

EXTRACTS FROM

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For Week ending Nov. 28th, 1896.

Thomas C. Croft,  
President.

John P. Faure,  
Commissioner.

Jas. R. O'Beirne,  
Commissioner.

CENTRAL OFFICE.

RESOLVED: That the General Book-keeper & Auditor be, and he is hereby authorized to advertise in the City Record and prepare specifications and contract forms, in the following manner, for meats to be used by the Dept. of Charities, during the year 1897. (Pounds and kind of meats specified.)

Resolved: That the General Inspector of this Department be instructed to make an inventory of all dry goods now on hand at the several Institutions under the jurisdiction of this Department, and to report the results as soon as possible.

Request from Adolph Kobitzsch for copy of the proceedings in the matter of charges against Randall's Island Hospital officials. Copy forwarded.

N. Y. County Visiting Committee.

Submitting reports of members which were presented at meeting held Nov. 20th. Copies of this report forwarded to all institutions mentioned therein.

Lodging House for Homeless Men.

Proposal of Geo. R. Rowland to furnish French Mangle, one Dry Room, with coils, steam trap, etc., etc., for the sum of \$340. Accepted and filed.

Steamboats.

Proposal of C. & R. Poillon for additional repairs to Str. Brennan, for the sum of \$490. Accepted and filed.

Concerning communication from the Fire Dept. in regard to "Keyless Doors" on Fire Alarm Boxes, the Supv. Engineer recommends that they be placed on the various Islands under the care of this Department, as the same would be an improvement.

The Fire Department so informed.

BELEEVUE HOSPITAL.

Proposal of Chas. Barry for repairs (specified) to Ambulance No. 13, for the sum of \$225., to Ambulance No. 14, for the sum of \$225., and to

Ambulance No. 16 for the sum of \$236. All accepted, and filed.

Manhattan Hospital.

Complaint received from the Medical Chief of Staff that the daily parade of the Insane confined on Blackwell's Island encroach upon the grounds of the Metropolitan Hospital; on one occasion a stone was thrown through a window of the Operating Room by an insane patient, and narrowly escaped striking a Metropolitan Hospital nurse. The Managers of the Manhattan State Hospital were requested to take steps to correct this matter at once. They promised to do so; but a second complaint has been received that no ~~steps~~ such steps have as yet been taken. The Manhattan State Hospital people were again written that unless they corrected the evil, we would be compelled to do so.

Randall's Island Hospital & Schools.

Proposal of the Glasgow Iron Works to furnish and place in position, angle iron spreaders and hangers to support steam pipe, etc., for the sum of \$98. Accepted and filed.

Proposal of the Jas. Curran Mfg. Co. to furnish air valves on 50 old radiators in Infants' Hospital, for the sum of \$72. Accepted and Filed.

Proposal of the Wheeler & Wilson Mfg. Co. to make necessary repairs to & convert foot butt hole machine to a steam power machine, for the sum of \$38. accepted.

Resolved: That Miss Christine K. Supple, nurse Infants' Hospital, Randall's Island, be and she is hereby suspended pending investigation of charges charged, made by Adolph Kobitzsch.

For Week ending Nov. 28th, 1896.

APPOINTMENTS,

1 Fireman	2 Attendants,
1 Stableman,	2 Tailors,
1 Ward helper	2 Nurses.
1 Apothecary.	

RESIGNATIONS/

3 Ward-helpers.

DISMISSALS 1 Ward-h



# EXTRACTS FROM

## MINUTES OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending Dec. 5th, 1896.

Silas C. Croft,  
President.

John P. Faure,  
Commissioner.

Jas. R. O'Beirne,  
Commissioner.

From  
Board of Esti-  
mate & Apportionment.

Requesting a statement of unexpended balances  
for appropriations made for the year 1896.  
Statement forwarded.

To  
The Comptroller.

Proposals of December 3d, of American Dis-  
tributing Co., Geo. D. Bayard, Herbert D. Robbins,  
Schieffelin & Co., Oakland Chemical Co., Seabury  
& Johnson, and Wm. T. Gillott, Jr., for "Hospital  
Supplies" for his action on the sureties; the same  
being the lowest bids.

Central Office.

Resolved that the Proposals of Dec. 3, '96 of  
John F. Queeny for 1,500 lbs. Carbolic Acid, 1 lb.  
bottles, at 22 cts. per lb. 100 lbs. Creosote at  
65 cts. per lb., 1,500 oz. Ichthyol at 38 cts. per  
oz.

J. Hasslacher for 700 lbs. Chloroform  
at 51 1/2 cts. per lb.

John Carle & Sons for 3,000 lbs.  
Glycerine, in bbls. at 16 3/4 cts. per lb.

Geo. F. Titus, for 2,000 lbs. Glycerine  
5 gall. cans, at 17 cts. per lb.

The Roessler Hasslacher Chemical Co. for  
1200 oz. Wuinine Sulphate at 18 cts. per oz.

H. T. Jarrett, for  
1,200 oz. Quinine Sulphate at 18 cts. per oz.  
75 lbs. Salol at \$3.08 less 1% per lb.

A. F. Gladstone, for  
200 Cylinders Oxygen Gas at \$3.50 per Cylinder.

Whitall Tatum & Co. for  
116 gross 1-oz. Round Prescription Bottles at  
85 cts. per gro.

130	gro.	2-oz	Round Prescription Bottles	at \$1.00	per gro.
120	"	4-oz.	"	1.45	"
130	"	8-oz.	"	1.75	"
10	"	32-oz.	"	4.65	"
4	"	16-oz.	Union Oral Bottles	3.55	"
10	"	32-oz.	" " "	5.25	"

Be accepted, being the lowest bids, and contracts for same  
are hereby awarded to the aforesaid parties.

Central Office.

Special Requisition for Lodging House for Homeless Men,- Assortment of Engineer's tools, Steam and Gas Fittings; Pipe and Supplies; also cost of skilled labor; 15 tons of stove coal; estimated cost \$350. Approved.

Proposal of the East River Gas Co. to furnish gas for buildings of this Department located on Blackwell's Island, from Nov. 30/96 to Jan. 1/97 at noon, at 92 1/2 cts. per thousand cubic feet. Accepted. Filed with Purchasing Agent.

Proposal of Geo. I. Roberts & Bros. to furnish for the Lodging House for Homeless Men, six 18 inch Special Blackman Fans with all necessary counter-shafts, pulleys, etc. for the sum of \$550., and one 5 1/2 x 7 Extra Finish N.Y. Safety Steam Power Vertical Engine delivered at Building, for the sum of \$150. Accepted and filed with Purchasing Agt.

Bellevue Hospital .

Supt. reports that a body was removed from the Morgue unauthorized by him and recommends that the Morgue Keeper, Albert N. White, be suspended pending investigation by this Board. Keeper White notified to appear before the Board at once. **Keeper White Suspended.**

Proposal of Chas. Barry to furnish ten leather pouches for ambulances for the sum of \$40. accepted

Gouverneur Hospital.

Minutes of Meeting of Medical Board held Nov. 28/96, approved.

Fordham Hospital.

Proposal of Geo. B. Brown to furnish labor and pipe for making necessary connections, and lowering sewer, for the sum of \$125. accepted. Filed with Purchasing Agent.

Minutes of meeting of Medical Board held Nov. 30th approved.

A p p o i n t m e n t s .

1 General Inspector,	2 Laborers,	1 Head night Nurse,
2 Stenographers,	1 Charwoman,	1 Pupil Nurse,
1 Clerk,	1 Waitress,	1 Hospital Helper,
1 Ass't Engineer,	1 Domestic,	1 Attendant,
	2 Ward Helpers.	

R e s i g n a t i o n s .

1 Stenographer/	1 Attendant,	1 Scrubwoman,	1 Fireman,
2 Head Nurses,	1 Pupil Nurse,	1 Waitress	1 Ward Helper.

D i s m i s s a l s .

1 Ass't Orderly, 1 Charwoman; 2 Ward Helpers.



EXTRACTS FROM  
MINUTES OF OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES.  
For the Week ending Dec. 12th, 1896.

Silas C. Croft,  
president.

John P. Faure,  
Commissioner,

Jas. R. O'Heirne,  
Commissioner.

To Transmittng Proposals of A. S. Beakes, for fresh  
The Comptroller. Cows' Milk ; Conron Bros. for Poultry; W. H.  
Thomas for Fresh Fish, and Parrish, Phillips & Co.  
for White Ash Coal,- for his action on the sureties.

Central Office.

Resolved, that the Proposal of Messrs. Conron Bros.  
for 7012 lbs. Chicken at 7 3/4 cts. per lb.  
1469 lbs. Turkey, at 11 cts. per lb.  
800 lbs. of Geese at 10 cts. per lb,

be accepted, the same being the lowest bid.

Resolved: That the Proposals of Dec. 3/96 of  
Wm. T. Gillott, Jr. for 24,000 lbs. of Extra  
Coarse Granulated Sugar at 5 1/4 cts. per lb,  
Geo. D. Bayard, for 2300 wine gallons Pure  
Rye Whiskey at \$1.52 1/2 per proof gallon and  
Schieffelin & Co. for 1040 lbs. Crystal Oil at  
13 cts. per lb., 40 ~~3~~ half barrels Norwegian Cod  
Liver Oil at \$24.00 per half bbl.

150 oz. Antipyrine at \$1.25 per oz.

300 " Aristol, " 1.60 " "

1500 " Phenacetin, " .85 " "

200 " Salophen, " .90 " "

400 " Sulfonal, " 1.15 " "

800 " Trional, " 1.35 " "

400 lbs. Natural Reef Sponges at 88 cts. per lb.

20 gross Medicine Droppers, at \$4.20 per gross.

15 gross Medicine Glasses at \$7.20 per gross.

Be accepted, the same being the lowest bids and the  
sureties having been ~~acc~~ approved by the Comptroller

Bellevue Hospital.

Gen'l Inspector reports that 2000 pieces of  
Infants' clothing have accumulated at the Hospital  
and suggests that the entire lot be transferred to  
Children's Hospital, R. I. Approved.

Proposal of Moeslin & Crane Ceiling Co. to  
furnish and erect stamped ceiling in Ward 21 for  
the sum of \$140. Accepted.

Gouverneur Hospital. Proposal of the Ducker Portable House Co. to furnish and erect a portable house 16/6 x 22 , for the sum of \$650. Accepted.

Metropolitan Hospital. Minutes of Meeting of Medical Board held Dec. 3d, 1896. Approved and the action of the Board in the matter of alcohol, heartily commended.

Appointments:

1 Ass't Superintendent	5 Pupil Nurses,	1 Ass't Laundress
2 Investigators ,	33 Hospital Helpers,	1 Fireman,
1 Physicians,	1 Stableman,	1 Domestic.
2 Night Officers,	1 Head Nurse,	
1 Ass't Apothecaries,	1 Laundress,	

Resignations.

