



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 22, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

I am directed by the Commissioner to return herewith the communication from Messrs. Lewis Frank & Sons, and to say that we have this day informed that firm that Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, have been instructed to call upon them and arrange for the removal of refuse at regular intervals.

Respectfully,

O. S. Carr

Private Secretary.

(Enclosure)

C.B.L.



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New York, April 22nd, 1895. 189

Emil Steffens, Esq.,

335 East 21st St., City.

Dear Sir:

The Mayor has sent me your letter of the 3rd inst., and I have had the case investigated. The Superintendent of the District says, "I do not remember that there was any particular reason given why it should stand there, other than that they had no other place to put it when I requested that it should be removed from the street. This wagon has not been standing there since. They must have found a place to put it, as many others in my District have done since I began seizing them."

If you want to keep your wagon in front of your store, you must keep a horse harnessed to it.

Yours truly,

(Signed) GEO. E. WARING, JR.,

Commissioner.

C.B.L.



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M. Rutnow, Esq.,

202 East 58th St., City.

Dear Sir:

The Mayor has sent me your letter of April 18th, concerning a moving van which stands in front of your saloon.

As I understand, this van has a horse hitched to it; if so, we cannot touch it. If it stands unharnessed at any point in which you are interested, make an application to G. S. Dunphe, District Superintendent, Stable "H", D.S.C., East 48th Street, and he will attend to it.

Yours truly,

(Signed) GEO. E. WARING, Jr.,

Commissioner.

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Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of April 2nd, I beg to return the letter of Emil Steffens, of 335 East 21st St., and a copy of my reply, as requested.

I also return letter of M. Kutnow, 202 East 58th St., and a copy of my reply.

Yours very truly,

Geo. E. Waring, Jr.

Commissioner.

(4 enclosures)

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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 23rd, 1895

Section Foreman Thomas J. Birmingham yesterday arrested Carmelo Pilezanso in front of 15 Marion St., for dumping a barrel of ashes in the street. Police Justice Voorhis fined the prisoner \$2.

On the same day Acting Section Foreman Michael Neafsey arrested Rachel Israel, of 133 Essex St., for throwing a pail of ashes into the street in front of above address, ^{who} ~~and~~ was fined \$1. in Essex Market Police Court by Judge Grady.

Benedict Zahn, of 184 Franklin St., who was arrested by Acting Section Foreman Neafsey on March 8th, for throwing rubbish into the street at 169 Ludlow St., was yesterday fined \$5. in Court of Special Sessions, on pleading guilty of the charge.

Commissioner.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

C.B.L.



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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 23rd, 1898

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

Referring to our conversation this morning, I beg to ask that you will call a meeting of the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners for Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

Respectfully,

George E. Waring, Jr.

Commissioner.

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 24th, 1895. *189*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I beg to return the communication of Mrs. H. Glick, 330 East 69th St., this city.

I have had a thorough search made, and neither my investigator nor Mrs. Glick is able to identify the man who demanded the bribe.

Respectfully yours,

Commissioner.

(Enclosure)

April 21st, 1900.

David Keane, Esq.,

113 East 34th St., City.

Dear Sir:-

Mayor Strong has handed to me your letter to him of April 20th, complaining of the nuisance created by the throwing of sand on the street between the tracks.

It is entirely beyond the power of this Department, and I think of no other way to prevent this unless it may be that the Police can prevent the inordinate use of sand.

The practice is due to a requirement of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. It gives us a great deal of trouble all over town, but, to a certain extent, I think the requirement is a proper one.

In the hope of mitigating your annoyance, I am enclosing a letter to the President of the Railroad Company, and am asking him to do what he can to limit the amount of sand, and on the whole in your interest and equally in the interest of this Department.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner.

(Copy)

Metropolitan Street Railway Company
Cable Building,
621 Broadway,

President's Office,
H. H. Vreeland, President.

New York City, April 22nd, 1896.

Geo. E. Waring, Jr., Esq.,
Commissioner, Department of Street Cleaning,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 21st inst.
together with complaint of Mr. David Keane of East 34th Street
concerning the condition of the tracks. I beg to advise you that
I will investigate the matter and comply with your suggestions as
far as possible.

Yours very truly,

(signed) H. H. VREELAND,
President.

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

~~*Criminal Court Building,*~~

~~*Corner, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.*~~

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Dictated *New York, April 24th, 1895.* 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to inclose herein a copy of Mr. Vreeland's reply to Mr. Keane's letter, as well as copy of my letter to Mr. Keane on the same subject.

Very truly yours,

Geo. E. Waring Jr.

(Inclosures)

Commissioner. *W.E.*

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 26th, 1898

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 24th, with the communications from J. Alexander Brown, 326 Pearl St., and Isaac Rodman, 132 West 85th St.

The suggestion of Mr. Brown, as to the collection of street dirt in bags, is worth consideration. I am writing him that if it bears thinking about and the proper application of the slate and pencil, I shall make the experiment.

I am also asking Mr. Rodman for such information as he may have to give concerning the facilities for dumping to which he refers.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Waring Jr
Commissioner.

