

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,*STEVENSON CONSTABLE*  
*SUPERINTENDENT.*

A. A. P.

*M.*  
*New York, Feb. 26th, 1897.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

As the busiest season of this Department will soon be upon me, and as the increased number of employees coming into the Department, and the increased mass of records and work require additional room, I desire to take for the balance of the year, the eighth floor, (which is now vacant) in this Building, which will greatly increase the efficiency of the Department, and the systematic arrangement of both the work and records in the Department.

It has been offered at a reasonable rent, namely at the rate of \$2,000 per annum, and I have requested the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to transfer from the "salaries" account of this Department, the sum of \$1667.00 for this purpose, for the balance of the year.

I would respectfully ask your approval of same.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)

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Feb. 28th, 1897.



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

A. A. P.

*New York,* Feb. 26th, *1897.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

If you should have any complaints from the employees of this Department, as to the way they are worked, and the hours they have to keep; you will please understand that it would be absolutely impossible to do the work by closing the office at four o'clock, allowing one hour for dinner,- therefore finding my employees did a great deal better by having the full hour for dinner, instead of shortening the same, I increased the office hours as I notified you some time ago, to five o'clock, and must continue the same.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stevenson Constable".  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



A. A. P.

*New York,* Feb. 26th, 1897. *N.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

If the Hall of Records, which it has been proposed to build in this city, is to be erected, as it is impossible to separate the Building Department from the Records, because the same are used daily, and at least two years' papers must be within reach of the various clerks and employees of the Department, I would advise the question being considered whether it would be best to put the Building Department in said Hall of Records, or have a separate building for the same.

Again, as the question of fireproof construction has been more thoroughly gone into by me, than ever before in its history, and the tests, records and information upon this subject I am now securing and collecting, will be used in the future for the classification of buildings, and the selection of the proper construction for strictly fireproof buildings, semi-fireproof, slow burning, etc., I would be greatly pleased to advise with any one who is practically interested in the matter, in which I know your Honor has taken so deep an interest.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

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Mayor of the



New York, Feb'y 26th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I have your introduction of Mr. C. D. Sweeny, and you may feel assured it will give me great pleasure to aid him in any way that I possibly can.

The case he refers to is one which has become a little complicated by the parties first handling same, not being familiar with the law, and therefore getting the records in the Department mixed up, and allowing work to be done which was not in accordance with the law.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson*

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,**

EA.

*New York,* Feb. 19, 1897

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I would respectfully notify you that I am going to appoint to the Assistant Attorney's position vacant in this Department, Mr. Bryant Willard. He is highly recommended by ex-Judge Thomas Allison, Hon. John A. Taylor, Hon. Jas. P. Davenport and the Hon. Daniel G. Thompson.

Yours respectfully,

A large, flowing cursive signature of Stevenson Constable.  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S.C.)



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INDICES

Feb. 19, 1897

E.R.D.

I, BRYANT WILLARD, hereby solemnly swear that I  
will faithfully perform the duties of the office of  
Assistant Attorney to the Department of Buildings of the  
City of New York to the best of my ability.

Subscribed and sworn to before me : *Bryant Willard*  
this *10th* day of March, 1897. :

*Wm. B. Smith*  
*Justice Supreme Court*

*Filed in the Mayor's*  
*office March 11/1897*  
*John H. DeGree*  
*Recorder*

*No.*

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DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS OF THE CITY  
NEW YORK,

*Plaintiff,*

*against*

*Defendant.*

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JOHN VINTON DAHLGREN,

*Attorney to the Department of Buildings,*

No. 220 Fourth Avenue,

NEW YORK CITY.

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 1st Mch., 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending February 27th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

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For Mr. J. B. McPherson, 1897.

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



*New York,* 1st Mch., '97. 189

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending Feb'y 27, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	42
Estimated Cost	\$1,338,950.
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	29
Estimated Cost	\$ 555,800.
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	23
Estimated Cost	\$ 69,000.
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	4
Estimated Cost	\$ 3,200.
Buildings reported as Unsafe	63
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	18
Other violations of law reported	111
Unsafe Building notices issued	81
Fire Escape Notices issued	18
Violation Notices issued	355
Unsafe Building Cases forwarded for prosecution	1
Violation Cases forwarded for prosecution	126
Complaints lodged with the Department	77
Iron and Steel Inspections made	4450

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*C* *New York,* 8th March, 1897. *M.*

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

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending March 6th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

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8th March, 1897.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,**

**NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 8th March 197189

Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending March 6th, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	46
Estimated cost	\$2,306,500.
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	32
Estimated cost	\$ 197,000.
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	41
Estimated cost	\$ 412,150.
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	7
Estimated cost	\$ 8,600.
Buildings reported as Unsafe	87
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	16
Other violations of law reported	130
Unsafe Building Notices issued	128
Fire Escape Notices issued	26
Violation Notices issued	371
Fire Escape cases forwarded for prosecution	2
Violation Cases forwarded for prosecution	115
Complaints lodged with the Department	64
Iron and Steel Inspections made	4632

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY.

