

FRANK J. TUTTLE,
LAW OFFICE.
Burchard Block, Fremont, Ohio.

In Re.

VS.

April 27th 1897

Hon Wm Strong
Mayor New York
N. Y.

Sir -
Will you have the kindness to
give me a list of County and City
Officers which were filled at the General
Election in your City last fall -
State if you please with reference
to each office whether or no one
or "more than one" person was elected.

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to the office named -
After Representative I assume you
elected some county officers as Sheriff,
Treasurer and possibly some city officers
on your general ticket -
I will thank you for attention -

Respect
Frank J. Tuttle

Thursday Apr. 28 1897
40 CENTRAL PARK, SOUTH.

Dear Mr Mayor; I hope you will
pat your foot on that cheap bill
for the support of indigent parents:
This is the first attempt in the
history of this state to invoke state
aid and apply public funds direct-
ly to the support of the family;

Ten years ago even no
member of a legislature would
have risked adverse criticism by
the introduction of such an act, involv-
ing such a principle.

We seem to be rapidly
approaching a state of decem-
position when nothing sur-
prises the public or alarms
the statesmen.

Yours truly
Thos. Westworth
Hon. Wm L. Strong
Mayor.

HEADQUARTERS OF
German-American
Independent Republican
Association,
OF THE 6TH AND 8TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS.
NO. 167 CHRYSTIE STREET.



Charles Krumm, President.
Ed. Maurer, 1st Vice-President.
Sam Kaplan, 2d Vice-President
Henry Seng, Cor. Sec.
Max Ketzer, Rec. Sec.
Sam. Hutton, Fin. Sec.
Henry A. Heinzlinger, Treasurer.
Julius Frank, Sergeant-at-Arms.

New York, April 28th 1897

Bion L Burrows, Esq

NY City.

My dear Friend:

You would do me a great favor by making out my license for only 3 months as it is impossible for me to raise the money for a year license, by that time I will have the business sold & the license transferred. I want to get out of the business as you know. Hoping you will do me this favor and thanking you for kindness in advance I remain your

very truly
Charles Krumm

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126 West 66th St.
April 28th 1899.

To His Honor.

Mayor Strong,
City Hall -

Dear and Honored Sir,

Your notice
of the public hearing
tomorrow on Legislative
Bill No 940, to exempt
from taxation certain
real estate leased to
St Luke's Methodist Epis-
copal Church in the City

of New York, so long as
thus used, finds me ill
in bed with an attack
of Pneumonia - I beg you
therefore to understand,
and pardon my absence
from the hearing.

Others will be there,
doubtless all sufficient.

May I venture, however,
to say that the present
Bill was drawn as carefully
as possible, on the lines ap-
proved by yourself in the
interview with Mr Sills

and myself a month ago.

As we explained then, we do the work of an ordinary active Church of today. Our buildings cover all our permitted space, & are used only for worship, for Sunday schools, for Mother's Meetings, Boys & Girls Clubs, & the usual social & religious life of a Church. Our work is all free; we have no fees; & our income consists of voluntary subscriptions, a few pew rents & public contributions.

We are now far from sick
but try to do just as
constant work as when
the church was ten times
as well off.

We are glad to do it
although at times it is a
heavy task; & we beg not to
be choiced to death simply
because we are too poor to
buy & own our property.

I remember, gratefully,
your kind words in our
late interview, & doubt not
you will protect us if in
your power.

With profound respect

Your obedient

Per M. E. H. C. S. Haverhill, Pastor

HOUSE AND REAL ESTATE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

OF THE 12TH AND 19TH WARDS,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

New York, April 28th, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong.

Mayor,

New York City.

Dear Sir:

Could we ask you to defer taking action upon the following bills which we understand are now in your hands and awaiting your approval or disapproval, namely,

"An Act to create a division of notification in the Department of Finance in the City of New York"; "Senate bills, numbers 1668 and 1669 known as the Anti-Trust bills" and also the bill relating to the refunding of assessments paid for the improvement of East River Park, until a committee of our association can wait upon you at your office, tomorrow, Thursday at 12 o'clock, if that hour suits your convenience or any other hour that you may designate.

Yours very respectfully,

Conrad Harris
Pres.
C.B.

Personal 128

262. Madison Avenue.

Apr 28 1897.

My dear Sir

To my great
astonishment I saw
this afternoon a copy
of a Bill which has
passed the Legislature
& I understand is in
your hands for approval
for a new Park at
Riverdale above
Spyten Deyvel

I find it includes
in its limits my

Country home &
that of my son Mr
Cleveland H. Dodge
I have lived there
in the summer for
thirty five years

The two places
represent a large
value certainly \$250,000.-

The city has now
more large Park
property in that section
than it can improve
& certainly cannot
afford to purchase
such valuable
property - It is

like cutting off my
hand to think of being
obliged to give up
my home unnecessarily.

My good neighbor
Mr Perkins of the
N.Y. Life Ins Co told
me that a Park was
talked of - but I
supposed it was a
sentimental scheme
& knew nothing of
the Bill until I heard
it had passed -
May I venture to
beg you will not
approve of the act
without full consideration

I should like the
privilege of talking
with you about it.

I think the Bill
was carelessly drawn
& was not intended
to have the limits
named in it.

I am,
with great respects,
my best friend's

N. Dodge

To the

Hon W. L. Strong

Mayor

D. Walter Brown,
Henry D. Brown,
Attorneys and Counsellors at Law,
111 Broadway,

D. Walter Brown,
Counsel in Patent Causes.

New York, April 28th 1897
Hon William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York

Dear Sir:

Permit me to express my gratification that, in your address accepting the Grant Tomb on behalf of the City, you expressed the wish that steamboats should salute the tomb by tolling their bells as they pass. I had made the same suggestion in a letter published in the Tribune, Monday morning. Your influential advocacy will undoubtedly result in the introduction of the beautiful custom, which is one of those things that make for a higher patriotism both in national and municipal affairs.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant
David Walter Brown

LAW OFFICE OF
SAMUEL S. CHURCH,
(NOTARY.)
37 MITCHELL BUILDING,
TEL. 1695.

CINCINNATI, April 28th, 1897. 189

To The Hon. Mayor of *New York, N. Y.*

Dear Sir:-

It may be in your power to do me a kindness and thereby a greater one to the heirs of John Hameridge, who went to Texas in about 1837 and invested in some real estate that has since become valuable. I desire to find and communicate with his heirs as they are entitled to this property. Some of them may reside in your city.

Anything you may do in this matter will be appreciated and the favor cheerfully reciprocated should an opportunity ever be afforded.

Yours very truly,

Sam'l S. Church,

*George Edward Kent,
Counsellor at Law.*

52 William St.

New York April 28th, 1897

S i r : -

I herewith enclose a copy of the charter
and by - laws of The Trustees of the Sailors' Rest.

Very truly yours,

George Edward Kent.

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

MAJOR GENERAL GRENVILLE M. DODGE,
GRAND MARSHAL.

A. NOEL BLAKEMAN,
CHIEF OF STAFF.

COL. H. C. CORBIN, U. S. A.,
ADJUTANT GENERAL.

CAPT. JOHN A. JOHNSTON, U. S. A.,
ASST. ADJUTANT GENERAL.

COL. WILLIAM CARY SANGER, N. G., N. Y.,
INSPECTOR GENERAL.

GENERAL T. F. RODENBOUGH, U. S. A.,
SPECIAL AID.

Grant Monument Inaugural Parade,

APRIL 27TH, 1897

HEADQUARTERS, GRAND MARSHAL,

Room 292, No. 1 BROADWAY,

TELEPHONE, 1758 BROAD

New York, April 28th, 1897. 189

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of New York City.

