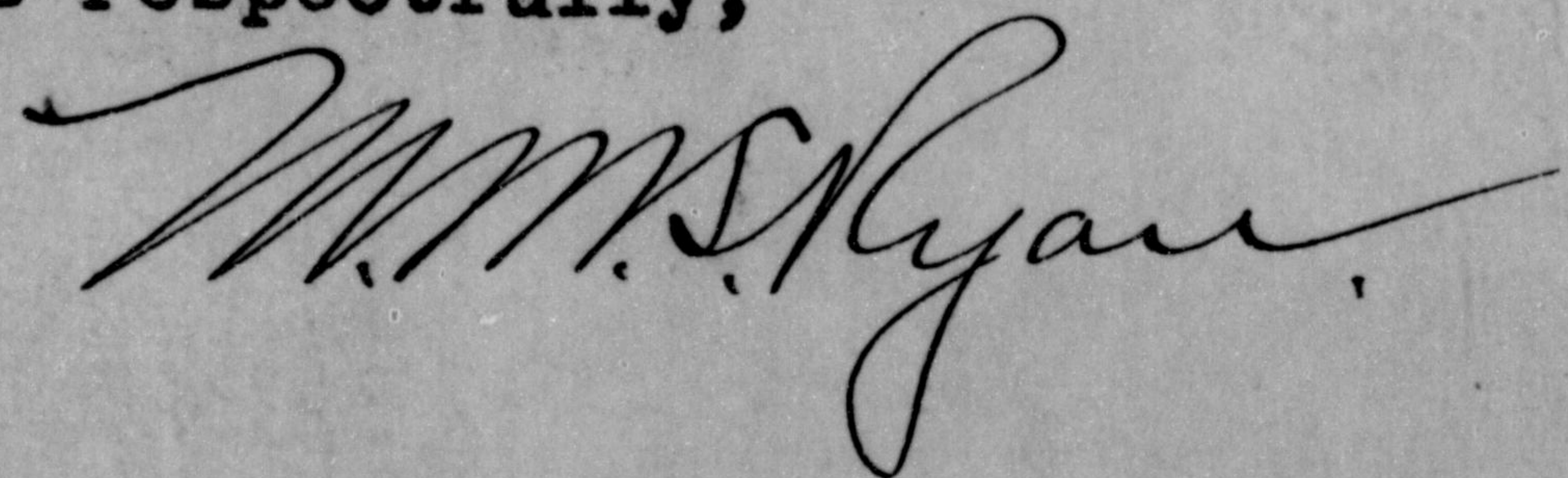
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MORGAN M.L. RYAN
JUSTICE

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brought him to Court on May 9th, 1912, and he acknowledged to me that he had been a truant thirty-one full days and three half days during a period of three months; that his mother had tried to make him go to school but that he refused to obey her. His mother stated that he had gotten into bad company and that although she had whipped him, it was "entirely impossible" to make him go to school. Following my usual custom, I decided to give the boy another chance and upon his promise to attend school regularly, I paroled him to his mother until June 6th. His conduct and attendance while on parole, were so bad the principal was compelled to suspend him from school, and on June 6th, 1912, I sentenced him to the Truant School. The enclosed reports from the School authorities speak for themselves.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "M.M. Ryan", written in dark ink.

Copy of Report filed in court the day the
defendant was sentenced to the Enam School.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

THE CITY OF NEW YORK

500 PARK AVENUE

Copy

May 9, 1912

To

Principal, School No. 136.

Mr. Whelan

of 414 - 40th St.

has been

placed on probation from the Children's Court, ~~Corn Exchange Bank Building, New Brighton,~~
102 Court St. Brooklyn

S. I. and is to report again to the court on

June 6th

1912

So that the Justice may be informed of his record at school SINCE THE PAROLE
DAY, May 9, 1912, will you kindly answer the following questions, and

RETURN THIS RECORD TO Paul A. Laro CHILDREN'S COURT

CORN EXCHANGE BANK BUILDING, NEW BRIGHTON, S. I. NEW YORK, on the

4th

day of

June

1912

Respectfully,

EDWARD B. SHALLOW,

Associate City Superintendent.

Borough of Richmond, School No.

Did this boy return to your school after

May 9, 1912?

[parole date.]

June 4th, 1912,

Yes

If so, on what date did he return?

May 10.

What is his record since the parole day?

Present 6

Absent

11.

During this time what has his conduct been?

Very bad.

Remarks:

See statement of Teacher and Principal
attached. Mother has moved at least once.

Charles A. Dewey

Principal, School No.

136,

Public School No. 136
4004 Fourth Avenue,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

DAILY RECORD BY TEACHER

4 A. M.

Room 11

William Whelan,

Aged 11 years

414 - 40th St.

May 10th, 1912, Returned to school on Parole.