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*New York, March 12th, 1897.*

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

Dear Sir:

On February 26th, present year, I wrote the Honorable Board of Estimate and Apportionment, asking that transfer be made from my Salaries Account, the sum of \$1,667, or at the rate of \$166.66 per month, for the purpose of renting the Eighth Floor in this building, 220 Fourth Avenue, for the use of my Department, and stating the necessities for same.

As I understand that the Sinking Fund Commission signified their approval of this matter, if you could kindly aid me by having action taken by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment at their next meeting, you would greatly oblige me and very materially aid the operations of this department, which are now considerably hampered by the overcrowded condition of the various floors of the Department and the great amount of work which we are being forced to do in entirely too limited space.

Very respectfully,

  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)

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March 12th, 1897.



DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

No. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S. W. Corner 18th Street.

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,  
Superintendent.

EA.

*New York,*

March 12th,

1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

Chairman, Sinking Fund Commission.

Dear Sir:-

In re rent of second and third stories, premises #2773 and #2775 Third Avenue, which was ratified by the Board of Apportionment at \$1860 for the year 1897, as Branch Office for this Department, and which I am informed by Mr. Boehm has been questioned and lease refused, I would respectfully state that if you desire full particulars as to all examinations made as to the rentals of property in that neighborhood, and my reasons for recommending the lease in question, kindly advise me and I will take pleasure in submitting them to you.

The space occupied in this building by this Department is 2780 feet, and the rent as reasonable as any that was offered to us for the same space and advantages as this building gives me.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.S.C.)



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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



HJH

*New York,* *Mar. 18,* *1897.* *M*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Will you please have Mr. Burrows forward me list of all licensed theatres and places of amusement that now appear on your license books, as I am starting the regular annual inspection of such places, and oblige,

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.S.C.)

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



HJH

*New York,* Mar. 18th, 1897 *μ.*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th,  
with enclosed list of theaters and concert halls in this city.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.R.O'B.)

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



S.A.U.

*M.*  
*New York,* Mar. 15th, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:--

Herewith please find a Synopsis of the Operations  
of this Department for the Week ending March 13th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



S.A.U.

*New York,* Mar. 15th, 1897 <sup>22</sup>

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending Mar. 13th, 1897

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	31
Estimated Cost	\$424,900.
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	37
Estimated Cost	\$259,900.
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	49
Estimated Cost	\$174,832.
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	11
	\$11,350.
Buildings reported as unsafe	80
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	26
Other Violations of law reported	106
Unsafe Building Notices issued	146
Fire Escape Notices issued	38
Violation Notices issued	304
Violation Cases forwarded for prosecution	55
Complaints lodged with the Department	90
Iron & Steel inspections made	4,492

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,***STEVENSON CONSTABLE,  
SUPERINTENDENT.*

HJH

*New York* Mar. 19th, 1897  
*M.*

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

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 19th inst, requesting report on premises 124th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, known as the National Sporting Club, in the Belmont Riding Academy, application having been made for license to give athletic performances.

The matter will be given immediate attention and report sent you as soon as possible.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.R.O'B.)



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

HJH

*New York, Mar. 19th, 1897*  
*M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In confirmation of telephone message, with reference to the application of The National Sporting Club, 124th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, for license to give athletic performances, I would state that upon examination, I find that all the requirements of this Department have been complied with, and license can therefore be granted.

Yours respectfully,

  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.R.O'B.)



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1858	847 ✓
1863	887 ✓
1862 ✓	891 ✓
1856	892 ✓
1855	893 ✓
1877	894 ✓
1878	895 ✓
1861	912 ✓
1854	896 ✓
1852	897 ✓
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1868	900 ✓
1880	904 ✓
1876	905 ✓
1864	907 ✓
1875	910 ✓
1874	914 ✓
1873	917 ✓
1871	909 ✓
1872	918 ✓

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



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*New York,* March 22d, 1897.  
*M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending March 20th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AZ

New York, March 22d, 1897.

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending March 20th, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	45
Estimated Cost	\$1,642,890.
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	41
Estimated Cost	\$ 176,250.
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	25
Estimated Cost	\$ 51,700.
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	16
Estimated Cost	\$ 16,225.
Buildings reported as Unsafe	62
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	22
Other violations of law reported	201
Unsafe Building notices issued	172
Fire Escapes notices issued	32
Violation notices issued	489
Unsafe Building cases forwarded for prosecution	2
Violation cases forwarded for prosecution	48
Complaints lodged with the Department	81
Iron and steel Inspections made	4453

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

V.F.

*New York,* Mar. 29, 1897 *89*  
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Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to call your attention to Senate Bill No. 779, introduced by Mr. Page, which seeks to amend Subdivision 3, Section 86 of the Consolidation Act.

I find that the amendment adds in Section 3 the words "and the erection of steps, porches and approaches."

If this becomes a law it may result in the obstruction of the sidewalks of our streets to even a greater extent than they are to-day; and it is particularly on that account that I enter my protest against the approval of this Bill.

Many of the streets of this city are even now too narrow for the volume of business conducted, and to permit any further encroachment thereon would be simply depriving the citizens of this city of part of a highway, which, as a matter of right, belongs to them, and without any compensation to the city therefor.

