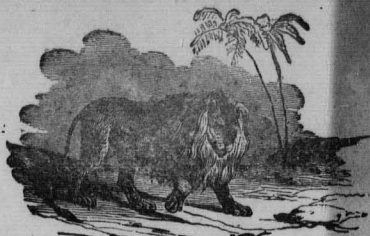


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No.

Bought of I. LEOPOLD'S
MEAT MARKET,
FINE POULTRY & PROVISIONS.

1032 2nd Avenue, Bet. 54th & 55th Sts.



Write soon, and do not say,
"There is a Lion in the way."

N. Y. City Oct 21 90

To. W. L. Strong Mernye
Dear Sir i wish to call your
attention to a Matter of much moment
looking in. to. for the Past 4
Months we have dealt at this
Butcher and Every Parcel of meat
that we have bought - was short
of weight. from 2. to 4 ounces
and he takes good care to charge
for full weight - i dont think
that any one has bin to examine
his scales in all this time
Therefore Will you have some
look in to this matter and
oblidge yours Very Resp

John F. Dearing
.. 54. E 58 d -

I do not wish the Butcher
to know that i am the
Complainant in the matter
So Please do not let my
name be mentioned in the
matter

J. F. D.

RYAN & BLOOM,
INSPECTOR & SEALER OF
WEIGHTS & MEASURES,
2nd Dist., Office 25 & 27 - 3rd Ave., N. Y.

Oct. 8th 1895

Hon. Jos. E. Hedges

Dear Sir,

In regards to complaint, of
John F. Dearing, against, J. Leopold
#1032 Second Ave.

I have investigated the matter,
and could not find any cause
for such complaint, for the scales
were all correct, and I informed
Mr. John F. Dearing of the fact.

Very Respectfully
Henry Bloom
Sealer.

OFFICE ;
of ;
Inspector & Sealer ;
of ;
Weights & Measures ;
1st Dis't. ;
21 W. 24th St. City. ;

New York, Dec. 31st, 1895.

To the
Honorable Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:

Attached you will please find a statement of sealings
made by me from March 19th, 1895 to December 31st, 1895.,

- : SYNOPSIS OF STATEMENT : -

Dec. 31st, 1895.

Number of places visited -----	1860
" " arrests for violation of ordinance--	1....
" " convictions for " " " --	1....
" " stubs sent to Corporation Att'y. for collection-----	3
Amount collected by me during said period ----	\$526 ⁷² / ₁₀₀

Yours respectfully,

Joseph H. Cook.....

Sealer, 1st Dis't.

OFFICE ;
of ;
Inspector & Sealer ;
of ;
Weights & Measures ;
1st Dis't. ;
21 W. 24th St. City. ;

New York, Dec. 31st, 1895.

To the
Honorable Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:

Attached you will please find a statement of inspections
made by me from March 19th, 1895 to December 31st, 1895.,

- : SYNOPSIS OF STATEMENT : -

Dec. 31st, 1895.

Number of places visited -----	2560
" " arrests for violation of ordinance ----	4
" " convictions for " " " -----	4
" " stubs sent to Corporation Att'y. for collection-----	45
Amount collected by me during said period-----	\$1362 ¹⁰ / ₁₀₀

Yours respectfully,

John C. H. Smith
Inspector, 1st Dis't.

OFFICE
OF
Inspector & Sealer
of
Weights & Measures
2nd Dis't
25-27 Third Ave., City.

New York, December 31, 1895.

To the
Hon. WM. L. Strong,
Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Attached you will please find a statement of sealings
made by me from March 19, 1895 to December 31, 1895.

SYNOPSIS OF STATEMENT.

December 31, 1895.

Number of places visited-----1,632:-----
" " arrests for violation of ordinance-----2-----
" " convictions for " " "-----1-----
" " stubs sent to Corporation Att'y-----12-----
for collection-----
Amount collected by me during said period-----\$ 472.06^f

Yours respectfully,

Henry Bloom

Sealer, 2nd District.

OFFICE :
of :
Inspector & Sealer :
of :
Weights & Measures :
2nd Dis't :
25-27 Third Ave., City. :

New York, December 31, 1895.

To the

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

Dear Sir:-

Attached you will please find a statement of
inspections made by me from March 19, 1895 to December 31, 1895.