C.B.L.



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New York, April 26th, 1895. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Hedges tells me that the time for the hearing in the question of trucks standing in the street has past. I received no notice of the hearing, or I should have been present with a most emphatic argument in opposition to the proposed law; and I now beg you officially to disapprove it, as being a long step backward and one that it will take a very long time to recover. At the present rate of progress, we shall have the trucks all off of the streets within three months and everybody happy. If the privilege is now extended by the Legislature, both the time and the heart-burning will be greatly increased.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner.

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Department of Street Cleaning,
City of New York.



(Criminal Court Building.)
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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 26th, 1895

John Tierney, Esq.,

635 West 42nd St., City.

Dear Sir:

I am extremely glad to have your letter
and to feel that I am not without support in the
ranks of the Department in which I have the honor
to serve.

Very truly yours,

Geo E Waring Jr

Of course Col. Waring, Street Cleaning Commissioner, answered yesterday the letter Gen. Collis, Grand Army man and Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, had sent him objecting to the Colonel's remarks about the degeneracy of the Grand Army into pension bummers. A letter calls for an answer, and this is the answer to Gen. Collis:

"MY DEAR GENERAL: Don't you think that between men of our age, both of us veterans of the whole war, 'insult' is rather cheap talk? There are two sides to this question. I take the side of Cincinnatus and you that of Belshazzar. I speak not only as one of those who 'once wore the shoulder straps,' and who did their best to help 'make us what we are,' but as one of those who still thrill with the emotions that stirred the whole people when the flag was fired on at Sumter, who stood among the tearful, resolute men in the throng that listened to Senator Baker in Union square; who gave up everything to enter the service in the very early days of the war; men who knew no impulse but patriotism in their memorable march down Broadway, with all so uncertain save the determination to die if need be to save the Union. I also speak as one who was like you, early thought to be worthy of membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, but who escaped it, seeing the danger to the country of an organization that must place the bounty jumper of 1864 on the same footing with the enthusiastic volunteer of 1861, in which it seemed certain that it would suffice to vote en masse for the straight ticket of the party to secure the pecuniary bonus that elected legislators would not dare refuse. I even had a premonition that it would be an organization in which a minority of patriotic men like yourself would be misled, as you have been, to take part in the loud acclaim: 'We did it all! The Union we saved must pay us for helping to save it.'

"The unending crime of the organization—that which makes its benefactions seem insignificant—has been the destruction of the sense of duty and of the spirit of patriotism, and the substitution for these manly motives of a mere cash consideration. Henceforth, windy clamor must take the place of noble incentive, and the nation's gratitude can be expressed only in dollars and cents, as it is now expressed in the millions paid to unworthy 'veterans,' who have been hunted up and seduced by the claim agents, and what is even worse, have been coddled, pampered, and emasculated by the Grand Army of the Republic. Yours very truly,

I had honestly complimented the Col. for this able reply.

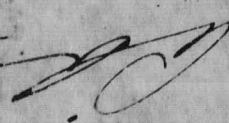
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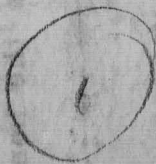
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GEORGE E. WARING

I had no doubt but that it is further able to say it.

As a favor
please return
this to 

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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 26th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Commissioner to send you the enclosed letters, and to inform you that the Driver has been dismissed after investigation, although complainant sent enclosed second letter, the plea of insufficient knowledge of the English language constituting another grievance rather than an excuse.

Very respectfully yours,

(Enclosures)

O. S. Casin
Private Secretary.



S.A.W.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 27th, 1895.

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Mayor's Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return the enclosed communication with our Inspector's report, stating that Mr. Boylan does not reside at the given address.

In justice to Mr. Bacon, I further beg to state that he has laid before Colonel Waring evidence of the absolute falseness of the charges preferred against him.

Yours respectfully,

O. L. Carr

(Enclosure)

Private Secretary



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

New York, April 29th, 1895. *189*

In re. excess
Department Drivers Time

Colonel Geo. E. Waring, Jr.,

Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our conference on this subject, I beg to hand you herewith a letter and statement from Mr. Charlesworth, and a letter from Superintendent Robbins, replying to my inquiry as to whether this same condition prevailed in the past.

Mr. Charlesworth quotes the law which was discussed by us last week.

Hoping this will furnish you with sufficient data

Yours respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 29th, 1895.

Thos. A. Doe, Esq.,
Chief Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our conversation of the other day and to the memorandum you had which showed that the aggregate of time made by drivers - regulars and extras,-- in this Department, exceeded the amount allowed by law, I beg to state that this same condition has existed for years, and, as you know, is accounted for by the fact that many of the regular drivers are detailed to mechanical and other labor at the Stables and elsewhere.

Very truly yours,

William Robb
Superintendent.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 29th, 1895. 189

Mr. Thomas A. Doe,
Chief Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your inquiry, I beg to say that Chapter 368 of the laws of 1894, under which this Department hires "Extra Drivers" provides that

"any person registered or eligible to appointment as a Driver"

"may be temporarily employed--- as an extra driver--- to fill the"

"place of a driver who is suspended or temporarily absent from duty",

and same law provides that the number of drivers shall be 750, in other words, we can employ each week only sufficient drivers to make 750 times seven days, or a total of 5,250 days labor.

