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33 Wall Street,

NEW YORK,

April 15th 1899

My dear Mr. Strong

Permit me to introduce
my friend Mr. J. Kensett
Olyphant whom I have
known all his life and
can fully vouch for.

He wants to talk to you
about
the new police commission

Yours very faithfully
L. A. Roosevelt

Yours
Wm L Strong.

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Inwood on Hudson,
New York City. (S).

April 15, 1897.

Hon. William Strong;

Dear Sir,

In "A Golden Day", a copy of which I beg you to accept with my compliments, (it is mailed herewith) you may be interested to see the question answered which I referred to you last fall. The note on page 22 records that Gov. Donagan's Charter included Inwood in New York City more than two-hundred years ago. A glance at the paragraphs marked on pages 16 & 27 will enable you the better to appreciate the discomfort of residence here when I say that we have not even a macadamized road, & that for nearly three miles below Kings Bridge the

main artery of communication with the country - the Kings Bridge Road - is so bad that I have often seen horses stalled with ordinary loads during the year past - to say nothing of other years.

Permit me most respectfully to request that some just consideration be shown to bicyclers in this part of the island. If an ordinance could be passed permitting them to use one or both sidewalks along the three miles of road to which I refer it would be a fair thing both for the riders or for the policemen. There are few pedestrians here at any time. And the roads are bad. And the strict enforcement of the ^{present} city ordinance along this portion of the Kings Bridge Road is certainly a hardship to all concerned. Is it possible to have an exception made of this three miles' stretch?

Very respectfully yours,
Geo. S. Payson.

The Associated Hospitals.

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12. ORTHOPEDIC.
13. MANHATTAN EYE AND EAR.
14. NEW YORK.
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16. FRENCH BENEVOLENT.
17. SKIN AND CANCER.
18. COLLEGE AND HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL AGENT OF THE

Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association

OF NEW YORK CITY.

United Charities Building,

Fourth Avenue and 22d Street.

The Associated Hospitals.

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21. MONTEPIORE HOME.
22. MANHATTAN DISPENSARY AND HOSPITAL.
23. POST-GRADUATE.
24. NURSERY AND CHILD'S.
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26. BABIES' HOSPITAL.
27. CANCER HOSPITAL.
28. ST. MARK'S HOSPITAL.
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30. FLOWER SURGICAL HOSPITAL.
31. ISABELLA HEIMATH.
32. LYING IN HOSPITAL.
33. ST. JOHN'S GUILD HOSPITAL.
34. BETH ISRAEL.
35. LEBANON.

(Dictated) New York, April 15, 1897. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,

City Hall, City.

Dear Sir:-

Please take notice that an adjourned meeting of the Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association of New York City is called for the seventeenth day of May, 1897, at 4:30 P.M., at the United Charities Building, Fourth Avenue and 22nd Street, and that it is proposed to offer thereat a resolution, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, to provide for the incorporation of the Association under Article 2 of Chapter 559 of the Laws of 1895, for the purpose in said resolution designated.

Yours truly,

(1 Enclosure)

Geo. MacC. Miller Secretary.

By order of

GEO. MacC. MILLER,
President.

RESOLVED that the Executive Committee of this Association be and they hereby are authorized to incorporate the same under Article 2 of Chapter 559 of the Laws of 1895 under the name of "The Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association of New York City" for the purpose of obtaining benevolent gifts for the hospitals of New York represented therein and providing for distributing these gifts, or investing the same and distributing the income thereof among such hospitals in such manner as may from time to time be provided by the By-Laws.

New York Club.
Fifth Avenue & 35th Street.

April 15th. 97

My dear Sir:

As I am the owner of
the property known as No. 19
Ann St., cor. of Theatre Alley,
I am, of course, very much
interested in the proposed
widening of Ann St.

I do not object to the
city taking my property as

for now. The Syndicate building
will receive all the benefit &
ought to pay the whole cost
of the improvement.

May I call at your
office & give you the facts &
details of this business?

Yours very truly

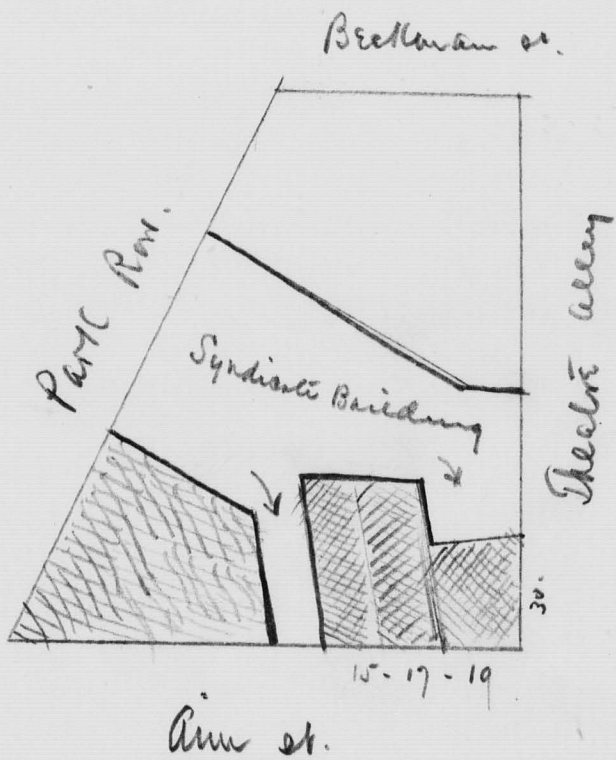
Daniel S. McElroy

105, 9. 37th St.

To / Hon. Mr. L. Strong

Mayor of New York.

I am, sure that I will re-
ceive its full value in cash,
as I know that it is not
the intention of the City's
representatives to be unfair
or unreasonable: - but this
is a scheme on the part
of the Syndicate, of which
Mr. Jones is the manager,
to obtain possession of a
valuable franchise & site in
an important & improved
district at less than the
property can be purchased.



STATE OF NEW YORK,
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,
ALBANY.

April 15 1897

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

My dear Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th and beg leave to say that the Governor will comply with your request.

Very truly yours,

William M. Buffitt

Private Secretary.

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New York, April 15th, 1897

Mayor William L. Strong,

City.

Dear Sir:--

The Committee in behalf of Mrs. L. V. DeRuiz's Benefit take pleasure in informing you at this time that they have thoroughly canvassed the field and that they can report a success financially and a grand programme for the entertainment. Many noted artists have offered their services, which is beyond the possibility of expectation a few days ago.

Realizing the condition we are delighted to ask your presence at that entertainment as we know it will not only be interesting but educational and that you will approve of the entire programme. We have reserved a box for you if that is sufficient or will retain more if desired.

Thanking you for your kindness and knowing this is a most deserving case we ask for your continued patience until we have proven that a success is the result of our labors. The entertainment will be given Wednesday evening, April 21st, at the Metropolitan Opera House.

Respectfully yours,

C. E. Davis
Chairman.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF THE COAL TRADE PROTECTIVE
ASSOCIATION.

We, the undersigned, all being persons of full age all of whom are citizens of the United States and all of whom except one are residents of the State of New York, desiring to form a membership corporation pursuant to Article 2 of the Membership Corporation Law, do hereby make, sign, acknowledge and file this certificate for such purpose, as follows:

First: The name of the proposed corporation is the Coal Trade Protective Association.

Second: The particular objects for which the corporation is to be formed, are to reform abuses in the coal trade and prevent fraudulent deliveries of coal, and to bring about the adoption of a single standard of weight in the deliveries of coal, and to institute such other reforms as may be necessary to protect the public and honest coal dealers from fraudulent practices, and to promote those influences which will be most conducive to fair and honest dealings in the coal trade.

Third. The territory in which the operations of the corporation will be principally conducted, is the City of New York in the State of New York.

Fourth. The principal office of the corporation is to be located in the City of New York in the State of New York.

Fifth. The number of its directors shall be eleven.

Sixth. The names and places of residence of the persons to be its directors until the first annual meeting are as follows:-

Peter DeWitt, Gilbert I. Herbert, and Michael F. Burns, to me personally known and known to me to be the persons described in and who made and signed the foregoing certificate and to me severally acknowledged that they made signed and executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

William T. Tomlinson,
Commissioner of Deeds, City and County of New York.

State of New York :
County of New York. : ss

On this 30th day of December 1896, before me personally came Thomas Stokes , William C. Moquin, and Grove D. Curtis, to me personally known and to me personally known to be the persons described in and who made and signed the foregoing certificate, and severally acknowledged to me that they made, signed and executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

William T. Tomlinson,
Commissioner of Deeds, New York City and County.

State of New York :
County of New York. : ss

On this 31st day of December 1896 before me personally came Robert Gordon and Frederick Willenbrock, to me personally known and known to me to be the persons described in and who made and signed the foregoing certificate, and to me severally acknowledged that they made, signed and executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

William T. Tomlinson,
Commissioner of Deeds, New York City and County.

State of New York :
 County of New York. : ss

On the 2nd day of January 1897, before me personally came Thomas Thedford, to me personally known and known to me to be the individual described in and who made and signed the foregoing certificate and to me acknowledged that he made signed and executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

William T. Tomlinson,
 Commissioner of Deeds, New York City and County.

I hereby approve of the within certificate and of the filing thereof.

Abr. R. Lawrence.
 Justice of the Supreme Court.
 New York January 4th, 1897.

State of New York,
 City and County of New York, ss:

I, HENRY D. PURROY, Clerk of the City and County of New York, and also Clerk of the Supreme Court for the said City and County, the same being a Court of Record, DO HEREBY CERTIFY That William T. Tomlinson whose name is subscribed to the Certificate of the proof or acknowledgement of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was, at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgement, a Commissioner of Deeds in and for the City and County of New York, dwelling in the said City, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And further that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Commissioner, and verily believe that the signature to the said certificate of proof or acknowledgement is genuine

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court and County the 5th day of January, 1897.

(Aqd) Henry D. Purroy,

Clerk.

Coal
Certificate of Incorporation

-of the-

Coal Trade Protective Association.

Dated December 29th, 1896.

Approved January 4th, 1897.

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COAL TRADE PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION

67 Wall Street, New York,

April 15th, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

The undersigned address you on behalf of the Coal Trade Protective Association, composed of a number of representative coal dealers engaged in business in this City, which was incorporated on the 6th day of January, 1897.

The purposes of the Association, as stated in its Act of Incorporation, are, "to reform abuses in the coal trade, and prevent fraudulent deliveries of coal, and to institute such other reforms as may be necessary to protect the public and honest coal dealers from fraudulent practices, and to promote those influences which will be most conducive to fair and honest dealings in the coal trade."

The conditions which led the gentlemen interested in this Association, to form themselves into a corporate body for the purposes above stated, are briefly these:-

The fraudulent practices in deliveries of short weight in coal, were believed to have become so wide-spread as to threaten the demoralization of the trade. Unless you have been particularly advised upon this subject, we have no doubt that you would be surprised to know the

extent to which these practices have reached, so that many dealers have been forced to resort to them in sheer self-protection.

The discoveries in at least one Department of the Municipal Government, recently made in reference to the frauds practiced upon that Department in the deliveries of coal, show that the Municipality, no more than private individuals, is exempt from exposure to injury from such fraudulent practices.

Convinced that it was necessary to make a combined effort to put a stop to this growing evil, the gentlemen whose names are appended to the Certificate of Incorporation of the above Association, a copy of which is herewith enclosed to you, determined to organize for the purposes specified in said Certificate of Incorporation.

The officers of said Association are :-

Grover D. Curtis, President,

Thomas Stokes, Treasurer,

Frederick Rheinfrank, Secretary.