SYNOPSIS OF STATEMENT.

December 31, 1895.

Number of places visited-----4342-----

" " arrests made for violation of ordinance-----

" " convictions for " " "-----

" " stuhs sent to Corporation Att'y---40---
for collection-----

Amount collected by me during said period-----\$ 2203.44

Yours respectfully,

Peter Hyau
Inspector, 2nd District

Office of Inspector & Scales of Weights & Measures
Second District.

December 1895.

25th & 27 Third Avenue N.Y.

Hon W L Strong.

Sir, I Consider it my duty as Inspector of Weights & Measures to submit some matters, that I believe requires your Consideration in the interest of the Citizens of New York.

On entering upon the duties of my office last March, I found great difficulty in the Collection of fees, as my predecessors, allowed the Store Keepers to think the office existed through their Courtesy and I was in a continual broil until supplied with printed Copy's of the law from your Office I found four trades were exempt from inspection namely, Hardware, Painters, Bakers, and Coal yards I have included them in my route as all dealers who use scales comes under the law.

Since the office of Inspector has become a salaried position the down town Houses have been left out of the route most of the merchants in the Leather District contended that the office was abolished as they had not had a visit in over fifteen years.

I find a great number of spring balance scales in use among the Butchers which has a screw for regulating the pointer on the face of the scale thereby enabling the Butcher to keep his scale light if he so chose, this screw should be abolished for the Public good.

Coal

I find all classes of Citizens Complain that they are being deprauded by the Coal dealers. The general opinion is that 1700⁺ is as much as the majority of Coal yards deliver for a Ton that is from men who are qualified to judge. Your Honor if it be within my jurisdiction I will investigate and report on the Coal question it will not incur any expense as I have studied the matter and only await your authority.

Yours Very Respectfully

Peter Ryan

Inspector W & M 2 District - N.Y.

Inspector & Dealer
J. H. & W. H. Messers

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254 27 Third Ave.
March 23 1896
Office of Inspector & Sealer
of Weights & Measures 2nd District.

Hon J. E. Hedges

Dear Sir

I submit financial
Report as requested for Year ending
March 21 1896.

1895	March 21 to 31	Inspectors Fees	\$ 21.14
	April 1 " 30	" " "	146.19
	May 1 " 31	" " "	301.45
	June 1 " 30	" " "	269.88
	July 1 " 31	" " "	298.52
	August 1 " 31	" " "	260.35
	Sep 1 " 30	" " "	203.53
	Oct 1 " 31	" " "	242.02
	Nov 1 " 30	" " "	217.30
	Dec 1 " 31	" " "	252.06
1896	January 1 " 31	" " "	210.61
	Feb 1 " 29	" " "	246.65
	March 1 " 21	" " "	200.00

Total for year ending March 21, 96. \$ 2869.70

Collected by Peter Ryan Inspector of Weights & Measures
2nd District
City

March 23 1896

I find by the Comptroller's Fiscal
Report for Dec 31, 1894 that the Inspectors
of W & M recorded their High Water mark
* 4181.97

The Sealers record theirs
in 1887 - \$757.24 for 1894 They
returned \$547.70

March 25 1896 Copy
Office of Inspector & Sealer of
2nd District 25 & 29. 3rd Av

Total Amount Collected
during the year ending
March 21

H. Bloom Sealer
2nd District

\$654.01

New York,.....

Received from **THEO. W. MYERS,** *Comptroller,* **Warrant** *No.*.....

Clarendon for the sum of

RYAN & BLOOM,
INSPECTOR & SEALER OF

WEIGHTS & MEASURES,

2nd Dist., Office 25 & 27 - 3rd Ave., N. Y. Mch. 28th 1896.

Fees collected for Sealing weights &
Measures for 2nd Dist. for past year.

April, 1895,	\$ 15.43
May, "	76.51
June, "	59.50
July, "	73.05
Aug, "	67.20
Sept, "	46.11
Oct, "	35.06
Nov, "	42.36
Dec, "	56.84
Jan. 1896	46.42
Feb, "	66.83
Mch, "	68.86
	<u>\$ 654.17</u>

Henry Bloom

Sealer 2nd Dist.

New York March 31st, 1896.

Honorable

W . L . S t r o n g ,

Mayor.