Upon examining "Pay Roll" for week ending April 18th, 1895, I find that the time made by Extra Drivers exceeds by 636 $\frac{3}{4}$ days that allowed by law, at an excess expenditure of \$1,273.50 as per accompanying statement.

Yours truly,

D A Charlesworth
Supt. Pay Roll Clerk

| STABLE | A | B | C | D | E | F | H | TOTAL |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| NUMBER OF REGULAR DRIVERS ON PAY ROLL | 239 | 95 | 69 | 96 | 105 | 69 | 77 | 750 |
| AT 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % EACH THESE MEN COULD WORK ONLY | 1673 | 665 | 483 | 672 | 735 | 483 | 539 | 5250 ^{DAYS} |
| ACTUAL NUMBER OF DAYS WORKING AS PER PAY ROLL | 1579 | 598 | 457 | 632 | 673 | 459 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 482 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 4881 |
| DIFFERENCE <u>LIMIT OF DAYS FOR WHICH</u> <u>EXTRA MEN COULD BE EMPLOYED</u> | 94 | 67 | 26 | 40 | 62 | 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 56 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 369 ^{DAYS} |
| ACTUAL TIME MADE BY EXTRA MEN | 297 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 250 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 74 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 131 | 140 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 68 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 1005 $\frac{3}{4}$ |
| TIME MADE IN EXCESS OF LIMIT PERMITTED BY LAW | 203 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 183 $\frac{1}{4}$ | 48 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 91 | 78 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 20 | 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ | 636 $\frac{3}{4}$ |

$$636\frac{3}{4} \text{ days @ } \$2.00 \text{ per day} = \$1273.50$$

for WEEK APRIL 18/1895

Department of Street Cleaning,
City of New York,



GEORGE E. WARRING, Jr.

William L. Warring, Commissioner.

(New Criminal Court Building.)
Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

New York, April 25th 1895

Col. Geo. E. Warring, Jr.
Commissioner

Dear Sir:- In regard to the enclosed letter, I try to say that I have given the matter personal attention and have been unable to find any one by the name of Boylan in the vicinity of the address given.

Very truly Yours
Augustus Bohm, Jr.



S.A.W.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

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Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 29th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

S e c r e t a r y .

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 26th, and to inform you that the letter from F. Frerichs has been referred to the District Superintendent for investigation.

Yours respectfully,

O. L. Carr

Private Secretary.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 29th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to acknowledge receipt of your favor of April 26th, and to inform you that the complaint contained therein has been referred to the District Superintendent who will investigate and report.

Yours respectfully,

O. L. Carr

Private Secretary.

ESTABLISHED 1869.

OFFICE OF
F. FRERICH'S,
MANUFACTURER OF
Superior Spiced Pickles,
"AND VINEGAR,"
413 & 415 WEST 37th ST.

2. Vx
New York, Apr. 20 1895

To
Honorable Mayor
St. Louis

Dear Sir

I keep
all of my wagons and
trucks inside
We backed out one
wagon this morning
to put on a load
and put in the
horse.

I was most severely
injured by Wrecking
loafers. my wagon taken away
Can I hold the City
responsible or will
I have to give up
business

Yours most truly
F. Frerichs

(Copy of District Superintendent's Report.)

DISTRICT No......5.....

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

NEW YORK CITY,.....April 30th,.....1895

GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.

SIR:—I have to report that the inclosed complaint has just reached me and though I was not present at the seizure, Mr. Keller reported all the facts to me the same day.

This wagon was in the street as the incumbrance truck was going down town and was left there until the return of the truck with its load of seizures, when this pickle wagon was seized and tied on behind the others. It was on the street at least one hour, and how much more is unknown.

This man fairly gushed with profanity, abuse and foul names while his wagon was being taken. He tried to get up a fight with one of the men and then with Mr. Keller by trying to strike them. When he tried to strike Mr. Keller he was taken by the wrists by Mr. Keller and quietly walked away from the men and quietly advised to behave himself.

Mr. Keller and I have our incumbrance men so well trained that they will not speak to anyone at a seizure unless asked a civil question, and any argument is referred to me if I be present, or Mr. Keller, in my absence.

Respectfully submitted,

Profanity in its mildest form is not allowed and the man using it will be promptly sent to stable and suspended. Both Mr. Keller

.....
SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT No.

(over)

and I have been complimented by good citizens on the quiet manner
in which this work is done and the silence of our men under abuse.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) G. J. Bradish,

5th Dist. Supt.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

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Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, April 30, 1895. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r .

Sir:-

I beg to return herewith the enclosed letter from F. Frerichs, Esq., and also a copy of the report of the Superintendent of the District, to whom the matter was referred for investigation.

Very respectfully,

Charles B. Wooley

Deputy Commissioner.

(2 enclosures)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 1st, 1895. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r .