My dear Mr. Mayor:-

I desire to thank you personally for the efficient manner with which you and the different Departments of New York City have aided me in organizing and moving the Grant Inaugural Parade. In every instance where I called upon you, or any of the Departments, I received a prompt response and a great desire to in every way aid me, no matter whether it was part of their duty or not, and I desire to especially mention the ability and efficiency of the police in performing their duty in the matter. Being at the head of the column from 23rd Street to its point of dismissal, about seven miles, it gave me an opportunity that no other person had of noticing the manner in which the police kept the line of parade clear and the manner in which they handled the immense crowds throughout its entire length. Not a moment was lost in the parade by the interference of the crowd and cars, and certainly great credit is due to the Chief of Police and his Staff for the foresight and ability displayed in their preparations and their orders, and to the police force for the efficient and quiet manner in which

they carried out these orders and handled the crowd, and this is also the opinion of that portion of my Staff who worked directly with them. Certainly the police force of this City must be a thoroughly disciplined and experienced force, and they are a great credit to their great City. I am,

Truly,

Greville M. Dodge

THE WINDSOR
NEW YORK



April 28th 1917

His Honor - Wm L. Strong
Mayor of the City of
New York.

My dear Sir,

As requested I enclose
an acct of expenses etc.
This evidence of New York's
consideration & hospital-
ity is the more ap-
preciated because
unexpected; but it
is New York's way.
Please express

to The Committee
accept for yourself
assurances of my
most cordial regards
& believe me, with
every good wish,
Faithfully yrs
J. B. Gordon

ANDREW D. BAIRD, President.
SALEM H. WALES, Vice-President.

FRANCIS B. THURBER, Secretary.
RICHARD DEEVES, Treasurer.

Office of Commissioners

New East River Bridge,

49 & 51 Chambers Street,
ROOMS 33, 34, 35.

COMMISSIONERS—NEW YORK.
HON. WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor,
SALEM H. WALES,
FRANCIS B. THURBER,
RICHARD DEEVES.

COMMISSIONERS—BROOKLYN.
HON. FREDERICK W. WURSTER, Mayor,
ANDREW D. BAIRD,
JAMES A. SPERRY,
HENRY BATTERMAN.

New York, Apl. 28th, 1896.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor,

New York.

Dear Mayor Strong:

I was proud of our Mayor yesterday. Your
speech, accepting the monument, was admirable---well-fitting the place and
the occasion.

Long live Mayor Strong!

Very sincerely,

S. H. Wales

Hope Chapel,

339 EAST 4TH STREET,

New York, April 29, 1897

My Dear Mr. Mayor:

I sincerely trust that the hearings this afternoon will not detain you so late that you will not be able to come to our Federation meeting. There will be probably a hundred or more practical workers among the poor in all parts of the City and we want the inspiration of your presence and words even though you come late. President Wilson of the Health Board, has just written me that a special meeting just called will keep him away today, but that he will come another time. You see my case is desperate, hence my pleading shall I send a carriage?

If so, at what hour? The route is
Park Row, East Broadway and Columbia
St. in case you have a regular driver,
but I would be glad to send for you.
The meeting is from 3.30 to 5 or a little
after.

I am sorry to seem so impor-
tant, but I know you will under-
stand me.

very sincerely

John B. Ferris.

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THE CENTURY
7 WEST FORTY-THIRD ST.

Sam W. M. A. Elliott

My dear Mr Elliott

I am desirous of
confering with Mayor Strong
with regard to the matter of
injuries caused to Policemen
and Citizens by the Cable-
Railroads of which I have
spoken to you and shall
be greatly obliged if you
will give me a letter of
introduction to him explaining
that my sole object and
interest is the Public welfare

Yours very sincerely
Robert Heywood

Thursday April 29/97.

District Attorney's Office,
City & County of
New York.

Introducing to
Mayor Strong
Mr. Robert Heyrsant.

Wm. K. Scott.

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976 Third Ave N.Y.,
April 29, '97.

Hon. Mayor Strong,
Dear Sir,

Once more I take the liberty to remind you of the petition of the 30th of last month concerning the boy so cruelly treated in Juvenile Asylum, for the last ten months.

I don't think it necessary to repeat the petition because it is really as troublesome for me to write as for the reader to read. It is very sorrowful that, by the "Fin du Siècle" our "Pull" is always in existence. As long as a citizen has not a "Pull" he can do nothing. For instance - I have sent a petition to Your Honor the 30th of last month, not re-

quiring any charity, only the one word "Justice" but it is in vain, I cannot get it. Why? - For all justice which could have been done for me, was, I received the inclosed letter, informing me, that my petition was referred to Mr. Eldridge T. Gerry and this is all I heard of it and the boy has to endure the cruel treatment without pity. Before I wrote my first letter I was sent by Supt. Brown to Mr. Gerry but I did not go for I was sure it is useless. I have read enough of his charity. It is well known that his greatest charity consists in ruining honest families and to disturb their peace. For instance: - If a workman has worked hard all day and comes home in the evening so tired that he is not able to move himself and sends his child for a glass of beer for his supper, he can be sure that the charitable Gerry or his helps will soon be there and get this workman

arrested, the child will be taken away, and the whole family ruined. Why? Because he has no "Pull." To this kind man my petition was referred; what for? Has he any feeling for a child? certainly not, or he would have released this boy on receiving my petition. As this boy was only sent there for running away from home, not for criminal action, is he not punished enough by being detained there ten months? What is to become of him? Is he not yet crippled enough? Why the greatest criminal is often pardoned and such a boy who only had the imprudence to leave home cannot be released? It is only because Gerry's Society wants to make use of their charity; they need inmates and only such inmates of honest parents; to ruin them, to satisfy their pleasure, otherwise they could have inmates by the thousands of all sizes, strolling around on Frankfort St. with

newspapers who never go to school. Why are not those boys ~~not~~ taken in charity? Because they are not good enough. "The honorable Society" can not have their satisfaction, although most of those children really need charity, but there is no money in it — — — — —

As I do not wish to trouble the reader with any more recitals, I will close my letter with the hope to have a far better result than the first one, and hope also, that Your Honor will make use of authority to command my boy to his home from the Juvenile Asylum or let me know the cause why he cannot, for I will go a step forward.

Yours very respectfully,

J. Seidemann



R.M.S. "MAJESTIC"

New York, April 29. 1897.

Dear sir:

I read in the papers that some of the property owners in that neighborhood desire the extension of 135th Street.

I am the owner of the house No. 307 West 136th St, and record myself as opposed to the scheme.

Yours respectfully

Howard Conkling.

170 Broadway

To Mayor Strong.



F. R. SWIFT,
PROPRIETOR,

M. E. O'BRIEN,
BUSINESS MANAGER,

RICHARD HOWELL,
MANAGING EDITOR.

Bridgeport, Conn., April 27 1897.

Dear Mr Hedges

By this mail I send
to Mayor Strong a copy
of Sunday's Herald contain-
ing Reform articles.

I have been doing the
work for time here on
the reform question.

You will see that consider-
able reference has been made
to our work in N. Y.

Now I am going to ask
you to do me a favor

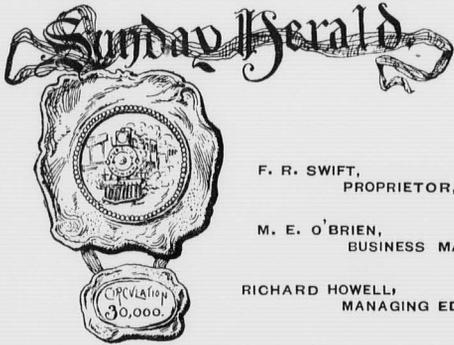
Sunday Herald



F. R. SWIFT,
 PROPRIETOR,
 M. E. O'BRIEN,
 BUSINESS MANAGER,
 RICHARD HOWELL,
 MANAGING EDITOR.

Bridgeport, Conn., 1897.

Will you not get Mayor
 Strong to send us just
 a line or two expressing
 his opinion on the subject?
 Having had as much ex-
 perience in N. Y. it will
 have great weight here
 and be a graceful courtesy
 to our new Mayor who
 comes in as Mayor Strong
 did as a reform Mayor



F. R. SWIFT,
PROPRIETOR,

M. E. O'BRIEN,
BUSINESS MANAGER,

RICHARD HOWELL,
MANAGING EDITOR.

Bridgeport, Conn., 1897.

Thanking you in ad-
vance with best wishes

Sincerely

Jessie M. Holland

Bridgeport Herald.

formerly N. Y. Sunday papers.

