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*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,  
City Hall,*

*New York, February 7th 1912.*

P. J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

Hon. William J. Gaynor,  
Mayor,

The City of New York.

Dear Sir:

In relation to letter sent you by the Rev. Robert H. Kelley, Pastor, Bedford St. M. E. Church, in which he charges that a couple, who took out a marriage license and whom he married, were a short time before, married by an Alderman in the Marriage Bureau and for which a charge of five dollars was made, I beg to state that after a very careful investigation, I find that the marriage was not performed in this Bureau nor by an Alderman.

While it is true that the people referred to, did call at the Bureau in question, to be married, it is also true that one of the clerks sent them away, observing that the man was under the influence of liquor, as under no circumstances, is any one married in that Bureau, who shows any sign of liquor. He also advised them that it would be better for them to go to their church and be married, which they did.

*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,  
City Hall,*

*New York, February 6th, 1912.*

P.J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

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At no time, since the Marriage License Bureau has been established, have I ever observed any effort on the part of the young men connected with the Marriage Bureau, inviting any couples to go to their room to be married by an Alderman. It has always been, so far as I could see, the gratuitous act of the couples themselves.

To make sure that my report would be correct in every detail, I herewith attach the statements made to me by different parties concerned and trust their explanations will be satisfactory to you.

Respectfully,

*P. Scully*  
City Clerk.

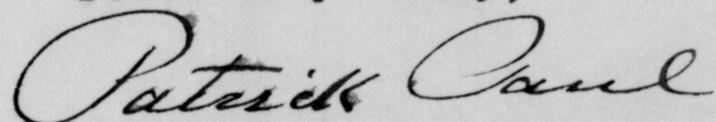
February 3, 1912.

P. J. Scully, Esq.,  
City Clerk,  
The City of New York.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your letter of yesterday, I beg to state that I have made a thorough search of the records of this Bureau and cannot find any record of the marriage of William Wright and Sarah O'Neill, both residing at No. 142 Tenth Avenue, this city.

Yours very truly,



Clerk in the Marriage Bureau.

STATE OF NEW YORK :  
CITY OF NEW YORK :SS:  
COUNTY OF NEW YORK :

Mrs. Sarah Wright, residing at No. 142 Tenth Avenue, Boro of Manhattan, City and County of New York, being duly sworn, deposes and says: That she and William Wright, of same address, took out a marriage license (29400) on the 24th of October last; That on the same day, they went to the Marriage Bureau to have ceremony performed; That one of the young men in charge, informed them that they could not be married there on account of Mr. Wright being under the influence of liquor; That Mr. Wright went to sea and did not return until the latter part of December, hence the delay in being married; That they were married by the Reverend Robert H. Kelley, Pastor of the Bedford M. E. Church, at his residence 218 West 4th Street last Monday, January 29th; That she solemnly declares that at no time, did any one connected with the Marriage Bureau, make any suggestion to her and her husband that they should get married by an Alderman in the Marriage Bureau on the payment of a fee of five dollars; and that the young man to whom they spoke, informed them that they could be married by a priest or clergyman of any other church on the presentation of this license.

Sworn to before me

this 5th day of February, 1912.

*Sarah Wright*

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*City Clerk*  
*NY City*

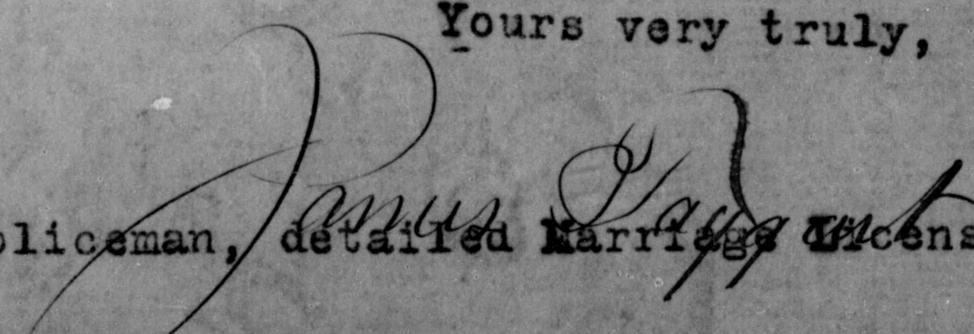
February 5, 1912.