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the enclosed communication, and to say that the District Superintendent to whom the matter was referred for investigation, makes the following report:

"Concerning the condition of West 12th St., it is certainly very bad but until we are furnished with a yard to store our dump carts, I do not see what we can do. There are a couple of wheelwrights opposite us who add to the disorder but I have not taken their trucks as yet, on account of the valuable aid they have given us in mending chains, sharpening picks, and other odd jobs. I would like a letter from you before taking their wagons, as I consider our stable under obligations to them."

Yours respectfully,

(Enclosure)

O. S. Carver

Private Secretary.

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner

New York, May 2nd, 1895. *189*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge yours of May 1st, enclosing a communication of the same date from Abraham Leeser asking "what course an owner of a wagon is to follow as to vitiate the danger of its being taken by the Municipal Authorities."

Mr. Leeser says he applied to your marshal for a permit to keep a delivery wagon in front of a store during the night, but was told it would be of no avail without a special permit from the Department of Street Cleaning. At this Department he was told that no unharnessed delivery wagon would be allowed in the streets. He says: "As it is impossible that wagons can always be kept off the streets when unhitched, and that they will thereby render themselves liable to seizure, I respectfully ask your Honor how the apparent conflict between the Street Cleaning Department and the office of your Marshal can be reconciled?"

There is no conflict. The Mayor's marshal licenses certain vehicles kept for public hire. Subject to certain regulations, the Commissioner of Street Cleaning may issue permits for

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these vehicles to stand unharnessed in the streets at certain hours. It is in his discretion to do so or not in the case of such vehicles alone.

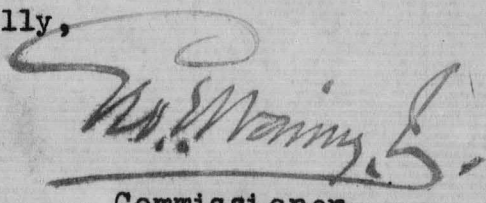
A delivery wagon does not come under this head, and a permit for it to stand in the street would not be valid.

I respectfully submit that it is not impossible for wagons to be kept off the streets when unhitched. According to the latest estimates, this possibility has been shown within the past three months in not fewer than 30,000 vehicles, and it is fast being demonstrated in the case of the small remainder.

It would be as reasonable to say that an unharnessed horse must be kept standing the street, as that an unhitched vehicle must be so kept.

Very respectfully,

(Enclosure)


Commissioner.

(Copy of District Superintendent's Report.)

DISTRICT No. 1.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

NEW YORK CITY, May 2nd, 1895

GEORGE E. WARING, Jr.,

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.

SIR:—I have to report that the inclosed complaint to his Honor Mayor Strong, from A. Liepzig, 426 Broome St., was investigate and attended to by me this evening. I took two of Walton's carts and one of our own, so that if there was material for both I would have it all removed.

I found two barrels; I handled them and discovered that I could scarcely move them; the drivers could not lift them. I then had them emptied partly on sidewalk, then I at once saw that they were topped off with paper, the rest consisted of clay and sand. The men under my direction removed all the paper, every little bit, and the rest, being nothing more or less than what is generally considered building material, was left in the barrels. The larger barrel which we have left behind is full and weighs at least 300 lbs., the other barrel although only one-third full weighs at least 100 lbs.

There is no ashes, no garbage, and if any sweepings the sand and clay so predominates that I could not consider it under that head.

I also do not think that the "Board of Health" will have any work to do on this material.

Mr. Leipzig alleges that he cannot understand why this material is not removed. Well, that is strange, but of course he should be notified. The place was closed or I would have done so.

Respectfully submitted,

William S. Clarke,

SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT No. 1.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,

CITY OF NEW YORK,

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Sts.

GEO. E. WARING, JR.,
COMMISSIONER.

New York, May 3rd, 1895.

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the communication from A. Leipzig, Esq., 426 Broome St., and also to enclose the report of the District Superintendent to whom the matter was referred for investigation.

Respectfully,

(2 enclosures)

O. S. Carr

Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,

CITY OF NEW YORK,

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Sts.

GEO. E. WARING, JR.,
COMMISSIONER.

New York, May 6th, 1895.

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office,

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return the enclosed letter from Messrs. G. W. Martin & Bro., 15 Staple St., and to inform you that a letter, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, was this day sent to that firm.

Respectfully,

(2 enclosures)

O. L. Carr
Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner. (Copy)

New York. May 6th, 1895. *189*

Messrs. G. W. Martin & Bro.,

11-15 Staple Street, City.

Gentlemen:

The Commissioner directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 1st, forwarded to this Department by the Mayor, and to inform you that the District Superintendent has been instructed to attend to the regular removal of your ashes; and that our contractors, Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, have been directed to call upon you and arrange for the removal of your sweepings at regular intervals.

Yours truly,

(Signed) O. S. Carre,

Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 7th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the enclosed communication from A. R. Adams, Esq., 9 W. 122nd St., and to say that Mr. Adams has been informed that our contractors, Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, have been instructed to call upon him and arrange for the removal of his refuse at regular intervals.

Respectfully,

O. L. Carr

Private Secretary.

(Enclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 7th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the letter from W. H. Brinkelhaupt, Esq., No. 630 East 162nd Street, and to inform you that the District Superintendent, to whom the matter was referred for investigation, makes the following report:

"The complainant is right about the condition of 162nd Street. That street and others in Section 57 have been paved six or seven months ago; the contractor never removed the surplus sand off the street as he should have done. I have sent a list of these streets to the Department of Street Improvements; thus far no steps have been taken to remove this dirt. I suppose that eventually the Department of Street Cleaning will be obliged to remove this dirt, although we have no right to do so."

Respectfully,

(Enclosure)

O. S. Carré

Private Secretary.

(Copy of District Superintendent's Report.)

DISTRICT No. 5.....

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

NEW YORK CITY, May 7th, 1895

GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.

SIR:—I have to report that I was in possession of the following facts from Mr. Keller who seized the wagon in front of 209 W. 33rd St. on May 1st, before the receipt of your inquiry.

As the incumbrance truck was passing down 7th Avenue this wagon was seen and spotted.

The truck went down to 25th Street and on its way up took 6 vehicles before it reached 33rd Street when it took this wagon. This means nearly an hour from first sight of it.

This wagon was seized at least 10 minutes before the horse appeared, and the owner sent an order into the stable to harness and bring out the horse.

He was very abusive and used much foul language to Mr. Keller and asked for his name which was at once given.

As Mr. Keller expected some kind of trouble from this seizure he informed me fully when he returned to stable after seizure.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) G. J. Bradish,

SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT No. 5.....

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(New Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

New York, May 9th, 1895.

William L. Strong, Jr.
Commissioner.
GEORGE E. LINDEN, Jr.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 5th, inclosing a communication from Henry Bradley, 436 Grand St., complaining that the Commissioner of Street Cleaning has compelled the sweepers to work 8 1/2 hours each day, while the law is for 8 hours work. The appeal is made to you as the head of the Reform Party, and you are asked if this is not a great wrong on the Poor Sweepers.

On investigation I find the following:

First: Henry Bradley, 436 Grand St., is not an employee of this Department, but the keeper of a restaurant at that number.

Second: The nominal time is as stated, 8 1/2 hours per day. The real time is only 8 hours, as the men are allowed 15 minutes to get from the roll call to their place of work.

Third: By the latest law on this subject, Chapter 368, § 3, passed in 1894, it is specially provided that "The members of the "department of street cleaning shall be employed at all such times "and during such hours and upon such duties as the commissioner of "street cleaning shall direct, for the purpose of an effective performance of the work devolving upon said department."

All of which is respectfully submitted.


Commissioner.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.



George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 13th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the communication from Messrs. Blum, Toch & Co., and to inform you that Extra Place is private property, and therefore this Department has no control over the matter.

Respectfully,

O. S. Chané

(Enclosure)

Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,
City of New York.

(Criminal Court Building.)
Centre, White, Elm & Franklin Streets

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 15 1895

Dr. John H. Waring :

Will you please call
the Mayor to call a meeting of
the Board of Estimate and Ap-
portionment for an early day.
I have some important matters
to submit to it.

Very
Respectfully
Yours,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,

CITY OF NEW YORK,

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Sts.

GEO. E. WARING, JR.,
COMMISSIONER.

New York, May 17th, 1895. *189*

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the communication from Salt Brick Feeder Co., and to inform you that the District Superintendent, to whom the matter was referred for investigation, makes the following report:

"I found on Saturday a barrel of paper at above place, and had it removed. There was no ashes last night, and a very little tonight. It (the ashes) was always removed, but Walton's cart may have left the paper standing there for a day or two.

"I withheld complaint so as to watch this place, and see if any neglect was practised, but find there was not."

Respectfully,

(Enclosure)

O. L. Carr

Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,

CITY OF NEW YORK,

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Sts.

GEO. E. WARING, JR.,
COMMISSIONER.

New York, May 18th, 1895.

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith a letter from James G. Dimond, Esq., and also to enclose a copy of the report of the District Superintendent to whom the matter was referred for investigation.

Respectfully,

(2 enclosures)

O. S. Canis

Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING,

CITY OF NEW YORK,

CRIMINAL COURT BUILDING,

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Sts.

GEO. E. WARING, JR.,
COMMISSIONER.

New York, May 20, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return the enclosed communication from L. Frankenthaler's Sons, and to say that they have this day been informed that Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, have been directed to remove their refuse.

Respectfully,

O. S. Carr

Acting Secretary.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 23rd, 1895. 189

Honorable Job E. Hedges,
Mayor's Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of May 20th, enclosing a request from J. A. Bussing for authority to put a truck upon a Broadway corner for occupants to view the parade therefrom on Decoration Day, is at hand.

In reply I would say that I have referred the whole matter to the Police Board to be acted upon by them.

Very respectfully,

Commissioner.

C O P Y.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH,
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,

38 & 40 Clinton Street,

Brooklyn, N.Y., May 21st, 1895.

Hon. Charles A. Schieren,

M a y o r .