Dear Sir: .

Hereto subjoined, please find my report
as Sealer of Weights and Measures for 1st District, from my
appointment, March 19th, 1895, to date.

1895.

MARCH	.....	\$20.09
APRIL	.....	98.41
MAY	.....	81.65
JUNE	.....	64.17
JULY	.....	67.99
AUGUST	.....	60.80
SEPTEMBER	.....	45.42
OCTOBER	.....	38.60
NOVEMBER	.....	33.66
DECEMBER	.....	16.13

1896.

JANUARY	.....	35.99
FEBRUARY	.....	29.57
MARCH	.....	21.61

Total 613.84

Respectfully Submitted,

Jos. F. Cook

Sealer Weights & Measures
First Dist. N. Y.

New York. March 31. 1896

Honorable
Wm L. Strong
Mayor.

Sir

I herewith submit to you a report of
Moneys Collected by me as Inspector of
Weights & Measures for the 1st District of the
City of New York. Since my appointment from
March 19th 1895 to date.

1895

March

64 45

April

2 80 54

May

2 18 33

June

1 63 29

July

2 50 38

August

1 74 47

September

68 36

October

80 17

November

38 68

December

33 50

1896

January

69 35

February

83 17

March

67 56

Total.

1,612.69

Very respectfully

John C. H. Smith

Inspector

1st District

New York March 31. 1896

Honorable
Wm. L. Strong
Mayor.

Sir
I herewith submit to you a report of
Monies Collected by me as Inspector of
Weights & Measures for the 1st District of the
City of New York. Since my appointment from
March 19th 1895 to date.

1895

March 64 45

April 2 80 54

May 2 18 33

June 1 63 29

July 2 50 38

August 1 74 47

September 68 36

October 80 17

November 38 68

December 33 50

1896 January 69 35

February 83 17

March 67 56

Total.

1,612. 69

Very respectfully

John C. N. Smith

Inspector

1st District

CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

Reports of
Inspectors and
Dealers of Weights
& Measures.

1896

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FREIGHT AGENTS FOR
NETHERLANDS AMERICAN STEAM NAVIGATION
CO'S STEAMERS FOR
ROTTERDAM AND AMSTERDAM,
WHITE CROSS LINE OF STEAMERS
FOR ANTWERP.
THINGVALLA LINE OF STEAMERS FOR
CHRISTIANIA, COPENHAGEN AND STETTIN.
NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE BORDELAISE DE
NAVIGATION OF BORDEAUX.

Watkins, Scotts & A.B.C. Codes 'used.

Funch, Edye & Co.
STEAMSHIP AGENTS AND SHIP BROKERS.

New York Produce Exchange.

CABLE ADDRESS 'FUNCH'.

FREIGHT AGENTS FOR
HAMBURG AMERICAN PACKET CO.
OF HAMBURG.
UNION LINE OF STEAMERS FOR HAMBURG.
ROB. M. SLOANS LINE OF STEAMERS
FOR RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS AND
OTHER BRAZILIAN PORTS.
CIE. NATIONALE DE NAVIGATION
OF MARSEILLES.
'SHIRE LINE' OF LONDON.

New York,

Oct. 9th, 1896.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of New York City.

Sir:

I desire respectfully to call your attention to a small but general violation of law on the part of street venders, "pushcart men," vending fruits and other things sold by weight. They use scales which examination shows have not been properly inspected and sealed, and the use of which is therefore unlawful, but they place the scale at a sharp angle upon their carts, instead of level, which of course makes the scale weigh several ounces light to the pound. Trying the experiment will show the truth of this. Of course, if the proper officers did their duty this wrong would not exist. Your inspectors and sealers of weights and measures are among those who do not do their duty, but as they are paid by fees, and they could get no fees from these itinerants, it is to be seen why they leave such people to violate the law.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter, and inform me whether there is any remedy for this state of things.

Yours respectfully,

David S. White

December 31st 1896.

Hon Wm L Strong Mayor

Sir

I respectfully Submitt my report
for Sealing of Weights and Measures
for the First District for January 1st 1896
to December 31st 1896

Number of places Visited	2280
" " " Collected from	1045

January	\$ 35.99
February	29.57
March	21.61
April	56.68
May	46.34
June	52.97
July	22.64
August	24.85
September	85.14
October	30.12
November	18.15
December	31.18
Amount Collected	\$ 455.24

Yours Respectfully
Joseph T. Cook
Scaler of Weights and Measures

Hon. W^h Shong
Mayor.