I have the honor to remain,

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stevenson Constable".

Superintendent of Buildings.

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MAR. 29, 1937

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*C*  
*New York,* 29th March 1897.

*M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending March 27th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of Bldgs.

Dic.E.E.R.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

New York, 29th March, 1897  
M.

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending March 27th, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	72
Estimated Cost	\$1,143,400
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	34
Estimated Cost	\$ 208,750
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	41
Estimated Cost	\$ 138,387
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	12
Estimated Cost	\$ 27,800
Buildings reported as Unsafe	69
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	17
Other violations of Law reported	124
Unsafe Building Notices issued	154
Fire Escape " "	25
Violation " "	320
Fire Escape cases forwarded for prosecution	9
Violation " " " "	130
Complaints lodged with the Department	92
Iron and Steel Inspections made	4095

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic.E.E.R.)

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



SED

*New York, March 30th, 1897*  
*M.*

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 29th inst., requesting report on premises Willis Ave. and 133d Street, known as the Harlem Pavilion, application having been made for license to give athletic performances.

The matter will be given immediate attention and report sent you as soon as possible.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. R.O'B.)



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EA.

New York, Mar. 31st, 1897.

Hon. Frank W. Higgins,

Chairman, Committee on Taxation and Retrenchment,

Senate Chambers, Albany, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

As Superintendent of the Department of Buildings of the City of New York, I have examined the provisions of Senate Bill, Print No. 946, and in so far as the same relate to the Department of Buildings, I deem it my duty to call your attention to certain features of the bill.

First: I desire to inform you that if Section 480 of the Consolidation Act, as amended, is construed by the courts in accordance with the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation of this city, then, at one blow, the use of most all of the buildings as hotels, under the Liquor Tax Law, must necessarily be declared illegal and discontinued.

Section 480 of the Consolidation Act, as amended to date, provides:

"Every building hereafter altered to be occupied as a hotel, and every building hereafter erected or altered to be occupied as a lodging-house, and every tenement house, apartment house and dwelling house five stories in height, or having a basement and four stories in height above a cellar, hereafter erected or altered to be occupied by one or more families on any floor above the first, shall have the first floor above the cellar or lowest story constructed fire proof with iron or steel beams and brick arches."

The construction put upon this section prior to the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation was that the requirement as to having the first floor fire proof applied to hotels only when the same were five stories in height, the words "five stories in height", in the part of the section above quoted, being deemed to be applicable to hotels, lodging-houses, tenement houses, apartment houses and dwelling houses.

Upon submission of this question to the Counsel to the Corporation, he held that the words "five stories in height" applied to tenement, apartment and dwelling houses only; and that every building hereafter (April 9th, 1892) altered to be occupied as a hotel, must have its first floor fireproof, irrespective of height. If this interpretation is correct, I am advised by my present attorney, that Section 484 of the Consolidation Act, as amended, must be construed to mean that every



building hereafter (April 9th, 1892) erected to be used as a hotel must be entirely fire proof, no matter what the height of such building may be. Section 484 just referred to, as amended, reads as follows:

"Every building hereafter erected to be used as a hotel, and every building hereafter erected or altered to be used as a theater, hospital, asylum, institution for the care or treatment of persons, or in whole or in part as a school or place of instruction, the height of which exceeds thirty-five feet, except buildings for which specifications and plans have been heretofore submitted to and approved by the superintendent of buildings, and every other building the height of which exceeds seventy feet shall be built fire proof."

Section 480, as amended, you will note, refers to buildings altered after April 9th, 1892, while Section 484, as amended, refers to buildings erected after April 9th, 1892.

Plans for buildings to be altered to be used as hotels are not now approved by this Department, unless the first floor is fire proof in accordance with the opinion, above referred to.

Actions for permanent injunctions, with the usual order to show cause for an injunction pendente lite, have been commenced by this Department, and my attorney informs me that the orders to show cause will be argued soon.

If the court sustains the opinion of the Counsel to the Corporation, you can readily see that in a very large number of buildings now used as hotels, such hotel use must cease for the reason that a very great number of these hotels are situated in buildings erected prior to April 9th, 1892, which have not the first floor fire proof.

Second: Section 31, subdivision 2, of the Liquor Tax Law, as now proposed to be amended, page 49, provides that a hotel shall mean a building in which the only other dwellers besides the guests, shall be the family and servants of the hotel keeper. If this definition is retained in the Act, it will wipe out a great number of hotels and work grave injustice to many.

Third: The word "area", used in the proposed amendments at page 49, is inaccurate, and means in the building law something entirely different from what it appears to be intended to mean in the proposed amendments. An open area under the Building Law is open space adjoining



the cellar or basement of a building. In the proposed amendments it is evidently intended to mean a light shaft, court, well or open air, and if so should be properly expressed.

Fourth: The proposed partitions of four inch thickness would be impracticable in many buildings now used for hotels exclusively, and also in buildings that could be properly utilized hereafter for hotel purposes. Many such buildings used as first-class fire proof hotels have partitions less than four inches thick, and a requirement making such partitions of four inch thickness would render them useless for hotel purposes, -- the Hoffman House, the New Manhattan, the Empire, the Imperial, and many others in which the partitions are from two to two and one-half inches thick.