May 13th, 1912, Did no work at all. Annoyed class and teacher
throughout day by disobedience, impertinence,
and remarks of all sorts.

May 14th, 1912, Conduct same as on preceding day. No work done.

May 15th, 1912, Came to school in filthy condition. Kept up
disorder and impertinence of days before. Still
no work done.

May 16th, 1912, Came in same dirty condition. Played with dice
while Arithmetic lesson was in progress. Threw
paper containing spit across room. Did no work.
Obeyed no commands.

G. M. Guntz, Teacher.

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May 16th, 1912. Sent boy for his mother to warn her to compel his good behavior or expect suspension. She would not come to school and did not until May 31st. He was then too dirty to attend any school. His absence was entirely willful and intentional. He is such a source of disturbance that he is not fit for any class in a public school.

Charles O. Dewey,
Principal.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
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CHIEF JUSTICE

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

NEW YORK July 23, 1912.

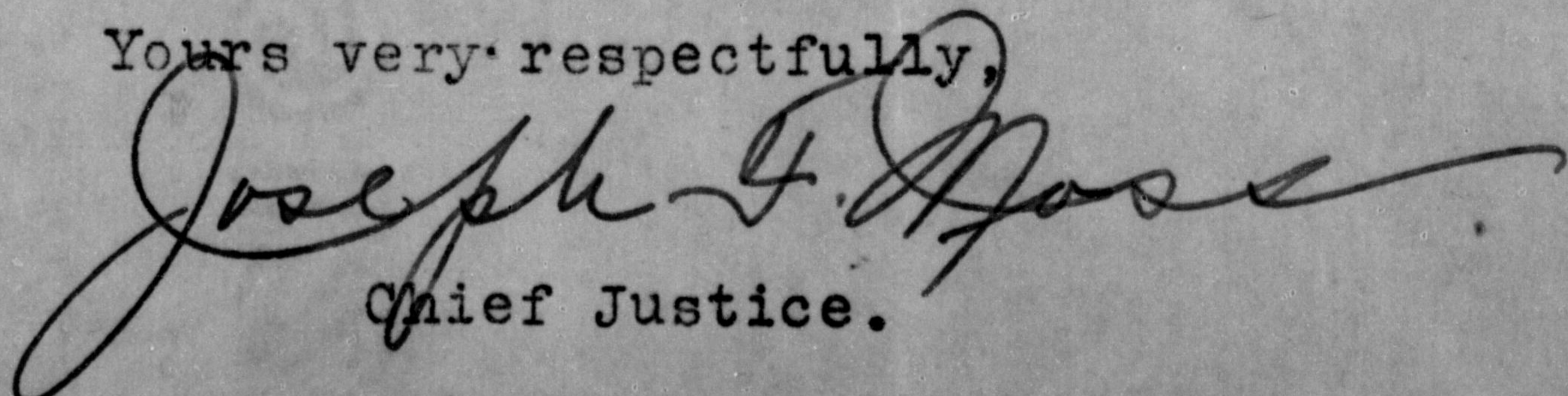
Robert Adamson, Esq.,
Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, N. Y.

My dear Adamson: -

Your communication addressed to Chief Justice Russell has been transmitted to me. Judge Russell is now in Europe and will not return until early in September but I herewith submit to you the history of the case of one Peter Bowes, a son of Mrs. E. Bowes who sent the communication to His Honor, the Mayor. The complaint against the boy was made by one Albert Sonberg and attendance officer on June 6th, 1912. The boy was a habitual truant. He was absent from school 18 school days out of 25 during the time from April 30th, 1912, to June 6th, 1912. I am informed that the Chief who committed the boy to the truant school was satisfied that the boy was an incorrigible boy beyond the control of his parents and that they could not have him attend school and for that reason the Chief acted accordingly. Mrs. Bowes, the mother of the boy, has made application to the Chief for his discharge and for the reason stated, as appears from his memoranda attached to the papers, denied.

Immediately upon Chief Justice Russells' return I will again call his attention to the case.

Yours very respectfully,


Chief Justice.

Dict. J.F.M/M

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE,
COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

FRANK W. SMITH
CHIEF CLERK

COR. FRANKLIN & CENTRE STREETS.
NEW YORK.

August 30, 1912 W

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to report to the Mayor through you the receipt of the letter of Mrs. L. Gray of 2077 Eighth avenue dated August 22nd, regarding her son who has been committed to an institution on Randall's Island. I have made an exhaustive examination and I find the facts to be as follows:

That the Children's Society, on the 24th of April, made complaint that Hugh Gray of the age of fourteen years was found without proper guardianship, improperly exposed and neglected by his parents and guardians, to wit:

"That he was found living in an untidy home, with an intemperate step-father; that the above boy's mother goes out to work every day; that the boy takes advantage of this and does not go to school, but loiters about on the streets, associates with bad boys and is developing criminal tendencies in that he from time to time steals his mother's savings, no doubt being prompted in these acts by the suggestions of his intemperate stepfather who does not work, and that the boy is wild, ungovernable and entirely beyond the control of his mother."