P. J. Scully, Esq.,  
City Clerk,  
The City of New York.

Dear Sir:

I have called on William Wright and Sarah O'Neill, both of No. 142 Tenth Avenue, this city, in reference to marriage license No. 29400, issued on October 24th last. They informed me that they were married by a minister, Rev. Robert H. Kelley, Bedford Street M. E. Church, but the wife, Mrs. Wright informed me that she would have preferred to be married by an Alderman in the City Hall and that they made application to the young men in charge of the Marriage Bureau, who refused to have it done for the reason that Mr. Wright at the time, was under the influence of liquor.

Yours very truly,

  
Policeman, detailed Marriage License Bureau.

Feb. 7/1912.

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Re. marriage of  
William Wright  
& Sarah O'Neill.

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*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,  
City Hall,*

*New York, April 4, 1912.*

P.J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

Robert Adamson, Esq.,  
Secretary to the Mayor,  
The City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Referring to letter from Messrs Henry Cohen & Co. of No. 116 Wooster Street, regarding William Livingston an auctioneer, I beg to inform you that this office has written Messrs. Cohen & Co. and advised them to make charges against said auctioneer to President Mitchel of the Board of Aldermen.

Yours truly,

*P. J. Scully*  
City Clerk.

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April 4/17.

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April 3/17.

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Ack. letter Henry

John & Co. re Auctioneer

Wm. Livingston.

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*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,*

*Borough of Manhattan*

*New York, May 2, 1912.*

P.J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

Robert Adamson, Esq.,  
Secretary to the Mayor.

Sir:-

Referring to attached letter under date of 29th ultimo, sent to his Honor the Mayor, by John R. Walsh of "The Gazette", Montreal, Can., I beg to state that a search of the records of the Marriage License Bureau reveals the fact that E. Theophilus Rodrigues and Constance McNamara obtained marriage license on the 30th of October, 1909 and were married on the same date by the Reverend Thomas F. Murphy, Church of the Resurrection, 282 West 151st Street. I have had a copy of the application and license made, which you will find herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

*P. J. Scully*  
City Clerk.

PLACE OF REGISTRY  
County of New York  
City of New York

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
Bureau of Vital Statistics  
CERTIFICATE AND RECORD OF MARRIAGE

COPY

Registered No. **25787**

Know all Men by this Certificate, that any person authorized by law to perform marriage ceremonies within the State of New York to whom this may come, he, not knowing any lawful impediment thereto, is hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of matrimony between **Emanuel Rodrigues** of **259 West 152nd St.** in the county of New York and State of New York and **Constance McNamara** of **Ennis, Clare, Ireland** in the county of ~~New York and State of New York~~ and to certify the same to be said parties or either of them under his hand and seal in his ministerial or official capacity and thereupon he is required to return his certificate in the form hereto annexed.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said city at the City Hall this **30** day of **October** one thousand nine hundred and ~~eleven~~ **9**.

{ SEAL }

**P. J. SCULLY,**

CITY CLERK

I, **Thomas F. Murphy** a **Clergyman** residing at **282 W. 151 St.** in the county of New York and State of New York do hereby certify that I did on this **30th** day of **Oct.** in the year A. D. 19**09**. at **282 W. 151 St.** in the county of New York and State of New York solemnize the rites of matrimony between **Emanuel Rodrigues** of **259 W. 152 St.** in the county of New York and State of New York and **Constance McNamara** of **Ennes, Clare, Ireland** in the county of ~~New York~~ and State of New York in the presence of **Thomas Mc Nish** and **Josephine O'Neil** as witnesses and the license therefor is hereto annexed.