The members of the Executive Committee, are

Grover D. Curtis,

Gilbert I. Herbert,

Frederick Rheinfrank

Thomas Thedford,

Michael F. Burns.

As a first step in carrying out their purposes, a bill was prepared, a copy of which is herewith enclosed to you, the provisions of which it was hoped would afford a means of accomplishing the purposes contemplated by the above organization.

After this bill was drafted, the counsel of the Association called at your office to submit it for your consideration; but in an interview with your secretary, he was advised that your engagements were such as to preclude the possibility of your examining into the matter, and requested him to present the matter to the office of the Counsel to the Corporation.

In obedience to this request, the Counsel of the Association called upon the Corporation Counsel, explained to him the purposes sought to be accomplished by the proposed legislation, and received from him his assurance of sympathy with the objects desired to be reached, and the matter was placed in the hands of Assistant Corporation Counsel Clarke, for his investigation.

The Counsel for the Association had several consultations with Mr. Clarke, who gave his courteous attention to the matter; the result of which was that he informed the Counsel of the Association that the Office saw no objections to the provisions of the bill, and that it would meet with no opposition from the City in its passage through the Legislature.

The Hon. George C. Austin took a deep interest in

the matter, and introduced the bill in the Assembly early in the Session. It was referred to the Committee on Cities of that body, and public hearing was had.

Notwithstanding the fact that the introduction of the bill had been widely commented upon by the trade journals, and a copy of the bill appeared in extenso therein, there was no opposition to the bill from any quarter. The Retail Coal Dealers' Exchange of this City met and considered the provisions of the bill, and appointed a committee to go to Albany and advocate the passage of the bill. The leading coal dealers of the City of Brooklyn also interested themselves in the matter, and requested their representatives in the Legislature to advocate the passage of the bill.

After the hearing before the Committee on Cities of the Assembly, a member of that Committee from the City of Rochester, presented an extensively signed petition from that City, asking that the bill be extended to cities of the second class.

In this request, it is understood that all the representatives of the cities of the second class on the Committee, joined. The bill was amended in conformity with this request, and so amended, was favorably reported to the Assembly, and passed that body without opposition. It received an equally favorable reception in the Senate and was passed by that body, and, upon submission to the Governor, received the executive approval.

The necessity for legislation upon the subject, has not been questioned, and the provisions of the bill have met with general approval, not only in the Legislature but among the members of the particular trade affected by them.

The purpose of the bill is to afford to purchasers of coal the means of protecting themselves against fraudulent deliveries of coal, by securing to them the means of having the weight of the coal purchased by them, verified at scales designated in such a way as to assure a proper weighing of such coal.

After a very careful study of the question, it seemed best to vest the power of designating such scales in the mayors of the cities to which the provisions of the bill apply. It was felt that the head of the City government, recognizing the importance of a proper selection of scales for the interests of the people of the city, would realize that the success of the effort to stop fraudulent deliveries of coal would largely depend upon a proper exercise of the authority thus vested in him, and that he would exercise the power thus conferred, wisely in the interests of the people.

For this reason, among others, the designation of the scales was left to his discretion, so that he could be relieved from the necessity of designating scales merely upon the application of persons who desired to

have their scales designated as public scales ; and it was believed that the Mayor, realizing the vital importance to the people, of the success of this effort to crush out fraudulent deliveries of coal, would be careful to select only the scales of those persons whose standing in the community and in the trade was such as would assure their co-operation with the effort to bring to an end the evils complained of.

The undersigned, representing the Association which has been organized for the special and sole purpose of preventing a continuance of the frauds in the deliveries of coal, have been requested to state to you that that Association will submit for your consideration a plan for the establishment of the scales contemplated by the Act referred to above, at the most convenient possible points throughout the City, with recommendations for the designation of scales, which, in the judgment of its members, are best adapted in situation, and from the character of the owners thereof, for the weighing of coal by purchasers thereof; and they respectfully ask that the designation of scales, under the provisions of the act in question, may not be made until the recommendations of the Association have been submitted to you

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Grove D. Curtis

W. J. & E. J. Eastman

Frederick Rheinpark

14 St. & East River

Phas Med fine 27 & 9th are

G. J. Kerber - 20th Street Car. Rm

Wm. F. Burns Delaney St.

Executive Committee

April 15th 1897

Hon William L. Strong
City Hall, N.Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

I notice by last
evenings' Mail and Express
that the bill to extend Riverside
Drive is now before you for
your approval or disapproval.

I live in the vicinity of
the upper end of the Present
Riverside drive, and drive
or ride its entire length
nearly every day, and on
each occasion I have felt

that it was such a pity that it was not longer so one could finish his ride or drive without leaving that grand old river's banks.

If as Mayor of New York, you approve of the extension called for by that bill your administration will receive more credit therefore in after years than any one measure costing many times the amount that has yet been favorably voted on, and you will be doing more for the real happiness of the people of this city than any Mayor in many years. Last Sunday I managed to get down from the bluff at or near Grant's tomb after driving down and up the

present Riverside drive, and by driving down a steep round about route, over car tracks and cobble stones I reached the Boulevard and from there after climbing a long grade I reached the Boulevard Lafayette. The lower Riverside drive does not compare in grandeur to some parts of this drive, and if once connected by this proposed extension there will not be a finer system of drives in the world than that of our "Riverside".

I pay my share of the cities' taxes and I own nothing on the proposed extension therefore I could not resist the desire to ask our Mayor to sign that bill, knowing that a private citizen's wish, if

that wish is really good for
the City, will receive just as
much consideration at his
hands, as would the wish
of Political Bosses.

Yours Very Truly
John D. Beals

Our sole aim is to raise the tone of citizenship. Whatever concerns the welfare of our city is made the subject of inquiry and conference.



The City Vigilance League,

UNITED CHARITIES BUILDING,
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Honorary
Vice-
Presidents.

New York, April 15th. 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong.

Mayor of the City of New York.

City Hall. City.

Hon. and Dear Sir:

This letter will introduce to you the bearer, Mr. Lyman S. Stone, Chairman of the Good Citizenship Committee of the Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of the Harlem District of our City.

Arrangements are being made for the holding of a Mass-Meeting in Harlem in the near future under the auspices of Mr. Stone's Committee and he desires to see you in relation to that Meeting.

Any courtesy that you may be able to give Mr. Stone will be greatly appreciated.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully yours

A. W. Abbott.

General Secretary.

SWAYNE & SWAYNE,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

WAGER SWAYNE.
FRANCIS B. SWAYNE.
ALFRED H. SWAYNE.
NOAH H. SWAYNE, 2ND.

EQUITABLE BUILDING,
120 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

April 15th, 1897.

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

My dear Sir:

I have been informed that Assembly Bill #1572, introduced by Mr. J. J. Sullivan, entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Fire Commissioners of the City of New York, to inquire into the facts relating to the claim to be placed on the Pension Roll of the Fire Department of said City, of any officers who have served as Chief of Battalion" etc., has passed both Houses of the Legislature, and has been referred to you for hearing.

I desire to oppose the bill, and would therefore request you to notify me of the day and hour for the hearing.

Respectfully yours,

(F)

Noah H. Swayne 2nd

Lispenard Stewart,
54 William Street,

Post Office Box 258.
Telephone 3269 Cortlandt.

New York. April 15, 1897

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

My dear Mr. Mayor,

I suppose you must receive many complaints concerning the present condition of Fifth Avenue. It will not then be distasteful to you I am sure to see a few lines from me commending the way the laying of the water mains has been carried on in front of my residence, No. 6 Fifth Avenue. The contractors have done their work with neatness and dispatch, thus reflecting credit on themselves, and even more so on the Commission of Public Works.

Very truly yours,

Lispenard Stewart.

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FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE HOME FOR FALLEN WOMEN.

GRAND CENTRAL PALACE, NEW YORK, April 3d to 28th, 1897.

DANIEL BROWNE, GENERAL MANAGER,

34 PARK ROW,

New York, April 15th 1897.

Hon W. L. Strong,

Mayor,

New York

Dear Sir-

Will you kindly let
beaver have pen sent you
by the undersigned and which
you promised to use in
returning Greater New York
Bill to the Governor, and
oblige,

Yours Respectfully,

Daniel Browne

Received per Mentioned above
Daniel Browne
Wm Schmitz

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NEW YORK CHAPTER
OF THE
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS,

J. M. CARRÈRE, PRESIDENT; R. H. HUNT AND H. R. MARSHALL, VICE-PRESIDENTS; A. J. BLOOR, SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

OFFICE: 156 FIFTH AVENUE, N. W. Cor. 20th ST., NEW YORK.

To His Honor

April 15th 1897.

Mayor Strong:

Sir:-

I am instructed to transmit to each member of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment the following preambles and resolution passed by this Chapter, at a Regular meeting held yesterday afternoon:

"WHEREAS: It is of the utmost importance that all Municipal Buildings should be an honor to our City, not only practically but also as works of art; and

WHEREAS: It is usually impossible for the public to be assured that such results will be obtained, where direct appointment of the Architect is made by officials representative of the people, officials who may lack skill in judgment concerning art matters, and who may be accused of captious action or favoritism in making such appointment; and

WHEREAS: The appointment of an unskilled architect cannot be remedied by the appointment by the authorities of a skilled consulting architect, such a course being especially undesirable, as producing a division of responsibility; and

WHEREAS: The Municipal Authorities are about to erect a new and important building for the Hall of Records:

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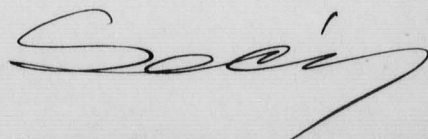
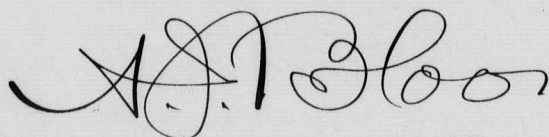
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THEREFORE: be it RESOLVED that we, the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, do hereby memorialize the Authorities to whom the construction of this building has been entrusted to institute a competition as a basis upon which the choice of Architect for the Hall of Records may be made: and we further beg that they advise with Architects of the highest reputation in New York, and possibly with other Artists, as to the best form of such competition which will assure the presentation of plans by at least a sufficient number of those eminent in the profession, but which will, at the same time, not necessarily debar others of talent who may wish to enter the lists as competitors.

To this end we suggest that your body may find it best to ask the counsel of this Chapter of the national Institute of Architects to formulate, in connection with those representing the Municipal Government, a scheme of competition which, in their judgment, will meet the demands of art and of public sentiment."

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully,



R O O M S O F

THE NEW YORK BOARD OF TRADE AND TRANSPORTATION,

Mail & Express Building, 203 Broadway,

New York, April 14, 1897.

At the regular monthly meeting of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation, held this day, the following resolutions were reported by the Committee on City Affairs, and unanimously adopted by the Board, viz:

RESOLVED, In the opinion of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation that continued strife among the Commissioners of Police of this City inspires insubordination, neglect of duty and a repetition of the graver offences of which the Department and its officers and men have been convicted in the near past; that it brings the public administration into contempt in the eyes of law abiding citizens and of the criminal classes alike, and disorganizes the police force with a consequent increase of crime and danger to life and property.