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CABLE ADDRESS, "OLYMPIA"

New York, *April 29, 1894*

Hon. W. F. Strong
Mayor!
Dear Sir!

As directed by
Mr. Burroughs, I beg to
enclose check for \$500.- for
license for "Olympia Music
Hall," for the coming year.

Respectfully
O. Hammerstein
J. C. Burroughs
Business Manager

LAW OFFICES
CHARLES A. HESS,
MANHATTAN LIFE BUILDING,
66 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK.
TELEPHONE CALL, '651 CORTLANDT'

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Apl. 29, 1897

JOB E. HEDGES, ESQ.

My dear Hedges:-

I am personally interested in a bill that was passed by the Legislature under which Capt. Cross was authorized to go before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment and have himself reimbursed for counsel fees and expenses in defending himself before the old Board of Police Commissioners. The case is different from any other of its kind, for the reason that Cross was not indicted but was selected as a mark, by the old Tammany Board, for removal, as the result of evidence given before the Lexow Investigating Committee. The Court promptly reinstated Capt. Cross and this was the only one of several bills ^{of its kind} passed by the Legislature. Elihu Root and I were Cross' counsel, and you no doubt will remember the ~~scathing~~ opinion written by Chief Justice Van Brunt reinstating Cross, which was concurred in by all of the other Judges at General Term.

I hope that you will help us out in this matter if you can consistently; the bill is of great importance to us and I hope the Mayor will promptly sign it.

Very truly yours,

Chas. A. Hess.

April 29th 1897

Mayor Strong of New York

Dear Sir I write these few lines to you as a stranger But hope you will be kind enough to answer as it will be doing me a great favor Now Sir I have a good many pieces of old silver of old date that I wish to sell to help me along as I am a poor woman I have a half et piece of 1795 - one silver dollar of 1806! one piece of gold that is called three dollar piece of 1830, one old one et copper that has the word spelled on it - one Penny and several old quarters dimes half dimes old Squire Blains old spectacles Jas Blaines father

I have one piece silver dollar
that is 1804 it is so rubbed
out that I cant hardly tell.
now if those old pieces are
of any good I would like
for you to see the ladies
the Tennessee Centennial and
try and get them to buy my
old silver for there centennial
I have set no price on them
yet, if they will buy and
will give me a handsome sum
for them they can have them
I read your name in the Pitts
Burg Post about Mrs McLough
Williams concerning the centennial
and an other ladys dispute that is
they way I got your name, excuse
me that lady Mrs Williams is a
plucky woman she means
Business, I would love to tell
her fortune with the cards,

so no more till I hear
from you or some of those
Ladies yours truly
I remain yours
address

Mrs Mary E. Worrell
West Brownsville
Washington Co. Penna.
P.O. Box 67

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New-York  Tribune.

New-York,

April 29. 1897.

Woman's Department,
Mrs. Westover Alden, Editor.

To the Honorable
Wm. L. Strong, Mayor.

Dear Mr Strong

I have just been told
that you are going to be asked to
appoint either myself or one of my
staff to serve as chairman pres com
for Body Board of Managers of the
N. Y. Tennessee Centennial Exposition
representing at it.

Should such a complement
be paid this department. I wish
to assure you that I shall do my
utmost to see that the work is
well done. I doubt that you

will recall me as Mrs.
Alden but as Cynthia Westover
once. Secretary of Street Cleaning
Department, perhaps my name
is familiar.

I have a large staff of
brilliant women and if the
press work is turned over
to us. I will call them all
on duty.

Yours with the greatest esteem

Mrs Cynthia Westover Alden
Editor Woman's Dept,
N. Y. Tribune

DR. G. W. TESCHNER,
1187 LEXINGTON AVE.,
Cor. 81st St.

New York, April 30, 1894

Hon. Jas. R. Strong Esq.
Mayor of New York City.
Dear Sir:

I regret exceedingly
by that my removal from the
District will necessitate my with-
drawal as Inspector of the Fifth
School District.

Very Respectfully yours

G. W. Teschner.
66 Lexington St.

OFFICIAL CHEMIST

OFFICE AND LABORATORY.

— TO THE —
N. Y. MERCANTILE EXCHANGE.

JOSEPH F. GEISLER, Ph. C., F. C. S.

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Analytical and Consulting Chemist,

OF

New York Mercantile Exchange Buildings,

FOOD PRODUCTS

Cor. Hudson & Harrison Streets.

A SPECIALTY.

Chemist to the N. Y. State
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

New York, April 30 1897

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

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly inform me when the bill relative to the cutting through of 164th St. from Trinity Ave. to Stebbins Ave. will come before your honor and when those affected by the "improvement" will be given a hearing before you act on the same? The people affected by the above "improvement" are justly incensed at the manner the bill was sneaked through the legislature in violation of all decency and against the faith the people, by right, place in the final maps governing the district affected. The property owners of that district are overburdened with excessive assessments. To some people the assessments coming in such a short period of time must mean practical confiscation of their property. People affected by the above bill have been affected by the following assessments

cutting through etc. of Caldwell Ave.

" " " Jackson "

" " + widening Trinity "

" " + " 163rd St. "

Grading + Paving Trinity Avenue

Sewer — in Trinity Ave.

Sewer — 165th St.

Paving of 165th St.

There are several others in addition to those enumerated.

OFFICIAL CHEMIST

-TO THE-

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New York, 189

A number of other extensive improvements are to be carried out at once according to official maps. The assessments for these, though burdensome, will be regular and probably not in violation of the laws governing the district. However, as already stated, these assessments all coming in so short a time and during a period of ^{a severe} financial depression weigh most heavily upon the people. It is therefore no more than fair play, and decency demands it, that an earnest endeavor be made to point out to you the nature of the steal contemplated by the bill above referred to and which 95% of the people affected consider a needless taxation and a most brutal outrage.

Respectfully yours,

J. F. Geisler.

CAPITAL \$ 500,000.



CHARLES H. FANCHER, PRES.
CHARLES S. BROWN, VICE PRES.
CHARLES F. MATTLAGE, 2ND VICE PRES.
JAMES DENNISON, CASHIER.
BENJ. F. WERNER, ASST. CASHIER.

New York, April 30th., 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

I take occasion to call your attention to a bill, which I am informed is, or will be placed in your hands for approval, which empowers Captain Adam A. Cross of the 5th. precinct, Leonard Street Station, to appear before the Board of Estimate and Apportionment in a request for an allowance of a claim against the City, for his expenses incurred in successfully defending himself against charges preferred by the old Police Board.

In presuming upon your time and attention in this matter, I feel that I am justified in so doing, from the fact that to my mind, this is the righting of a vicious wrong perpetrated upon an honorable, right-minded and painstaking officer, and knowing the trait of character which you possess, to assist all abused humanity in whatever form, I know that you will treat this case in the best manner, and in accordance with the knowledge that you possess in reference to it.

Thanking you in advance on behalf of Captain Cross, I am,

Most respectfully yours,

President.

John W. Farquhar,
Attorney at Law.

40 Wall Street.

New York, April 23, 1897

Hon. William E. Strong,
Mayor, &c.,

Sir:

Please accept the thanks of a citizen,
who is a republican voter but otherwise
not connected with politics, for the ap-
pointment of Mr. Moss and all of your
other official acts, recent or remote, tend-
ing like this one, ^{tending} toward in a straight-
forward, understandable manner toward
good municipal government.

Yours respectfully,
J. W. Farquhar.

Form No. 168.

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INCORPORATED
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THOS. T. ECKERT, President and General Manager.

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Albany, N.Y. Apr. 23.

Hon. William L. Strong,

City Hall, New York.

Congratulations on your good judgment in Selecting Police
Commissioner.

Frank D. Pavey.

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MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

150 FIFTH AVENUE

A. B. LEONARD, }
A. J. PALMER, } CORRESPONDING
W. T. SMITH, } SECRETARIES
S. L. BALDWIN, RECORDING SECRETARY
HOMER EATON, TREASURER
E. R. SMITH, EDITOR "GOSPEL IN ALL LANDS"

New York, April 23, 1897

His Honor -
Mayor Strong:

Dear Sir:

I desire to express my personal and hearty thanks for your courageous and independent action in appointing Mr. Frank Moss on the Board of Police Commissioners. All who desire the best interest of the city, regardless of party politics, will be grateful to you for this eminently appropriate appointment.