Fifth: Under Section 498 of the Consolidation Act as amended, the Superintendent of Buildings has discretion in regard to the requirement of fire escapes and means of egress, etc. The proposed amendments would make it incumbent upon the Superintendent to add many requirements in this regard to those now in force, and would necessitate extensive alterations to provide additional means of egress, such as additional stairways, halls, fire escapes, etc.

The effects of the amendments, in so far as they relate to building construction as controlled by this Department, would be to wipe out practically all of the smaller hotels, and even affect many of the large hotels in this City.

If you desire further detail, I shall be pleased to furnish same at your request.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Stevenson Constable.

Sup't. of B'ldgs.

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



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*New York,* April 2, 1897 *189*  
*m*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find copy of letter sent to the  
Honorable Frank S. Black, Hon. John Raines, etc. in re the present  
Raines Law and proposed amendments to same, as they affect this De-  
partment.

Yours respectfully,

Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)  
(Enc.)

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 5th April 1897.

*m*

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

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this Department for the Week ending April 3rd, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

Dic. E.E.R.



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,**

**NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 5th April, 1897.  
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Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending April 3rd, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	56
Estimated Cost	\$4,362,350
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	62
Estimated Cost	\$ 250,000
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	40
Estimated Cost	\$ 325,300
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	16
Estimated Cost	\$ 10,025
Buildings reported as Unsafe	79
"        "        for additional means of escape	19
Other violations of law reported	158
Unsafe Building Notices issued	136
Fire Escape Notices issued	41
Violation Notices issued	414
Unsafe Building cases forwarded for prosecution	1
Violation Cases forwarded for prosecution	100
Complaints lodged with the Department	123
Iron and Steel Inspections made	4,359



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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

SED

*New York,* April 6th, 1898.*M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of the 5th inst. enclosing letter from E. A. Hammond, #2411 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., referring to the walls of stable at 129 West 24th Street, received and noted. The matter will receive my immediate attention.

Yours respectfully,

A large, flowing handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stevenson Constable".  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. B.W.)

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

SED

*New York,* April 8, 1897. *189**M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of the 7th inst. enclosing letter from Professor Ad. Corbett, Astor Place, referring to lack of fire escapes on apartment house #100 East 26th Street, received and noted. The matter will receive immediate attention.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stevenson Constable".

Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

SED

*New York, April 9th, 1897**M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 8th inst., requesting report on premises located at 99th Street and First Avenue, and known as Price & James Pony Vaudeville & Pantomime Shows, application having been made for license to give vocal and instrumental concerts.

The matter will be given immediate attention and report sent you as soon as possible.

Yours respectfully,

  
Sup't of Buildings.

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



SED

*New York, April 12, 1897*

*M.*

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

Dear Sir:

As numerous temporary structures will be erected for standing or sitting purposes to review the parade of the 27th, and as thousands of people will make use of said structures, and the law in the interest of public safety requires that permits for same should be applied for and approved by this Department, I have deemed it advisable to issue through the press a circular calling attention to this fact, copy of which I enclose herewith. I have also notified the Police Commissioners upon the subject, asking for their co-operation in seeing that stands are not allowed to be erected without the said permit and inspection of this Department.

As it is considered that the Board of Alderman have the right to permit the use of sidewalks and public thoroughfares for these temporary structures, it is also considered that the Park Department have the same right over property outside of the building line under their jurisdiction; but in all cases this Department has control over the method and form of construction, and therefore must issue a permit for the same.

Respectfully,

(Enc.)

(Dict. S.C.)

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of Buildings.



AAP.

New York, April 12th, 1897.

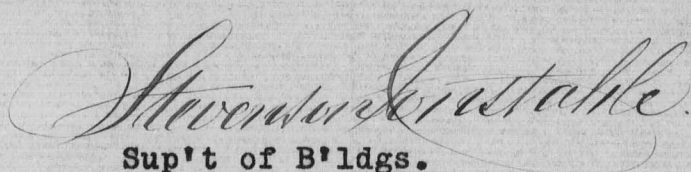
TO THE PUBLIC:

The building law requires that before the erection of structures for standing or seating purposes is commenced, plans therefor shall be submitted to the Superintendent of Buildings. The Department of Buildings must in all cases pass upon the safety of such structures. Any violation of this requirement is strictly forbidden.

Where any such structure is to extend beyond the building line into the area of a public street or avenue, permission of the Board of Aldermen or of the Park Department must also be obtained.

This notice is given to facilitate the obtaining of permits for the erection of stands, etc., for the review of the parade which is to take place on April 27th instant.

Blank applications for such structures may be obtained at the Department of Buildings, No. 220 Fourth Avenue, corner of 18th Street.

  
Sup't of B'ldgs.