Witness my hand at **282 W. 151 St.** in the county of New York this **30th** day of **October**, A. D. 19**09**.

In the presence of

**Thomas MacNish**

**Josephine J. O'Neill**

(Signatures of Witnesses)

**Rev. Thomas F. Murphy**

(Signature of Person Performing Ceremony)

Address **282 West 151 St.**

CERTIFICATE OF CONSENT

28787

COPY

This is to certify that....., who have hereto subscribed.....name, do hereby consent that..... who is....., and who is under the age of.....years, shall be united in marriage to..... by any minister of the gospel or other person authorized by law to solemnize marriages.

Witness my hand this..... day of..... A. D.....

(Parents' or Guardians' Signatures)

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October

TO CLERGYMEN AND MAGISTRATES

The license and certificate duly signed by the person who shall have solemnized the marriage therein authorized shall be returned by him to the office of the town or city clerk who issued the same on or before the tenth day of the month next succeeding the date of the solemnizing of the marriage therein authorized and any person or persons who shall wilfully neglect to make such return within the time above required shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars or more than fifty dollars for each and every offense.

Josephine J. O'Neill, Thomas MacNish, Rev. Thomas F. Murphy, 282 West 151 St., October, A. D. 09.

STATE OF NEW YORK

Affidavit for License to Marry

DATE OF MARRIAGE \_\_\_\_\_  
CHURCH \_\_\_\_\_  
LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_  
CLERGYMAN \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF NEW YORK

County of New York—City of New York

No. 25787

Emanuel T. Rodrigues and Constance McNamara  
Groom Bride

applicants for a license for marriage, being severally sworn, depose and say, that to the best of their knowledge and belief the following statement respectively signed by them is true, and that no legal impediment exists as to the right of the applicants to enter into the marriage state.

FROM THE GROOM:

FROM THE BRIDE:

Full name Emanuel Theophilus

Full name Constance McNamara

Rodrigues

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Color White

Color White

Place of residence 259 West 152nd St.

Place of residence 30 Macombs Place

Age 25

Age 26

Occupation Stock Clerk

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth St. Kitts, B. W. I.

Place of birth Ireland, Clare

Name of father E. T. Rodrigues

Name of father Michael McNamara

Country of birth St. Kitts, B. W. I.

Country of birth Ireland

Maiden name of mother Bridget Ellen Ryan

Maiden name of mother Bridget Kennedy

Country of birth Antigua, B. W. I.

Country of birth Ireland

Number of marriage First

Number of marriage First

Former wife or wives living or dead \_\_\_\_\_

Former husband or husbands living or dead \_\_\_\_\_

Is applicant a divorced person \_\_\_\_\_

Is applicant a divorced person \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and where divorce or divorces were granted \_\_\_\_\_

If so, when and where divorce or divorces were granted \_\_\_\_\_

E. T. Rodrigues  
GROOM

C. McNamara  
BRIDE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30 day of Oct., ~~1912~~ 1909.

Stuart Harris

Clerk

ACTING DEPUTY CITY CLERK

*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,*

*Borough of Manhattan*

*New York,* May 7th, 1912.

P.J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

*Robert Adamson*

Robert Adamson, Esq.,

Secretary,

Office of the Mayor.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of the 2nd inst., I beg to state that a woman can be licensed as an auctioneer. Of course, it is understood that she must be a citizen.

Respectfully,

*P. J. Scully*  
City Clerk.

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*The City of New York,*



*Office of the City Clerk,*

*Borough of Manhattan*

*New York, May 7, 1912.*

P.J. SCULLY, CLERK

JOSEPH F. PRENDERGAST, 1ST DEPUTY

Hon. William J. Gaynor,

Mayor of The City of New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of the 25th ultimo, I beg to state that auctioneers are appointed by this office, under Section 34 of the city Charter, but complaints against auctioneers, are made to the President of the Board of Aldermen, under the same section, who designates a day for hearing and who, after listening to the evidence, hands down his decision in a day or two.

Respectfully,

*P. J. Scully*  
City Clerk.