Sir

I respectfully submit to you my report for Inspector
for the first District Year Ending Dec 31 1896

Number of places visited 2285

" " Arrests (5)

Amount " fines 113.00

" Collected for inspection 1 539 60

Respectfully submitted

John C W Smith

Inspector 1st District

New York Dec 31 1896.

1896.
New York December 31

Hon W^L Strong
Mayor.

Sir

I respectfully submit to you my report of
Inspection of Weights & Measure for the
First District from January 1st 1896 to
December 31st 1896. Giving the number of
places & the amount collected also of
persons Arrested & Convicted for using
Light Weights & Measures.

The following person was arrested & convicted

Louis Greaves	474 Hudson St Grocery	fine	25 ⁰⁰
Ind Warno.	70 Varck St.	"	25 ⁰⁰
Meyer	90 Washington	Butcher	28 ⁰⁰
Sicily Vender # 5670.		"	15 ⁰⁰
" " 10037		"	20 ⁰⁰
			\$113. ⁰⁰

January	69.37
February Sick	83.17
March "	68.00
April	254.64
May	178.37
June	202.23
July	176.15
August	87.75
September	200.00
October	105.03
November	80.85
December Sick	34.04

\$1539.⁶⁰

Number of places visited 2285

Respectfully
John C. H. Smith
Inspector 1st District

[illegible]

New York,

April 2nd 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Mayor of New York
My Dear Sir.

That this is to certify that I Mr. Martin
A. Ripp of 235 Miller Ave & property Tax
Payor of New York City have recently dis-
covered that you have in your Employ as In-
specter of Scales, Weights & Measures, a man
namely Mr. Henry Blum & I uphold that
a man of his Calibre is not fit to hold the
position that he does as he is not of a Temper-
ate disposition as I will illustrate as follows
on the night of the 1st week of March I saw
him in a very Stupefied position from ~~drunk~~
on these grounds I think that this man does
not deserve to hold the position that he does.

I am Sir

Yours truly, Respt
Martin A. Ripp
235 Miller Ave
New York City.

J. A. DALY & CO.,

→* PLUMBING, † STEAM † AND † GAS † FITTING, *←

~~192 Water St.,~~ Near Fulton, and 144 East 84th St., Near Lexington Ave.
214 Pearl St. -

New York. May 3 1897

I James A. Daly of 214 Pearl St. being
duly sworn says: - That I know one Henry
Bloom who holds a position as sealer of
weights and measures in this city and that I
have met the said Henry Bloom on several
occasions and found him under the influence
of liquor, and also speak detrimental to
the welfare of the administration.

Yours Very Respectfully -

James A. Daly

Roller in Motion Public

#204
In City County N.Y.
State N.Y.

as
step

New York. May 3rd 1897

Hon W^m L Strong Mayor

Dear Sir

As a citizen who desires the success of your
Present Administration and as one who worked Voted
And always advocated you (Which if you remember
At a Meeting of the Steckler Campaign Club held
In Park Row where you were the Principle Speaker
I as one of the Members asked you to come to the
Front and let us see our future Mayor which you
Did and told us it would require no red Tape to
get in your Office and state our desires or
Grievances) Hoping you will remember the above
I desire to state that I know Henry Bloom a
Dealer of Weights and Measures in this City who in
this intemperate Moments which is quite often
Is in the habit of continually ridiculing and casting
Contempt on you and your Administration and when
I spoken to about it said he did not care as your time
Was very short anyway

Your Honor

Satisfied that I have done my duty.

By stating the above Facts which can

Be substantiated by over a hundred others

I remain your firm Advocate and Upholder

James F Thornton

48 New Bowery

City

New York May 6th 1897.

I Thomas Boylan residing at 313 Broome St. being
duly sworn says:- That I know one Henry Bloom
who is a sealer of weights and measures in the
City of New York. and know from my own knowledge
that the said Henry Bloom is addicted to
drink, and also heard him pass insinuations
several times which proved that he was not in
accord with the present city administration.