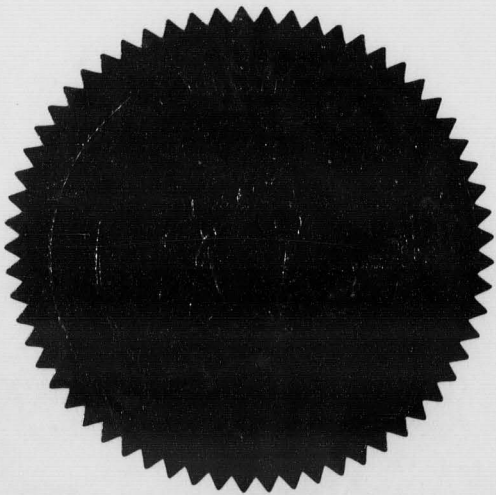
RESOLVED, That this condition of affairs in the Police Board of New York City is not only disgraceful but inexcusable and calls for immediate correction; and

WHEREAS, (After investigation it is the judgment of the Mayor of the City that) the removal of Commissioner Parker is a necessary step in this direction; Therefore

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trade and Transportation respectfully urges the Governor to approve the action of the Mayor in removing him.

A TRUE COPY,

Darius R. Jacobs
President.



ATTEST,

Mark S. Gardner

Secretary.

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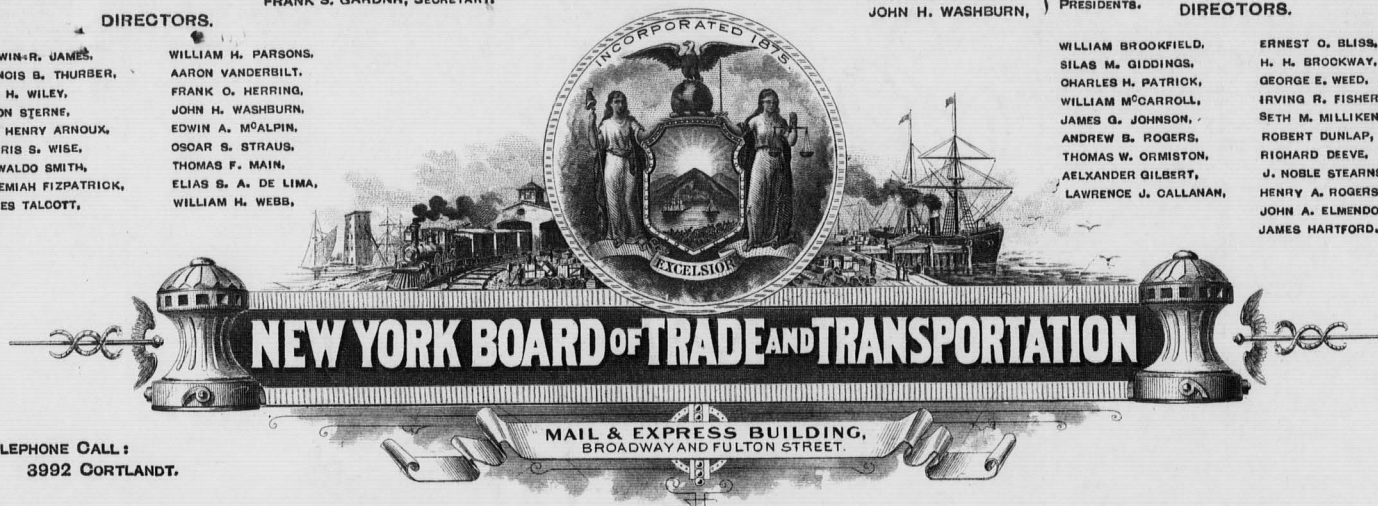
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TELEPHONE CALL:
3992 CORTLANDT.

203 BROADWAY,

New York.

April 16th, 1897.

To his Honor Mayor Strong,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to hand you, herewith, copy of resolutions adopted by this Board on Wednesday last, requesting the Governor to approve your action in removing Police Commissioner Parker. A copy has been forwarded to Governor Black this day. I remain,

Very truly yours,

Frank S. Gardner
Secretary

CHURCH OF THE STRANGERS,

Mercer Street, near Clinton Place,

NEW YORK, April 12th, 1897.

*His Honor
Mayor Strong*

Dear Friend:

You are earnestly requested to attend a Meeting of Christian Workers called for the purpose of organizing an Association as set forth in enclosed Circular.

The Meeting will be held in the Lecture Room of the Church of the Strangers on Wednesday, the 21st instant, at 3 o'clock.

Fraternally,

E Ballou

Acting Secretary.

Any questions gladly & promptly answered.

"HOUSE OF THE LORD MISSION,"
190 BLEECKER STREET,
NEW YORK CITY.

Hon. L. Strong, Mayor
New York City

April 16" '97

Honored Sir: -

Am sure you will pardon me
for requesting a perusal & response to the
enclosed Circular - for as head of
this great City you must know
something of the burdens that come
from appeals of the destitute for work.

A subscription from the Mayor
would guarantee a quick response
from others, enabling us to start in
with the Spring work, and raise
a crop of vegetables & broom corn
to feed & furnish work for a good
many the coming winter. Mr. Hill
Manager of the Broom Dept. in Indus-
trial Christian Alliance, agreed to
pay the cash for all brooms and

brushes we can manufacture.
Geo. W. Canklin, a practical farmer
has examined this farm, and pronounces
it well adapted to such enterprise. It
is ^{situated at Centreport L.I.} equi-distant from the boat Landings
of Huntington & Northport. The property
would steadily increase in value
with the contemplated improvements
which would be put on it.

Dr. Blackburn, Pastor of Church of Strangers
and several of his most prominent mem-
bers heartily endorse the movement,
but are not in position to give the
full required aid, as they are about
building a new Church: so we
are compelled to ask outside
help, and earnestly desire that
our good Mayor should encourage
the enterprise by responding soon
as satisfied that it means a loan
to the Lord. Prov. 19, 17. Very respectfully,
E. Ballou

"House of the Lord Mission,"

190 BLEECKER STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Gospel Services Every Evening. All Welcome.

Communion Service, First Day, 3 P. M. (Acts xx. 7.)

RESPONSIVE READINGS.

Superintendent.—"O magnify THE LORD with me, and let us exalt His NAME together."

Congregation.—"Some trust in chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember THE NAME OF THE LORD OUR GOD."

S.—"O fear the Lord; for there is no want to them that fear Him."

C.—"To such as keep His covenant, and to them that remember His commandments to do them."

S.—"One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple."

C.—"In His temple doth every one speak of His glory."

S.—"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?"

C.—"Except a man be born of water and of THE SPIRIT he cannot enter into the kingdom of God." (John iii. 5.)

S.—"Did ye receive THE HOLY SPIRIT when ye believed?" (Acts xix. 2-7 and ii. 38; Matt. iii. 16, 17.)

C.—"THE SPIRIT *Himself* beareth witness with our spirit that we are the children of God." (Rom. viii. 16, R. v.)

S.—"Then ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of THE HOUSEHOLD OF God, being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, CHRIST JESUS *Himself* being the chief corner stone."

C.—"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new *creation*,—old things are passed away."

S.—"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean, and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty." (2 Cor. vi. 17; see Rev. xviii. 4)

C.—"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

S.—"Follow PEACE with all, and HOLINESS, without which no man shall see the Lord."

C.—"Blessed are the peace-makers, for they shall be called the children of God."

S.—"Having, therefore, these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God."

C.—"Let each one of us please his neighbor for that which is good unto edifying; for Christ pleased not Himself." (Rom. xv. 2, R. v.)

S.—"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." (Eph. iii. 20, 21.)

C.—Amen and Amen.

LET US PRAY.



Secretary,

Christian Workers' Establishment,

190 Bleecker St., N. Y. City.

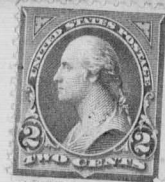
Dear Sir:

I endorse the theory of helping the unfortunate to help themselves. The plan, as outlined in your Circular, is worth testing.

You may put me down for

Shares of Five Dollars each.

Yours very truly,



Secretary,

Christian Workers' Co-operative Establishment,

#190 Bleecker Street,

New York,

N. Y.

CHRISTIAN WORKERS' CO-OPERATIVE ESTABLISHMENT.

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Preamble.

Inasmuch as there are many in this great city of New York who are suffering from the lack of bread, and inasmuch as the Savior commanded us to "bear one another's burdens," to "feed the hungry" and to "clothe the naked;" and realizing that we can the better accomplish these by Christian co-operation, therefore we enter into this incorporate association for the purposes herein named.

Its Object.

The leading object of the Establishment is that of helping the Lord's poor, and the unfortunate outcasts who desire to forsake lives of sin to help themselves. Especially to aid such as are ashamed to beg, but willing to dig, by sending them into the Vineyard to labor.

Not A Paupers' Home.

The Establishment will degrade no one by the stigma of living in an institution where paupers are fed on charity, but will furnish such diversity of work that each may not only be able to earn a living, but help to "Man the Life-Boat" for the rescue of others struggling on the stormy sea of adversity.

Undenominational.

The Establishment will be controlled by no particular sect; hence creed or previous condition will bar no one out.

Who May Be Admitted.

In the examination of applicants for admission, less attention will be given to hunting up past records than in seeking satisfactory proofs of an earnest desire to now live a Christian life. The leading question will be:

Will you now start aright,
Honest, earnest and true? (Matt. VI. 33.)
Will you do with your might,
What your hands find to do?

For, "If any will not work, neither shall he eat;" and the Establishment will harbor no professional tramp, "bum," or "dead-beat."

The saloonist, "Raines-Law Hotel" keeper, bartender, gambler, or dive-keeper, who is disgusted with his soul-destroying business, and ready to give it up if he could see any other means of support, will, if ready to labor with his hands at that which is good, be shown how he may raise up, instead of drag down, his fellow men, even those brought to poverty and rags through his wrong doing.

Plan of Operation.

The plan proposed is that of purchasing a farm suitable for the purposes of dairying, poultry-raising, growing fruits, vegetables and grain, and running a Temperance Hotel for summer boarders; and in the winter manufacturing brooms, brushes, and other articles.

Management.

The Property will be held by a Board of Trustees of Christian men and women chosen by the Stockholders.

The work will be under the direct supervision of a practical farmer, dairyman, and manufacturer--all Christian men.

It shall be the duty of the Superintendent, who, with his wife, shall be earnest, humble Christians, to see that each one entering the Establishment shall have a fair trial, and be assigned to such labor as they can do to the best interests of all; and that no one be overworked or harshly treated. The Superintendent will be required to make monthly reports to the Trustees of work done, including suggestions regarding contemplated improvements. He shall be held responsible for keeping the property in good repair, provided reasonable requisites called for are furnished. He shall be expected to make such improvements as shall add to the beauty and value of the Establishment, and the convenience and comfort of the inmates.

Location.

A Farm of about 100 acres, on Long Island, near the Sound, containing buildings suitable for starting in at once in a small way, can be had at very reasonable figures. There is on this farm a magnificent spring of cold water, with fish-ponds filled with brook-trout, an orchard of good fruit, strawberries, etc.; and no healthier locality can be found.

Funds.

It is proposed to issue Stock in shares of \$5 each, in amount sufficient to purchase and stock the Establishment.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Church of the Strangers and of the Church of Disciples of Christ, with other Mission Workers engaged in this work, earnestly request your co-operation.

Fraternally,

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601-603 EAST 139TH STREET,
NEW YORK CITY.

New York City, April 16, 1897.

To the Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

At the last regular meeting of the "Morris Wheelmen" held April 14th the following resolution was passed, and Secretary authorized to forward copy of same to you.