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

SED

*New York* April 12, 1897. *189**M.*

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

Dear Sir:

As many of the buildings along the line of March on April 27th having fire escapes, will be sought by the occupants and their friends for the purpose of the utilization of said fire escapes for reviewing purposes, and as the same were not constructed for this purpose under the law, and the responsibility rests with the Fire and Police Departments to see that they are not encumbered, etc., I have deemed it best, so as to prevent accident, to call the attention of these Departments to this fact, as already applications have been made to me for permission to use said fire escapes for such purpose, and knowing that you will approve of my wish to see that all reasonable precautions to prevent accident or loss of life are taken.

Yours very respectfully,

  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



EA.

New York, April 12th, 1897

*M*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to enclose you copy of letter I have this day sent to  
Tammany Hall.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

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Executive Committee of Tammany Hall,  
Tammany Hall, 14th Street,  
New York.

Gentlemen:-

Seeing in many of the papers of this City various statements supposed to be founded upon resolutions passed by your organization on the night of the 9th instant, you will greatly oblige me by forwarding me a certified copy of said resolutions signed by the committee framing same.

Yours truly,

Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.S.C.)

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

STEVENSON CONSTABLE,  
SUPERINTENDENT.

AAP.

*New York,* 12th April 1897.

*M*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York,

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the  
Operations of this Department for the Week ending  
April 10th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

Dic. E.E.R.





# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO. 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 12th April 1898 *m*

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending April 10, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	102
Estimated Cost	\$4,774,500
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	57
Estimated Cost	\$ 389,700
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	55
Estimated Cost	\$ 134,673
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	14
Estimated Cost	\$ 8,410
Buildings reported as Unsafe	85
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	30
Other violations of law reported	160
Unsafe Building Notices issued	153
Fire Escape Notices issued	41
Violation Notices issued	336
Unsafe Building cases forwarded for prosecution	1
Fire Escape       "       "       "       "	5
Violation       "       "       "       "	81
Complaints lodged with the Department	107
Iron and Steel Inspections made	4,015



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

SED

*New York, April 15, 1897**N.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:

In answer to resolution of the Board of Aldermen of April 13th, in regard to closing the different Departments on the 16th inst., would say I have arranged to allow a half day on said date, though certain men of the force will be required for duty all day.

Yours respectfully,

A large, flowing handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to read "Stevenson Constable".

Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

SED

*New York* April 15, 1897. 189

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 14th inst., request report on premises #27 Bowery, application having been made for a concert license.

The matter will be given immediate attention and report sent you as soon as possible.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. R.O'B.)

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APRIL 15, 1937.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



S.A.U.

*New York,* Apr. 19, 1897  
*m.*

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

Dear Sir:--

Herewith please find a Synopsis of the Operations  
of this Department for the Week ending April 17th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



S.A.U.

*New York,* April 19, 1897

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending Apr. 17, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	49
Estimated Cost	\$3,717,000.
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	35
Estimated Cost	257,725.
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	26
Estimated Cost	89,650.
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	6
Estimated Cost	12,300.
Buildings reported as unsafe	73
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	25
Other violations of law reported	88
Unsafe Buildings notices issued	140
Fire escape notices issued	38
Violation notices issued	388
Unsafe Buildings cases forwarded for prosecution	3
Fire escape       "       "       "       "	5
Violation       "       "       "       "	94
Complaints lodged with the Department	47
Iron and steel inspections made	4,604

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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,**

SED

*New York* April 21, 1897. *189*  
*m.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your wishes expressed in a communication to me of the 7th inst. from your secretary, I respectfully beg to report that I ordered an examination of premises #100 East 26th Street, in order to determine if same came within the scope of the statute for fire escapes, and enclose herewith a copy of my reply of even date to complainant.

My inspector reports further that the four story brick building in question, 20' wide by 80' deep, is occupied, 1st story as a store; and the upper floors are rented out as furnished rooms--there being sixteen of them, including the apartment occupied by the house-keeper, who alone cooks upon the premises.

By referring to the Statute mentioned you will see that I have no jurisdiction excepting in relation to the buildings therein mentioned.

Section 34 of Chapter 275 of the Laws of 1892 requires that certain buildings therein named shall be provided with good and sufficient fire escapes, as shall be directed by the Superintendent of Buildings.

The buildings in said Statute mentioned are as follows:

Every dwelling house occupied by, or built to be occupied by three or more families above the first story;

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NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



Hon. Wm. L. Strong. *New York,* \_\_\_\_\_ 189

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Every building more than three stories in height, occupied and used as a hotel or lodging-house;

Every boarding-house having more than fifteen sleeping rooms above the first story;

Every factory, mill, manufactory or work-shop, hospital, asylum or institution for the care or treatment of individuals;

Every building in whole or in part occupied or used as a school or place of instruction or assembly; and

Every office building five stories or more in height.

The building No. 100 East 26th Street does not fall under any of these definitions. It is not a lodging-house, for the reason that the law defines a lodging-house to be any house in which persons are harbored, or received or lodged for hire for a single night, or for less than a week at one time; or any part of which is let to any person to sleep in for any term less than a week.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*

Superintendent of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)

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(Copy)

HJH

April 21, 1897.

Ad. Corbett, Esq.,

Bible Society B'ldg., City.