1 Laundress, 1 Pupil Nurse, 1 Nurse, 1 Hospital Helper.

Dismissals. 4 Ward Helpers, 1 charwoman.



During the Week, ending December 19th, the Board has accepted proposals for 3800 gallons alcohol at \$2.34 per gallon; 600,000 yards absorbent gauze at .01 85/100 per yard, reports from all Institutions showed the supplies of all kinds to be in accordance with specifications

Arrangements were made with Correction department that they would pay any increased price necessitated by purchase of drugs to replace drugs furnished them.

Proposal for 22000 tons of white ash coal at \$3.43 per ton was accepted.

Proposals for flour, Groceries, Provisions and Meats for 1897 were opened on Dec. 18th.

The repairs and alterations to be made at the Lodging House for Homeless Men are progressing as rapidly as possible, and the number accommodated has increased each day being the number housed last night.

The census of our various institutions is as follows.:

*Census of H. H. H. 12/18/97*  
BELLEVUE HOSPITAL. (Dec. 18th.)

Officers, . . . . .	8
Doctors, . . . . .	34
Other Employees and Attendants, . . . . .	214
Supt.'s Family & Deputy Supt.'s, . . . . .	6
Trained Nurses, Male & Female, . . . . .	142
Work-House Help, Males, . . . . .	18
" " " Females, . . . . .	75

BELLEVUE HOSPITAL.

Non-Committed Help, Males, . . . . .	1
" " " Females, . . . . .	2
Patients, Males, . . . . .	498
" Females, . . . . .	252
" in Lodging Ward, . . . . .	67
In Emergency Hospital, . . . . .	6
Total -----	1323

Gouverneur Hospital

Doctors, . . . . .	6.
Other Employees and Attendants, . . . . .	23
Trained Nurses, . . . . .	8
Work-House Help Males, . . . . .	
" " " Females, . . . . .	2
Patients, Males, . . . . .	25
" Females, . . . . .	12.
Total	76.

HATLEM HOSPITAL.

Officers, . . . . .	1
Doctors, . . . . .	5
Other Employees, // // // // // // //	18
Trained Nurses, . . . . .	7
Work-House Help, Females, . . . . .	5
Patients, Males, . . . . .	20
" Females, . . . . .	17
Non-Committed Males, . . . . .	5
" " Females, . . . . .	2
Total-----	80

FORDHAM HOSPITAL.

Officers, . . . . .	
Doctors . . . . .	4
Other Employees & Attendants, . . . . .	17
Trained Nurses, . . . . .	7



FORDHAM HOSPITAL, Continued.

Work-House Help,	
Non-Committed Help, Males, . . . . .	2
Patients, Males, . . . . .	.18
" Females, . . . . .	3
Total-----	51

CITY HOSPITAL.

Officers, . . . . .	6
Other Employees, including Staff, etc. . . . .	178
Work-house Help, Males, . . . . .	.38
" " " Females, . . . . .	85
Convalescent Help, Males, . . . . .	
" " " Females, . . . . .	
Patients, Males, . . . . .	.410
" Females, . . . . .	.345
Total-----	1,062

AIMS HOUSE.

Officers . . . . .	4
Employees . . . . .	103
Work-House Help, Females, . . . . .	4
" " " Inmates, Males, . . . . .	2
" " " Females, . . . . .	4
Aims House Inmates, Males, . . . . .	1223
" " " Females, . . . . .	1064
Total,-----	2404

BLIND ASYLUM, B.I.

Employees, . . . . .	3
Inmates, Males, . . . . .	60
" Females, . . . . .	64
Total,-----	127

INCURABLE HOSPITAL, B.I.

Employees, /	7
Inmates, Males,	58
" Females,	51
Total,	<u>116</u>

METROPOLITAN HOSPITAL

Officers,	3
Other Employees,	104
Work-House Help, Females,	5
Non-Committed Help, Males,	1010
Patients, Males,	333
" Females,	119
Total,	<u>587</u>
	587

W.H. Help Males, Daily Gang	19,
" " " Females, " "	<u>11,</u>
	30
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	<u>30</u>
	617

RANDALL'S ISLAND HOSPITAL & SCHOOLS.

Officers,	2
Medical Staff and Chaplains,	5
Teachers,	7
Nurses,	30
Attendants,	45
Other Employees,	93
Inmates, Children,	469
" Feeble-minded and Idiots,	468
Work-House Help, Males,	95
" " " Females,	<u>47</u>
Total.	1261



INFANTS' HOSPITAL, RANDALL'S ISLAND.

Officers,	. . . . .	1
Medical Staff and Chaplain,	. . . . .	3
Employees,	. . . . .	29
Nurses,	. . . . .	25
Children,	. . . . .	205
Mothers with children,	. . . . .	76
Work-House Inmates, with Children,	. . . . .	6
Work-House Help.	. . . . .	9
Total-----		354.

For the week ending Dec. 19th.

Appointments:      6 Hospital Helpers,  
                          1 Hospital Orderly,  
                          4 Tailors,  
                          5 Nurses.

Resignations:      1 Cook  
                          1 Head Nurse,  
                          1 Nurse,  
                          1 Hospital Helper.

Dismissed.          5 Hospital Helpers,  
                          1 Waitress,  
                          1 Attendant,  
                          1 Nurse.

New York, Dec. 28th, 1896.

Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public  
Charities, for the Week ending Dec. 26th, 1896.

Reports of the previous week show that all Supplies agreed  
with specifications.

Proposals of Wm. T. Gillott, Jr, for Flour,  
Schwarzschild & Sulsberger Co. for Meats,  
J. C. Juhring, for Groceries,  
F. J. Dessoir for Groceries,  
W. H. Henneberger, for Butter  
Chas. F. Mattlage for Cod Fish, Bacon, etc.,  
Horace Ingersoll for Corn Meal, Bran, etc.,  
Alex. A. Ahrens for Dried Apples, prunes, etc.,  
Chas. S. Pray, for Coffee,  
M. F. Powers for Tea,  
John M. Hare for Butter,

Wm. T. Gillott, Jr., for Groceries, - all transmitted to  
the Comptroller for approval of the Sureties.

General Inspector instructed to prepare schedule of repairs  
urgently needed during the year 1897.

All Condensed Milk bids rejected and the Auditor instructed  
to re-advertise.

Fresh Fish ordered to be substituted for Salt Fish on Fridays  
at Alms House and City Hospital.

Resolution passed ordering the employees of the Lodging House  
for Homeless Men to uniform themselves.

Certificate of Membership in Produce Exchange held by a former  
Purchasing Agent, ordered sold.

Auditor authorized to advertise for bids on 1700 Tons of Coal  
for distribution <sup>to</sup> of Out Door Poor.

Proposal of Moeslein & Crane to put up stamped metal ceiling  
in Bellevue Operating Room for the sum of \$175. accepted.

Proposal of Chas. Barry to build one new Ambulance for the  
sum of \$675. accepted.

Proposal of Jas. Curran Mfg. Co. for alterations and additions  
to Steam Heating Apparatus in Pavilion 1, Randall's Island for the sum  
of \$800. accepted.



Proposal of J. H. Gantier & Co. to furnish and erect in bench of threes, in Gas Works on Randall's Island, three retorts and all necessary material, for the sum of \$245. accepted.

Dr. S. A. Buchenholz, former House Physician at Randall's Island Hospital, permanently suspended and his diploma withheld, for insubordination.

The average daily census of the various Institutions (Inmates only) for the week, was as follows:--

Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	.740
Gouverneur Hospital, . . . . .	.35
Harlem Hospital, . . . . .	38
Fordham Hospital, . . . . .	22
City Hospital, . . . . .	.871
Alms House, . . . . .	.2280
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124
Incurable Hospital, . . . . .	109
Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	466
Randall's Island Hosp. . . . .	467
R. I. Idiot Asylum, . . . . .	.469
R.I. Infants' Hospital, . . . . .	287

Lodging House for Homeless Men, 322.

For the Week ending Dec. 26th, '96.

Appointments,  
1 Physician,  
1 Investigator,  
9 Hospital Helpers,  
1 Doctors' Cook,  
1 Pupil Nurse,  
2 Nurses,  
2 Tailors.

Resignations,  
1 Helper  
1 Nurse  
1 Attendant  
1 Ass't Apothecary.

Dismissals.  
2 Attendants,  
4 Helpers.

Dropped from Roll  
1 Pupil Nurse.

	Children with mothers	Children without mothers
1888	17 70	60 70
1892	16	73
1893	23	69
1894	18	72
1895	12	71
1896	14	65

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Children without mothers  
foundlings; others

1895	93	65
1896	78	60



Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of  
Public Charities,

For the Week, ending January 2d, 1897.

Electric Lightd for the Lodging House for Homeless Men were contracted for.

Proposals of B. F. Strauss for an Undertaker's Wagon for Bellevue and one for Harlem Hospitals for \$375. each, accepted.

Proposal of Andrew Philp's Sons to remove Boiler from 26th St. Dock to the Nurses' Home, B. I., for \$197.00 accepted.

Weekly reports show that all food supplies, etc., ahreed with specifications.

Proposals of the Metropolitan Carriage and Wagon Co. to furnish a top business wagon to be used at the Storehouse, one for use at Bellevue and one at Fordham Hospitals, for \$250.00 each, accepted.

Proposal of D. I. Christie & Co. to build a truck with racks, to be used at Bellevue, for the sum of \$260. accepted.

Bids for Coal, Milk, Ice and Groceries opened December 30th, and Proposals of J. C. Juhring, F. J. Dessoir, Wm. T. Gillott, Jr., and the Consolidated Ice Co. were forwarded to the Comptroller for approval.

Request was made on the CivilService Board for 10 Visitors, under whose direction coal will be distributed to the Out Door Poor.

The average daily census (inmates only) for the week, is  
as follows:--

Bellevue Hospital,	727,
Gouverneur "	37
Harlem, "	29
Fordham "	24
City "	791
Alms House,	2328
Blind Asylum,	124
Incurable "	109
Metropolitan "	477,
R. I. Hospital,	473,
Idiot Asylum,	460
Infants' Hospital,	278

Number of deaths for the week ending January 1st, '97 at Infants' Hospital, Randall's Island, was 8, a percentage of 3.62.

For the Week ending Jan. 2 d'97.

Appointments

1 Hospital Helper,  
1 Head Nurse,  
1 Hospital Orderly.

Resignations.

2 Hospital Helpers,  
1 Ambulance Driver,

Dismissals,

3 Hospital Helpers.



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A L M S   H O U S E .

Blackwell's Island, January 2d, 1896.

Hon Silas C. Croft,  
President, Department of Public Charities,  
New York City.