Dear Sir:-

I am compelled to call your attention to the fact that I am every day receiving reports from the shore front going to show that there are constant violations of law by those having charge of the refuse scows of New York City, namely, that "short dumping," as it is called, is being continuously practiced. Last week there were more than 110 animals of considerable size found on the sea-beaches, also, numerous pieces of offal, house refuse, garbage, etc. This morning's reports show that 20 carcasses and other refuse matters of considerable size were found in the last 24 hours.

I suggest that this complaint be called to the attention of Mayor Strong, with a statement that it is the belief of this Department that the "short dumping" of New York City scow-captains is chiefly chargeable for the offense.

With the approach of warm weather this nuisance will demand strenuous efforts for its abatement, and I think it timely now to begin to move in the matter.

Respectfully, yours,

(signed) Z TAYLOR EMERY, M.D.,

Commissioner of Health.

C O P Y.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner

Hon. William L. Strong,

M a y o r.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

New York, May 24th, 1895. *189*

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose herein a copy of a letter, addressed by the Commissioner of Health of Brooklyn to the Mayor of that City. This letter is transmitted to me by the Supervisor of the Harbor, to whom the Health Commissioner of Brooklyn wrote: "The outrageous fouling of the Coney Island front still continues. The Gravesend Bay front is to-day reported fouled likewise. The promised measures of relief appear to be absolutely valueless for the relief of our citizens."

Permit me to suggest that without waiting for a communication from his Honor, Mayor Schieren, you may think it proper to assure him that the gravity of the situation is appreciated by your administration to the fullest extent.

We have just thrown out a bill of \$450. for unloading one day's scows, which the Supervisor of the Harbor reported as having been dumped "short."

In fact, no care will be withheld to prevent the continuance of this annoyance, and the measures now being taken by the Board of Health, and by this Department, for the withholding of garbage from the sea dumps will, I trust, have a marked good effect.

(Enclosure)

Respectfully,

(signed) GEO. E. WARING, Jr.

Commissioner.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

New York.

May 24th, 1895. 189

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George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Honorable William L. Strong,
M a y o r.

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Respectfully,

George E. Waring, Jr.
Commissioner.

(Enclosure)

COPY.

DISTRICT No. 5.

DEPARTMENT OF STREET CLEANING.

NEW YORK CITY, May 22nd, 1895.

GEORGE E. WARING, JR.,

COMMISSIONER OF STREET CLEANING.

SIR:—I have to report that I have carefully investigated the enclosed complaint and find the facts to be as follows:

Three vehicles were standing on the street unharnessed at this place, and they were seen by Mr. Keller and Mr. Reilly who were after incumbrances that night.

Some tough looking characters started on a run and notified this man Witt.

The incumbrance truck arrived with the Department men, and the vehicles seized before a horse was out of the stable.

Then the horses were brought out and backed into our men and force was used to take this wagon from us.

But for the effective work of Officer #1029 on whose post this occurred, some one would have been hurt. This man Witt incited the crowd to riot and made all the trouble. There was no horse hitched to this wagon from the time it was first sighted.

Officer #1029 can testify to the above facts.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) G. J. Bradish,
SUPERINTENDENT OF DISTRICT No. 5.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York. May 24th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Mayor's Secretary.

Dear Sir:-

In answer to your favor of the 20th instant, enclosing complaint of Mr. William C. A. Witt on account of the removal of one of his trucks from the street, I herewith submit a copy of report of investigation made by Superintendent Bradish of this Department.

A similar report has been furnished the complainant.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

(Enclosure)

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 24th, 1895. *189*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:

I beg to return herein letter of The H. B. Claflin Co.,
with a copy of my reply.

Yours very truly,

G. E. Waring, Jr.

Commissioner.

(Inclosures)

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Copy New York, May 24th, 1895. 189

The H. B. Claflin Co.,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

I have your letter of May 23rd, referred to me by the mayor. I can perhaps do more to clear up this matter, than I could in any other way, by telling you that under the law the Department of Street Cleaning has no authority to remove paper and rubbish, unless it is thrown into the streets and becomes "street sweepings." Such throwing into the streets is a misdemeanor with severe penalties attached.

The Walton experiment had for its purpose the establishment of means by which the people could be aided in getting rid of their rubbish, eventually without cost to the city. It is too early to say whether or not this or something like it is going to succeed. In the meantime, we are refusing paper in private houses and the people are very generally burning it. There certainly seems to be no reason why we should take your rubbish when you can get it carted to Hoboken for \$1. a load.

I would say, as a partial explanation of the foregoing, that we are subject to almost daily protest from the Health Authorities of Long Island for the fouling of the beaches by the stranding of

floating material carried to sea in our scows. This actually threatens the permanency of the only outlet that the city now has for its wastes.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Geo. S. Waring, Jr.

Commissioner.

(Copy)

Tugs and Scows.

May 24th, 1895.

Colonel Geo. E. Waring, Jr.,

Commissioner of Street Cleaning.

Sir:-

I have to report that I have received Lt. Delehanty's enclosures of the 20th inst. The complaint names no objectionable matter found on the shores of Coney Island but animals. The orders of this Department to all dump inspectors and boardmen are to rigidly exclude dead animals from our dumps and I am not of the opinion that the order is violated.