Thomas Boylan
Notary Public
#204

for City & County N.Y.,
State N.Y.

New York

Aug 27/97

Hon Mr (Long)

Dear Sir

(2nd District)

On April 2/97

Inspector Peter Ryan of Weights and Measures called at my place of business, and inspected my weights and charged for it, on Aug 26/97 a Henry Bloom dealer of Weights and Measures 2nd District called at my place of business and inspected my weights, and charged for it, what I want to know is if I must pay more than once a year to have my weights inspected.

Yours Very Respectfully

H. H. Reinke

732 E. 167 St

City

J. J. D.

Henry Bloom,

Scaler of Weights & Measures.

2nd Dist. N. Y. City

Office 25-27 3rd Ave.

Mch. 31st 1897

Quarterly report of Henry Bloom Scaler of
Weights & Measures, ending Mch. 31st 1897

January.	Pers Collected	\$ 59.62
February.	" "	35.85
March.	" "	32.50
		<hr/> \$ 127.97

1897

Collected during Quarter ending
March 31.

January 30	Collected	\$271.94
February 27	" "	\$210.32
March 31	" "	\$276.52
Total		<hr/> \$758.78

John Ryan Insp^r W^a M. 2nd District City

New York, April 3. 1897

Hon. Job. E. Hedges.

Dear Sir

My official Address still
21. West 24 St.

House Address 903-6 Ave

Report of Collections
made by me for the 1st Quarter
Ending March 31st 1897. is as

follows

January	133. 19
February	154. 59
March	51. 44
	<hr/> 439. 22

Respectfully

John. C. Smith

New York April 23/1917

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Mayor of N. Y.

Dear Sir.
This is to certify that
on Saturday the
seventeenth day of
April, about eleven a.m.
I returned Henry
Blum, an inspector of
scale, near the Twelfth
coming out of the Sum-
mit hotel in an
intoxicated condition.

Harry Cohen
302 Broadway
N. Y. City
c/o M. Price

RYAN & BLOOM,
INSPECTOR & SEALER OF

WEIGHTS & MEASURES,

2nd Dist., Office 25 & 27 - 3rd Ave., N. Y. Sept. 30th, 1897

Report of Henry Bloom, Sealer of Weights &
Measures for Second District,

In relation to Section 4 of Chapter 174 of
the Laws of 1897.

I have found all scales right but with one
exception in my District, and that is at
O. J. Stephens, Bedford Park the scale there
is not in order yet.

Yours Respt.

Henry Bloom
Sealer
P. Ryan
Inspector

25 Third Ave.

October

1897.

E A S T S I D E.

J.D.Lohman,	✓	254 South St.
Burns Brothers,	✓	Delancy St. & E.R.
Etzel & Son,	✓	88 Mangin St.
Hencken & Company,	✓	Fourth St. & E.R.
Meyer, Denker & Hoerig,	✓	5th St. & E.R.
J.Rheinfrank & Company,	✓	14th St. & Ave. D.
H.L.Herbert,	✓	20th St. & E.R.
Lowther & Brother,	✓	32nd St. & E.R.
J. Skidmore's Sons,	✓	610 1st Ave.
D.DeWitt & Company,	✓	49th St. & E.R.
Curtis & Blaisdell,	✓	56th St. & E.R.
T.F.Lowndes,	✓	206 E. 65th St.
H.Rothschild,	✓	74th St. & E.R.
Heckeissen Bros.	✓	502 E. 80th St.
Hencken & Company,	✓	94th St. & E.R.
Meyer Brothers,	✓	107th St. & E.R.
H.Berghorn,	✓	2330 First Ave.
O.J.Stephens,	✓	444 E. 138th St.
O.J.Stephens,	✓	Bedford Park.
T.Trimmer & Son,	✓	496 Southern Boulevard,
J.P.Brooker,	✓	3rd Ave. & 161st St.
Edward Elliott,	✓	1st Ave. cor. 36th St. & E.R.

I found Scales at above
Weighmasters Correct during October

Peter Ryan
Inspector of Weights & Measures
Second District
Nov 9 1897

Report on Seals from Inspectors 2nd District

October
1897

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October

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EAST SIDE.

324 South St.
Delancy St. & E.R.
88 Mangin St.
Fourth St. & E.R.
5th St. & E.R.
14th St. & Ave. D.
30th St. & E.R.
32nd St. & E.R.