S i r : -

I have the honor to submit herewith to your Honorable Board, Monthly Comparative Statement, comparing Months of December, years 1895 & 1896, as well as Yearly Comparative Statement, comparing years of 1895 & 1896.

The recapitulation shows that the Census during month of December increased 13% over preceding year month of December, and that notwithstanding this increase in census the number of Deaths declined 30%, and that the Hospital census declined 10%. The average census for year 1895 was 2233 inmates, and for year 1896, 2585, amounting to an average increase of 352 persons, or over 11%, while at the same time the number of deaths decreased from a total of 523 persons to 492 persons, amounting to a decrease for the year of 31 deaths or 6%; that the percentage of deaths for year 1895 was over 23%, and for year 1896 19%, a decrease in death rate of over 4%

The average Census and Number of Deaths for the past 5 years are as follows:--

Average Census.	Number of	Deaths.	Percentage of Deaths.
1891, 2109.	1891	572.	1891, 26%
1892, 2183.	1892,	597	1892, 27%
1893, 2135.	1893,	677.	1893, 31%
1894, 2208.	1894,	493.	1894, 22%
1895, 2233.	1895,	523.	1895, 23%
1896, 2585.	1896,	492,	1896, 19%

Your attention is drawn to the fact, that there are 488 persons sleeping upon the floors, yet, our census is less than 2800 persons, while the yearly comparative statement shows a decrease in illness and death rate all along the line; it certainly would have been lower if we were not so crowded, and inmates not compelled to sleep in tents, cellars and on floors.

Very respectfully,  
(Signed) John W. Terry,  
Superintendent.

(2 enclosures.)

COPY.

RANDALL'S ISLAND HOSPITAL AND SCHOOLS,  
RANDALL'S ISLAND.

New York, December 30th, 1896.

Hon. Board of Charities,

Gentlemen:-

I have the pleasure of informing your Honorable Board that these hospitals are now without a single case of contagious or infectious disease, and there have been no new cases since Dec. 19th.

Since my advent into this Institution, there have been 25 cases of diptheria and of these there have been but 2 deaths.

For this season of the year, I understand that this record is unprecedented.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) Edward J. Tucker, M. D.,

M. C. of S.





Department of  
*Public Charities*  
Commissioners Office,  
66 Third Avenue,  
*New York,*

Jan. 4th, 1896.

*Silas C. Croft, President.*  
*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Jas. R. O'Brien, "*  
*Sec. & M. H. H. Secretary*  
H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayer, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith a brief synopsis of the proceedings of the Board for the week ending January 2d, 1897, and enclose copies of two communications, which, it is thought, will be of interest to you.

Yours respectfully,

  
Secretary.

(Enclosures.)

Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of  
Public Charities, for the Week ending Jan. 9th, 1897.

Reports of the previous week show that all supplies agreed with specifications.

Proposals of Bakers & Consumers Compressed Yeast Co. and Walter H. Hildick for Yeast, Thos. Reid for Tea, E. Ferris & Co. for Salt, E. M. Merrill Jr., for Charcoal, Chas. M. Childs & Co. for White lead & Linseed Oil, Scheiffelin & Co. for Easton Oil & Cod Liver Oil, Oakland Chemical Co. for Dioxede, American Distributing Co. for Alcohol, Seabury & Johnson for Absorbent Cotton & Lint, Parrish, Phillips & Co. for Coal, H. D. Robbin for Hospital Supplies, C. S. Beakes for Cows' Milk, F. J. Dessoir for Groceries and Provisions, W. H. Thomas for Fish, were all accepted, the same being the

lowest bids, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

Hearing of charges preferred against Morgue Keeper Albert N. White, now under suspension was held (Friday Jan. 8th '97.) before the Commissioners, Mr. White being absent, but represented by W. L. O'Neill, his attorney; the Department being represented by Assistant Corporation Counsel Farley. Testimony <sup>heard</sup> from 11 A.M. to 4.15 P.M. and adjourned until 1 o'clock Saturday, Jan. 9th.

The following is the daily average census (inmates only) of the various institutions, for the week ending Jan. 9th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	753,
Gouverneur, "	35
Harlem, "	35
Fordham "	23
City "	787
Alms House "	2388
Blind Asylum,	124



Incurable Hospital,	109
Metropolitan "	446
Randall's Island "	460
R.I. Idiot Asylum,	467
R.I. Infant's Hospital,	294

The death rate at R. I. Hospital & Schools and Infants' Hospital for the week ending Jan. 8th, is as follows.

R.I. Hospital & Schools.

Number under treatment,	943
" of deaths,	1
Percentage of deaths,	106

Infants' Hospital,

Number under treatment,	228
" of deaths,	9
Percentage of deaths,	3.95%

Appointments,	Resignations	Dismissals.
1 Investigator,	1 Visitor,	4 Hospital Helpers,
4 Visitors,	3 Hospital Helpers.	1 Waitress,
1 Clerks,	1 Head Nurse	
13 Hospital Helpers,	1 Cook,	
1 Waitress,	2 nurses,	
1 Bath House Attendant,		
1 Ambulance Driver,	1 Seamstress,	
1 Medical Chief of Staff,		
1 Tailor,	1 Seamstress,	
	1 fireman.	
Deaths,	Term expired.	
1 Pupil Nurse.	1 Pupil Nurse.	



Department of  
*Public Charities*  
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H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Jan. 9th, 1897.

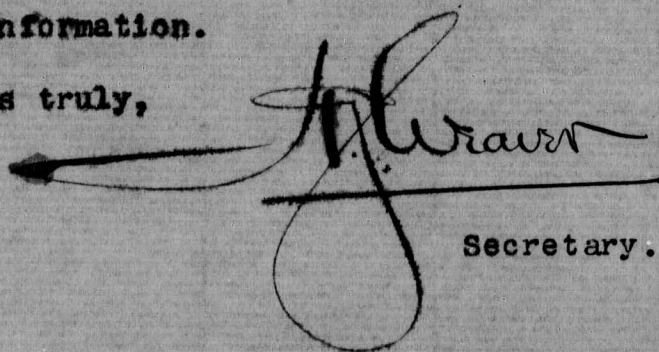
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of the proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities for the week ending Jan. 9th, for your information.

Yours truly,

  
Secretary.

(Enclosure.)





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*Gen. H. P. H. Secretary.*  
H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Jan. 9th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Through an oversight the average daily census of inmates of the Lodging House was omitted in report sent to you this morning. It is 295 , average daily census for the week ending Jan 9th.

Yours truly,

*L. M. Higland*  
Executive Clerk.

Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioner of Public Charities,

For the Week, ending Jan. 15th, 1897.

Trial of Morgue Keeper White before the Commissioners continued from 1 to 3.15 Saturday, Jan. 9th, then adjourned until 12 o'clock Tuesday, the 12th inst., and continued until 4 P.M., then adjourned until Thursday at 11.30 A.M.; Attorney O'Neill, however, being unable to attend, it was again adjourned until 1.30 Friday the 15th, when it was resumed and continued until 4.15. Another adjournment was taken until 1 o'clock P.M. ~~Tuesday~~, January 19th.

*Monday*  
Reports of the previous week show that all supplies agreed with specifications.

Official report received from the District Attorney's Office, stating that the charges against Dr. Buchenholz and Nurse Christine Supple, were dismissed by the Grand Jury for the December Term. Filed.

Proposal of Carll Smith's Son to remove all the manure from the stables of this Department for the sum of \$180. accepted.

Proposals of H. V. Canfield for Condensed Milk at 13 1/4 cts. per quart, of Schwarzschild & Sulzberger & Co. for Meats, Chas. F. Mattlage for Fish and Salt; Alex. A. Ahrens for Hominy, etc., accepted, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

Proposal of John Philp to repair main steam pipe on Str. "Brennan" for the sum of \$274. accepted.

The recommendation of the Supervising Engineer that action in the matter of Electric lights for the Prisoners' Dormitory, Bellevue Hospital, be deferred until the lighting of the entire Institution can be taken up, was approved.

The proposition of Dr. Rice, Chemist, regarding allowable limits of the amounts which may be expended at the several Institutions for Medical and Surgical Supplies, approved and the Secretary so notified him.

In regard to the statement made that Work House prisoners detailed at the Alms House as servants wear other than Work House garb, the Superintendent states that the Correction Department has been misinformed. Copy of Supt. Terry's letter was sent to the Commissioner of Correction for his information.



The following is the daily average census (inmates only) for the week ending Jan. 16, of the different Institutions:-

Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	758
Gouverneur " . . . . .	33
Harlem " . . . . .	31
Fordham, " . . . . .	27
City Hospital, . . . . .	782
Alms House, . . . . .	2368
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124
Incurable Hospital, . . . . .	109
Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	456
Randall's Island Hosp. & Schools, . . . . .	480
Idiot Asylum, R.I. . . . .	466
R. I. Infant's Hospital, . . . . .	312
Lodging House for Homeless Men, . . . . .	286.

Death Rate at R. I. Hospital & Schools for week ending Jan. 15th, '97.

Number under Treatment, . . . . .	953
" of deaths . . . . .	2
Percentage of deaths, . . . . .	209%

Death Rate at Infants' Hospital, for week ending Jan. 15/97.

Number under treatment, . . . . .	245
" of deaths, . . . . .	10
Percentage of deaths, . . . . .	4.08%

Appointments,  
 3 Investigators,  
 1 Mail Carrier,  
 1 Visitor,  
 3 Pupil Nurses,  
 12 Hospital Helpers.  
 1 Cook,  
 House Physician appointment made permanent.  
 1 Superintendent's Cook,  
 2 Nurses  
 1 Apothecary,  
 1 Trained Nurse.  
 1 Fireman.

Resignations.  
 1 Mail Carrier,  
 1 Fireman.  
 1 Pupil nurse  
 1 Hospital Orderly.  
 3 Hospital Helpers.  
 1 Clothes Room Attendant.  
 1 Waitress,  
 1 Nurse.

Dismissals. 2 Pupil Nurses  
 17 Hospital Helpers.  
 1 Hospital Orderly, 1 Cook, 1 Nurse  
 1 Supt. cook. 1 Elevator Man.

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H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Jan. 16th, 1897.

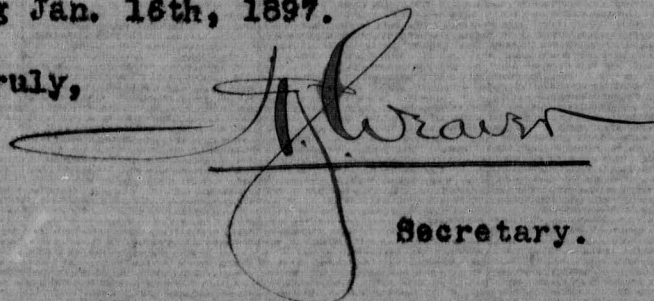
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the President, I enclose you herewith, for your information, synopsis of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending Jan. 16th, 1897.