Whereas,

The driveway of the Boulevard La Fayette is in an abominable condition and cannot be used by drivers of vehicles or wheelmen, and,

Whereas,

This splendid driveway along the bank of the Hudson River, affording the public a delightful view of the world famed Palisades and the Hudson River to Tappan Zee, is now and has been for years unfit to ride or drive thereon; now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

That the "Morris Wheelmen", in meeting assembled, hereby respectfully urge the City authorities having charge of the Boulevard La Fayette to action to at once macadamize the roadway of said Boulevard, and,

Resolved,

That the Secretary of this Club be and hereby is instructed to send a copy of this resolution to his Honor, the Mayor, and to Gen'l Collis, Commissioner of Public Works of this City.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary.

MAYOR WM. L. STRONG, PRESIDENT.
CORNELIUS B. MITCHELL, VICE-PRESIDENT.

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TREE PLANTING ASSOCIATION
OF
NEW YORK CITY.

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OFFICE,
NOS. 64 & 66 WHITE STREET.

New York,.....17th April,.....1897.

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


My dear Colonel:-

Enclosed please find the draft
of a letter , which if you approve, I hand you for your signature.
If you do not approve of it, will you kindly amend it in any and
every way that may seem proper to you, and as soon as I receive it
from your hands I will mail it to Commissioner Haffen. If this
does not produce the desired effect, then we will open the batter-
ies of the Press upon him, and see if the act of vandalism cannot
be prevented.

Sincerely yours,

Cornelius B. Mitchell

Vice Pres't.



ANTHONY COMSTOCK,
Inspector P. O. Department,
P. O. Box 65, N. Y. City.

Office of Inspector, Post Office Department,

150 NASSAU ST., New York City, April 17th 1897.

Hon Wm L. Strong.

Mayor.

New York City.

Hon. & dear Sir:

Agreeable to your request this morning I place in writing, what I called to say to you, concerning a matter relating to City Magistrate Leroy B. Crane. I do this from a sense of right and justice. I understood that Mr Crane was appointed to the office of City Magistrate by yourself and that he is about to become a candidate for a longer period. I understood from the newspapers that charges are about to be made, by J. J. Little & G. H. Richmond against City Magistrate Crane, because he held the latter for selling an obscene book and for a certain remark he made after he had held said Richmond and his son for trial.

The facts are these City Magistrate Crane, issued his warrant for the arrest of G. H. Richmond Jr. He, together with about 312 obscene books was brought before him and after a hearing the son was held to answer. Then, the father, said in open court, that he was the principal and was responsible for whatever his son did as his employer.

I made a complaint, Richmond Sr. was arrested, arraigned upon it and held for trial. After the Magistrate had held him for trial and while the bail bond was being made out, Richmond Sr. had conversation with Mr Magistrate Crane, and expressed

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himself as favoring the book and undertook to defend its sale. Judge Crane, asked him if he would allow his daughter to read it. Richmond said no. Then Judge Crane, expressed his indignation by using a term, which I have often ^{heard} used to express condemnation of the curse of such books upon the young, and said in substance, "If a man should send such a book as that to a daughter of mine I'd shoot him".

I had said the same thing to Richmond Sr. at his store, and it is but a condemnation of its evil, and had nothing to do with the adjudication of the Richmond Case, so far as Judge Crane was concerned, as he had already discharged his duty. The Court of Special Sessions, acquitted the Richmonds. But I do not hesitate to say there is nothing in the law, the decision of the Gent Term, and Court of appeals in the Muller case, to justify their decision. They became a law unto themselves. Every leading Case in the Higher Courts of England and this Country condemns this devilish book.

It is a story of a young man, who runs away with another man's wife, and begins a life of sensual conduct. It begins on first page with a suicide, the last page contains an account of the murder of his mistress & suicide of the young man. The balance of the book is devoted to their lecherous and adulterous living. They copulate themselves to the verge of desperation.

ANTHONY COMSTOCK,
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Then close their nasty lives by murder & suicide. There are pages devoted to the descriptive of the woman's passion and passionate mind and ways. His lustful imaginings are told with a freedom that would put a common prostitute to shame. This our Special Series says is all right to be put upon indiscriminate sale to boys and girls. ~~This filthy~~ they have licensed under a law which forbids such filth, and under decisions of its higher Courts which say the law covers all such publications.

Now, it would appear, that an attack is to be made upon Judge Crane, to revenge themselves upon him for doing his duty, and to further advertise this filthy and obscene book. This is not the first time J. F. Little has been found publishing obscene books; as we have seized plates & stock in his place upon other occasions than this.

I have known Judge Crane ever since he went upon the bench. & I have yet to see the first thing to his discredit.

I hope this attack upon him may be viewed from a standpoint of honest facts, and not from the source of attack, and that you at least will not condemn him for having done his duty in the interests of justice, morals and decency.

Very Truly Yours

Anthony Comstock. See 3.



Woman's Health Protective Association of Philadelphia

Office, Southeast Corner Fifteenth and Chestnut Streets

MRS. JOHN H. SCRIBNER
Chestnut Hill

President

MRS. ROBERT ALEXANDER
Ashbourne, Pa.

Sec. Secy

April 17, 1897.

My dear Mayor Strong:--

We are arranging a souvenir program of our Health Protective Associations Convention and it will give us great pleasure if you will allow us to have your photograph or half-tone to insert with that of Mayor Warwick, who has kindly consented to let us have his. I have been intending to ask this favor of you for some days but I am very busy preparing for our Convention which I hope will be a fine one in every way. I enclose a circular in regard to it and I hope nothing will prevent your attending.

Allow me to congratulate you upon the stand you took in vetoing the "Greater New York Bill".

Anticipating with much pleasure your presence with us on May fourth.

Sincerely yours,

Annie J. Scribner

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1 & 2 Hanover Square,

New York, April 17th 1897.

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

My dear Mayor:-

Mrs Clarence C. Rice, wife of my friend Dr Rice, is going to Paris, and as she is very deeply interested in educational matters, I wish you would give her a letter of introduction to the Minister of Public instruction so that she might get entre into the schools and obtain some idea of how the matter is worked in Paris.

Mrs Rice is a perfect lady in every sense of the word, is a fine musician and is much interested in this class of education.

I would feel much indebted to you for the letter which she desires, and have no doubt it would have the desired effect on the Minister's mind who receives it.

If it is not asking too much, I wish you would also give her a personal letter introducing her to General Porter, so in case she failed in one direction she might possibly succeed in the other.

I would give her a letter to Porter myself, but I am afraid my influence in that direction is not very large, while your letter would be received, no doubt, with the greatest satisfaction.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy, I am,

Very truly yours,

W. R. Grace

Brooklyn April 19th

~~March 21~~, 1897.

Hon. Mayor Strong,

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested to call your attention to the matter of Rev. Doctor Dozier a (colored) minister of No. 226 W. 40th Street to whom you granted a license to preach upon the streets of your city and in the face of which has been continually subjected to police persecution, having been arrested three consecutive times for so deliberating and honorably discharged when arraigned before the police magistrates. The doctor has also shown me a letter where you have revoked his license to preach. He feels as if this is an unjust discrimination on your part. For instance, licenses are granted to others, such as the salvation armies and in neighborhoods of your city where they worship, the neighbors have entered a severe protest against them, still they are compelled to tolerate them and Your Honor has seen fit not to revoke their license, but here is a poor but honest hearted colored man whose only crime is preaching upon the streets, rudely thrown into a prison cell with no rights or privileges that are accorded to his white brethren, the same avocation; the Doctor as stated above has requested me to ask you to reconsider your action and permit him as heretofore to preach upon the streets.

Yours very respectfully,

Charles A. Hancaster

General P.O.

Brooklyn City

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New York, 19th April, 1897.

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

My dear Colonel Strong:-

On Saturday, I sent to you a letter for your signature but as it was after hours I sent it again to-day.

When I called on Saturday you showed me three photographs of the rows of large trees on Washington Avenue. If you still have those, will you kindly send me one or all of them.

If we succeed in saving these trees I will have half-tone pictures made of them and include them in the Annual Report of the Association, as it will be very interesting reading to the one hundred and forty odd members of the Association to know that the Society has rescued them from vandalism.

I am assured by the nurserymen that they will set out this season in consequence of the work of the Association of which you are President, about a thousand trees.

Very truly yours,

Cornelius B. Mitchell

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NEW YORK CITY.

New York City, April 19, 1897.

To the Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

At the last regular meeting of the "Morris Wheelmen" held April 14th the following resolution was passed and the Secretary ordered to forward a copy of same to you.

Whereas,

The bill to lay out and construct a public drive and parkway as an extension of Riverside Drive to the Boulevard La Fayette has passed in the Senate and Assembly of this State, and,

Whereas,

The construction of this driveway and park will connect the Riverside Drive and new Speedway, thus making an unsurpassed drive and parkway along the beautiful Hudson from Seventy-second Street to Spuyten Duyvil Creek, now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

That the "Morris Wheelmen" hereby respectfully request his Honor, the Mayor of this City, to give his approval to said bill, and,

Resolved,

That a copy of this resolution be sent by the Secretary to his Honor, Mayor Strong.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'H. A. German'.

Secretary.

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Hon. William L. Strong
Mayor of New York

Your Honor. -

Though you disappointed
me so bitterly a year ago
about the Pocottage Park
- yet I feel it my duty
not less than my pleasure
both as an ordinary human
being citizen & also as one
who has made a special
study of New York

conditions & problems - to ²

Thank you personally for
your noble veto of the
Charter for Greater New
York. - I read the views
upon-form vetos from the
various eminent-citizens
interviewed by the Times
& I thought the best
to go you, perhaps. We

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sweetest of all, was
made by Mr. Orr - who
said that "the Mayor
has acted in this accord-
-ing to his conscience -
as he always does."

I believe, Mr. Mayor,
that your administration
has been of incalculable
benefit to this city,
as an example, to our
great country, and I
most earnestly hope

that you will also be ⁴
the first Mayor of Greater
New York. -

Regarding the poor little
Poet Park around the
Poe Cottage and its site -
I believe that if Messrs
Hoffen & Goulden and Appeton
Morgan had appeared a
year ago in the colours
in which they now stand
revealed - your Honor
might have been less
inclined to accept their
views regarding the Cottage
than those of the literary
persons who strove to

save & surround it - ²
where it - stands - ⁴
= ch. Dip. my honored
Mr Mayor -

Your humble servant
Melvin Fay Peirce

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Warren Hg^t. Va.
April 15th. 1897

Col Wm L Strong
Mayor New York City
Dear Sir

I write to you
about - my son, Oran C Pullen
who left his home (here)
March 10th to go to Washin-
gton D.C. He his wife
and child, and return
at once. I have heard
indirectly that he has
been in New York most
of the time. My son is
undoubtedly insane. At
times he acts quite
rational. But we have
to watch him always.
My brother Oran C. Pullen
will write you to the
same effect. Now dear Colonel

(For the friendship you
 formerly bore my father,
 and my mother, Please
 have my son taken
 up and put in Bellevue,
 or some other safe place,
 and kept there until
 either my brother or
 myself can go to New
 York to take care of him.
 This is necessary for
 the protection of my
 brother & myself. Olyce
 (my son) gets Orlan &
 myself in all sorts of
 complications, which are
 disgraceful and humiliat-
 -ing to us, when Olyce
 is at large. And I have
 concluded that this is
 the only way to protect

our selves, and for Olycar
 own good. Olycar has an
 insane idea that - my
 father left - an immense
 estate which Orlan is
 trying to take from him
 Olycar. and he draws checks
 & drafts on Orlan. of which
 we have paid many. But -
 it must now stop, and
 this is the only way I
 can see to stop it:

By doing this you will
 confer a great favor
 to me, and to Orlan.