Sincerely yours

S. L. Baldwin

24 East 47th St
April 23rd 1917

Dear Mr. Tracy
Thank you very much
for appointing Mr. Woods
to fill the Recorder's place.
He is the "right man in
the right place" and now
please as soon as it can
be accomplished displace
Mr. Gulon, Mr. Parker, and
Mr. Grant, and you will
know you can find men of
the Woods stamp of char-
acter. I am just in done
in the Police Department.
Yours respectfully,
M. Bradley.

OFFICE OF
RICHARD V. HARNETT & CO.
 AUCTIONEERS AND REAL ESTATE BROKERS,

—* 71 & 73 LIBERTY ST. *—

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TELEPHONE CORTLANDT, 1204.

New York, April 24 1899

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor of the City of New York

Dear Sir,

Being deeply interested in the general welfare and prosperity of New York, and in everything that goes to make your administration eminently successful, I regard the appointment of Mr. Frank Moss as Police Commissioner, as a most fortunate one. I have had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Moss for many years, and have been closely connected with him in business matters in which he had the management of large estates, and have always found him a wise and judicious counsellor. I believe that you will find that his administration of as Police Commissioner will mark him as one of the leading public men of this city.

I remain, with great respect,

Yours
 Richard V. Harnett

Great Neck

April 24-1897

Hon. W. L. Strong
Mayor.

Dear Sir -

Allow
me to congratulate you
on the appointment of
Frank Knox as Police
Commissioner - I have known
him for fifteen years
He is worthy to succeed
Theodore Roosevelt - and
will fill the position
with credit to himself
and your administration

Respectfully Yours

Geo. W. Goodell

HOPE CHAPEL,
JOHN B. DEVINS, PASTOR,
339 EAST 4TH ST.
NEW YORK.

April 24, 1897.

My dear Sir:-

Allow me to express my hearty appreciation of your appointment of Mr. Moss, as Police Commissioner. While fulfilling the law in appointing a Republican, you have, here as else where, let factional differences severely alone. It has been such a comfort to work with Mr. Roosevelt and I trust it will be equally satisfactory to work with the new Commissioner.

The Corporation Counsel writes me that the bill affecting the Small Parks on the East Side has passed both Houses of the Legislature. You will remember that this is the bill which I suggested and which you kindly ordered Mr. Scott to prepare. I trust that the hearing on this bill will not take place next Thursday, April 29, as that is the time when the Federation meets at which we are to discuss Municipal questions.

Thanking you for your many kindnesses to an East Side pastor,
I am,

Very sincerely,

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

John B. Devins

#134 West 18th Street,

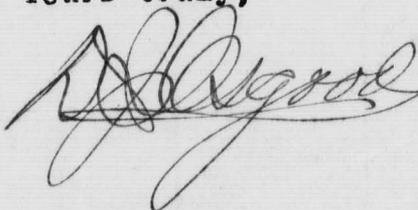
New York, Apr. 24th, 1897 .

My dear Mayor;-

I do not believe in rushing letters of congratulation before knowing what I am talking about. I know the non political citizens of New York feel very happy regarding your disposition of a number of matters which have of late come before you, and feel you will be thoroughly supported by them in your appointment of Frank Moss as Police Commissioner.

I have known Mr. Moss for a number of years and believe, all things considered, he was the best equipped man you could have found as the successor to Mr. Roosevelt. I congratulate you on the appointment, and after having had a talk with Mr. Moss and also with some of the Committee on City Affairs of the New York Board of Trade, think I can safely assure you that two of the commissioners on the present Board will sustain your administration, and that the City's Committee of the New York Board of Trade will take such measures as may seem best, looking to the final removal of Mr. Parker, or in case he is not removed, of placing the responsibility of continuing the present deadlock in the police board, directly upon the Governor. It will be our policy to either cause the removal of Mr. Parker through the Governor, or to have him understand that he will be held responsible.

Yours truly,



To Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Office of John Townsend,

BENNETT BUILDING,

On Nassau, Fulton and Ann Streets,

NEW YORK.

April 24 1897.

Hon. W. L. Strong

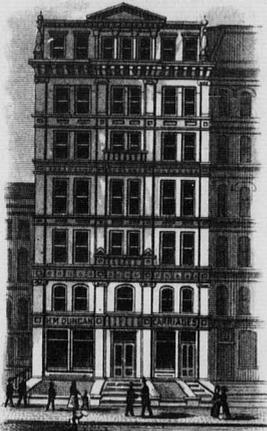
Mayor of the
City of New York.

Hon. Sir,

Permit me to put
myself on record as one
who entirely approves your
action in appointing Mr.
Frank Moss as a Police
Commissioner

Most respectfully,
John Townsend.

Downey, Duncan & White,
LATE OF J. B. BREWSTER & CO.



BREWSTER BUILDING,
487 & 489 FIFTH AVE.
TELEPHONE, 536-38TH ST.

H. M. Duncan,

FOR SEVENTEEN YEARS WITH THE LATE

J. B. BREWSTER & CO.

CARRIAGES,

FACTORY: 143 WEST 51ST ST.
PHONE, 1890-38

New York, N.Y. 25 1897

*Mayor Strong
City Hall N.Y.*

Dear Sir

*Congratulate you most
sincerely on the appointment of Mr
Frank Moss as Police Commissioner.*

*He is capable, clean beyond a
question & will be a credit to your own
good judgment*

*Our whole City should be proud of
a Mayor who has the independence
you have thus shown & our own
Party well ported - have had a great
up lift by this act of yours
Very truly
C. D. Downey*

WILLIAM H. FALCONER,
Real Estate and Insurance Office,

100 FOURTH AVENUE, Near Twelfth Street.

(ESTABLISHED 1853.)

TELEPHONE, 759 18TH ST.

New York, ¹⁷ Apr 26 1897

Hon. W L Strong
Mayor of N York } Dear

I want to
say to you that I think you
have done well in appointing
Frank Moss: I have known him
from boyhood, and know him
to be honest intelligent, and
reliable in every way, a good
lawyer, a gentleman a scholar
and a Christian; I don't see
how he can give the time from
his growing business, but if he can
you and I hope will live to see
results that will prove all that
I see

(over)

Yours truly
W H Falconer

PS I called on Friday at
Mr Moss' office at Headquarters
and Col Grant who is my neighbour
and old acquaintance, and I
specially introduced him to Mr
Moss; we all had a pleasant
time together, and I wound up
by impressing it on both their
minds, that it would make you
and all good citizens happy
for the Communities all to get to
work in Harmony together, which
I think will bear fruit W.H.G.

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EMBURY MCLEAN, M. E.

CONSULTING AND CONTRACTING ENGINEER.

Electrical Exchange Building,

136 LIBERTY STREET, OFFICES, 605 AND 606.

New York, Apr. 26. '97

Hon. Wm. R. Strong
Mayor of New York City
Mayor's Office
New York

Dear Sir: You certainly have made no mistake in appointing Frank Mass Eng a Police Commissioner.

Of course there is considerable machine-inspired criticism of the appointment. If the appointee were either a machine man or a man of party, these critics would be all sweetness and approval.

I think I know Mr. Mass well enough to feel assured that you have appointed a man of clear head, of sound heart, of unblemished character, of pure life, of high courage, both physical and moral, and of genuine Republican principles. He will make his mark and you may feel no doubt that his record will be creditable to himself and to you.

Very sincerely
Your friend
and well wisher

Wm. E. McLean

*Richard Deeves & Son,
Mason Builders.*

*"Mutual Reserve" Building,
Broadway & Duane Sts.*

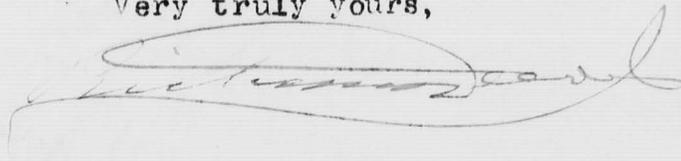
*Personal Office Hours:
from 1 to 2 P. M.*

New York April 26, 1897.