Yours truly,

  
Secretary.



# Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,

For the Week ending January 23d, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper ) Case resumed Tuesday Jan. 19th at 1 o'clock and adjourned at 4.15 until Monday, Jan. 25th, at 1 P.M.

Bids were opened, January 20th, for an American Down Draft Boiler, to be erected with necessary fittings at Nurses' Home, City Hospital, B. I., in the presence of Commissioners Croft, Faure and O'Beirne, and the Clerk of the Finance Department.

Letter received from the Health Department requesting that all persons in the Hospitals of this Department be directed to observe that all certificates of births and deaths when recorded and filed are free from all erasures, alterations, etc. Secretary forwarded copy to heads of Institutions and requested that the rules of the Health Board be strictly observed.

Per request of the President of the State Board of Charities for a report of the work done by Examiners of Dependent Children, President Croft sent a full statement from the time the Examiners were appointed up to December 31st, '97.

Proposal of Dan'l Meyer for 500 tons of coal for the Out Door Poor Department, at \$4.25 per ton, was accepted, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller .

Proposal of the Troy Laundry Machinery Co. L'td, for certain machinery, (Brass Cylinder/ Washer, Body Ironer, Oak tanned Belt, etc., etc. ) for City Hospital, for the sum of \$462.22, accepted. Contract filed.

The following is the daily average census, (inmates only) for the week ending Jan. 23d, 1897, of the different institutions:--

Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	760	Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	501
Gouverneur " . . . . .	32	Randall's I. Hosp. & Sch. . . . .	478
Harlem " . . . . .	34	Idiot Asylum, . . . . .	463
Fordham " . . . . .	25	Infants' Hospital, . . . . .	324
City Hospital, . . . . .	802	Lodging House	
Alms House, . . . . .	2587	for Homeless Men, . . . . .	275
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124		

Death Rate, for the week ending Jan. 22d, at

Randall's Island Hosp. & Schools,	Infant's Hospital.
Number under treatment, . . . . .	255
" of deaths, . . . . .	14
Percentage of deaths, . . . . .	5.49%

## Appointments

1 Laborer, 10 Hospital Helpers, 1 Hospital Orderly, 1 Scrubber,  
2 Pupil Nurses, 1 Superintendent's Cook, 1 Waitress, 1, Seamstress,  
1 Ass't Nurse, 3 Nurses.  
Resignations, 1 Supt's Cook, 2 Nurses, 1 Hospital Helper, and 1 Orderly.  
Deaths, 10 Hospital Helpers, 2 scrubbers, 1 wet nurse, 1 nurse.



Number of Applications for Coal, . . . . . 7,505  
" " People Visited, . . . . . 4,652.

Delivery of coal to worthy applicants will begin Monday, Aug. 1.

Mr. W. C. C. C. C. C.

Mr. C. C. C. C. C.

For Provision of Coal to worthy applicants





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Jan. 23, 1897.

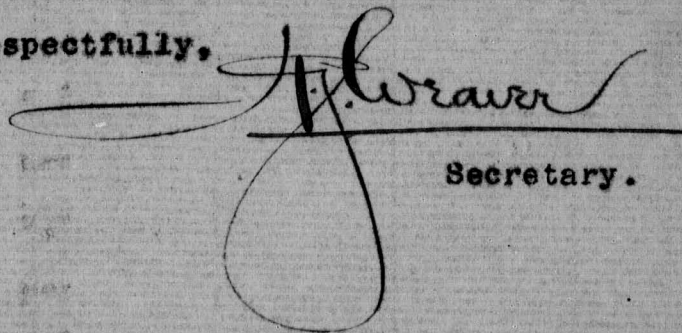
Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor, City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis  
of the proceedings of the Department of Public Charities, for the  
week ending January 23rd, 1897, for your information.

Yours respectfully,

  
Secretary.

(Enc.)



For the Week ending January 30th, 1897.

The following proposals were accepted; G. Robitzek & Bros. for coal for Out Door Poor, and Leonard Bros. for coal for Out Door Poor, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller. Also the Proposals of th Manhattan Supply Co. for clothing for Insane, (Women's Shoes) and Nathaniel Fisher & Co. for clothing for Insane, (Men's Shoes) Mulford, Cary & Conklin for Shoe nails, tacks, thread, was, etc. Edward E. Barnes for Oil Muslin, Jas McCarthy for Boxes Tin; Merchant & Co. for Galvanized Iron, Common Iron, etc., were accepted, the same being the lowest bids.

Letter from Withers & Dickson received stating that the Plans and Specifications for the Steel Shed and department Offices buildings were ready to be submitted to the Dock Department for its approval. The Dock Department was kindly requested to give the same immediate attention.

The following resolution was adopted.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending Jan. 30th, '97.

Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	783.	Metropolitan Hospital. . . . .	505
Gouverneur " " . . . . .	32	Randall's Island Hospital	
Harlem " . . . . .	33	and School, . . . . .	462
Fordham " . . . . .	25	R.I. Idiot Asylum, . . . . .	463
City " . . . . .	627	R.I. Infants' Hospital, . . . .	332
Alms House, . . . . .	2398		
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124		

LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN.

Jan. 24th, " 288, " " 77. State Paupers sent to Mr. Blakely

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Vagrants ~~State Prison~~ sent to Court 15

22 sent to Bellevue Hospital for Work.

Jan. 25th, Inmates 307, Quartered on Dock, 99; 1 (Male) sent to Bellevue Hospital; 1 (Female) sent to A.M. to Bellevue Hospital.

14 State Paupers sent to Mr. Blake, 12 to Court.



LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN, Continued.

Jan. 26th, Inmates, 304, Quartered on Dock 88. Sent to B. H. 1,  
Sent to Mr. Blake, (State Paupers) 12, to Court, 22.  
Jan. 27th, Inmates 260. Sent to B. Hospital, 1,  
State Paupers sent to Mr. Blake, 11, to Court, 11  
Jan. 28th, Inmates 177. 6 Men sent to Bellevue to shovel snow.  
State Paupers sent to Mr. Blake, 11, to Court, 12  
Jan. 29th, Inmates 173, Sent to Bellevue, 2.  
Sent to Bellevue Hospital for Work, 6.  
State Paupers sent to Mr. Blake, 9, to Court 20.

Randall's Island Hospital & Schools., Death Rate.

Infant's Hospital, for week ending Jan. 29th,  
Number ~~under treatment~~, *inmates* 252  
" of Deaths, . . . . . 10  
Percentage of Deaths, . . . . 3.97%

R. I. Hospital & Schools,  
Number ~~under treatment~~, *inmates* 927  
" of deaths, . . . . . 0

APPOINTMENTS

1 Cook, 6 Hospital Helpers, 1 Laundress, 1 Waitress,  
1 Chambermaid, 1 Scrubber, 2 Pupil Nurses, 2 Nurses,  
3 Wet Nurses.

Dismissals,

1 Cook, 1 Laundress, 6 Hospital Helpers, 1 Night Nurse, 1 Wet Nurse.

Resignations.

3 Nurses, 1 Hospital Orderly.





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Jan. 30th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

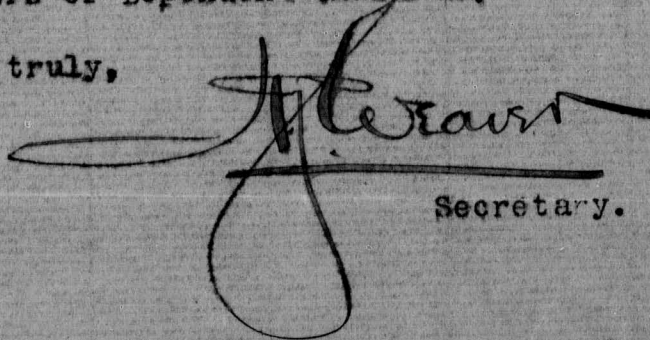
Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of President Croft, I enclose herewith synopsis of the proceedings of the Board for the week ending Jan. 30th, '97.

Please also note the enclosed copy of a letter to President Stewart of the State Board of Charities, giving certain data in regard to the work of the Examiners of Dependent Children.

Yours truly,

  
Secretary.



DAILY CENSUS AND DEATHS IN AIMS HOUSE DURING JANUARY--1896/

<u>Date</u>	<u>Daily census.</u>	<u>Daily deaths.</u>
1	2370	1
2	2374	1
3	2388	-
4	2395	2
5	2392	-
6	2398	3
7	2404	-
8	2420	1
9	2431	3
10	2441	1
11	2455	--
12	2454	-
13	2463	1
14	2455	1
15	2476	2
16	2496	1
17	2497	1
18	2506	1
19	2505	1
20	2521	-
21	2521	-
22	2527	-
23	2524	2
24	2528	1
25	2528	1
26	2524	3
27	2533	1
28	2534	-
29	2548	-
30	2564	2
31	2581	1
	76744.	31

Average 2476.

DAILY CENSUS, DAILY DEATHS, AND FLOOR BEDS IN ALMS HOUSE,  
during Month of January, 1897.

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<u>Date.</u>	<u>Daily Census.</u>	<u>Daily Deaths.</u>	<u>Floor Beds.</u>
1	2694	3	486
2	2691	1	483
3	2689	1	481
4	2695	1	487
5	2697	-	489
6	2705	1	497
7	2708	1	500
8	2712	--	504
9	2715	--	507
10	2713	3	505
11	2726	1	518
12	2725	1	517
13	2727	1	519
14	2731	3	523
15	2740	-	525
16	2741	1	525
17	2741	-	525
18	2743	1	525
19	2743	1	525
20	2744	1-	525
21	2743	2	525
22	2745	--	525
23	2748	1	525 <sup>2</sup>
24	2748	3	525
25	2752	-	525
26	2754	-	525
27	2754	3	525
28	2754	1	525
29	2755	2	525
30	2762	-	525
31.	2759	3	525
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Average 2731.



# RECAPITULATION.

Highest Census, January 1896.	2581
" " January 1897	<u>2732</u>
Increase 1897 over 1896	<u>181</u>
Amounting to increase of %	7013
Average Daily Census, January 1896.	2476
" " " January 1897.	<u>2731</u>
Increase, 1897 over 1896.	<u>255</u>
Amounting to increase of %	<u>1003</u>
Average Daily Hospital Census, January 1896.	4484
" " " " January 1897.	<u>468</u>
Decrease 1897.	<u>16</u>
Amounting to decrease of %	<u>3305</u>
Number of deaths, January 1896.	31
" " " January 1897.	<u>35</u>
Increase 1897 over 1896.	<u>4</u>
Amounting to increase of %	<u>103</u>

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Alms House.

New York, Feb. 1st, 1897.

Hon. Silas C. Croft,

President, Department of Public Charities.

Sir:)

I beg to hand (herewith enclosed) to your Honorable Board, Monthly Comparative Statement, comparing months of January, years 1896 and 1897.