Furthermore, the report from our inspectors during the past two weeks show that our scows have invariably unloaded at the proper time and in the proper place.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Chas. A. Meade,

Supt. of Final Disposition, D.S.C.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, May 27th, 1895. 189

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor.

S i r:

The Commissioner directs me to send you the enclosed report from the Superintendent of Final Disposition, to whom Lieut. Comdr. Delehanty's communication was referred.

Very respectfully,

O. S. Carr

Private Secretary.

(Enclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 3rd, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the communication from Messrs. Kraus & Lewin, and to say that in response to a similar letter from that firm addressed to this Department we replied on June 1st that their complaint had been referred to the Department of Public Works, as this Department has no jurisdiction over unpaved streets. Avenue A in the vicinity of which they complain is unpaved.

Also please find enclosed the communication from M. A. Sharp, 47 E. 28th St., who has been informed that Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, has been directed to remove the refuse.

Respectfully,

H. A. Blunt
P.S.
Private Secretary.

(2 enclosures)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 3rd, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the enclosed communication from William Booth, Esq., 359 W. 11th St., who has been informed that Messrs. Walton & Co., 256 Broadway, have been directed to remove the refuse complained of, and which the drivers of this Department are not permitted to take.

Respectfully,

H. A. Blind
per sec.

Private Secretary.

(Enclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner. (COPY)

New York, June 10, 1895. *189*

Joshua Reece, Jr., Esq.,

40 West Broadway, City.

Dear Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to inform you that your letter of June 4th with enclosure, addressed to the Mayor, has been referred to this Department for investigation; and to say in reply to the complaint that on Sunday, June 2nd, many streets were littered with paper and other light material, that for the sake of economy the streets were not swept on that day. This plan was found to be impracticable and the cleaning of the streets on Sunday in many parts of the City has been resumed.

The matters concerning the granting of permits by the Department of Public Works to builders and contractors, and the keeping open of saloons on nights and Sundays do not relate to this Department.

Respectfully,

(Signed) O. S. Carré,

for

Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 10th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the communication from Joshua Reece, Jr., Esq., with enclosure, and to say that a letter, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, was this day sent to Mr. Reece.

Respectfully,

O. S. Carr

for

(3 enclosures)

Private Secretary.



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

New York, June 10th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Dear Sir:

I have investigated the case referred to in the enclosed card, which I received from you.

The "rich French Jew" had his truck and wagon on the sidewalk. I have no control over sidewalks; vehicles taking refuge there are out of my reach.

Truly yours,

Commissioner.

(Enclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner. (COPY)

New York, June 12th, 1895. *189*

Mrs. P. Eichengrun,

344 East 52nd St., City.

Dear Madam:

The Commissioner directs me to inform you that your letter of June 1st, addressed to the Mayor, was referred by him to this Department for investigation, and to say that the schedule time for collections in the vicinity in which you reside is between the hours of 4 and 6 in the afternoon. If the receptacles are put out in the morning they must of necessity remain unemptied until the time named.

The street is sprinkled by the sweeper with the hand sprinkler but in the heat of the day the small amount of water is evaporated in a very short time and one would almost think that "the streets are never sprinkled."

Yours truly,

(Signed) O. S. Carre',

for Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 12th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the letter from Mrs. P. Eichengrun, and also to enclose a copy of a letter which was this day sent to Mrs. Eichengrun.

Respectfully,

O. J. Carr

(2 enclosures)

for Private Secretary.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 12th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the postal card from A. Linkut, Esq., 1548 Madison Avenue, and to inform you that the District Superintendent to whom the matter was referred for investigation makes the following report:

"I called on said party and found all had been removed. I told him it would not occur again. The Foreman states that the garbage was not removed because one of his cartmen was taken sick."

Respectfully,

O. S. Carr

for
Private Secretary.

(Enclosure)



S.A.W.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building.)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

New York June 15th, 1895. *189*

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Mayor's Secretary.

Dear Sir:

The Commissioner directs me to return letter from C. N. Wayland, 9 West 36th Street, and to say that the interference must have come from another Department, as we never trouble any wagon with horses hitched to it, as the case is in this letter, since writer states that "the horses are round and sleek and weel groomed."

Very truly yours,

O. S. Carr

(Enclosure)

for Private Secretary.

"Copy"

Bureau of Surveys
NEW YORK BOARD OF FIRE UNDERWRITERS
Mutual Life Building, 32 Nassau Street.

New York May 31st, 1895.

Hon. Board of Fire Commissioners,
Firemans Hall, New York,

Gentlemen:

During the past six weeks, our attention has been called by numerous merchants and manufacturers, to the difficulties they experience in disposing of waste paper, cuttings, packing material etc.

It was represented to us, that since orders had been issued by the Police Department or the Board of City Works (we don't know which), forbidding ash-men to take such material with ashes, and that the property owners do not know how to dispose of this waste.