My dear Mayor Strong:--

Allow me to congratulate you on the appointment of Mr. Frank Moss as police commissioner. I believe that he will make an excellent commissioner. From what I know of Mr. Moss, he has a number of qualifications which will go very far towards fitting him for this office; he has good common sense, he has legal knowledge, he is honest and will be loyal.

Very truly yours,



Hon. William L. Strong.

346 Fr. 20th St. N.Y. N.Y. 27th 10/1897

John Sumner
Mayor Strong of New York City

Dear Sir: -

Though I had some
interest & form a little ~~less~~ aid to placing you
in the Resumptive position that you fill with
intelligence and integrity. I am indebted
to you and should not but for my present
purpose as a minute of your time. I am a
Distinguished Member of 40 years since 40 of those
have been spent in residence of Manhattan and
New York City & may be supposed to have a well
call for the best government that your office will
enable you to support or secure.

My single purpose is to express my profound
sense of the wisdom you have shown in appointing
Francis M. [unclear] to the position of Commissioner of
Police. I have known Mr. [unclear] for half a century
years & have seen him under circumstances to
test his wisdom & fidelity & have endeavored to
be his chief ~~trustee~~ in the maintenance of

Wife. He is sure he has the best in
the great number of books at his feet.
Some say in a strange to declare his
Conscience that in your choice he has
its thanks and praise:

Yours truly

Most Respectfully

in haste

John A. Roche

112 St 44th St

27th April 1897

Sir

I beg to offer you my hearty
congratulations on your appointment
of Frank Mass & a Police Com-
missioner, as I know from my
own personal knowledge that you
have at last put the right man
in the right place. I have had
considerable to do in aiding Dr
Parkhurst, & Mr Mass in their
fight against the Police Dept. It
has always been debatable in my
mind which was the best man in
such a fight. Mr Mass is as fearless,
& honest, as he is brave. I am
yours respectfully
To the Hon^{able} Mr. Mayor, Mayor of New York City.
J. M. [Signature]

HENRY PARSONS,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELOR-AT-LAW,
ROOMS 1201-1202, DOWNING BUILDING,
106 & 108 FULTON ST.,

RECORDED
31 MARCH 1897

NEW YORK, April 28 1897

Hon W. L. Strong
Mayn St.

My dear Sir

I write to thank and congratulate you on the appointment of Frank Moss as a Police Commissioner. I have known him personally and professionally for many years and have the fullest confidence in his ability, good judgment and general fitness for the place. I write this in no perfunctory spirit but because I sincerely believe that you have put the right man in the right place and that he will do you and his many friends credit. You have tried no doubtful experiment and your judgment I am sure will meet with the hearty support of this community.

With great respect I remain
Very sincerely Yours
Henry Parsons

THE BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION,
OF NEW YORK CITY.

CHAS. J. TOWNSEND, President and Chairman of Executive Committee,
6 WALL STREET.

WENDELL C. PHILLIPS, M. D., 1st VICE-PRES'T.

WM. B. CONKLIN, TREAS.

146 W. 25TH ST.

~~WM. D. LEWIS, Cor. Sec'y.~~

229 W. 83RD ST.

JOHN B. STOCKING, 2d VICE-PRES'T.

MISS ALICE C. DECKER, REC. SEC'Y.

306 W. 14TH ST.

GEORGE E. CROSCUP, 114 FIFTH AVENUE, CHAIRMAN OF DENOMINATIONAL COMMITTEE.

New York, *Apr. 28* 1897

Hon. Sir:

I have written Mr. Frank Moss, whom I have known favorably for a number of years, a letter of congratulation upon his selection, by you, as a Police Commissioner! I am however convinced that you are the one to be congratulated, for finding so good & upright a man as he, who would be willing to accept of such an appointment, in the face of all the abuse of the day. Such men are few and far between. You will not find him wanting. I congratulate you Sir. Yours very truly

To

Hon. Wm. S. Strong
Mayor N.Y. City

Wm. Benjamin
947 Vanderbilt Ave.

Brokaw Brothers,

Astor Place.

New York, April 28 1897

Hon^{ble} Mr L. Strong
Mayor of New York City
My Dear Sir

I was glad to hear that you had appointed Mr Frank Moss a Police Commissioner.

I have known Mr Moss a great many years and have worked with him in Church and Sunday School and have always found him to be an upright Christian gentleman and doing what he could to advance the cause of Christ and Christ's Church.

I am sure he will do all in his power to promote the cause of good government in this great city and hope he will be sustained in this noble and good work.

Yours Respectfully
James H. Pelton
with Brokaw Bros
Clothing Merchants
N. Y. City

J. W. HOWARD,
CIVIL ENGINEER,
No. 1 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK.

April 29, 1897.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

The appointment of Mr. Frank Moss as Police Commissioner is very gratifying to me and my friends. I have known Mr. Moss for a long time and am sure that you will not regret that you appointed him. All things considered, he is the best man you could have chosen, especially in the spirit of a conscientious and business-like administration of this city involving as it does, the moral and mental welfare of the people as well as the much vaunted financial welfare.

Sincerely yours,



TELEPHONE, 1372 BROAD.

CABLE ADDRESS:

LISLIO NEW YORK.

WILLIAM C. STUART,
131 WEST 70TH STREET.

April 29th 1894

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

Dear Mr. Mayor -

Permit me to congratulate the City and yourself on the nomination and acceptance of the office of Police Commissioner to & by Mr. Frank Moss -

I know the spirit of the man & his ability - His judgement

I could rely upon
His integrity is un-
questioned -
Accept my best wishes
for the continued success
of your administration

Sincerely Yours

Wm. C. Stuart

THE NEW YORK CITY CHURCH EXTENSION AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

SAMUEL W. BOWNE, Rose and Pearl Streets
President

J. EDGAR LEAYCRAFT, 1517 Broadway
Disbursing Treasurer

FRANK MASON NORTH, D.D., 150 Fifth Avenue
Corresponding Secretary

THOMAS CROCKER, 143 Centre Street
Receiving Treasurer

New York, April 29th 1897

The Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor of New York:

My dear Sir:

May I take a moment
of your time to express my satisfaction
of your appointment of Mr. Frank
Mass to the Police Board?

I have known Mr. Mass for many
years and believe him to be a
true citizen - and well fitted for
the peculiarly difficult duties
which now devolve upon him;
It is a place which tests the qualities
of men very severely. Mistakes of
judgment are inevitable. I believe,
however, that in him there will be
no mistakes of integrity.

Yours very truly,

Frank Mason North

150 Nassau Street
April 30/1897

Hon W. L. Strong,
Mayor,

Dear Sir:-

As an American Citizen
and a Republican, I desire to give
expression to my sentiment, ^{and} what
I believe is the sentiment predominating
in the heart of every lover of good Gov-
ernment, such as we have enjoyed during
your administration of City affairs, ^{and}
especially in your selection and appoint-
ment of Mr Roosevelt's successor in the person
of Mr Frank Moss as Police Commissioner.

I but voice the sentiment ^{and} expressions
of thousands, who are only heard in politics
by their votes, when I say that in your
selection your Honor had in mind what
was in your judgment for the best interest
of the city.

Respectfully,
Thomas Allen,

236 E. 118th St,
New York, N. Y.,
Apr. 30, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor's Office,
City Hall,
New York.

Dear Sir,

I desire most heartily to thank you for the appointment of Frank Mose, Esq., as Police Com'r. As his appointment seems to have been an after-thought, I think it shows lack of knowledge of the merits of the man. In him you have made one of your best appointments. He has the courage of his convictions, ability, conscientious devotion to duty and Christian character, - qualities possessed by too few in political positions.

I am quite sure you will not regret the appointment. Very sincerely,
Chas. W. Manchester.