The Recapitulation shows an increase of highest census of about 7%, and of average daily census 10%; this is quite a decrease in percentage of increase for preceding months, and is only explained by the close watch maintained, resulting in searching investigations in regards to dependence and resources of candidates for admission. I am now led to believe that in a short space of time, a decrease in census can be reported. Hospital census decreased 3%, notwithstanding increase in general census, and the death rate shows an increase of about 1%. At present 525 persons are sleeping upon the floors. The Institution is clean, the inmates contented, and the general condition of affairs show marked improvement over that of January, 1896.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) John W. Terry,

Superintendent.

(Enclosures.



# Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,

For the Week ending February 6th, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper) Case was resumed February 3d at 2.15 P.M. and adjourned at 4.10 P.M. until Saturday, February 6th at 1 o'clock, when at the request of Lawyer O'Neill it was adjourned again, this Board naming Wednesday, Feb. 10th at 10.30 A.M. for the next hearing.

The following proposals were accepted. The American Lumber Co. for Coffin boards, The Manhattan Supply Co. for Bandage Muslin, Richard F. Stack for Sole, Kip, Upper and Offal Leather.

Proposal of M. Halliday to remove old tin on stable roof over Ambulance section and retin and paint same for the sum of \$189. accepted

Proposal of Andrew Philp's Sons for repair work to Str. Brennan, for the sum of \$991.50, and the Proposal of the Trayer Electric Construction Co. for changing present transmitter to long distance style at City Hospital, for the sum of \$125. were both accepted.

On receipt of communication from the Correction Department that all Prisoners detailed to Charities Institutions will be clothed in regulation dress prescribed for Work House Prisoners, said Prisoners to be returned to the Work House for discharge, receiving their own clothing at that place,-the Secretary issued a circular letter to Heads of Institutions directing them to comply.

Heads of Institutions were also notified, at the suggestion of the General Inspector,- that all transferred patients must be accompanied with a certificate from the House Physician or Surgeon to the effect that a careful physical examination has been made, and no symptoms of contagion or infection are discernible.

Secretary was directed to notify the Superintendents of the City and Metropolitan Hospitals and Alms House with reference to discharged inmates, that the discharges must be made early in the day so as to permit ~~patients~~ for patients to secure quarters or get home.

Proposal of the Moeslein & Crane Ceiling Co. to furnish and put up a stamed steel ceiling in Room 4 of Bellevue Hospital for the sum of \$25. accepted.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates/ only) of the different institutions, for the week ending Feb'y 6th, '97.

Bellevue Hospital . . . . .	783	Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	50
Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	764	Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	518
Gouverneur " . . . . .	31	Randall's I. H. & School, . . . . .	519
Harlem " . . . . .	31	" " Idiot Asylum, . . . . .	464
Fordham, " . . . . .	26	R.I. Infants & Hospital, . . . . .	339
City " . . . . .	823	Lodging House for Home-	
Alms House, . . . . .	2368	less Men, . . . . .	177
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124		
Incurable Hospital, . . . . .	108		

For week ending Jan. 30th '97, 355 tons of coal delivered, representing 710 families.

For week ending Feb'y 6, 411 tons of coal were delivered representing 822 families.

Appointments, 17 Hospital Helpers, 2 Nurses; Resignations 2 Hospital Help Dismissals; 2 cooks, 12 Hospital Helpers, 1 Hospital Orderly, 1 Nurse.

R.I. Hospital & Schools,  
Number Inmates . . . 997  
" of deaths, 1  
Percentage of " . . . 100

R.I. Infant's Hospital.  
Number Inmates, . . . 246  
" of deaths, 10  
Percentage of deaths 3.90%





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*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

February 8th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. I. Strong,  
Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of the proceedings of the Board for the week ending Feb. 6th, 1897.

While the average census for the Lodging House for Homeless Men is 177, on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, the census averaged about 120, owing to the fact that the Salvation Army opened their head-quarters for lodgings. They closed their quarters on Thursday, and our census was 305 on Friday and 274 on Saturday.

Yours truly,

Secretary.

(Enc.)



Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities

For the Week ending Feb'y 13th, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper) Case was resumed Thursday, Feb'y 11th at 11 o'clock, adjourned at 4 P.M. until Saturday at 12 o'clock noon; again adjourned at 1 o'clock until Tuesday, Feb. 16th.

Bids were opened, Feb'y 9th, for West Lavatory Tower, Ventilating and Lavatory Tower, South, New Kitchen and Elevator and Sewer, City Hospital, Blackwell's Island, in the presence of the Commissioners and the Clerk from the Finance Department.

The Proposal of Baker, Smith & Co., (Jan. 26/97) for Boiler and Laundry House Plant, Plumbing, etc., at Bellevue Hospital, as per specifications, ~~at~~ for the sum of \$35,860.00 was accepted, the same being the lowest bid, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

The following Resolutions were adopted:-

WHEREAS: The result of the action of this Board, taken 28th of Sept. and 8th of Oct., 1896, in separating the "Medical care and supervision" of the "Randall's Island Hospital" from the "care and supervision" of the "Asylums and Schools" seems to prove the wisdom of the step so taken, and

WHEREAS: The fundamental differences, both as to aim and result, of these groups of institutions on Randall's Island, impress themselves more and more upon the judgment of this Board as the operations of each group are observed and studied, and

WHEREAS: The improvement in method already attained by such partial separation, suggests that a complete separation might prove to be a still further advantage to the development and advancement of this important branch of work of this Department; Therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the General Inspector be and he hereby is instructed to prepare a report to this Board as to the best plan for carrying into effect the ideas contained in the foregoing Preamble.

RESOLVED: That such plan shall include and cover the complete organization and equipment, under entirely separate administrations and maintenance, the institutions described in the first paragraph of the foregoing Preamble.

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WHEREAS: The following proceedings were passed by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 724 of the Laws of 1896, approving the plans and specifications submitted by the Commissioners of Public Charities and approved by John R. Thomas, Consulting Architect of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment,

RESOLVED: That the General Book-keeper and Auditor is hereby directed to advertise for the following work:--

Reception for Insane Pavilion, Bellevue Hospital,  
Extension to brick pavilion, A.B.C., Randall's Island.  
Addition to Harlem Hospital wagon house and stable.



Extension to Industrial School, Randall's Island;  
Two new Contagious Wards;  
Plan of subway and sewers:-

Providing the plans and specifications have been approved by the Architect and the Supervising Architect as well as the Counsel to the Corporation.

RESOLVED: That the Heads of Institutions be and are hereby instructed to endorse the monthly bills of the meat deliveries according to the daily receipts of the Dockmaster, which are delivered with the meats. If the deliveries do not agree with the memorandum received from the Dockmaster, the party so receiving the meat to notify the Dockmaster immediately and have the same rectified so that no error can occur when monthly bill is rendered, and that the daily receipts sent to the Requisition Clerk must correspond with the receipts received from the Dockmaster.

The Minutes of the Medical Board of Bellevue Hospital, held Feb. 1st, , and the Minutes of the Board of managers of Mills Training School held Feb'y d, were approved.

Proposal of Andrew Philp's Sons to remove three kettles and 3 strainers ,repair and place them back in position in kitchen of Metropolitan Hospital, for the sum of \$96. was accepted.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending Feb'y 13gh, 1897

Bellevue, Hospital . . . . .	765	Metropolitan Hosp. . . . .	488
Gouverneur Hospital, . . . . .	33	R. I. Hospital & Schools, . . .	514
Harlem Hospital, . . . . .	34	R. I. Idiot Asylum, . . . .	465
Fordham Hospital, . . . . .	26	R. I. Infant Hospital, . . . .	349
City Hospital, . . . . .	825	Lodging House for	
Alms House, . . . . .	2371	Homeless men, . . . . .	350
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124		
Incurable Hospital, . . . . .	109		

#### REPORT OF LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN for Week ending Feb. 12th.

Feb. 6th Inmates 299; Quartered on Dock 89.  
Feb. 7th, " 296 " " " 63 Sent to Court, 13  
Paupers sent to Mr. Blake 11, ad  
to Bellevue Hosp. 1.  
Feb. 8th, " 316, Quartered on Dock, 68. Sent to Bellevue 1.  
30~~4~~ men from Dock sent to Island to assist at Fire. 8 Men sent to  
Bellevue Hospital to work. 11 Men sent to Mr. Blake, 24 sent to Court.  
Feb. 9~~th~~th, Inmates 361. Sent to Mr. Blake 14. Sent to Court 21.  
Feb. 10~~th~~th, Inmates 322. Sent to Bellevue Hospital 1. Sent to Bellevue  
Hospital to work, 1. Sent to Mr. Blake, 21. Sent to Court 21  
Feb. 11~~th~~th. Inmates 308 , Sent to Bellevue Hospital-2.  
Feb. 12th, Inmates 326. Sent to Bellevue Hospital 2. Sent to Mr.  
Blake, 9; Sent to Court 12.



Report of death rate for week ending Feb. 12th;

R.I. Hospital & Schools

Number of Inmates . . . . 996  
" of Deaths, 3  
Percentage of deaths. .00.30%

Infants' Hospital

Number of Inmates, . . . . 270  
" of deaths, . . . . 5  
Percentage of Deaths, .. 1.85%

APPOINTMENTS

17 Hospital Helpers  
6 Pupil Nurses,  
2 Cooks,  
1 Nurse,  
1 Waitress,  
1 Wet Nurse  
2 Firemen.

DISMISSALS.

5 Hospital Orderlies.  
14 Hospital Helpers  
1 Nurse,  
1 Wet Nurse

RESIGNATIONS.

1 Fireman,  
1 Watchman,  
1 Ass't Nurse,  
3 Hospital Helpers.

735 1/2 tons of Coal were distributed among 1471 families.





Department of  
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*66 Third Avenue,*  
*New York,*

*Elas C. Croft, President.*  
*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Jas. R. O'Brien, "*  
*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

February 15th, 1897.

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

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of  
the proceedings of the Board for the week ending Feb. 7th, 1897.

Please also Yours truly, I am

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.  
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(Enc.)



Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,  
For the Week ending Feb'y 20th, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper) Case, was postponed until Tuesday, Feb 'y 23d, on account of illness.

The following Proposals were accepted, the same being the lowest bids, the Comptroller having approved of the sureties.

P. GALLAGHER, for Stone and Brick Addition to Boiler House, B. I., as per specifications, for the sum of \$16,127.00

JOHN F. JOHNSON, for Erecting Six, Two-Story Brick Pavilion, B. I., for the sum of \$155,667.00

Proposal of Geo. B. Brown for plumbing work in Alcoholic Ward, Bellevue Hospital, for the sum of \$561.00, accepted.

Proposal of M. Halliday for repairing leaks in roof gutters and leaders on the Laboratory, General Drug, Dept., for the sum of \$72.00, accepted.