Dear Sir:-

I desire to inform you in reference to your complaint to the Mayor, about lack of fire escapes on premises #100 East 26th Street, that section 498 of the Consolidation Act prescribes what buildings may be directed to erect fire escapes by the Superintendent of Buildings, and the house in question does not come within its jurisdiction.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Stevenson Constable

(Dic.P.C.S.)

Sup't. of B'ldgs.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



BW

*New York,* April 22, 1897. *89*

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Frederick I. Phillips, Esq.,  
Mayor's Office, City.

Dear Sir:-

Allow me to acknowledge receipt of invitation and two tickets for Tuesday, April 27th, 1897, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Thanking you for the same, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)

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April 22, 1897.

Francis M. Scott, Esq.,  
Counsel to the Corporation,  
#2 Tryon Row, City.

Dear Sir:

Although I have not yet received a certified copy of what is known as the Liquor Tax Law, as recently amended, yet, in view of the urgency and importance of the questions therein involved and of the necessity of prompt and harmonious action by the various Departments of the municipal government, I forward at once to you the opinion of my Attorney upon this matter for your action. He joins with me in the suggestion, that the same should be submitted to you before I should proceed in accordance therewith, in order to avoid any conflict of opinion, and for the purpose of securing a uniform interpretation by the heads of the various Departments in whom are committed to a greater or lesser degree the enforcement of this law.

Yours respectfully,

Sup't of Buildings.

(Dld . S.C.)

(Enc.)



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

SED

*New York, April 23, 1897*  
*m.*

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

Dear Sir:

So as to prevent delay on the part of this Department in its action in regard to the Liquor Tax Law, as recently amended, I immediately notified my Attorney to render opinion upon said subject, and have forwarded a copy of said opinion, as per enclosed letter, to the Counsel to the Corporation, as the highest law officer of the City, to instruct me as to the responsibility of this Department under said law, and for the purpose of having a harmonious interpretation and enforcement of the law on the part of the various departments of the municipal government.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)

(Enc.)



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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 26th April, 189

*M*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending April 24th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

Dic. E.E.R.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 26th April 189  
*M*

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending April 24th, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	45
Estimated Cost	\$2,094,000
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	34
Estimated Cost	\$ 236,300
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	29
Estimated Cost	\$ 114,800
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	7
Estimated Cost	\$ 2,075
Buildings reported as Unsafe	77
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	34
Other Violations of Law reported	87
Unsafe Building notices issued	206
Fire Escape notices issued	40
Violation notices issued	230
Unsafe Building cases forwarded for prosecution	2
Fire Escape cases forwarded for prosecution	8
Violation cases forwarded for prosecution	119
Complaints lodged with the Department	84
Iron and Steel Inspections made	6,668

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



BW

*New York*

April 29, 1897.

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*Ms*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In the bill which is before you to-day for your action, being an amendment to Section 484 of the Consolidation Act as amended, I beg to say that I have just noticed two changes in regard to the same, which, as I recollect, did not appear in the bill as introduced.

I desire to have an opportunity to examine said changes for the purpose of ascertaining their legal effect, and will communicate with you further in regard to the same.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stevenson Constable".

Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)

P. S.-

The increase in the height of non-fireproof buildings to 75 feet I am thoroughly favorable to; it is only the changes that were introduced in the bill without being thoroughly considered, that I have reference to above.



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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,



HJH

*New York,* April 30th, 1897  
*M.*

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

To confirm my telephone message of this P. M., with reference to the application of the National Sporting Club, 124th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue; for a license to give athletic performances, I respectfully beg to state that all the requirements of this department have been complied with, and the license can be granted at your pleasure.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

(Dic.P.C.S.)



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**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

SED

*New York,* April 30, 1897 *189*

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Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Answering the communication from your office of the 8th inst., in relation to the premises located at Ninety-ninth Street and First Avenue, and known as Price & James' Pony Vaudeville and Pantomime Show, I beg to say that the law has been complied with in so far as it affects this Department.

Yours respectfully,

  
Sup't of Buildings.

(Dict. S.C.)



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APRIL 20, 1907

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



BW

*New York,* May 1st, 1897 *189*  
*m.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Accompanying please find list of theatres, music halls, etc.  
examined, to whom renewal of license can be granted, as they have com-  
plied with the requirements of this Department up to date.

Yours respectfully,

  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)  
(Enc)



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May 1st, 1897

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New York, April 30th, 1897.

THEATRES, Etc.