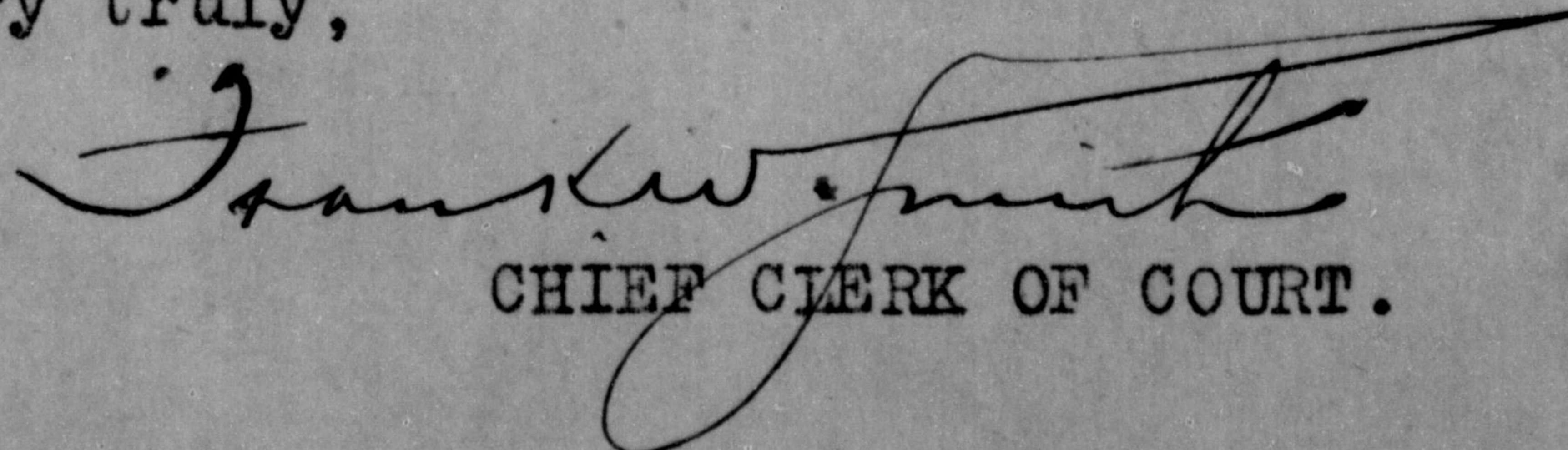
I have also interviewed Mrs. Evans, who is an estimable lady connected with the Big Sisters Society, and she informs me that it would be manifestly unfair to the child to return him for some time to come. I also sent one of our men to interview the mother, who acknowledged that it was on her complaint that the boy was apprehended, stating that he stole money from her from time to time; but that the only reason she was now annoyed was because the boy was transferred from the Chauncey, N.Y. home to Randall's Island.

Upon all of the above facts being proven to the satisfaction of Mr. Justice Mayo, he committed the boy on the date mentioned above to the Juvenile Asylum. That was done, as I understand it, (the transfer to Randall's Island) for the purpose of curing the boy of some physical defect and when he is cured he will be returned to the Chauncey home.

The mother claims that she is now unable to support her son, but the investigation proves the contrary. I am of the opinion that the boy is being well treated.

There is nothing else that I can think of that can be done in this matter, but if anything suggests itself to you I stand ready to do it.

Yours very truly,


CHIEF CLERK OF COURT.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

NEW YORK September 26, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:-

I have your favor of the 25th instant, enclosing
a letter from J. F. Murphy, of 259 West 144th Street, relative
to Mrs. Axman, a probation officer in this court. I will
investigate the matter at once.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell
Chief Justice.

COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

NEW YORK October 1, 1912.

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

Dear Sir:-

In further reply to your favor of the 25th ultimo, enclosing a letter of J. F. Murphy, of 259 West 144th Street, relative to certain papers belonging to his wife, which he claimed Probation Officer, Mrs. Axman retained, I beg to say that I have made an investigation of the case and find the following to be the facts:

Mary Harrington, alias Mary Collet, true name Mrs. J. F. Murphy, was committed on Jan. 27th, 1909, to the City Prison for ten days, for the larceny of a bracelet and one pocket book, valued at \$10.98, the property of Simpson, Crawford & Simpson

On the 7th of February, 1909, Mr. Murphy asked for the return of the references submitted to the Court as a voucher of Mrs. Murphy's previous good character. He was then told by Mrs. Axman that inquiry would be made as to the regularity of such a procedure. He wrote again, and our records show that by the direction of Ex Justice Wyatt, the papers were held as part of the Court record.