H.I. Herbert,
J. Rheinfrank & Company,
Meyer, Denker & Hoerig,
Hencken Company,
Etzel & Son,
Brum & Bothera,
J.D. Mohr,

Office of Inspector Weights & Measures 2nd District,
25 Third Ave. N.Y.

November 30 1897.

How W. L. Strong
mayor

EAST SIDE.

J.D. LOHMAN,	245 South St.
Burns Brothers,	Delancy St. & E.R.
Etzel & Son,	88 Mangin St.
Hencken & Company,	Fourth St. & E.R.
Meyer, Denker & Hoerig,	Fifth St. & E.R.
J. Rheinfrank & Company,	14th St. & Ave. D.
H.L. Herbert,	Twentieth St. & E.R.
Lowther & Brother,	32nd St. & E.R.
J. Skidmore's Sons,	610 1st Ave.
D. DeWitt & Co.,	49th St. & E.R.
Curtis & Blaisdell,	56th St. & E.R.
T.F. Lowndes,	206 E. 65th St.
H. Rothschild,	74th St. & E.R.
Heckeissen Bros.,	502 E. 80th st.
Hencken & Co.,	94th St. & E.R.
Meyer Brothers,	107th St. & E.R.
H. Berghorn,	2330 First Ave.
O.J. Stephens,	444 E. 138th St.
O.J. Stephens,	Bedford Park.
T. Trimmer & Son,	496 Southern Boulevard.
J.P. Brooker,	3rd Ave. & 161st St.
Edward Elliott,	1st Ave. Cor. 36th St. & E.R.

I have Inspected the Scales of
the above Weigh masters in 2nd District
and found them correct (for November)

Peter Ryan

Inspector

Dec 4.97

9. SKYDHOPE, R. 20ms

Public Scales

DATE	NAME	PLACE OF BUSINESS	Scales	W'gts
			12½c.	3c.
Section 4 of Chapter 174 of the Laws of 1897				
Nov.	Amount brought forward,			
" 13 th	J. P. Brooker,	3 rd Ave. & 161 st St.	OK.	OK.
" "	W. J. Stephens,	Bedford Park	"	"
" 15	T. P. Lowndes,	206 E 65 th	"	"
" "	H. Rothschild,	74 th St. & E. R.	"	"
" "	Keickeissen Bros,	502 East 80 th St.	"	"
" 17	Heuckey & Co.	94 th St. & East River	"	"
" 19	H. Berghorn,	2330 First Ave.	"	"
" "	Meyer Bros.	107 th St. & East River	"	"
" 22 nd	Curtis & Blaisdell,	56 th " " "	"	"
" "	P. De Witt & Co.	49 th " " "	"	"
" "	E. Elliott,	36 th " First Ave.	"	"
" "	J. Skidmore Sons,	610 " " "	"	"
" 26	J. D. Lohman,	245 South St.	"	"
" 27	Burns Bros,	Delaney St. & East River	"	"
" "	Etyel & Son,	88 Maugin St.	"	"
" "	Heuckey & Co.	4 th St. & East River	"	"
" "	Meyer, Decker, & Hoerig,	5 th " " "	"	"
" "	J. Rheinfrank & Co.	14 th " & Ave. D.	"	"
" "	H. L. Herbert,	20 th " & East River	"	"
" "	Lowther Bros,	32 nd " " "	"	"
" "	T. Trimmer & Son,	496 Southern Boulevard	"	"
" "	W. J. Stephens,	444 East 138 th St.	"	"

Report of Henry Bloom Sealer of Heights
& Measures, 2nd Dist. for Nov. 1897

The Office to be
Inspector and Sealer of Weights and Measures.

- Dist. I. West side of Broadway and Whitehall Street
to 14th Street inclusive.
- " II. East side of Broadway and Whitehall Street
to 14th Street inclusive.
- " III. North of 14th Street to 5-9th Street inclusive.
- " IV. North of 5-9th Street to the End of the Island
inclusive.
- " V. The Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards.

The salary to be fixed by the Board of Es-
timate and Apportionment.

Bond to be filed for \$ with two sureties
satisfactory to the Comptroller.

All fees to be paid in to the Chamberlain weekly,
and duplicate vouchers to be filed weekly with the
Mayor.