Please keep this from the
 newspapers at present -

Wishing you health and
 prosperity, I beg to rema-
 -in your friend E. W. Dullin
 Waterlick P.O. Va

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DEMOCRATIC TOWN CAUCUS!

The Democratic Electors of the Town of Cortlandt are requested to attend a Caucus, to be held at the Office of Justice James F. Lynch, South Street, in the Village of Peekskill, on **Monday Evening, April 19th, 1897**, for the purpose of electing a Democratic Town Committee for the ensuing year.

Election to be by ballot.

Polls open from 5 to 8 p. m.

Dated April 12th, 1897.

By order of Democratic Town Committee,
EUGENE B. TRAVIS, Chairman.
H. ALBAN ANDERSON, Secretary.

Good roads are economical.

Beware the chills of the April wind.

April 27th is a legal holiday in this county.

There are too many exemptions from jury duty.

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First. Section 33 of the act contains a provision that the bonds issued by the county of Westchester for the construction of the sewer may be issued free from taxation if, in the judgment of the County Treasurer of the county of Westchester, it shall be for the interest of the county to do so. This provision gives to the Treasurer of the county of Westchester the power to exempt from taxation municipal bonds which by the General Tax law of the state are not exempt. This the legislature cannot do, it cannot delegate its power and therefore the act is unconstitutional. The power to tax as well as the power to say what property shall be exempt from taxation is vested in the legislature, it is in its exclusive power.

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title does not express fairly and unequivocally the subject of the act and is well calculated to deceive. The design of this section of the constitution was that no portion of the state or its people should be made the subject of legislative action without notice, and that that notice should be expressed in the title. The bill under consideration does this in many ways, among them, it taxes the town of Cortlandt for the maintenance of a sewer in the Bronx Valley, twenty-five miles distant, in another town, and no notice is expressed in the title of its intention so to do. It bonds the entire county of Westchester for the building of a sewer in the Bronx Valley and no mention of that fact is made in the title of the act. Other constitutional objections to this bill suggest themselves to us but space will not permit us at this time to discuss them.

There has been much discussion in Peekskill this week as to the legality of sparring exhibitions. Under certain circumstances such exhibitions are legal and under other circumstances they are illegal. The laws upon the subject, section 458 of the Penal Code, reads thus: "A person who within this state, who engages in a sparring exhibition, with or without gloves, at which an admission fee is charged, either directly or indirectly, is guilty of a misdemeanor; provided, however, that sparring exhibitions with gloves of not less than five ounces in weight may be held by a domestic incorporated athletic association, in a building leased by it for athletic purposes only for at least one year, or in a building owned and occupied by such association."

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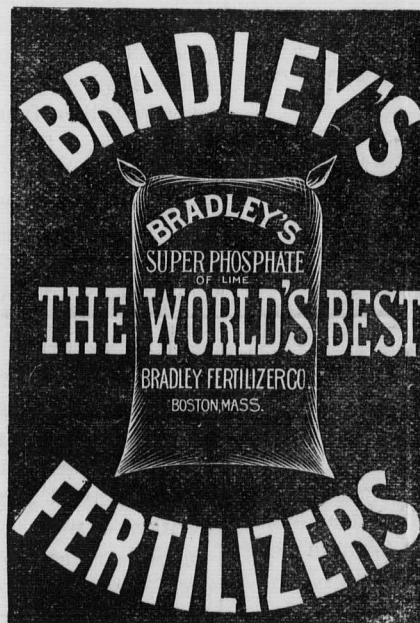
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PEEKSKILL, N. Y., April 19/97.

Wor Mr. L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed find editorial
in which I
take the ground that
Brunt River sewer bill is
unconstitutional, which I
respectfully submit to
you for your consideration.

Yours truly
F. Couch

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New York,

April 19, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:-


The act entitled "An Act in Relation to Children and Public Committed to Charitable Institutions in the City of New York" should not, in my opinion, become a law, for the reason that it confers arbitrary and autocratic powers upon the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. That Society is made the supreme and final arbiter, for only when, in its opinion, a proper case is made out, can the custody of a child be given to its parents or guardian, and if the Society is unwilling to direct that the child be placed in their custody, they are without redress as no right to review is given to the courts or to any other authority.

The second section is even more vicious than the first. The Society is therein given the absolute right to tear children away from their parents or guardians and return them to the institutions without a complaint being preferred, without a hearing and without requiring the approval of the Mayor or any other officer. Under that section these children and their parents will always remain at the mercy of the Society.

The power given to the Society by the first and second sections is not in any way modified or affected by the third section, authorizing the society with the Comptroller to make any rules they deem proper to carry out the provisions of the Act, and the power thus conferred can be exercised by the Society whether or not rules are made.

The courts have recently in a number of cases, come to the relief of parents and redressed wrongs done to them but this act, if not drafted for that purpose, will have the effect, it seems to me, if it becomes a law, to take from the courts the supervisory power they have exercised with so much effect.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. B. Baughman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed phrase "Yours truly,".

ISIDOR STRAUS.

SIXTH AVENUE.
13TH TO 14TH STREET.
NEW YORK

98 April 20th, 1897.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I learn that the bill which passed the legislature extending Riverside Drive to a point at or near Inwood, is before you for your action.

I have no personal interest in this, excepting as a citizen who has at heart every measure which tends to improve, beautify and make more attractive the metropolis of the country.

I am advised that one half the expense will be borne by the adjacent property owners, and the other half by the city. Such being the case I can conceive of no outlay which, proportioned to the city's share, will prove more advantageous to the city's treasury.

Property in the neighborhood in question

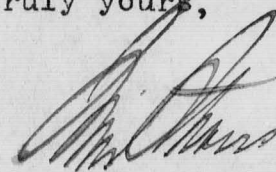
has been sluggish for many years for no other cause that I can conceive excepting the lack of an accessible route for reaching it.

The Central Park is one of the most conspicuous examples to what extent far sighted perspicuity redounds to the benefit of the city and its revenues, and the projected Riverside Drive will, in my judgment, prove as wise a step in the same direction.

I deem it my duty to comply with the request that has reached me from various sides to add my voice to the others who will appear before you to urge upon you the wisdom of approving this measure.

Believe me to be, my dear Mr. Mayor,

Very truly yours,



Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
City Hall,
New York City.

Indexed Mail Wagon license.

Post Office, New York, N.Y.

Office of the Postmaster,

April 20th, 1897.

Mr. Job E. Hedges,
Secretary,
Office of the Mayor,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your favor of 17th inst., and returning its enclosure herewith, I beg leave to say that as the question contained in the latter relates to a municipal tax or license, I am unable to make a reply thereto - not knowing whether such tax is imposed, or license required, by municipal ordinance, in the case of wagons conveying the mails of the United States. I venture to suggest that the letter of Mr. Ramage be referred for reply to the Corporation Attorney.

Very respectfully,

Cell W. Dayton
Postmaster

per *J. Gayles* Ass't. P.M.

DR. S. FRIEDMAN,
109 ATTORNEY ST.,

Telephone Call, 1542 Spring.

New York. April 20th 1897
To The Hon. Mayor Strong N.Y. City.

Dear Sir!

I beg leave to introduce to
you this gentleman, Mr Louis
Silovstein, whose wife has recently
given birth to a triplet.

They are all living and healthy,
all girls, and nearly seven months
old. They actually form a
living curiosity.

This gentleman, however, though
fairly rich in vital reproduction,
is rather poor in his manual
production. So he has been
advised by his friends to put
these little ones on exhibition.

I have been the attending
physician in the case, so that
he naturally seeks aid in me -

I have given him a letter of
introduction to Mr. Huber of 14th
St. museum, and he advised me
to get a permit from your
honour and then he would gladly
give him a chance -

Hoping you will grant this
poor man a permit to this
effect, and thereby putting
me under great obligations,

I am Yours Obedient Servant

Frederick

The Latest Police Board Deadlock.

If one may judge from the controversy in the Police Board yesterday over the question of Commissioner GRANT's signing requisitions for scrubbing brushes, mop handles, pens and ink, &c., the War Department is to be congratulated upon Col. GRANT's refusal to accept the Assistant Secretaryship, for the reason, among others, that the office was not important enough. It is somewhat singular that in the latest deadlock in the Police Board the issue should be drawn between West Pointers. If an education at the Military Academy teaches anything it is a respect for forms and an obedience to regulations. The training appears to have been thrown away on one of the West Point Commissioners. Somebody must be in the wrong about the withheld supplies. The facts seem to be these: The Committee on Repairs and Supplies appointed by President ROOSEVELT in 1895 consists, or did consist, of Commissioners GRANT and ANDREWS. The committee organized with Col. GRANT as Chairman. In order that requisitions for supplies shall be honored they must be approved by both members. Approval signifies inquiry as to the need of the supplies. Information as to such need is usually furnished by a sergeant in the Department who is known as the Inspector of Repairs and Supplies. On April 5 Commissioner ANDREWS received from the Inspector a report upon certain requisitions, indorsed upon which was the following: "Referred to Commissioner ANDREWS for his information, I having resigned from the Committee on Repairs and Supplies at the meeting of the Board of Police on Wednesday, March 24, 1897.—FREDERICK D. GRANT." Therefore, the station houses which wanted the scrubbing brushes, mop handles, stationery, ink, &c., did not get them.

But it appears that since March 24 several requisitions received Commissioner GRANT's signature. When he wrote his name on them did he forget that he was no longer Chairman of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, or was he acting on the conclusion that he had not resigned after all? The fact is that the Police Board minutes contain no record of Commissioner GRANT's resignation on March 24. At a meeting on that day Col. GRANT did complain that his associate, Commissioner ANDREWS, had refused to sign requisitions approved by himself because they had not been countersigned by the Inspector, and thereupon Col. GRANT announced that if the Board sustained Commissioner ANDREWS he would not serve on the committee. It does not appear that the Board took any action, and as Col. GRANT afterward signed requisitions it must be assumed that he did not resign. At a meeting yesterday Commissioner ANDREWS brought up the matter again, 111 requisitions remaining unapproved because Col. GRANT had refused to sign them. This was his explanation: "When I am told that unless an order of mine is countersigned by a sergeant of police it will not be recognized, why, I am done. I reported it to the Board, and Mr. ANDREWS said he had no apology to make. So I regarded it as my resignation. I will not act with Commissioner ANDREWS. I don't care what the Board does about it. I simply will not do it." Afterward Col. GRANT said that a message which his brother Commissioner sent him, saying that he would not approve of requisitions until they had been countersigned by the Inspector, offended him. Col. GRANT did not object, apparently, to the Inspector doing the work which he was appointed to do. It seemed to be simply a personal matter between Commissioner ANDREWS and himself. And so the station houses did not get their supplies.

The War Department has had a lucky escape!

GRANT'S TENDER FEELINGS HURT.

Another Row in the Police Board,
and He Refuses to Act
with Andrews.

SO THE SUPPLIES RUN SHORT

Colonel Is Criticised at a Meeting for
His Failure to Sign Many
Requisitions.

ROOSEVELT BECOMES PUZZLED

There is another row in the Police Board, in which Commissioner Grant's wounded feelings are the salient feature. Commissioner Andrews is the other person in the quarrel, which has long caused a cessation of public business, and is of such a perplexing nature that President Roosevelt, after hearing the several complaints, made use of the extraordinary expression, "I don't know what to say."

Mr. Andrews precipitated trouble at the meeting of the Board yesterday by the familiar method of submitting a letter. As he offered it he threw down a big batch of

requisitions, which he said that Mr. Grant, as chairman of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, had refused to sign. There were 111 of them.