The report submitted by the Commissioners of the Departments of Police, Fire and Public Charities appointed to look into the matter of Ambulance calls ~~summoned from different~~ summoning different Hospital Ambulances to large fires, disasters, explosions, etc., also rules for same, were approved, and copy sent to each of the Departments named.

The following amendment was made in rules governing autopsies at City, Metropolitan Hospitals and Alms House.-- "In cases where no relatives or friends are known, the Superintendent shall issue a permit to autopsy said deceased upon the written request signed by the Visiting Physician or Surgeon, under whose direction said deceased had been treated, stating that such autopsy is important to the service of the Hospital, excepting only such cases where deceased had requested that there be no autopsy held. "

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending Feb'y 20th.

Bellevue Hospital, . . . . .	794	Metropolitan Hospital, . . . . .	473
Gouverneur Hospital, . . . . .	34	R.I. Hospital & Schools, . . . . .	514
Harlem Hospital, . . . . .	38,	R.I. Idiot Asylum, . . . . .	467
Fordham Hospital, . . . . .	25,	R.I. Infants' Hospital, . . . . .	354
City Hospital, . . . . .	772	Lodging House for	
Alms House, . . . . .	2384	Homeless Men, . . . . .	253
Blind Asylum, . . . . .	124		
Incurable Hospital, . . . . .	109		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, week ending Feb'y 19th.

Feb'y 13th, Inmates, 354,	Sent to B. Hospital, 1.
" 14th, " 276,	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 1, Sent to Mr. Blake, 17
	Sent to Court, 14.
Feb. 15th, Inmates 194,	Sent to Hospital, 1, To Mr. Blake, 15, Court, 12.
" 16th " 264,	Sent to B. Hosp. 2; To Mr. Blake, 16, Court, 12
" 17th, " 220,	sent to B. Hosp. 6; to Mr. Blake, 16, Court, 11.
" 18th, " 237,	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 2, to Mr. Blake, 2, Court 10
" 19th, " 252.	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 4, To Mr. Blake 13, Court 13



Report of death Rate at Randall's Island Hospital & Schools,  
and Infants' Hospital, for the week ending February 19th, 1897.

R.I. HOSPITAL & SCHOOLS.

Number of Inmates, . . . . .	1002
" " Deaths, . . . . .	1,
Percentage of Deaths, . . . .	.00.10

INFANTS' HOSPITAL.

Number of Inmates, . . . .	284
" " Deaths, . . . .	10
Percentage of Deaths, . . .	.03.52

437 Tons of Coal were distributed, supplying 874 families.





Department of  
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*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

*New York,* Feb. 23d, 1897.

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

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your  
*Synopsis of*  
information, the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the  
week ending Feb'y 20th.

Yours truly,

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.



Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,  
For the Week ending Feb'y 27th, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper) Case resumed Thursday, the 24th, at 2 o'clock, and adjourned at 4 P.M. until the following week.

Weekly Reports from Heads of Institutions, filed.

Received from the Health Board, copy of resolutions approving the changes, alterations and additions in connection with the Erysipelas Pavilion, Isolated Pavilion, removal of the Morgue, etc.

The following Proposals accepted, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller:-

THOMAS DWYER, for New Kitchen, Elevator, etc. at City Hospital B.I., as per specifications, for \$19,619.00

JAS. O'TOOLE, for Sanitary Tower, City Hospital, B. I., as per specifications, for \$20,050.00

JAS. O'TOOLE, for Ventilating and Water Tower, South, City Hospital, as per specifications, for \$22,340.00.

MEYER, DENKER & HOERIG, for 500 tons of Coal, O.D.P., at \$4.41 per ton.

AMERICAN DOWN DRAFT BOILER CO., for American Down Draft Boiler, as per specifications, for the sum of \$1,266.50.

Proposal of the Trayer, Electric Construction Co. to furnish and erect one Weston Electric Motor, in ~~commux~~ combination with Electric Generator to be connected with Telephone Switchboard, for \$47. accepted.

Proposal of the Trayer Electric Construction Co. to keep in repair at Bellevue Hospital, and inspect semi-monthly, the Electrical Bell, Annunciator, Elevator and telephone System, for \$750. per year, payable in instalments of \$65. per month,- accepted

Proposal of Geo. I. Roberts & Bros. for alterations to Water System at City Hospital for the sum of \$750. accepted.

The following is the daily average census (inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending Feb'y 25th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	774	Metropolitan Hospital, . . .	476
Gouverneur "	32	R. I. Hospital & Schools, . .	502
Harlem Hospital,	32	R.I. Idiot Asylum, . . .	469
Fordham Hospital,	26,	R.I. Infants' Hospital, . .	348.
City Hospital,	751,	Lodging House for	
Alms House, . . .	2381	Homeless Men, . . . . .	297
Blind Asylum, . .	124		
Incurable Hospital,	109		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, week ending Feb. 25th.

Feb. 20th, Inmates,	358,	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 3.
Feb. 21st, "	347.	
Feb. 22d, "	364	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 2 4; to Mr. Blake, 33, sent to Court, 19.
Feb. 23d "	287.	Sent to Work at Bellevue 2, Sent to Mr. Blake, 4; to Court, 20.



Feb. 24th, Inmates 264, Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 3, to Mr. Blake, 13  
 Sent to Court, 14.  
 Feb. 25th, " 220; sent to Mr. Blake, 15; to Court, 12.  
 Feb. 26th, " 236; sent to Mr. Blake 11; to Court, 13

606 tons ~~xxxxxx~~ of Coal were distributed during the week, representing 1212 families.

Report of death Rate at Randall's Island Hospital & Schools, and Infants' Hospital, for the week ending Feb. 27th, 1897.

R. I. HOSPITAL & SCHOOLS.		INFANTS' HOSPITAL	
Number of Inmates	982	Number of Inmates,	248
" of deaths,	1,	" of deaths,	10
Percentage of Deaths,	0.01	Percentage of Deaths,	04.03

The following Appointments made for the week ending Feb. 27th.  
 Appointed:

15 Hospital Helpers, 11 Pupil Nurses, 1 Hospital Orderly  
 1 Laundress, 2 Head Nurses.

Resignations. 1 Night Officer, 3 Hospital Helpers, 3 Pupil Nurses,  
 1 Day Nurse, 1 Night Nurse, 1 Nurse, 1 Fireman, 1 Cook.

Dismissals: 2 Laundresses, 6 Hospital Helpers, 1 Matron.

Dismissed from Roll, 2 Pupil Nurses, 1 Nurse.





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*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

March 21st, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of  
the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending Feb'y  
27th, for your information.

Yours truly,

  
Secretary.



COPY.

# LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN.

REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 28th, 1897.

Lodgers, Male,	7154	N a t i v i t y.	(Males)
" Female	479		
	<u>7633</u>		
" Children	37	Natives,	3268
		Irish	1899
		German	1106
		English,	364
		Other Nations,	<u>517</u>
			7154
N a t i v i t y (Females)			
Natives	Irish	German, English	Other Nations.
146	265	32	17
			19
			<u>479</u>
			7633

## T i m e i n C i t y.

	5 days.	30 days.	6 mos.	1 yr.	5 yrs.	over 5 yrs.	City.	
Male	613	617	509	558	727	2148	1982	7154
Female	3	4	114	26	46	270	116	<u>479</u>
								7633

## A g e s .

	20 yrs.	30 yrs.	40 Yrs.	50 yrs.	over 50 yrs.	
Male	284	2872	2287	1155	556	7154
Female	4	92	117	126	140	<u>479</u>
						7633

Average Age, Male, 32  
 " " Female, 39 6/7

# LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN.

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## SPECIFICATION OF REFERENCES AND INVESTIGATIONS.

Total Investigated.	Previously Investigated	Good References	False Ref.	Adverse Ref.	Pending Cases	No Ref.
4305	1401	1069.	1752	66	17	3328

Average Investigations per day per man 26 1/2

Sent to Central Office, Male,	240
" " " Female,	<u>34</u>
	274

Sent to Court, Male,	322
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Sent to Bellevue Hospital, Male,	28
" " " Female,	<u>4</u>
	32

Sent to work at Bellevue Hospital, Male	11
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Found Employment for Male,	6
" " Female,	<u>2</u>
	8



*Alms House, B. L.*

RECAPITULATION.

Highest Census, February 1896. - - - - - 2829.

" " " 1897. - - - - - 2747

Decrease 1897. - - - - - 82.

Amounting to decrease of % - - - 2.90

Average census, February 1896, - - - - - 2675

" " " 1897. - - - - - 2734

Increase.-1897 - - - - - 59

Amounting to increase, % - - - 2 1/5

Number of deaths, February, 1896. - - - - - 39

" " " " 1897. - - - - - 33.

Decrease, 1897. - - - - - 6.

Amounting to decrease, % - - - - - 1538

Average Hospital census, Feb. 1896. - - - - - 503.

" " " " 1897. - - - - - 469

Decrease.- 1897. - - - - - 34

Amounting to decrease, % - - - - - 5.76

Average daily Work House Gang. - - - - - 91.

Daily Census, Daily Deaths, and Floor beds in Alms House, B. I.  
during month of February 1896.

Date.	Daily Census.	Daily Deaths.	Floor beds.
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1	2596	1	522
2	2596	2	522
3	2591	3	522
4	2595	1	522
5	2594	4	522
6	2591	4	522
7	2610	-	522
8	2615	-	522
9	2613	2	522
10	2614	1	522
11	2623	2	522
12	2621	1	522
13	2632	2	522
14	2650	-	522
15	2654	1	522
16	2652	2	522
17	2676	-	522
18	2691	3	522
19	2707	1	522
20	2719	-	522
21	2746	-	522
22	2735	-	522
23	2733	3	522
24	2737	1	522
25	2752	-	522
26	2790	1	522
27	2820	2	522
28	2809	1	522
29	2829	2.	522
	77591.	39	

Average 2675.



Daily Census, Daily deaths and Floor beds in the Alms House  
during month of February 1897.

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Date.	Daily Census.	Daily deaths.	Floor beds.
1	2745	1	511
2	2738	2	504
3	2738	3	518
4	2742	1	521
5	2734	1	528
6	2737	2	525
7	2726	-	527
8	2713	3	527
9	2719	2	530
10	2725	-	531
11	2730	1	532
12	2723	1	525
13	2730	-	532
14	2730	-	532
15	2733	2	535
16	2742	1	537
17	2743	1	537
18	2747	2	537
19	2747	1	537
20	2742	2	537
21	2741	2	537
22	2732	2	537
23	2727	-	537
24	2728	-	537
25	2732	2	537
26	2734	-	537
27	2736	1	537
28	2735	-	537
	76548.	33	

Average 2734.



New York, March 3rd, 1897.