- Abbey's, Knickerbocker, Broadway & 38th St. ✓  
 American, 8th Ave. bet. 41st & 42d Sts.  
 Berkeley Lyceum, 44th St. near 5th Ave.  
 Broadway, Broadway & 41st St. ✓  
 Carnegie Hall, 7th Ave. & 57th St. ✓  
*Chickling Hall 18th & 5th Ave.* ✓  
 Columbus, 125th St. bet. Lex. & 4th Aves. ✓  
 Fifth Avenue, 28th St. & B'way. ✓  
*Gamercy Lyceum 23rd Street & 6th Ave.* ✓  
 Harlem Opera House, 125th St. near 7th Ave. ✓  
 Irving Place, Irving Place & 15th St. ✓  
*Metropolitan Opera House 4th St near 6th & 15th & 23rd* ✓  
 Metropolitan Opera House, B'way, 7th Ave., 39th & 40th Sts. ✓  
 Proctor's 23d Street, 23d St. bet 6th & 7th Aves. ✓  
 Tony Pastor's, 14th St. near 3d Ave. ✓  
 Bijou, 1239 B'way. ✓  
 14th Street, 107 W. 14th St. ✓  
 Garden, Madison Ave. & 27th St. ✓  
 Hoyt's, 24th St. near B'way. ✓  
~~Minor's Bowery Theatre, 165-167 Bowery.~~  
 People's, 201 Bowery. ✓  
 Lyceum, 314 Fourth Ave. ✓  
 Star, B'way & 13th St. ✓  
 Thalia, 46 Bowery.  
 Windsor, 45 Bowery ✓  
 Garrick, 65 West 35th St. ✓  
*J.B. Carr's Theatre, 3d Ave. near 30th St.* ✓  
 Daly's B'way near 30th St. ✓  
 Casino B'way and 39th St. ✓  
 Gaiety, (Now called Savoy) B'way & 29th St.  
 New Murray Hill Theatre, E.S. Lexington Ave., 41st & 42d Sts. ✓  
*Habers 14th St near 4th Ave.*



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

BW

*New York,* May 3, 1897. *189*  
*7m.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find additional list of theatres, museums, music halls, etc. for which licenses can be granted for the coming year, as any matters incomplete in the same will be complied with, as required by this Department.

Yours respectfully,

A large, elegant cursive signature of "Stevenson Constable".  
Sup't of B'ldgs.(Dic. S. C.)  
(Enc.)



BW

New York, May 3rd, 1897.

THEATRES, etc.

Empire, Broadway bet. 39th & 40th Sts. ✓  
Grand Opera House, 23rd St. & Eighth Ave. ✓  
Herald Square, Broadway & 35th St. ✓  
Union Square, 14th Street near Broadway ✓

~~Miner's Eighth Ave., 310 Eighth Ave.~~

Olympic, Third Ave. & 130th St. ✓

Palmer's (now Wallack's) 1228 Broadway. ✓

Standard, Broadway & 33rd Street.

Academy of Music, 14th St. & Irving Place. ✓

London Theatre, ✓  
*Sally Museum* *138 Bowery* ✓  
MUSIC HALLS, etc.

Grand Central Palace, Lexington Ave. 43rd & 44th Sts. ✓

Manhattan Park, 155th St. & Bradhurst Ave.

Royal Music Hall, Third Ave. near 129th St. ✓

Scharman's Concert Hall, 114 East 13th St. ✓

*Mus. Soc. A* *318 - 8th St.* ✓  
Theiss' Alhambra Hall, 14th Street near Third Ave.

Turn Hall, 4th St. bet. 2nd Ave. & Bowery.

Hubers' Museum, 8th Ave. near 28th St. ✓

~~Gaiety Museum, 138 Bowery.~~

Imperial Music Hall, Broadway between 28th & 29th Sts. ✓

CONCERT HALLS.

#126-130 E. 14th St. ✓

ATHLETIC CLUBS.

Union Park Athletic Club, 133rd St. & Willis Ave.

Bohemian Sporting Club, 444 Amsterdam Ave.

Polc Athletic Club, 8th Ave. & 155th Street. ✓



# MUSIC HALLS, ETC.

Atlantic Garden, Bowery, near Canal St. ✓  
 Atalanta Casino, 155th St. & 8th Ave.  
 Appel's, 428 8th Ave. ✓  
 Aschauer's, 5 Battery Place. ✓  
 The Abbey, 332 Eighth Ave. ✓  
 Beethoven, 5th St. near Bowery.  
 Kyum's Concert Hall, 167 Chrystie St. ✓  
~~Mendelssohn Glee Club, 40th St. near 6th Ave.~~  
 Sulzer's Harlem River Park, 2d Ave. & 128th St.  
~~Huber's, 14th St. near 4th Ave.~~  
 Columbia Music Hall, 117-125 E. 125th St. ✓  
 Majestic Hall, " " "  
~~Trocadero Music Hall, (Now Gramercy Lyceum) 23d St. & 6th Ave.~~  
 Blank's Winter Garden, 3d Ave. near 13th St. ✓  
 Proctor's Pleasure Palace, 58th St. near 3d Ave. ✓  
 Terrace Garden, 58th St. near 3d Ave. ✓  
~~Chickering Hall, 18th St. & 5th Ave.~~ *Thompson*  
 Eden Musee, 23d St. near 6th Ave.  
~~Lyric Hall, 6th Ave. bet. 41st & 42d Sts.~~  
 Central Opera House, 67th St. near 3d Ave. ✓  
 American, 8th Ave. bet. 41st & 42d Sts.  
 Garden, *Ample* Madison Ave. & 27th St. ✓  
 Casino, B'way & 39th St.  
~~Proctor's 58th St. near 3d Ave.~~  
 Knickerbocker Athletic Club, Madison Ave. & 45th St.  
 N. Y. Athletic Club, 55th St. & 6th Ave.  
 American Sporting Club, Lexington Ave. & 107th St.