The letter said that the requisitions extended over a period from March 19 to date. He (Mr. Andrews) had noted his approval or disapproval on the requisitions, but Mr. Grant had failed to act.

SAID HE HAD RESIGNED.

Mr. Andrews on Monday received a note from Sergeant Coffee stating that certain supplies were needed immediately and enclosing a communication from Mr. Grant in which the Commissioner said he had resigned from the committee on March 24.

Mr. Andrews pointed out that there is no record of Mr. Grant's resignation, but, on the contrary, on March 31 he reported on the matters as chairman of the committee. He also had signed nine orders since March 24 as chairman.

Then Mr. Andrews told how the trouble all came about. He said that at a meeting on March 24 Mr. Grant presented two or three requisitions for repairs, and said that as Mr. Andrews had not seen fit to approve them without a report from the Inspector of Repairs and Supplies he refused to act, and if the Board sustained the inquisitive Commissioner would no longer act on the committee.

Commissioner Andrews said that he then, without conceding the correctness of Commissioner Grant's position, refrained from making any further inquiry through the Inspector, but obtained the desired information from other sources.

TOO MUCH FOR ROOSEVELT.

When the letter had been read Commissioner Grant said:—"When I am told that unless an order of mine is countersigned by a sergeant of police it will not be recognized, why, I am done. I reported it to the Board and Mr. Andrews said he had no apology to make. So I regarded it as my resignation. I will not act with Commissioner Andrews. I don't care what the Board does about it. I simply will not do it."

"But, Mr. Grant," put in President Roosevelt, "you certainly have not resigned so far."

"Well, I won't serve," said Mr. Grant.

Mr. Roosevelt looked nonplussed. "I don't know what to say," he said, helplessly.

"Well," said Mr. Parker, "one of your appointees won't serve, that is all. I assume that it is not the inquiry into the correctness of the order Mr. Grant objects to, but the manner of it. If I were told that unless an order of mine was vouched for by a subordinate, I think I should have some feeling about it, too."

"The subordinate referred to," said Mr. Andrews dryly, "was the inspector of repairs and supplies, expressly appointed to do that work and personally familiar with it. If he is not to inspect and report, of what use is he in his office?"

Colonel Grant said that it was the message that offended him, not the proposition to scrutinize his orders.

"It is a pretty serious matter, Colonel Grant," Mr. Roosevelt said, "for a member of the Board to stop short."

The requisitions were finally passed by the Board provisionally. The Committee on Repairs and Supplies will have to be rearranged. Meanwhile the president will sign for Commissioner Grant.

He proposes to unite his experience with the Chief's executive ability.

A Harlem Syndicate Next.

At the meeting in the Hotel Martin yesterday afternoon Mr. Blumenthal showed the Chief the figures and receipts of the opera house during the last year, and explained to him in detail the amount of money that ought to be made out of the place with the opening of the music hall and other contemplated improvements. The Chief was favorably impressed. He discussed the thing in all its phases, and then proposed another conference in the early part of next week. The Chief expressed his earnest desire to get out of the department as quickly as possible.

The price which it is understood Mr. Blumenthal and the Chief have offered Mr. Lichtenstein is \$48,000 a year. That includes the rental of the theatre and the music hall. If the deal goes through a roof garden—the first of its kind in Harlem—will be opened in June on the roof of the music hall.

Mr. Blumenthal and the Chief also talked yesterday of forming a syndicate to control all the theatres in the upper part of the city. Mr. Blumenthal has, it is stated, concluded an agreement with Harry Hammerstein and "Jack" Kuhn, of the Columbus Theatre, in East 125th street, whereby they will join Chief Conlin and Mr. Blumenthal. It is also intended, if possible, to get control of the new Metropolis Theatre, north of the Harlem, which will be opened this spring.

Conlin Cannot Retire.

I saw Commissioner Andrews last night at his home, No. 231 West 138th street, about the report that Chief Conlin intended to resign. He said:—

"The Chief has told me several times lately that he intended to retire, but I have not heard anything about the business that he intended to embark in. He cannot retire now until the charges which I preferred against him at the last meeting are settled.

"I control his means of exit from the department, and the fact that there has been any division in the Board will not help him any. When he settles this matter he may retire, but not until then."

POLICE BOARD QUARRELS.

Politics and Gambling Said To Be the Cause of the Trouble.

From certain facts which have been published far and wide and repeated over and over again there seems to be little doubt that politics and gambling are the main cause of the controversies and unpleasantnesses in the Police Board. For the last two years the owners of gambling houses and policy players have been making strong efforts to obtain police protection. When they could not obtain such protection they have run their "game" in a furtive manner. Raids and arrests have been made, but these made no difference to the gamblers. Men have gone in a bold and open manner to the police officials to secure their silent acquiescence.

"Amasa Thornton, whose influence with policemen is always asked by all sorts of people," said a friend of Chief Conlin yesterday, "went to the Chief of Police not long ago and told him it was no use hounding the policy players, that gambling would go on in spite of all, secretly or openly, and that it hurt no one. The Chief told him that there would be no let up, and if he found Mr. Thornton in a gambling house he would lock him up as quickly as anybody else. Thornton then went to Colonel Grant and spoke in much the same strain and got about the same answer. Then he saw Commissioner Parker and told him that each of those houses meant \$500 to the republican party. That was a pretty good thing to tell a democrat."

Happy Reform Board.

When the Police Board organized everything was harmonious. Mr. Roosevelt was made president without any opposition. It was known that it was the wish of Mayor Strong that he should be president. It was considered to be a "reform" Board of the purest kind, and although two were democrats and two republicans, yet they were not classed as machine men. Mr. Parker was an independent democrat, and as for Mr. Andrews, he had never identified himself with any wing or section of the democracy. Of the two republicans Colonel Grant alone had any sort of affiliation with the "regular" republican organization. Mr. Roosevelt, on the contrary, was defiant of the machine, and was credited with being "exultantly defiant" of the organization which Mr. Platt controlled.

At that time there was no real chief—from Conlin down inspectors and many captains were on probation, and vacancies were numerous. There were inspectors, captains, sergeants and patrolmen under charges and awaiting trial either before the courts or the Commissioners. The men who were on probation were apparently doing their utmost to deserve promotion, and disorderly houses and gambling houses were raided right and left.

Matters went along smoothly in the Board until Conlin was made Chief, and then a deputy and other places had to be filled. The first hitch came when a deputy was looked for. Then it was discovered that Messrs. Roosevelt and Andrews were allies and Messrs. Parker and Conlin were acting together. If three of the Commissioners were a unit, then, upon the recommendation of the Chief, promotions could be made independent of the fourth member of the Board. But Mr. Conlin would not make any recom-

mendations, and therefore a deadlock ensued.

CHIEF CONLIN TO RESIGN.

To Join in the Management of the Harlem Opera House.

The friends of Chief Conlin will be surprised to learn that he contemplates resigning his position on the force, probably within a couple of weeks, and embarking in the theatrical business.

The announcement is made that the Chief has under consideration a proposition to assume, in conjunction with a well known theatrical manager, the management of the Harlem Opera House. A meeting at which the plans for his projected venture in the world of amusement were discussed, was held yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Martin, Ninth street and University place.

It is an open secret among the Chief's friends that he is dissatisfied with the manner in which at least two of the Police Commissioners have managed the department. He is of a non-aggressive temperament and believes he will find congenial employment in the world in which his half brother, the late "Billy" Florence, won fame.

Tired of Police Work.

It has also been known for years that Conlin was tired of the police business, but although he is quiet he is not a "quitter," and the fact that those high in authority disliked him and desired his downfall was the main reason why he stuck to his post. When the Lexow committee cleared the police atmosphere it removed these enemies, and Conlin had the satisfaction of attaining the foremost place as the successor of Byrnes.

The lack of harmony in the Police Board augmented his troubles as Chief, and when last week Commissioners Roosevelt and Andrews attempted to place him on trial for criticizing their bickerings he determined to leave the force for good and all. His health is not so rugged as it used to be, and when a few days ago George A. Blumenthal broached the subject of taking control of the Harlem Opera House the Chief was in a mood to accept the offer.

Benjamin Lichtenstein, a tobacco manufacturer, some time ago bought the house from Oscar Hammerstein, paying something more than half a million for it. Mr. Lichtenstein is not in robust health, and the responsibilities and cares incident to the management of a theatre are such that his condition will not permit him to assume. Mr. Blumenthal is the present manager of the theatre, and he has secured from Mr. Lichtenstein an option on the lease of the theatre property, which includes the music hall, facing 125th street.

From evening Sun
April 14/97

GRANT VOTED HIMSELF IN HE AND PARKER OUSTED AN- DREWS IN ROOSEVELT'S ABSENCE

**Andrews Sat As Temporary Chairman
of the Board—Parker Voted for
Grant as Chairman, and There
Was a Tie, Which the Colonel
Broke in His Own Favor**

Commissioner Andrews called a meeting of the Police Board to-day in the absence of President Roosevelt, and took the chair, as he is in the habit of doing. Commissioners Parker and Grant, who came in together, exchanged glances. Their opportunity had come for wreaking a small vengeance on their enemy.

"I move that we proceed to the election of a temporary Chairman," said Mr. Parker. "I move the election of Col. Grant."

Commissioner Andrews looked embarrassed for a moment, but ordered the clerk to call the roll. Mr. Parker voted aye, Commissioner Andrews, no. Col. Grant did not vote.

"I guess there is a tie here," said the Colonel, "and I will have to break it."

Then he voted for himself. Mr. Andrews vacated the chair and Col. Grant took it.

As President he consented graciously to do his work as a member of the Committee on Repairs and Supplies, which he refused to do last week as long as Mr. Andrews also served on the committee.

"I'll do it with pleasure," he said:

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals wants telegraphic connection to be made between its new building and Police Headquarters. The Superintendent of Telegraph reported in favor of having it done without expense to the Department.

"That's right," said President Grant, "we will adopt that resolution, and then later on, if we have the money, we will pay our share. It's worth it."

A resolution to make the connection without expense was duly adopted.

The Board decided to ask the Corporation Counsel to appeal the case of Policeman Howard, who was dismissed for sitting on post, and was reinstated by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court because sitting on post is not expressly specified in the police rules as an offence against discipline.

The Board objects to being compelled to go into minute particulars in the rules as to what a policeman may or may not do. It considers it self-evident that a policeman cannot properly patrol his post when he is sitting down, and that the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court did not distinguish itself by making the decision that it did.

24 E 47th St
April 26th 1897

Dear Mr. Stearns
I enclose clippings
Parker, Drant, Cadlin
Are neither good Patriots.
And if one is dismissed
all should be dismissed
And earnest good Citizens
placed over our Police
Department as we shall
never have peace and
safety in our City.
We must have some
in charge but those who
will stand the full interest of
the people not their own interest
alone. Yours Mr Bradley.

*Parsons, Shepard & Ogden,
Trinity Building.*

JOHN E. PARSONS.
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HENRY B. CLOSSON.

No. 111 Broadway.

New York, 20th April, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong;
Mayor.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

Having so recently been before
you to ask you not to accept the Greater New York
Bill, may I now put myself on the other side of
the situation and venture to beg that you will
accept the bill for the extension of the Riverside
Drive? I believe that that is a measure to which
no one objects.