**WHEREAS:-**

The Commissioners of Public Charities have learned with deep regret of the death of Mr. William Blake, who has been connected with this Department for the past 28 years, and

**WHEREAS:-**

By well-deserved promotion, Mr. Blake became the Head of the Bureau of Out Door Poor in 1879, and has therefore given 18 years of intelligent, devoted and kindly service to many scores of thousands of the poor of this City, and

**WHEREAS:-**

This service has been rendered on the part of Mr. Blake in a manner that has made him famous, not only in this City, but throughout the entire country for wonderful memory of names and faces, for great readiness and accuracy in reading the human character, for great discernment in promptly arriving at the conclusions best fitted to relieve the human distress placed before him, for keen and yet tender sympathy with the varied phases of suffering that passed - panorama-like before him from day to day during the many years of his administration of this highly important bureau of this Department, and

**WHEREAS:-**

It is known unofficially to those who have had opportunity to observe, that Mr. Blake's hand and purse made private response to many cases that appealed to his inner nature in excess of the relief he was able to arrange for as an official, and that this trait of his character was practiced to an extent that prevented an accumulation of means that his personal habits of frugality and many years of active business and official life would have produced in the case of one of less tender sympathies,;therefore be it



**RESOLVED:-**

That this Board hereby unanimously places on record its deep sense of the great loss that the Department has sustained in the death of Mr. Blake.

**RESOLVED:-**

That, as a mark of respect to his memory, all the flags throughout the Department shall be displayed at half mast until after the day of his funeral.

**RESOLVED:-**

That the employees of the Central Office and of the Department so far as consistent with its best service, have permission to attend the funeral services.

**RESOLVED:-**

That copies of the foregoing preamble and resolutions be given to the Press of this City and to the family of the deceased, and that this action of the Board be entered in full on the records of this Department.



Synopsis of Proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,  
For the Week ending March 6th, 1897.

Weekly Reports from Heads of Institutions, filed.

Letter received from the Police Department enclosing copy of General Order No. 351, promulgating to the police force the rules and regulations approved by the Honorable Commissioners Grant, Sturgis & Faura, relating to and governing the Ambulance Service in cases of emergency calls. Copy was sent to Supt. Murphy of Bellevue Hospital and dependencies.

The following Proposals were accepted.

Troy Laundry Co. E'td for repairing Washing Machine for the sum of \$32.00.

Hull, Grippen & Co., to furnish and erect New Range and Water Boiler in Steamboat Kitchen for the sum of \$72.00.

Gao. I. Roberts & Bros., for erecting two additional fans, also providing guards for all of the fans in Lodging House for Homeless Men, for the sum of \$260.00.

Proposal of Jordis & Holl for putting up fire escapes for the sum of \$220.00.

The Kny Scheerer Co. for furnishing and erecting one Kny - Sprague Disinfecting Oven for the sum of \$75.00.

The Minutes of the Meeting of Medical Board held Feb. 23d, of the Harlem Hospital, approved; and of City Hospital Medical Board held March 2d, approved.

On February 22d, '97, the Infants' Hospital on Randall's Island was separated entirely from all jurisdiction of the Superintendent of the Randall's Island Hospital & Schools, and the title of the latter was changed to "Asylum and Schools."

Minutes of Meeting of Medical Board of R. I. Infants' Hospital, held March 2d, approved, and the recommendation that a special milk house be provided was referred to the General Inspector.

The following is the daily average census (inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending March 6th, '97.

Bellevue Hospital,	765.	Metropolitan Hospital, . . .	482
Gouverneur	" 30	R. I. Asylum & Schools,	498
Harlem	" 25	R. I. Idiot Asylum,	471
Fordham	" 25	R. I. Infants' Hospital,	347
City	" 694	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2390	Homeless Men,	204
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	109		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for week ending March 6th, '97.

Feb. 27th, Inmates.	356.	Sent to Hospital	1.
Feb. 28th,	" 247.	Sent to Hospital,	4; to Mr. Blake, 8, Court, 11.
Mar. 1st,	" 124	Sent to Mr. Blake, 9; to Court 12. to Alms House . . 1.	
Mar. 2d.	" 143;	Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 1; to Court 3;	
		Sent to Mr. Blake for Disposition 5.	
Mar. 3d.	" 145;	Sent to Central Office 10. to Court 9.	



Mch. 4th, Inmates 157; Sent to Central Office 8, to Court 12.  
Mch. 5th; " 165.

Number of Tons ~~size~~ of Coal distributed, 15, representing 30 families.

Death Rate on Randall's Island for week ending March 5th.

R. I. Asylums & Schools.

Number of Inmates, 993  
" of Deaths, 22,  
Percentage of Deaths, 00.2

R. I. Infants' Hospital.

Number of Inmates, 261  
" of Deaths 22,  
Percentage of deaths 8.43%

The following appointments were made.

1 Cook, 1 Acting Superintendent, 18 Hospital Helpers,  
1 Head Nurse, 1 Night Nurse, 1 Scrubber, 1 Pupit Nurse, 1 Nurse,  
2 Assistant Nurses, 1 Hospital Orderly reappointed, 1 Dairyman,  
2 Hospital Orderlies, 1 Fireman.

Resignations:

1 Head Nurse, 1 Scrubber, 1 Hospital Orderly, 2 Nurses.

Dismissed. 1 Cook, 12 Hospital Helpers, 1 Fireman, 1 Nurse,  
1 Hospital Orderly.





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*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Jas. R. C. Beirne, "*  
*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

March 8th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong, Mayor,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed I hand you, by direction of the Board, copy of synopsis of the Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending March 6th, and also beg to enclose copy of report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for the month of February; and a recapitulation of census, deaths, beds and accommodations at the Alms House for the same month.

For your information I enclose copy of resolution passed by this Board on the occasion of the death of our late Superintendent of the Out Door Poor, Mr. William Blake.

Yours respectfully,

Secretary.



Synopsis of proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities,  
For the Week ending March 14th, 1897.

Weekly Reports from Heads of Institutions, filed.

The White (Morgue Keeper) Trial resumed at 2 P.M. Monday, March 8th, and adjourned at 3 P.M. until Monday March 15th at 1 P.M.

The following Proposals were accepted, being the lowest bids, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.-

P. GALLAGHER, for Central Kitchen, Laundry and Dormitory Building, B. I., Alms House Division, as per specification, for \$31.924

MURPHY BROS. for Boiler House, Laundry, etc., at Bellevue Hospital, as per specifications, for . . . . . \$35,881.00.

P. GALLAGHER, for Alterations of two Buildings at Blackwell's Island, Alms House Division, as per specification for \$76,990.

P. J. Byrnes for Extension to Industrial School Building on Randall's Island, as per specification, for \$ 1,400.00

P. J. BYRNES for Building two Frame Quarantine Pavilions for use as Contagious Wards, Randall's Island, as per specification for, \$2,190.00

Proposal, of Andrew Philp's Sons to put soft patch on Boiler in Str. Thos. B. Brennan and supply 3 3/4 inch. pat. fussible plugs for the sum of \$88.75, accepted.

Proposal of John J. Keegan to furnish all the necessary labor, timber, etc. to remove the Morgue from present site to point specified, for the sum of \$830.00, accepted.

Letter of condolence and eulogy upon the death of the late Superintendent of Out Door Poor, Mr. William Blake, was received from the N. Y. Catholic Protectory under date of March 9th, and it was ordered spr ad in full upon the minutes.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending March 13th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	793,	Metropolitan Hospital,	445
Gouverneur "	32	R. I. Asylums & Schools,	490
Harlem "	33,	R. I. Idiot Asylum,	472
Fordham "	28	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	340
City "	679	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2390	Homeless Men,	202
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	109		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for Week ending Mch. 13th, '97.



Mch. 12th, Inmates 362, sent to Bellevue Hospital, 3.  
 Mch. 7th, Inmates, 207, Sent to Central Office, 1, to Court, 9.  
 Mch. 8th, " 196; Sent to Central Office, 14, to Court, 12  
 Mch. 9th, " 176, Sent to Central Office, 17, to Court, 8.  
 Mch. 10th, " 155; Sent to Bellevue Hospital 5, to Court, 4,  
 sent to Central Office, 2 & 3.  
 Mch. 11th, " 145; sent to Central Office, 18; sent to Bellevue  
 Hospital, 9; to Court 7.  
 Mch. 12th, " 173, Sent to Bellevue Hospital 6, to Central  
 Office, 12, to Court, 5, to Alms House, 2.

Death Rate on Randall's Island for week ending Mch 12th.

R. I. Asylums & Schools,

Number of Inmates , 977  
 Number of Deaths, 1  
 Percentage of Deaths, 00.1.

R. I. Infants' Hospital.

Number of Inmates , 269  
 Number of Deaths, 19  
 Percentage of Deaths 7.06%

Appointments;

5 Pupil Nurses, 20 Hospital Helpers, 1 Kitchen Girl,  
 1 Laundress, 1 Ass't Cook, 1 Firmena,, 1 Ambulance Driver,  
 2 Ass't Nurses, 1 Hospital Orderly, 3 nurses, 1 Ass't Dairy-  
 man, 1 Night Watchman.

Resignations:

1 Clerk, 2 Pupil, Nurses, 2 Hospital Helpe rs .

Dismissals:

17 Hospital Helpers, 1 Cook, 1 Ass't Cook.





Department of  
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March 15th 1897.

*Lilas C. Croft, President.*  
*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Jas. R. O'Beirne, "*

H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your information, synopsis of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending March 13th .

Yours respectfully,

*H. G. Weaver*  
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SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,  
FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 20th, 1897.

The White (Morgue Keeper) Trial resumed Monday, Mch. 15th, at 2 o'clock and adjourned at 3 P.M.

The Proposal of SCHEIDECKER & GONDER for Three Story and Cellar, Stone and Brick Extension to Pavilion A.B.C., Randall's Island, as per specifications for \$28,799.00, accepted, the same being the lowest bidder, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

The following Proposals were accepted:

Trayer Electric Construction to keep in repair the Interior Telephone System at Central Office, Gouverneur, Harlem and Fordham Hospitals, making semi-monthly inspection, for the sum of \$300. per annum, paid in monthly installments of \$25.

Philp's Sins for repairs to engine and boiler on Str. Wickham, for the sum of \$762.

Duparquet, Huot & Moneuse Co. for removing and resetting range in cook house, City Hospital, for the sum of \$30.

The Minutes of the Medical Board of Metropolitan Hospital held March 4th, approved and filed.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending March 20th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	770	Metropolitan Hospital,	443
Gouverneur "	32	R.I. Asylums & Schools,	479
Harlem "	36	R.I. Idiot Asylum,	472
Fordham "	25	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	333
City "	681	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2373	Homeless Men,	216
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	109		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, for Week ending Mch. 20th, '97.