*Wm. Romy 165 + 167 Bowery ✓*



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



BW

*New York,* May 3, 1897. 189  
*M*

Hon. William L Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find additional list of concert halls, etc.  
for which licenses can be granted for the coming year, as any matters  
incomplete in the same will be complied with, as required by this Depart-  
ment.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Enc.)  
(Dic. S. C.)



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Mr

HOOT, W. H.

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,**

SED

*New York,* May 3d, 1897. *189*  
*m.*

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

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 1st inst., requesting report on premises located at Columbus Avenue near Sixty-sixth Street, and known as the St. Nicholas Rink Music Hall, application having been made for license to give vocal and instrumental concerts.

The matter will be given immediate attention and report sent you as soon as possible.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.

(Dict. R.O'B.)



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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

*New York,* 3rd May 1897. 189  
*m.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending May 1st, 1897.

Respectfully,

Dis. E.E.R.

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



AAP.

*New York*, 3rd May 1897. 189  
m.

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending May 1st, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	31
Estimated Cost	\$1,100,800
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	39
Estimated Cost	\$ 183,225
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	28
Estimated Cost	\$ 69,800
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	13
Estimated Cost	\$ 13,850
Buildings reported as Unsafe	32
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Other violations of law reported	68
Unsafe Building notices issued	81
Fire Escape notices issued	27
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Unsafe Building cases forwarded for prosecution	1
Violation cases forwarded for prosecution	41
Complaints lodged with the Department	50
Iron and Steel Inspections made	6,066

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



SED

*New York* May 5th, 1897. 189  
*M*

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

Dear Sir:

I have had examination made, in answer to yours of May 1st, in re license to give vocal and instrumental concerts on premises at Columbus Avenue and Sixty-sixth Street, and known as the St. Nicholas Rink Music Hall.

No application or plans have been filed in this Department to indicate how said building is to be arranged or used, or the arrangement of aisles, passageways, etc. Until this is done I would respectfully recommend that no license be granted.

Yours respectfully,

A cursive signature of Stevenson Constable.  
Superintendent of Buildings.

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



A.A.H.

*New York,* 10th May '97. 189

*Mr.*

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Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I submit herewith a Synopsis of the Operations of this  
Department for the Week ending May 8th, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

Dic. E.E.R.



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NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



A.A.H.

*New York,* 10th May '97. 189

## Synopsis of Operations for the Week ending May 8th, 1897.

Plans filed for New Buildings - Main Office	59
Estimated Cost	\$2,033,600
Plans filed for New Buildings - Branch Office	19
Estimated Cost	\$ 115,765
Plans filed for Alterations - Main Office	30
Estimated Cost	\$ 113,300
Plans filed for Alterations - Branch Office	13
Estimated Cost	\$ 11,575
Buildings reported as Unsafe	65
Buildings reported for additional means of escape	22
Other violations of law reported	180
Unsafe Building Notices issued	144
Fire escape notices issued	28
Violation notices issued	442
Unsafe Building Cases forwarded for prosecution	1
Fire Escape cases forwarded for prosecution	8
Violation cases forwarded for prosecution	85
Complaints lodged with the Department	54
Iron and Steel Inspections made	5792

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



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*New York*, May 8th, 1897. 189

*M*

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find additional list of theatres, museums, music halls, etc., for which licenses can be granted for the coming year, as any matters incomplete in the same will be complied with, as required by this Department.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



SED

*New York*, May 8th, 1897. 189

*M.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Accompanying please find list of theatres, music halls, etc. examined, to whom renewal of license can be granted, as they have complied with the requirements of this Department up to date.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.

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(Enc.)

# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.



SED

*New York,* May 11, 1897. *189*  
*m.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Accompanying please find list of theatres, music halls, etc., examined, to whom renewal of license can be granted, they having complied with the requirements of this Department up to date.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Superintendent of Buildings.

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(Enc.)



**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

BW

*New York,* May 11, 1897. *189*  
*M.*

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

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find additional list of theatres, music halls, etc., for which license can be granted for the coming year, as any matters incomplete in the same will be complied with, as required by this Department.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stevenson Constable".  
Superintendent of Buildings

(Dic. S. C.)  
(Enc.)

**DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,****NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,**S.W. CORNER 18<sup>TH</sup> ST.,

BW

*New York,* May 12, 1897. *189*

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

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find additional list of theatres, music halls, etc. for which license can be granted for the coming year, as any matters incomplete in the same will be complied with, as required by this Department.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Stevenson Constable".  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

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(Enc.)



# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,

S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



HJH

*New York,* May 13th, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

In compliance with the provisions of Section 49, Chapter 410, Laws of 1882 and Chapter 275, Laws of 1892, I have the honor herewith to submit my report of the operations of this Department for the Quarter ending March 31, 1897.

Respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't. of B'ldgs.

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# DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NO 220 FOURTH AVENUE,  
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,



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*New York,* May 15, 1897. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith notify you that theatre license for the coming year can be granted to Koster & Bial, #145-7 West 34th Street.

Yours respectfully,

*Stevenson Constable*  
Sup't of B'ldgs.

(Dic. S. C.)

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