A register of all business done to be kept,
and a transcript filed monthly with the Mayor
to be transmitted by him to the Common Council.

To have an office in the City Hall - where
shall be kept the City standards of weights and
measures, and where one of the Inspector-and-Seal-
ers shall by turns be found daily between the hours
of 10 am. to 1 Pm.

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Jan 1883.

To Mr. W^m St. Praxed.

Your request for information as to the power of appointing inspectors, and sealers of weights and measures and the fees of the last mentioned is before me I answer,

First. There may be a question as to the right of the Common Council or the Mayor in the matter of "inspectors"

Second The power to appoint a sealer is with "the Board of Supervisors at the annual meeting of the board" I have no doubt of this (see sec 20. chap. 134. Laws 1851)

Third The same act. which authorizes the board of Supervisors to appoint the sealer - chap 134. of the Laws of 1851. fixes the fees of the sealer, and any ordinance existing prior to that is thereby amended, or repealed, in so much as it may conflict with the act of the legislature, and any subsequent ordinance so conflicting is legally void

The matter of appointing, and the rights of sealers to hold office - (unlike the inspectors) is not questionable by any subsequent and existing legislation to that of 1851. You mention and question, as what you are to do when you give the office up, and what authority may remove I would say.

The act. referred to directs the term of office to be during the pleasure of the Board (§20) and Sec. 28. directs "it shall be the duty of the person so resigning, removed or removing to deliver to his successor in office all the standard beams, weights and measures in his possession"

In case of death it would be the duty of your representative to so deliver the standard beams etc etc

I repeat that I have no doubt as to the matter of scales, and as to the inspectors I can not see that it implies to your case and decline to give any other or further opinion than I have above.

Respectfully Yours,
Geo W. Merton.

To the foregoing may be added.

The inspectors of weights and measure, were prior to 1857, appointed by the Com^r of Streets and Lamps, an office abolished by the Charter of 1857, which provided (§ 27) "The City inspector shall after the passage of this act, appoint such number of inspectors and sealers of weights and measures as now or may hereafter exist, and who shall succeed, to all the powers and perform the duties and receive compensation as now by law, prescribed and shall hold office upon same terms as chiefs of bureaux.

The laws of 1866, created a Metropolitan Health District and transferred powers of the City inspector to the Board of Health except (see 13) as follows "but the powers now possessed by the City inspector with reference to the inspection of weights and measures, are hereby conferred upon the Mayor of City of New York."

It will be noticed the general language here used, does not mention, "Sealers," or sealing of weights and measures. Although it will be contended that the section empowers the whole power of the City inspector; If such interpretation does not prevail the power of appointment must return to the law of 1851 (unless a law which I cannot find relating to the Com^r

of Streets & Lamps. should be review

If the conveyance of power is full enough to give the mayor power over the sealers, then arises a question as to the repeal of the powers of the Mayor by the Metropolitan Health Act.

The Charter of 1870. Contains a repealing clause in words as follows. "the City of New York is hereby also excepted from the provisions of an act to create a Metropolitan Sanitary district and board of Health and to prevent the spread of disease passed February 26, 1866. and of the acts amendatory thereof. and any sections of statutes and provisions of law which created said district are hereby repealed."

If this repeals the power conferred on the Mayor by the Metropolitan Health Act, it would seem that the inspectors may be appointed by the Common Council (as Com. of Health are) and the sealers by the board of Supervisors

See Chap. 161. Laws. 1821.

" " 167 " 1834.

Enactment of ordinance. 1839

The inspectors appear to be City officers
but another question arising, "are the Sealers
(or Sealers) City or County officers?"

The enumeration of officers in *Edmonds*
Revised Statutes (Vol 1, page 91.) indicates
a county sealer as an officer the act of
1881 (ch 134, also authorizes the appointment
of a County Sealer, and the Constitution of
the State 1846. Specifies that County officers
shall be appointed Act 10 Sec 2

All County officers whose election or
appointment is not provided for by this
constitution shall be elected by the electors
of the respective Counties or appointed by the
Board of Supervisors or other County Authorities
as the legislature may direct

"The Mayor. (nor was the City Inspector)
is not a county officer within the meaning
of the constitution at the time of its adoption