Of course, we are anxious that Mrs. Murphy should not suffer hardship on account of the retention of the letters but we cannot see our way clear to allow her to remove the

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ISAAC FRANKLIN RUSSELL
CHIEF JUSTICE

CHAMBERS OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE
32 FRANKLIN STREET

NEW YORK

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the original documents from our files, therefore I have notified Mr. Murphy that copies of these papers will be made and given to him.

Very truly yours,

Isaac Franklin Russell

Chief Justice.

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE,
COURT OF SPECIAL SESSIONS,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

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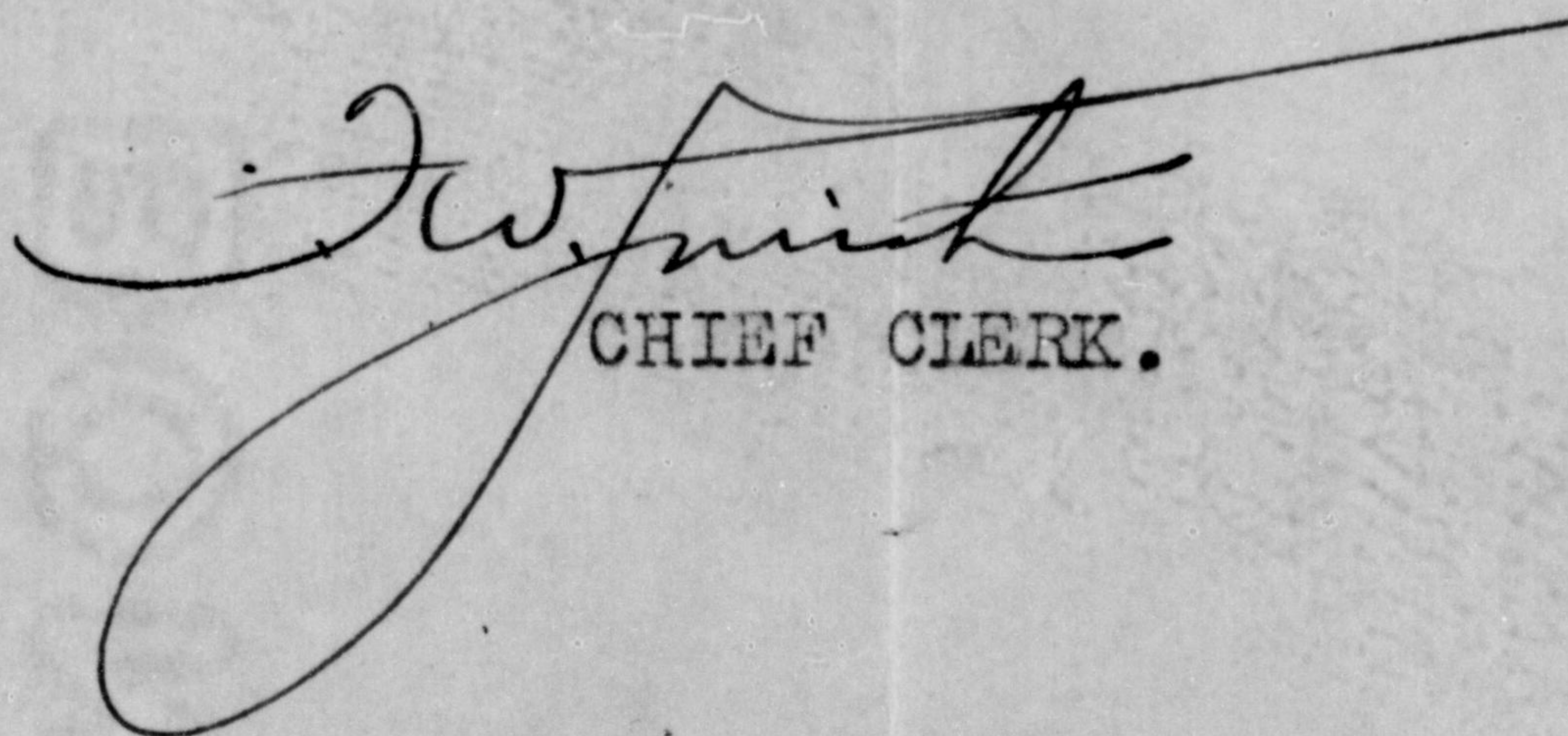
November 18th, 1912.

Honorable William J. Gaynor,
Chairman, Sinking Fund Commission,
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

At a meeting of the Board of Justices
of the Court of Special Sessions, held on Wednesday,
November 13th, 1912, a resolution was adopted
requesting that proper quarters be provided for the
Children's Court of the County of Kings, as the
premises now occupied are unsanitary and almost
unintenantable in several respects.

Respectfully,


CHIEF CLERK.