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

April 30. 1897

Dear Sir

When your Park
Commissioners come up
to you for their new
Commissions - please ask
them by what authority
legal or moral. have they
allowed fake Ramier Law
Hotels at Casemont; Mornh
St Vincent & the "Casino" in
Central Park. Why not
establish Department Stores,

Respy
Stuyvesant Van Rensselaer
18 Orchard St
N.Y. City

STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
ALBANY

April 30 1897

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

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th and beg leave to say that he will give it careful attention the first of the week.

The bills are now being classified and the printed lists are about to be issued. As soon as that is done I will see to it personally that the bill concerning which you write is among the first considered.

Very truly yours,

William M. Griffitts

Private Secretary

THE BUILDERS' LEAGUE OF NEW YORK.

(INCORPORATED.)

24 EAST 125TH STREET.

New York, April 30th, 1897.

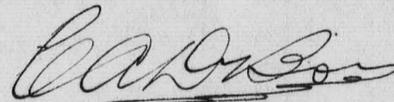
Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor City of New York.

Sir,-

Will you kindly notify me of the date and hour that you will set for a hearing on the bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Page and passed on the last day of the session, and which annuls the present Board of Examiners of the Building Department and substitutes a so-called Board of Appeal in its place ?

If so, we would like very much to be represented and be heard before you by a committee from this organization, in regard to the proposed measure.

Yours very respectfully,



Secretary.

(Dictated)

3:30 pm
May 6

TRACY, BOARDMAN & PLATT,
35 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.
(MILLS BUILDING)

BENJAMIN F. TRACY.
ALBERT B. BOARDMAN.
FRANK H. PLATT.
JAMES R. SOLEY.
LESTER W. CLARK.

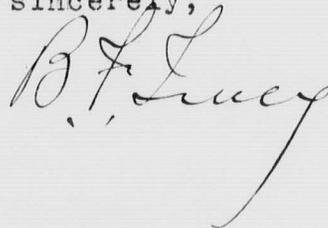
New York, April 30, 1897.

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

My dear Mr. Mayor:

This will introduce to you Mr. Everett Clapp, a charter member of the Union League Club, who informs me that although he has known you a long time he doubts whether he is known to you. Mr. Clapp will solicit a letter from you to Secretary Bliss in favor of the promotion of Mrs. Louise B. Haldeman, a clerk in the Interior Department, who desires to secure promotion. I myself have known Mrs. Haldeman for many years. She is a most estimable lady and a competent and faithful clerk. If you can give Mr. Clapp a letter to Mr. Bliss I shall feel that you have granted me a great personal favor.

Yours very sincerely,



DUNHAM, BUCKLEY & CO.,
340, 342 & 344 BROADWAY,
DRY GOODS.
P. O. BOX 147.

New York

April 30, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of New York City.

My Dear Sir:

I desire to call your attention to the case of Capt. Adam A. Cross of the 5th Precinct, Leonard St. Station. The Capt. has been there three or four years and has won the confidence of all the business men about him and has always done his duty in an honest and careful manner.

A relief bill was passed last session of the Legislature authorizing him to present a claim against the City to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, authorizing, in its discretion the payment of said claim which resulted from the action taken by the old Board of Police. This bill, I am informed, is in your hands for your official action.

I consider the Captain a straight-forward man in every way and hope you can see your way clear to favorably consider the bill referred to.

Yours very truly,

Chas. H. Webb

DR. W. T. McMANNIS,

361 WEST 42^D STREET.

New York,
Apr 30th. 97

How Wm L Strong
Sir,

I am about
to remove from the 17th
District and I offer
you my resignation as
an Inspector of Common Schools
to take effect May 1st. 97

Respectfully,

W. T. McMannis M.D.

186 Lenox Ave.

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Apl. 30/97.

My dear Mr Mayor:

I believe
you will be glad to
have the testimony of a
fellow Republican as to
the wisdom and justice
of your appointment of
the President of the Board
of Health.

For more than
a year past I have
had exceptional oppor-

opportunities for observing
not only the results of
of Mr. Wilson's work -
as you have - but the
methods in detail by
which he has accom-
plished them - I know

I have had sufficient
experience in public
office to qualify me
a competent witness.
As such a witness it
gives me the greatest
pleasure to testify

that no man could more thoroughly
fulfil every requirement of an ex-
acting office, or more loyally aid
your administration - than has Mr.
Wilson. In recognizing the fact
and rewarding the officer as you
have done, you have again exam-
plified your own wisdom and added
to the debt this Community owes you -

Humble
W. L. Strong Mayor

Yours very sincerely
Donald Wilson.

HEADQUARTERS
NATIONAL SOUND MONEY LEAGUE

(NON-PARTISAN)

GEORGE E. LEIGHTON, ST. LOUIS, PRESIDENT.
GUSTAV H. SCHWAB, NEW YORK, CHAIRMAN EX. COM.
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C. L. HUTCHINSON, CHICAGO, ASSOCIATE TREASURER.
E. V. SMALLEY, CHICAGO, GENERAL SECRETARY.

LELAND HOTEL,

CHICAGO, April, 1897.

Dear Sir:-

I have recently sent you the first number of "Sound Money," the bulletin of this League, which will be issued, henceforth, monthly from these headquarters. In order to comply with the post office rules and obtain admission to the mails at pound rates, we need, at the start, a regular paid subscription list. I will, therefore, be greatly obliged if you will send me your own subscription, (50 cents,) or if you prefer, \$1.00 for two names. Your friends may likewise subscribe if you will kindly bring "Sound Money" under their notice.

I thus frankly ask your co-operation as this is, in effect, a public enterprise for public aims. I shall value any suggestions you may give for promoting the circulation of "Sound Money" and for increasing its general usefulness as well as for advancing the main objects of the League. I remain

Yours truly,

E. V. Smalley.

General Secretary.

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N.Y. May 1st 1897

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor

D. Sir

About six weeks ago I called your attention to the filthy condition of the Grand Circle at 59th street. Your prompt and courteous answer told me that the contract for asphaltting the Circle "had been let and the work would begin as soon as the weather permitted."

Surely it cannot now be said that the "weather" interferes.

It is now about ten years since

I began to urge the Street Dept and
the Park Dept. to pave this mud-
hole or to cover it with asphalt.

I have written from four to six
letters yearly on the subject, and
have received answers to all

But as every answer has been an
excuse, I have a fine collection
of them.

One of them, written
by Albert Gallup Esq. then Trust.
of the Park Dept., a Tammany appointee,
told me that the "cost of repairing
the said Circle exceeded the cost of
all the other Parks roads together";
but that it would cost about 25000
to asphalt it, that he could not
spare the money therefor as it
was "needed for other purposes"

Hoping that you will not permit
the Park Dept. to continue this
nuisance any longer under any
pretext whatever I am

Sincerely yours
Chas. W. Poyer.

No 22 W. 60th St.

M.

P.S. A part of said circle has al-
ready been covered with asphalt.

I am sorry to say it has been
badly done

State of New York.

No. 1333.

Int. 1049.

IN SENATE,

March 31, 1897.

Introduced by Mr. PAGE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the committee on affairs of cities.

AN ACT

Relating to the adult blind in cities.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The mayor of every city of the first class may from
2 time to time issue licenses authorizing any adult blind person
3 who is a citizen of the United States to vend goods or newspapers
4 or play musical instruments at such public places or thorough-
5 fares as may be designated in said license, and upon such condi-
6 tions as may be prescribed.

7 § 2. Such licenses shall be issued upon application without
8 charge, and shall be good for one year and shall be issued only to

EXPLANATION.—Matter underscored _____ is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

1 persons who have been actual residents of the city for upwards
2 of three years.

3 § 3. Such licenses may be revoked for cause.

4 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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May 1st 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Dear Sir,

Mayor New York City

As a Committee representing the
totally blind people's association of the
city of New York - permit us to thus
address you and to pray that you be
so good as approve Senate Bill No. 1333
which has passed both Houses of the
Legislature and is now in the hands of
your Honor,

The Bill permits you to issue
licenses to the helpless blind, and its
becoming a law will be a blessing
to many of us who are now compelled to
suffer. Often humiliated, in being presented

from selling articles of necessity, and of performing other acts, which could not fail to be agreeable to the great mass of our Citizens, as well as a blessing to us and to those depending on us for support,

Your approving this measure will insure you for the sincere prayers of the afflicted blind of our City and State.