Several of our correspondents inform us that they have hired parties to take it to private dumps, and that they often have to take it to three or four places, before it can be disposed of, and we are satisfied, that since the ash-men were instructed not to accept this waste, more of it has been allowed to accumulate, than heretofore, particularly in cellar of apartment houses etc., where on account of shafts for elevators and dummies, it is a serious menace to property.

The object of this communication, is to solicit the careful consideration of the matter by your Honorable Board, and if you agree with us, that it is a matter that should have official attention, that you recommend same to the proper authorities, either the Police Department or the Board of City Works.

Our complaint in reference to this matter, came to us from General Williams, of the U. S. Appraisers Stores.

Respectfully yours

(signed) Wm. A. Anderson

Superintendent.

WHEREAS, It is reported to this Board that, under existing rules, drivers of ash carts are forbidden to receive waste paper, cuttings, packing materials and other combustible refuse, and that merchants, manufacturers, janitors and others experience great difficulty in disposing of such refuse; and

WHEREAS, Police regulations also prevent the placing of such refuse on the public highways; and

WHEREAS, This Department is also informed that, under existing laws, the Department of Street Cleaning is not required to gather and dispose of such refuse; and

WHEREAS, The accumulation of such combustible refuse is a menace to the safety of the people and their property, and the origin and cause of many recent fires in apartment, flat and tenement houses are directly traceable to such dangerous accumulations; therefore

RESOLVED, That the attention of His Honor the Mayor be invited to the conditions above recited, with the suggestion that, if practicable, some method be devised to remedy the evil.

Headquarters
Fire Department

157 & 159 East 67th Street,

New York,

June 15th, 1895.

O. H. La Grange,
J. E. Sheffield,
Austen R. Shepley,
Commissioners.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor-

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith preambles and resolution
adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Very respectfully,

O. H. La Grange

President.

P. S.- I enclose copy of a letter received from the Bureau of
Surveys of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters, on this subject

Headquarters

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

New York, 189

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Buildings)

Centre, White, Elm and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

(COPY)

New York.

June 18th, 1895. 189

General O. H. LaGrange,

President Fire Department,

New York City.

Sir:--

The Mayor has referred to me for acknowledgment and reply, your letter of June 15th, transmitting resolutions passed by your Board as to the treatment of waste paper, etc., and also a letter received from the Bureau of Surveys of the New York Board of Underwriters on the same subject.

So far as difficulty still exists in connection with the present treatment of the subject of waste paper and other light rubbish, it is due to the fact that this Department is not in a position to define its relation to the question, and to formulate its action in the matter, and will not be until the Board of Estimate and Apportionment shall have acted on a careful and serious presentation of the whole matter contained in my communication to that Board on the 11th day of May, 1895.

It is believed that the desired action will be taken at a very early day, and adequate arrangements will then, without doubt, be made for removing or otherwise caring for this material which,

under the law, is, from the point of view of this Department, to be regarded as contraband material.

Pending a final decision of this question, the Department has arranged to have removed, on the application of the householder, and without charge, all materials of this sort.

Each Foreman is supplied with a paper cart for the purpose. Notice may be given to the Foreman, through the nearest sweeper or driver, or a postal card may be sent to the nearest Stable or Section Station, or direct to the Department at the Criminal Court Building. We have been able, thus far, to remove the accumulations of this sort within twenty-four hours of the receipt of the application.

As soon as the subject shall have been definitely acted on by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, still better arrangements will be made, and due notification will be given to the public.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. E. WARING, JR.

Commissioner.

C.B.L.



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 18th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong, Mayor,

Sir:--

I have the honor to return herewith the communication of the President of the Fire Department, with its accompanying papers, and a copy of my reply, which has been sent to General LaGrange direct.

Yours very truly,

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Commissioner.

(Inclosures)

Fin Department

Commissioner

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Yours very truly,

been sent to General Exchange direct.

with the accompanying papers, and a copy of my reply, which has
with the communication of the President of the Erie Department.

I have the honor to acknowledge

(Enclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 19th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office,

City.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of this date inclosing the complaint of Dr. Clausnitzer; I have not found it profitable to write to him. I prefer to return his letter to you, with the statement that there is no justification for his complaint. Mrs. Carré walks through Gramercy Park every morning, and she says that it is wet to such an extent that she has to choose dry spots to cross; that one morning she went up to a sweeper to compliment him on his good work, and on the way the Park is cared for. He told her that he is a private sweeper, not belonging to the Department.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner.

(Inclosure)



Department of Street Cleaning,

City of New York,

(Criminal Court Building)

Centre, White, Elm, and Franklin Streets.

George E. Waring, Jr., Commissioner.

New York, June 24th, 1895. 189

Job E. Hedges, Esq.,

Secretary, Mayor's Office.

Sir:-

The Commissioner directs me to return herewith the enclosed communication from Messrs. F. Felix & Co., and to inform you that the District Superintendent, to whom the matter was referred for investigation, reports that the complaint had reference to paper and excelsior, which had accumulated, but which is now being removed regularly by Herbert Tate, Esq., 21 East 20th Street.

Respectfully,

O. S. Carr

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for Private Secretary.