Yours respectfully,

John E. Parsons



969 FIFTH AVENUE.

— April 20/97

Hon W^m & Henry
Mayor N.Y. City

My Dear Sir

I saw the owner
of a large tract of land
situated at Bronxville N.Y.
known as 'Lawrence Park'

I have at this time over
twenty houses upon the
tract others now building
are occupied by prominent
& influential people. Our
greatest and most troublesome
question the most serious
obstacle in the way of further

improvement is that of
sewerage. Thus far we have
been able to temporarily care
for it but with the increased
water supply through our Sicken
the amount of sewerage has
increased so much that it
cannot be disposed of much
longer without danger to the
public health. This Bronx
sewer may be expensive but
I deem it more expensive not
to have it, the health of the
whole community the whole
County is dependent upon it
& our property will rapidly
increase in value if it
goes through & the whole
district will be built up

969 FIFTH AVENUE.

where if this matter is
neglected much larger
crashes & will become
a source of disease and
disolate. It already has
the reputation of being free
of malaria & thousands are
kept away. I sincerely
trust that you will aid us
in every way you can to
get the bill through and
the sewer built.

Yours

W. W. Lawrence



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The
Hon. WM. L. Strong,
Mayor of The City of New York.

Honorable & Dear Sir:-

I herewith take the liberty of writing you, asking you if you will not kindly give me some information as to how I will be able to procure a permit to visit the interior of the Tomb of Our Late General,

"General Ulysses Grant". I have been told that by applying to your office I might obtain one but as my business does not permit me the time, and I being very much interested in the event, I would deem it a great honor to be favored with said permit.

Trusting that you will give this application your kind attention, I remain,

Very respectfully,

Lillian A. Dooley.
#74, East 128th St.,
City.

The Federation of East Side Workers.

The object of the Federation shall be to increase the efficiency of benevolent work in New York City south of Fourteenth Street and east of Broadway, by a careful study of the needs of the people, and by earnest co-operation. It shall aim, by conferences, lectures, publications, etc., to bring churches and philanthropic societies laboring in the district into perfect accord, and thus present a united front in humane work. Every phase of life shall be studied and efforts made to correct existing evils.
(From the Constitution.)

John B. Devins, President.

J. Seely Ward, Jr., Treasurer, 1 Broadway.

J. Lloyd Thomas, Secretary, 170 Bleecker St.

PLACE OF MEETING, 339 EAST 4TH ST.

New York, April 21, 1897.

My dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed a notice of the Federation meeting at which you have kindly consented to preside next week Thursday. If you would like to have me invite any persons who may not be on our invitation list, I should be glad to do so or to send you slips which you may send out yourself.

Very truly,

John B. Devins

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

P.S. I had written this letter before seeing you this afternoon. The meeting will last from 3:30 to 5 or 5:30 and if you could stop here a little while on your way home it would refresh you and cheer us very much.

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New York, April 21, 1897.

The next meeting of the Federation will be held on Thursday, April 29th, at 3:30 P.M. The speakers will be the Presidents of some of the Departments of the City that have made their influence felt in behalf of working people.

It is expected that Mayor Strong will be the presiding officer. The topic will be

‘‘ALTRUISM IN MUNICIPAL LIFE.’’

- (a) ‘‘CHILDREN WHO ARE NOT IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.’’

The Hon. Charles Bulkley Hubbell,
President of the Board of Education.

- (b) ‘‘TENEMENT HOUSE LIFE.’’

The Hon. Charles G. Wilson,
President of the Health Department.

- (c) ‘‘SMALL PARKS ON THE EAST SIDE.’’

The Hon. Samuel McMillan,
President of the Park Department.

Those interested in this topic, or in the object of the Federation, whether members or not, are cordially invited to be present and to take part in the general discussion.



Albany April 21, 1897

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

My dear Mr. Mayor:

The bill providing for three additional city magistrates has passed both Houses of the Legislature and is either now, or will be in a few days, in your hands. From my previous conversations with you on the matter, I feel that your action will be favorable. It will give necessary relief and to that extent it is a good bill. I have worked hard all winter to pass this measure and would feel more than pleased if I might be consulted in the making of one of the appointments. I do not like to intrude upon your time, but will be pleased to hear from you as to whether this is agreeable or not.

Yours very sincerely,

H. T. Aschell

CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

April 19th, 1897.

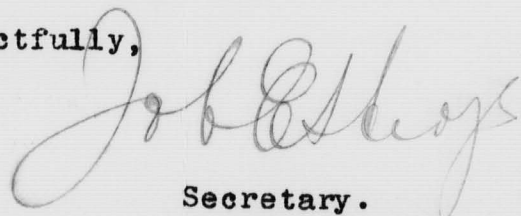
Mrs. John Beaver,

President &c., Alexander Hamilton Corps,
162 W. R. C., New York City.

Dear Madam:-

The Mayor directs me to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 15th instant, addressed to Mrs. U. S. Grant, which has been forwarded to this office, and to express his great regret that it is impossible to comply with your request for tickets. There are so many invited guests, public officials from this city, Washington and adjoining States, contributors to the Grant Monument Fund, members of the Loyal Legion and others to whom tickets have been awarded that it is impossible to comply with many other very worthy and proper requests such as your own.

Very respectfully,



Secretary.



MRS. JOHN BEAVER,
PRESIDENT.

MRS. W. H. OLIVER,
SECRETARY.

MRS. M. E. CLEMENT,
TREASURER.

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.
433 WEST 162D STREET.

New York City, N. Y., *April 21st 1897.*

Mr. J. E. Hedges
Dear Sir:

I received the enclosed from you, in answer to a note sent by me to Mrs. U. S. Grant and forwarded by her to his Honor the Mayor. I write to say that you have made a great mistake as I did not write asking for tickets at all. If you have not destroyed the letter, will you be kind enough to read it once again and answer me accordingly. By so doing you will greatly oblige

Henrietta D. Beaver
433 W. 162nd St.

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Inwood on Hudson,
New York City. (S).

April 22, 1897

Hon. William Strong;

Dear Sir,

The Willing Workers of the
Mount Washington Presⁿ Church
wish to give an Entertainment
at Parsons Hall, Kings Bridge, on
Thursday evening April 29 under
the direction of Mr. Addison
W. Hoyt in the hope of adding
something to their Treasury. At
their request I write to ask
that you would kindly grant
the Special Permit required
for a Concert on the date &
at the place mentioned & oblige
both them &

Yours truly
Geo. E. Gayson
Pastor.

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Louisville, Ky. April 22nd, 1897.

DEAR SIR:

At a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Louisville, held on Tuesday last, the following resolution was passed, to-wit:

(1) Resolved, by the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Louisville, that on the 20th and 21st of May, proximo, there will be called to meet in the City of Louisville a Convention of Park Commissioners, Park Architects, and Park Engineers of the United States, for the purpose of discussing such matters as appertain to park development, in order that a widened influence may be exerted throughout the country in the line of park work and in proper construction of pleasure grounds for the people.

(2) That the delegates invited to such convention be reminded that an opportunity will thus be presented to them to extend their trip to Nashville and be present at the opening of the Tennessee Centennial Exposition.

(3) That President Castleman and Vice-President Belknap are appointed a sub-committee to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution.

We have the pleasure to ask, in pursuance of the foregoing resolution, that you and your colleagues unite with us on the occasion in furtherance of the object set forth in the resolution, and that you will be good enough to advise us of the certainty of your attendance.

We further have the privilege to ask that you will indicate to us on what line it will be agreeable to you, or to any one of you, to present a paper or address before the convention.

Kindly intimate to us the full names of the delegates who will attend from your city.

We have the honor to be, dear sir,

Very truly yours,

John B. Castleman
Morris B. Belknap

LAW OFFICE OF
W. R. SPOONER,
119 NASSAU ST.,
(TEMPLE COURT.)

NEW YORK CITY, April 22nd, 1897

Hon. W. L. Strong, Mayor.

Dear Sir: Having read yesterday's papers, I realize that it would not be just to you or to myself, to cause another newspaper flurry, by calling at your office, until your appointment of Police Commissioner shall have been made, after which I can, as well as now, say what needs to be said, in refutation of Mr. Fransmann's slander.

I appreciate more than words can express, the recommendation given of me, and the generous endorsement of it, by so many whom I esteem so highly, and if the suggestion had met with your approval, it would have been to my mind, an honor indeed, to be identified with your administration, especially to be called to the difficult duty of service in the Police Board, under present conditions; and I would have striven earnestly to justify the preference shown me.

I thank you, for the kind assurance given to the reporters yesterday, but which only the Mail and Express did me the justice to publish; but I did not need that assurance, to know that discourtesy was not intended, for I was aware that you could not have known who I was, and that you could not have learned the fact that I had come from Providence especially to see you, immediately on receipt of Mr. Goodman's letter, advising me of your consent for me to call in order to deny Fransmann's accusation.

Very respectfully yours,

W. R. Spooner,

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NEW YORK, April 22nd, 1897.

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Mayor's Office, City.

Dear Mr. Hedges:-

We wish to obtain a good picture of the Mayor for use in
our book on the Sound Money Parade, and I would like to know if you can
secure one for us, or tell us where we can obtain one of those most
acceptable to the Mayor.

Yours very truly,

THE NEW YORK PRINTING COMPANY.

Dictated.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. S. Rossiter", is written over the typed name of the company.

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* Deceased.

Office of William R. Stewart, Treasurer, 54 William St.

New-York, April 23, 1897

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

I have arranged with the help of two or three friends who live on Washington Square to have the Washington Arch illuminated by the arc light on the evenings of the 26th and 27th instants, on the occasion of the dedication of the Grant Monument, feeling that Washington would desire to pay his compliments to General Grant if it were possible for him to make the suggestion.

My object in writing is to ask if you will request the City Authorities or contractors who are doing the work of laying the mains under the Arch to remove the heaps of sand which are piled up against the piers, and such pipes as are now above ground within the immediate vicinity of the monument? An illumination under the present circumstances would not be as attractive a feature as we wish to make it.

Very truly yours,

W. R. Stewart

The Rhinelander School,

(Of the CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY,)

350 EAST 88TH STREET,
[Between 1st And 2d Avenues.]

New York, April 23rd 1897

To the

Hon. Mayor Strong:

Dear Sir:

Your kind letter in regard to our flag not being placed in the tomb has been received and I can readily understand the wisdom and good judgment the Committee have shown in refusing all such offerings if they cannot accept all.

I most gratefully appreciate the kind interest you and the Committee have shown in my proposition, and thank you sincerely for same.

The Rhinelander School,

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350 EAST 88TH STREET,
[Between 1st And 2d Avenues.]

New York, _____ 189

Our flag is completed. It is
beautiful; and we shall pre-
serve it; so that if - in the future -
plans shall be made to accept
such gifts for the tomb, it will
be ready for presentation, to
show the honor that our "little
citizens" desire to pay to the mem-
ory of one of America's grandest
and noblest - citizens.

Believe me to be yours truly
Margaret P. Pascal.

2 East 29th Street,

April, 23rd 1897.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

My Dear Mr. Strong,

During several years past, the Park Commissioners have neglected to set new trees where the old ones have died around the small parks, to the great disfigurement of the city. Two years ago, I called their attention to the subject, and the reply was it was too late in the season. Last year the commissioners said they were pressed with work and would replace the trees this year. They have, within two or three days, set two trees directly between your seat in your office and Broadway. But I believe none are set elsewhere. All the places are vacant on Union Square- *and Madison Square* at least, five are lacking on the borders of the latter. I hope you will be pleased to direct your Clerk to call their attention to the subject, which I am sure would be effective.

Very truly yours,

Samuel R. Latow,

A sickly, almost ^{dead} tree has, for several years, defaced the triangle on which the Worth monument stands between Macdougall - 5th Ave at 24th St

New York, April 23d. 1897.