Sincerely yours

John Kopler, 368, Nth Ave

Thomas Costello 535 E. 15th St

Archibald Addie 210-E-127th St

Committee

Hon. Wm L. Strong.

75 North St.

Dear Sir, I cannot help but drop a line
to you today to say that you can date
the beginning of the end from today May 1st 1897.

It will I predict be a very long time
in the future before New York City will ever
see the "Republicans in power again"

John Raines - Lusk and their associates
have been entirely too vigilant in pushing
thorns into the sides of the suffering business
community, (in the last six months) and.

2/ They have destroyed the last Spark
of affection the Public have for the
"Grand Old Party". The time to probe
the business Community is when
prosperity reigns "not when it's about
impossible for business men to keep on this
jeet, "They have Legislated unwisely" this Session
because they have brought burdens more
onerous upon the people. It will all end
with this complete relegation to the rear,
Wholesome laws such as you have promoted
are good for the whole people & the interests of both
State & City. In the near future we will have
in power men of perhaps less Brains but more

³/devotion to the intrests of this
fellow man, people of all
political shades will point to your
administration as Mayor with
pride & wish there were more men
like you.

Faithfully Yours
Republican Friend
John Chalmer.

May 1st 1897
New York }

WANT \$35 A DAY EACH.

Grand Boulevard Commissioners Say It's No \$10 Job.

James A. Blanchard, John H. Knoepfel, and Hugh R. Garden, Commissioners to condemn property for the new Grand Boulevard, moved before Justice Beach of the Supreme Court yesterday for an increase of their compensation above the legal allowance of \$10 a day. They were appointed about a year and a half ago and they have met 267 days. At first the time occupied was but about an hour a day, but of late their meetings have taken most of each day and have consumed about all their time. They want \$35 a day instead of \$10. No opposition was made to the motion, and the Court took it under advisement.

A request has been made by the three Commissioners who have been engaged in condemning property for the grand Boulevard for an increase in their daily compensation from \$10 to \$35. This is a very big jump all at once. Did they not know the nature of their duties when they accepted the places ?

New York City May 1st 1897
The Hon William L. Strong Mayor!
City of New York

Dear Sir:

The attached clippings explain themselves. -
As a Citizen and Taxpayer I beg of you to use -
whatever power may be vested in the Mayor to
put a stop to this attempted "Grab". The Comissers
knew when appointed what their duties were to be and
the Law as to compensation. "I question whether the
Law on the subject was departed from in the Elm Street
Opening proceedings which were certainly much more difficult
to handle than anything that can possibly confront these
Boulevard or Concourse Comissers. - They are not to meet
and say "Good Morning" at 10 Dollars per morning. But to render
a certain specified service at 10 Dollars per day, stipulated
by the Law under which they received and accepted their
appointments to render such service as the apptmts
carried with it. - All the Technical preparations and
requirements are prepared by the City Depts, Experts are
furnished and the Law Dept is their to aid in solving
any questions in its line that may arise. Consequently
the duties devolving on them are all but formal & the
giving of their time. They Initiate nothing "except such an
action or motion as the above attached Article" calls
public attention to. "That is" an action to "Gouge the Property
Holders" and to milk the City Treasury. - There are
any number of Citizens willing to succeed them at the
Lawful compensation. To grant their demands would
open a floodgate of such, in the hundreds of Street

opening proceedings where similar claims could
be ^{as} justifiable as in this case. - I hope your Honor
will request the proper City Officers to take action
on this matter, before the Court having it in
consideration and use all your power to squelch
the same, and ^{hope} ^{this} request does not differ from your
views of the matter. -

Yours Respectfully

Christian P. Roos. -

2025 Washington Avenue
N.Y. City.

SEVENTY SECOND STREET,
CORNER MADISON AVENUE.

May 1st 1897

Dear Sir:

I regret very much that I must tender my resignation as school-inspector to take effect at the close of the school year, but it will be impossible for me to give the time that the work requires another winter.

I offer my resignation with sincere regret, as I find the work

most interesting. I have given all the time to visiting and inspecting the schools in my district that it has been possible for me to spare. but I feel that I have not done full justice to the possibilities of the position, and that I ought to give the place to someone who has fewer family duties than I have.

Thanking you for the honor you have conferred upon me in giving me the position, and hoping that you may

find a more efficient inspector to take my
place, I am

Truly yours

Louise Wabeman Tiffany
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To the Honorable

William L. Strong

Mayor of New York

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TELEGRAMS

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NEW YORK, May 1, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:-

It seems to me the Act authorizing the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York to audit and allow the claim of Adam A. Cross against the Mayor, Alderman and Commonalty of the City of New York ought to become a law.

Captain Cross has suffered greatly by the action of the Lexow Investigating Committee, and the General Term decided that the adverse action of the old Board of Police Commissioners was unjust.

Under all the circumstances it seems to me that Captain Cross is entitled to present his case to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

Respectfully yours,



BLEW UP.

The Wind at Broadway and Thirty-first Street Came Straight from Below.

There was a crowd at Broadway and Thirty-first street on Saturday. There seemed to be no reason for it. It impeded traffic and made grip-men and truck drivers swear. Occasionally a roar of laughter rose from the multitude, drowning the noise of cable cars and wagons. The windows in the Imperial Hotel and in all the neighboring cafés and stores were crowded with eager faces. The police were elsewhere.

"I wonder what it's all about?" said a young woman to her escort.

"Don't know. Let's go over and find out?" he answered, his curiosity getting the best of him. Across the street they went, and the crowd grew silent as it noted their approach.

"Funny, isn't it? I don't notice anything unusual," he said, a vague feeling that something was going to happen creeping over him.

The crowd that packed the sidewalk allowed but very little room for passers by, and that path lay directly over a row of gratings used by the hotel as ventilators for the kitchen. Through one of these there poured a draught capable of lifting a small-sized boy. On the unsuspecting couple walked.

"Strange, we don't —" But she never finished her sentence. Puff, puff went the blast of air. There was a scream from the girl, a curse from the man, and a thundering roar of laughter from the enormous crowd.

All the afternoon and far into the small hours of the morning this kept up. Hundreds of women fell victims. About 1 o'clock in the morning one of the policemen in Broadway made a miscalculation and appeared. For a moment his brain whirled at what was going on. Then he had an idea, and, with a smile of intellectual arrogance upon his features, he stationed himself directly over the grating. There the crowd left him, with his countenance wreathed in smiles and his coattails level.

Cor. Broadway



and 29th Street.

— * GILSEY HOUSE * —

J. H. BRESLIN & BRO.,

New York May 2^d 1897

My Dear Mr Mayor

This clipping may read very funny, but it is damnable,

This nuisance was in existence all last summer, and I have seen lady after lady shocked by encountering this wind, and having her clothes blown over her head, I have seen at least fifty hats blown off the heads of gentlemen, of an evening, some of the lighter colored head gear being ruined by falling in the mud. That the law regarding

coal chute is clearly violated.
there is not the least doubt, and
Gen Collins, who should never
have given permission to excavate
the sidewalk to the extent he has
should be made to suppress the
nuisance, close it down tight.

The police seem to
think it funny; though how Capt
Chapman can be ignorant of the
law, ~~and~~ ^{or} averse to doing his duty, I
cant conceive.

To realize just what it is
come down some evening about
8 o'clock, bring a lady with you,
and walk over the chute.

Yours sincerely
Deeency

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To His Honor -
Mayor Wm. L. Strong

My dear Mayor Strong

I enclose the
copy of a letter I have
just sent to the
"Herald" in care of Mr.
Beick. It seems to me
as I have stated, a
matter of grave im-
portance, and I write
to ask if you will
give weight to the

subject by stating
your views to the
"Herald" in letter form
or otherwise. I have
made the request
to several prominent
men and trust
New York may
receive the consideration
it deserves.

Very cordially yours
(MRS) Margaret Townsend

340 West 34th Street
May Second 1897 -

Copy

JOHN D. TOWNSEND,
ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
(Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank Building)
49 AND 51 CHAMBERS ST.

