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**Public Works,
Commissioner of**

1913, Sept.-Dec.

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September 17, 1913.

Robert Adamson Esq.,
Office of the Mayor,

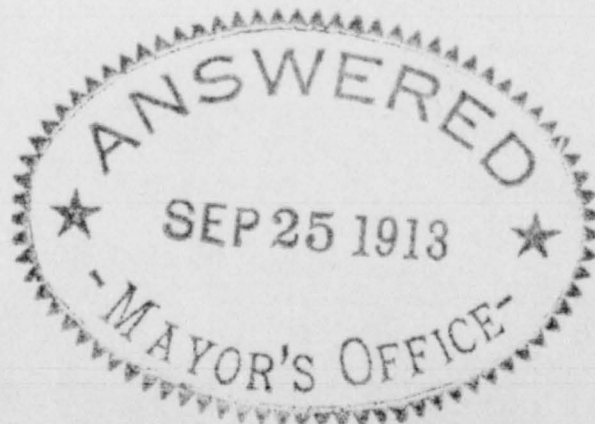
Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 10 to President McAneny was received during his absence from the city.

I feel sure that he would like to have an engineer from his office named as a delegate to the Third American Road Congress, and am writing to inquire whether this delegation could be made in alternative form. Both Mr. Goodrich, our Consulting Engineer, and Mr. Durham, Chief Engineer of our Bureau of Highways, are at present out of the city, and I am unable to say positively which one of them could go. I, therefore, suggest that the Mayor delegate Mr. Ernest P. Goodrich, Consulting Engineer for the Borough of Manhattan, or as an alternate Mr. Henry W. Durham, Chief Engineer of the Bureau of Highways in the Borough of Manhattan.

Yours very truly,

E.V. Frothingham
Commissioner.



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October 8, 1913.

In replying refer to No. 40822.

Mr. Julian B. Beaty,
Acting Secretary to the Mayor,
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the letter dated September 26th from the Mayor's office, with a communication from Frederick Trachtenberg of No. 194 East 3rd Street, complaining of a show case at No. 122 Rivington Street, I desire to say that under date of April 11th, 1913, the Commissioner wrote to Mr. Trachtenberg as follows:

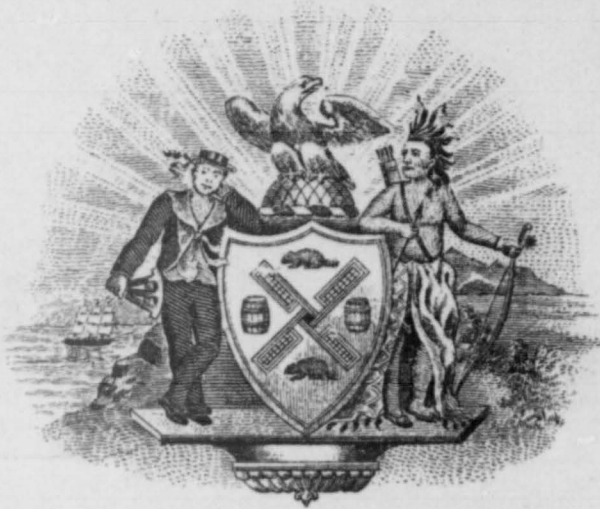
"Referring to your recent complaints about a show case in front of 122 Rivington Street:

I find that under date of February 28, 1913 you made a written complaint against this show case, and that on March 17, 1913 you formally, and in writing, withdrew this complaint. I find also that the show case has been once removed as the result of your complaint, and that it has now been replaced. This department is not supposed to take action against incumbrances to meet the whim of any individual, and as your complaint against this particular case seems to be without merit, I beg to advise you that no further action will be taken by this department in the matter."

Very truly yours,



Secretary.



JOSEPH FLANAGAN
COMMISSIONER

The City of New York.
Offices, Commissioner of Public Works.
of the
Borough of Queens.
Long Island City, Nov. 1, 1913.

Mr. Julian Beatty,

Secretary to the Mayor,

Mayor's Office,

City Hall, N.Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

President Connelly directs me to acknowledge receipt of your communication enclosing a letter received by you from Miss Lorette Taylor, regarding the conditions of the trolley road between Jamaica and Far Rockaway.

This matter will receive prompt attention.

Truly yours,

JF-EAD

Joseph P. Flanagan
Commissioner of Public Works.

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November 10, 1913.