Mayor Wm. L. Strong,

Dear Sir:--

I was some what surprised to hear of your appointment of that fool, knave, ect., of an excuse of a man (Frank Moss) as a police commissioner. There is no doubt ~~now~~ now in my mind that you are in your dotage a fact which the most of New Yorkers will be bound to admit. ~~This~~ move on your part will certainly throw the city back under Tammany rule which will be far superior to your administration even if it is bad.

Your next appointment ought to be that of Herr Most.

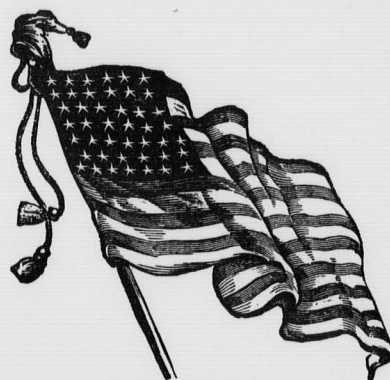
Yours one who knows.

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MILLARD J. BLOOMER, Secretary
 81 East 125th Street, Rooms 15, 16, 17, and 18
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New York, April 10th 1897.

Hon Wm L. Strong:
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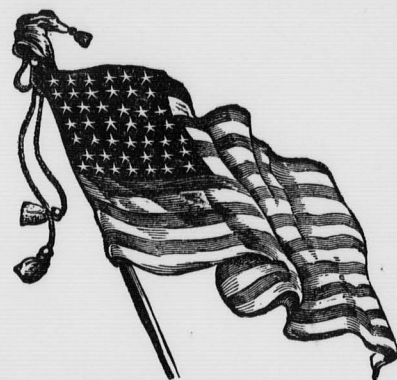
My dear Sir:

The directors of the Patriotic Festival to-day decided to place at your disposal one or two boxes for any prominent ^{public} guests to the Grant Day celebration that you may be pleased ^{to} invite & direct our attention to that they may receive proper attention. We expect Gov Black & Gov Lowmire of Maryland. Mr. Donald McLean has promised to make a short patriotic address. - Will you kindly do us the favor of writing a short note to M. Lichtenstein, propr. Harlem Opera House, N. 125 St asking him to donate use of his hall for this occasion? Yours very sincerely Millard J. Bloomer.

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Mayor, N.Y. City

My dear Sir: Will you kindly issue a special permit to the patrons & management of charity Festival, to produce the children's carnival at the Harlem Opera House, 125 St & 7th Ave Monday night, April 26 8³⁰ to 9³⁰ P.M. I have a letter from Mr 'Gerry, saying' in the present case the society does not intend to interfere - but we prefer your seat.

Sincerely Millard J. Bloomer.

The Society for Ethical Culture,

Society House 669 Madison Ave.

New York, April 24 1897.

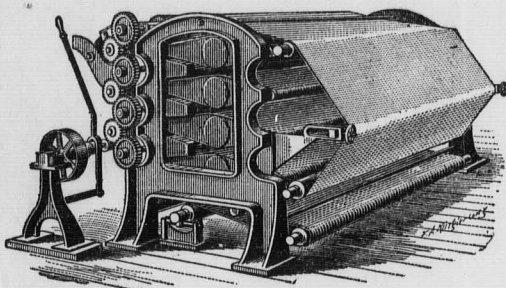
To the Honorable,
William L. Strong, Mayor,
Dear Sir:

I am instructed by the President of the Society for Ethical Culture to cordially invite you to attend the address by Professor Felix Adler on: "The Debt of the American People to Ulysses S. Grant" to be given tomorrow morning Sunday April 25 at Carnegie Music Hall at 11.15 o'clock.

Kindly notify the undersigned in case you can attend so that seats may be reserved for you.

Very Respectfully Yours
Alice Spear
Cor. Sec.

TELEPHONE: 18 SPRING.



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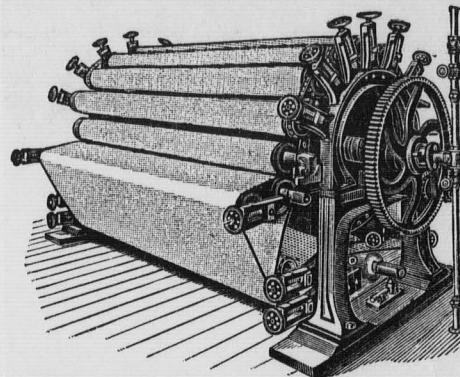
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Hon. Wm. L. Strong, Mayor,

New York.

Dear Sir:- I beg you will pardon the liberty I take in addressing you upon a matter which I regard as of considerable importance to the City and particularly so now in view of the fact that the Metropolitan Traction Co. purpose employing underground trolley system on some of their lines.

A Mr. Casazza (an Italian) who occupies a loft in this building has invented and patented a system of underground trolley which does away with a live wire which is not only dangerous but seriously injures water pipes which come in close proximity to the electric current.

What Mr. Casazza desires very much is that your honor would designate some ^{one} familiar with the subject to call and investigate his invention and see his model in operation and report his conclusions to you.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

Chas. Wendell

Our sole aim is to raise the tone of citizenship. Whatever concerns the welfare of our city is made the subject of inquiry and conference.



The City Vigilance League,

UNITED CHARITIES BUILDING,

105 EAST 22D STREET,

ROOM 408.

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41-43 Wall Street.

Honorary
Vice-
Presidents.

New York, April 24th. 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong.

Mayor of the City of New York.

City Hall. New York City.

Hon. and Dear Sir:

It is more than a pleasant surprise that I learn of your appointment of Mr. Frank Moss to the office of ~~Police Commissioner~~ to succeed the Hon. Theodore Roosevelt.

In selecting Mr. Moss for so responsible a position you are to be congratulated for you could not have made a wiser or better selection.

I want to thank you personally for placing a man on our Police Board who will be an honor to our City and a credit to your administration.

Very respectfully yours

A. W. Abbott.

General Secretary.

TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM L. STRONG,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:

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We, the undersigned, residents and property owners in the near vicinity of said extension, hereby protest against the enactment of said bill, and urgently request your Honor to disapprove the same.

East 164th Street was not extended, on the final maps of the locality, beyond Trinity Avenue, for the reason that the grade at that point is unusually abrupt. It has been understood by the residents thereabouts that it would not be so extended, and blocks of houses have been erected, in the line of such proposed extension, upon the faith of such understanding, which was had both with the Department of Public Parks, when that department had charge of the district, and with the Department of Street Improvements since that time. The cost of the openings for extensive masonry work, regrading, destruction of buildings, and bridging the natural water course in the gully, just easterly of Trinity Avenue, would be enormous, and the extension itself will be of no practical benefit to the locality or to the city. Moreover, it would be an absolute violation of every principle of good faith, and would mulct the adjacent property owners in a very large sum of

money for ~~an~~ assessments in addition to those with which they have been already overburdened. There is no necessity whatever for the extension, inasmuch as the thoroughfares at 165th Street and 163rd Street are ample for the accommodation of any present or future traffic.

The undersigned have only recently heard of the proposed measure, but they earnestly state to your Honor that the property owners in the vicinity are practically unanimous in opposition to it.

The only person, or persons, who may possibly be benefitted by the extension are a few ~~xxxxxx~~ persons whose ~~xx~~ ~~xxx~~ property ~~may~~ may be taken at a generous price at the expense of their neighbors.

Dated, New York, April 24, 1897.

Respectfully submitted.

B. Mindermann 992 Jackson Ave
 T. Lewin 1002 Jackson Ave
 P. Jungmann 996 Jackson Ave
 John J. Miller 997 Jackson Ave
 Peter G. Shoretz 994 Jackson Ave.
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 Charles Scheldorn 998 Union Avenue.
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 Serena Clark 970 Union Ave.
 Mary Reimer 960 Union Ave
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 Henry Weckling 946 Tinton Ave
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 Mary Hähnel for the Estate of L. Fechteler
 Philip Lahm 1000 Union Ave.
 William La Croix 1000 E. 165th Str.
 Amanda Birnstiel 1002. E. 165th Str.
 William Gibsen 1043 Union Ave
 Through arch on Tinton Ave

Haskell Baker 1037 Union Ave
Anton Chvickher 1070 Union Ave
John H. Bengstedt 459 Prospect Ave
John G. Bengstedt 968 Trinity Ave
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+ other property affected

John L. Mead Trinity Ave 1054

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Respectfully submitted.

Frederick Brand 872 E 161st St
John P. Dexter 841 Forest Ave
Herman Roth 947 E. 161st St
Emil Robitzell 848 E 161st St
Wm. F. Rockafeld 919 Cauldwell Ave

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Henry Ruhl 842 E. 164th
Anton Rinschler 841 E. 164th
J. C. Schwartz 845 E. 164th
E. Richard 849 E. 164th
O. Felz
Thomas O'Rourke 843 E. 164th
Cornelius J. Walsh
829 E. 164th St
Mumphy J. Monahan
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Carl Wurm M. D. 961 Canfield Ave
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Margaret Murphy 859 Deardale Place.
John Bosch East 852, 163 St.
Henrietta Simon 919 Trinity Ave.
Katharina Geib 914 Trinity Ave.
Lizzie Kraemer 910 Trinity Ave.
William S. Gordon 912 Trinity Ave.
John E. Reiss 928 Trinity Ave.
Frederick Fink 930 Trinity Ave.
Louis Fleig 925 Trinity Ave.
Fritz Pabst 849 E. 163 St.
Emil Gertz 966 Trinity Ave.
W. Erwin Preston 980 Trinity Ave.
Richard Stokes 830, 832, 834 E. 164 St.
Victor C. Smith 850 East 164 St.
Louis Zuer 851, East 164 St.

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Dear Sir:

Referring to Senate bill No. 1282, introduced by Senator Guy, entitled "An Act to authorize the alteration of section 6 of the final maps and profiles of the 23rd and 24th Wards of the City of New York, by showing thereon the extension of East 164th Street, from Trinity Avenue to Stebbins Avenue, in the City of New York"; which was finally passed by the Assembly April 21st, 1897, and which is about to come before your Honor:

We, the undersigned, residents and property owners in the near vicinity of said extension, hereby protest against the enactment of said bill, and urgently request your Honor to disapprove the same.

East 164th Street was not extended, on the final maps of the locality, beyond Trinity Avenue, for the reason that the grade at that point is unusually abrupt. It has been understood by the residents thereabouts that it would not be so extended, and blocks of houses have been erected, in the line of such proposed extension, upon the faith of such understanding, which was had both with the Department of Public Parks, when that department had charge of the district, and with the Department of Street Improvements since that time. The cost of the openings for extensive masonry work, regrading, destruction of buildings, and bridging the natural water course in the gully, just easterly of Trinity Avenue, would be enormous, and the extension itself will be of no practical benefit to the locality or to the city. Moreover, it would be an absolute violation of every principle of good faith, and would mulct the adjacent property owners in a very large sum of

money for an assessments in addition to those with which they have been already over burdened. There is no necessity whatever for the extension, inasmuch as the thoroughfares at 165th Street and 163rd Street are ample for the accommodation of any present or future traffic.

The undersigned have only recently heard of the proposed measure, but they earnestly state to your Honor that the property owners in the vicinity are practically unanimous in opposition to it.

The only person, or persons, who may possibly be benefitted by the extension are a few ~~xxxxxx~~ persons whose ~~xx~~ ~~xxx~~ property~~s~~ may be taken at a generous price at the expense of ~~other~~ neighbors.

Dated, New York, April 24, 1897.

Respectfully submitted.

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