New York, 189

"What's in a Name"?

To the Ed. of the Herald
Dear Sir:

'Tis true there is great authority for the query, but only a rose was instanced when Shakespeare made it, and 20th century politics were yet without form.

I write in reference to our city being called - "Greater" New York - This name seems to me matter for very grave thought and consideration.

We are taking the outlying districts under our wing as a mother would her increasing family, and though the latter grows large and as will possibly ensue, unruly, there should be no thought for these reasons of change in the family name.

One is forced to ask - "May nothing remain sacred in America, and must we all come under the head of 'Conoclasts'?"

In few instances do additional words give added weight, and in the present case absolutely

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JOHN D. TOWNSEND,
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Retract.

How stupid for instance would
"Greater" London sound in daily use.
It's greatness is apparent as will be
that of New York, without, like a
child proud of a new frock, calling
the attention of every passer by!

Anything superfluous is its own con-
demnation, and where admitted exhibits
a lack of the best taste; merely pro-
nouncing the ~~three~~ proposed ^{three} words is
awkward and a great loss to the
concentrated power of the original two.

Will you open your columns to the
discussion of a subject that should be
of interest to all, and by so doing let
us promptly hope the proud old
name New York which has come
through many struggles to its present state,
may be allowed to stand in simple
dignity, bearing new honors as its
inherent right?

Very truly yours

Margaret Townsend

New York City
343 West 84th Street
May 2nd 1897 -

*Metropolitan Museum of Art,
Central Park,
Fifth Avenue and Eighty-second St.*

Office of the Director.

New York, May 3rd. 1897.

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

Sir:

I have the honor to forward to you,
herewith enclosed, copy of a resolution adopted by
the Trustees of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Very respectfully,

J. Pilesuola
Secretary.

*Metropolitan Museum of Art,
Central Park,
Fifth Avenue and Eighty-second St.*

Office of the Secretary

New York.

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RESOLVED "that the thanks of the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art are due and are hereby most cordially tendered to The Honorable William L. Strong, Mayor, and The Honorable Francis M. Scott, Corporation Counsel of the City of New York, for their valuable assistance in the preparation and passage of a bill in the Legislature by which One million of dollars heretofore appropriated and payable in five successive years are made available for immediate use in the making of a contract by the City for the erection of a new wing to the Museum, thereby saving a large amount of money for the City Treasury, and very much aiding the duties of the Building Committee of the Museum."

RESOLVED "that a copy of the foregoing be sent to the Mayor and Mr. Scott."

This is a true copy,

J. P. S. Snola
Secretary.



Mayor's Office.
Brooklyn, N.Y. May 3, 1897.

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

My Dear Mr. Mayor:

Permit me to direct your attention to two measures before you which are designed to benefit the Borough of Brooklyn under the Charter constituting the new City of New York. One is Assembly Bill No. 2531, entitled, "An Act for an appropriation for the school board of the borough of Brooklyn of The City of New York, involving the issuing of bonds to the amount of two million five hundred thousand dollars." and the other is Senate Bill No. 1617, entitled, "An Act in relation to slaughtering animals in the territory now in the City of Brooklyn."

These two bills will be of such marked advantage to what is now the City of Brooklyn that I hope you will give them your approval, as I have already done to the former, and expect to do to the latter as soon as the hearing is held, which is set for Wednesday of this week.

Very truly yours,

F. W. Winter

Mayor.

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ANALYSES
OF
FOOD PRODUCTS
A SPECIALTY.

New York, May 3 1897

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

Dear Sir, - By vetoing the bill authorizing the cutting through of 164th St. from Trinity Ave. to Stebbins Ave. you have justly earned the thanks and appreciation of every property owner in that vicinity and section of the city. Such bills, if they pass your hands, are a menace to the community, as they are in direct violation of vested rights and faith people place in the final maps governing that section of the city. Once shake that faith and the improvement now going on will come to a stand still and result in depreciation of property. For that reason any bills affecting the change of grade or cutting through of streets contrary to the final maps should be killed. Two other bills affecting the final 23rd Ward maps were before you this P. M. to which little or no opposition was offered probably for the reason that those affected knew nothing of the measures. The bills once in the hands of the street opening bureau are dangerous instruments. While the extensive improvements are going on in about the only section of New York in which people own their own homes it would be an immense relief

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to a large and industrious class of citizens of the city did not exact a usurious rate (7.7%) of interest from the unfortunates who are unable to pay the assessments immediately. You will bear in mind the city is paying only 3½ per cent on its ~~these~~ bonds while these people pay 7.7% for improvements for which the assessments are collected or levied while the improvement is often not undertaken for a year or two thereafter. We have had several such instances on the North Side. The man who will make a change to a lower interest rate will create votes for the future Mayor of Greater New York. I for one, after 10-days experience, would like to see him a Strong Mayor.

Yours respectfully,
J. F. Geisler.

THE CIVIL-SERVICE REFORM ASSOCIATION,
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Job. E. Hedges, Esq.,
Private Secretary, Mayor's Office,
N. Y. City.

My dear Sir:

I am informed that a public hearing will be held at the Mayor's office at 2.15 this afternoon, on a bill to legalize the appointment of certain stenographers and attendants in Justice Davenport's Court. I shall be glad to have the opportunity so offered to oppose this bill on behalf of the Civil Service Reform Association.

I shall also appear on behalf of the Association, in opposition to the bill legalizing the appointment of officer Tyson, of the Park Department, the hearing on which has been set for tomorrow afternoon.

I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Geo. W. Aneny
Secretary.

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My dear Mr. Mayor.

I have asked
my newspaper friends to
leave my name out of
the City Magistrate's candidates
without, of course, saying
anything about my
annunciation, but simply
stating that I was not
in the race, or likely

to be appointed,

With best wishes

Thos. G. Greenley

May 3 197

MAYOR APPROVES BILLS.

Under One His Honor Will Name Three New Police Magistrates.

Mayor Strong yesterday approved the bill for the appointment of three additional Police Magistrates for the city of New York. Nobody spoke either for or against it.

The Mayor also approved bills to extend the term of the Board of Electrical Control to the end of the present year; for the payment of compensation to the owners of animals destroyed by the Board of Health, and for the issue of bonds to build the new Hall of Records.

The Mayor will have the naming of the three new Police Magistrates. The name of former Police Justice Clarence W. Meade is mentioned.

N.Y. 5-3-97

Sir

Does this Magisterial appointment authorize the man to be a pickpocket or a highwayman Is he authorized to say in open court Money or your life without cause —

I am a veteran of the Mexican War I am depending on a pension of \$8 per month the last quarterly payment \$24 of which I was master about 18 hours when one of your Magistrates took 20 from me leaving me 4 to get through 3 months with I beseech you have that \$20 restored to me And Oblige Yours
Very Respectfully

Ferdinand Blauss
5. E. Manhattan St
11 Ward

N.Y.C.,

To Hon Wm L Strong Mayor N.Y.C.

A. D. Juilliard & Co.
New York.

May 3rd, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,

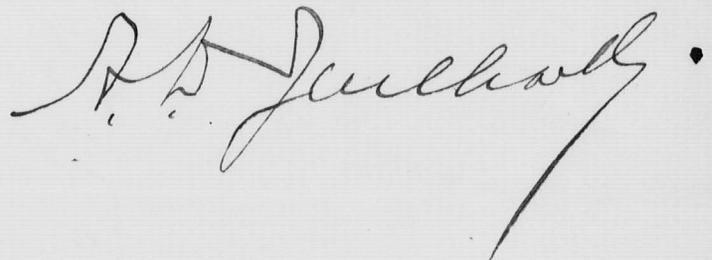
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I trust that the Act which will come up before you for hearing the 6th inst. authorising the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to allow the claim of Adam A. Cross for expenses incurred in successfully defending himself against the charges growing out of the report of the Lexow Investigating Committee, may receive your approval. I believe Captain Cross has performed his duties faithfully and well, and that to reimburse him for losses sustained as above would, under all the circumstances, be but an act of justice.

With high esteem, I remain

Yours very truly

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. D. Juilliard". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the page, below the typed closing "Yours very truly".