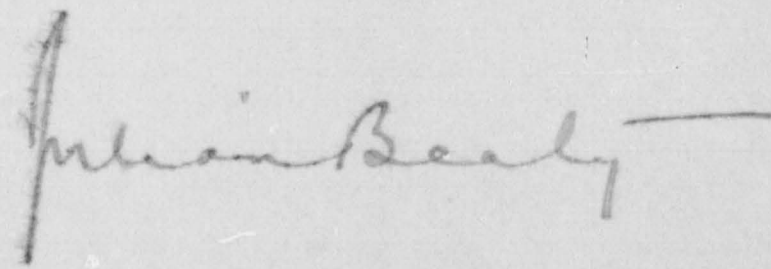
Mr. Robert Adamson,
Secretary to the Mayor.

My dear Mr. Adamson:

I am transmitting herewith a letter sent to me by Miss Lillian D. Wald of the Henry Street Settlement with reference to the reappointment of President Churchill in the Board of Education. Miss Wald sent it to me under the impression that I was still acting in your place, and I am accordingly sending it to you to be handed to the Mayor.

I am also enclosing a letter from President Gallagher of the Civil Service Commission answering an inquiry addressed to him by me while acting as Secretary. It also belongs to your official records.

Faithfully yours,



(2 Enclosures)

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BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

21 PARK ROW, NEW YORK CITY

CEG/LRY

November 11, 1913.

To the Members of

THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT;

Please find enclosed copy of letter which has been formally submitted to your Board and has been placed on the calendar for November 13, relative to authorizing corporate stock for the uses of the New York Sewer Plan Commission.

Respectfully,

Secretary,
New York Sewer Plan Commission.

New York, November 11, 1913

To the Honorable,

THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE AND APPORTIONMENT:

Gentlemen:

On June 26, 1913, your Honorable Board adopted a resolution constituting the Consulting Engineers of the Boroughs with the Chief Engineer of your Board a commission for the development of a plan of main drainage, sewage collection and disposal that will meet the future need of the entire city, and on November 6, 1913, adopted a resolution authorizing the appointment of a staff consisting of one Engineer at \$4,000, one Assistant Engineer at \$2,100, one Draftsman at \$1,650, and one Clerk with knowledge of Stenography at \$1,200, and the expenditure of \$1,000 for contingent expenses during the last two months of the year 1913, the same to be paid out of the contingent fund of your board for the year 1913. The schedule of employees for 1913 was authorized with the understanding that it would be continued during the year 1914 and that funds would be provided either by a budgetary allowance or through an issue of corporate stock.

It was originally proposed to include in the budget for 1914 an appropriation for the maintenance of the staff of this, the New York Sewer Plan Commission, but your Board upon further consideration decided that the expenses of the Commission should be met by an issue of corporate stock, as the work to be performed is of a permanent nature and will result in permanent benefit to the city.

In view of the foregoing, your Honorable Board is

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respectfully requested to authorize an issue of corporate stock in the sum of \$15,950 to provide for the expenses of the New York Sewer Plan Commission for the year 1914, in preparing a plan of main drainage, sewage collection and disposal that will meet the future need of the entire city.

When your Commission took up the matter of procuring suitable employees, it was found that no Engineer capable of conducting the highly technical work of the Commission and eligible to hold the position could be obtained for the sum authorized, namely \$4,000. In order to meet this condition, however, the President of the Borough of Manhattan agreed to accept a reduction of \$1,000 per year in the salary of one Assistant Engineer for the year 1914, provided the New York Sewer Plan Commission were authorized to add \$1,000 to the salary of their Engineer. It has also developed that the engineer whom your Commission wishes to appoint now holds the Civil Service title of Assistant Engineer and also that there is no existing eligible list for Engineer. Application to the Civil Service Commission for certification of names for appointment of Clerk with Knowledge of Stenography brought out the fact that no such list exists in the Civil Service and that such an employee must be appointed with the title of either Clerk or Stenographer. A suitable incumbent can be obtained under the title of Stenographer.

We therefore submit the following schedule supporting our request for an issue of corporate stock and indicating how the proceeds of such corporate stock will be expended during the year 1914.

One Assistant Engineer at . . .	\$5,000
" " " " . . .	2,100
" Draftsman at	1,650
" Stenographer at	1,200

BofE&A #3:

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One Consulting Chemist (exempt) at \$3,000

Misc. expenses and contingencies 3,000

\$15,950

Respectfully,

NEW YORK SEWER PLAN COMMISSION,

By

(Signed) NELSON P. LEWIS,
Chairman,

" CHARLES E. GREGORY,
Secretary.