Mch. 13th, Inmates, 347.

Mch. 14th, " 213; Sent to Central Office, 10; to Court, 6.

Mch 15th, " 165; Sent to Bellevue Hospital, 4; to Central Office, 14; to Court, 7.

Mch. 16th, " 223; Sent to Bellevue Hosp. 4; sent to work at Bellevue 7; Sent to Central Office, 13, to Court 4.

Mch. 17th, " 176; sent to Bellevue Hosp. 3; to Central Office, 10, to Court 5; to Alms House, 1.

Mch. 18th, " 203; sent to Central Office, 13; to Bellevue Hosp. 2; to work at Bellevue, 5; to Court, 2.

Mch. 19th, " 186; sent to Central Office, 10; to Bellevue Hospital, 1; to Court, 5; to Dispensary 3.



Death Rate on Randall's Island Institutions for the week ending  
March 20th, 1897.

R. I. Asylums & Schools.

Number of Inmates	957.
" of Deaths,	1. 1
Percentage of Deaths	00.1

R. I. Infants' Hospitals.

Number of Inmates,	255
" " Deaths ,	24
Percentage of deaths,	9.40%

Appointemtns:

13 Hospital Helpers, 1 Interpreter, 2 Pupil Nurses, 1 Nurse,  
1 Head Night Nurse, 1 Ass't Nurse, 4 Wet Nurses, 1 Hospital Orderly

Resignations:

5 Hospital Helpers, 1 Skilled Helper, 1 Head Nurse,  
1 Head Night Nurse, 1 Senior Nurse, 1 Junior Nurse, 3 Nurses,  
1 Ass't Cook, 1 Ass't Nurse, 1 Wet Nurse.

Dismissals.

9 Hospital Helpers, 1 Ass't Cook, 3 Wet Nurses.



Department of  
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*Commissioners Office,*  
*66 Third Avenue,*  
*New York,*

*Isaac C. Croft, President.*  
*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Geo. B. O'Brien, "*

H. G. WEAVER, Secretary.

March 22d, 1897.

SECRETARY.

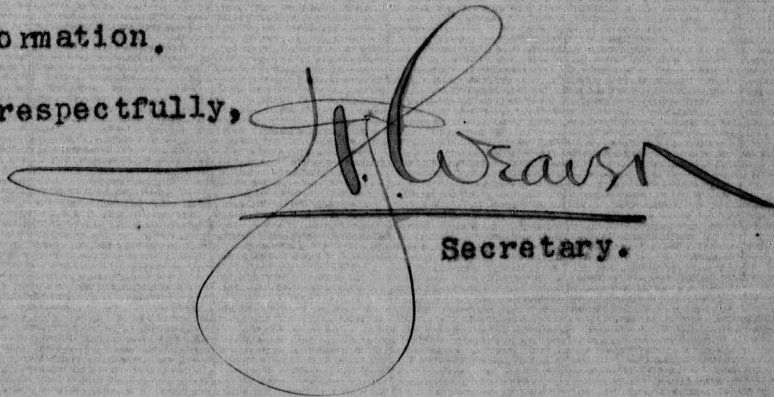
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of  
the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending  
March 20th,- for your information.

Yours respectfully,

  
Secretary.



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending March 27th, 1897.

Proposals were accepted for Dry Goods, Curled Hair, Spool Cotton, Straw Hats, etc. from Robt. C. Ogden, Lord & Taylor, Baeder, Adamson & Co., E. E. Evans, David Cohn, Robt. Ferguson, Fred Bippert and M. A. Mayer, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

The proposals of Duparquet, Huot & Moneuse Co. to furnish Cooking Range and remove old range in present kitchen and reset in Laundry, Alms House, B.I., for the sum of \$80,- and to furnish and put up range in Doctor's Kitchen, Infants Hospital, for the sum of \$70., and repairing range in Infants' Hospital, for \$32. were accepted.

Proposal of M. Halliday to repair roof, retinning and painting same, for the sum of \$947., accepted.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending March 27th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	760.	Metropolitan Hospital,	451
Gouverneur "	33,	R.I. Asylums & Schools,	470
Harlem, "	41,	R.I. Idiot Asylum,	471,
Fordham "	23, 23	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	308
City "	674	Lodging House	
Alms House,	2348	For Homeless Men.	190
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	109		

## Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for Week ending Mch. 26th.

Mch. 20th, Inmates,	362,	
Mch. 21st, "	155,	sent to Central Office, 11; to court 13; to Bellevue Hospital 2.
Mch 22d, "	140;	sent to Central Office, 10; to Court 7; to Bellevue Hospital, 2; to work Bellevue, 6.
Mch. 23d, "	133;	sent to Central Office, 12; to Court, 4; to Bellevue Hospital 4.
Mch. 24th, "	170;	Sent to Central Office, 14; to court 5.
Mch. 25th, "	205;	sent to Central Office, 1; to court 7; to Bellevue Hospital, 1.
Mch. 26th, "	161;	Sent to Central Office, 15; to court 8, to Bellevue Hospital, 2.

## Death Rate on Randall's Island, for week ending Mch. 27th.

R. I. Asylums & Schools.		R. I. Infants' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	945	Number of Inmates,	242
" of Deaths,	1,	" " Deaths,	23
Percentage of Deaths,	00.1,	Percentage of Deaths,	9.50%

Appointemtns; 1 Fireman, 14 Hospital Helpers, 1 Hospital Orderly,



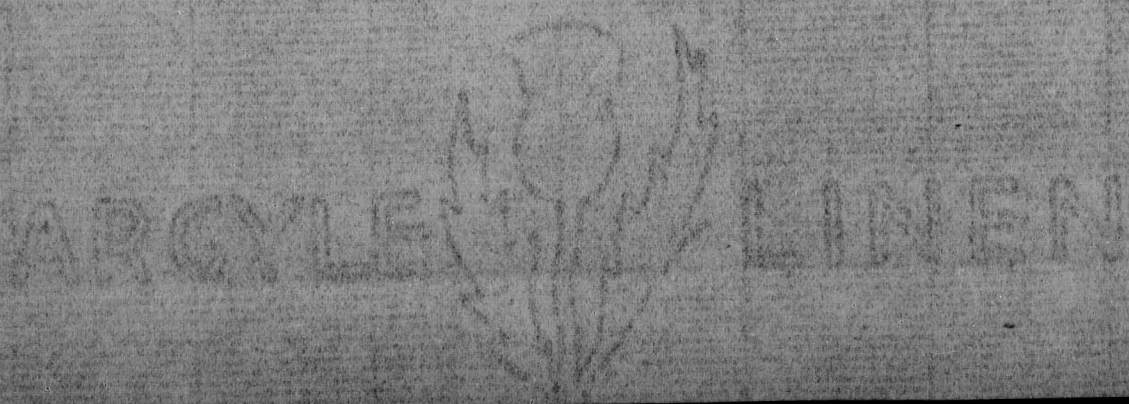
Appointments; 1 Cook, 4 Nurses, 2 As't Nurses, 1 Seamstress.

Resignations:

5 Hospital Helpers, 1 Assistant Nurse, 1 Wet Nurse,  
1 Hospital Orderly.

Dismissals:-

8 Hospital Helpers, 1 Cook.





# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending April 3d, 1897.

Hearing in the White (Morgue Keeper) Trial was resumed Thursday, April 1st, at 2 o'clock and adjourned at 5.30 P. M.

Proposals were accepted for Dry Goods from the following firms;- The Manhattan Supply Co., Bloomingdale Bros., Geo A. Trull, and Peter J. McIntyre, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

In regard to supplying drugs to the Department of Correction, Dr. Rice's suggestion - that all medical and surgical supplies furnished by this Department upon requisition from the Department of Correction, shall be charged to said Department at the same wholesale prices as are charged to the Institutions of Public Charities, the value of the same to be replaced by the Department of Correction from time to time by the purchase of supplies of an equivalent value, and so far as possible, at wholesale rates, -was approved.

Proposal of Geo. I. Roberts & Bros. to change the 2 1/2 in. water lines in attic of main tower, City Hospital, for \$115. accepted.

Proposal of the Trayer Electric Construction Co. to furnish and instal a complete Interior Telephone System for the sum of \$875.00 accepted.

The following is the daily average census, (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending April 3d, '97.

BELLEVUE Hospital,	783	Metropolitan Hospital,	440
Gouverneur "	34	R. I. Asylums	
Harlem "	38	and Schools,	426
Fordham "	22	R.I. Idiot Asylum,	471
City "	674,	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	304
Alms House,	2333	Lodging House for	
Blind Asylum,	124	Homeless Men,	182
Incurable Hospital,	109		

## Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, for week ending Apr. 2d.

March 27th, Inmates. 351.  
 Mch. 28, Inmates, 170; Sent to Court 3  
 Mch. 29, " 178; Sent to Central Office, 4, to Court 8, to Bellevue Hospital, 4.  
 Mch. 30th, " 150; Sent to Court, 7; to Central Office, 2.  
 Mch. 31st, " 148; Sent to Central Office 3; to Court 5; to Bellevue Hospital, 1; to Alms House 1.  
 Apr. 1st, " 153; sent to Central Office, 5; to Bellevue Hospital, 4; to Court 5.  
 Apr. 2d, " 125; sent to Central Office 6; to Bellevue Hospital 1, to work at Bellevue, 2.



Report of Death Rate on Randall's Island, For week ending 2d

R. I. Asylums & Schools

Number of Inmates, 934  
Number of Deaths, 2,  
Percentage of Deaths, 00.21

R.I. Infants' Hospital.

Number of Inmates, 231  
Number of Deaths, 23,  
Percentage of Deaths, 9.96%

For Week ending April 3d, '97.

Appointments,

1 Clerk, 1 Waitress, 1 Chambermaid, 1 Personal Domestic,  
1 Head nurse, 8 Hospital Helpers.

Resignations;

1 Chambermaid, 1 Personal Domestic, 2 Nurses, 3 wet nurses,  
4 Hospital Helpers, 1 Ass't Engineer.

Dismissals,

1 Waitress, 1 Cook, 6 Hospital Helpers.





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*66 Third Avenue,*

*Edw. C. Croft, President.*  
*John P. Faure, Commissioner.*  
*Jas. R. C. Beirne, "*  
*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

*New York,* April 5th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong, M

Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith synopsis of  
the proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities for the week  
ending April 3d, for your information.

Yours respectfully,

(Enclosure. )

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.

Please attach the enclosed to letter enclosing the synopsis  
of proceedings of the Commissioners of Public Charities for week,  
ending April 3d.

Yours truly  
J. G. McLaughlin  
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Daily Census, Deaths and Floor Beds in Alms House, during month of March 1897.

Date	Daily Census	Daily Deaths	Floor Beds.
1	2736	1	280
2	2737	-	280
3	2738	2	280
4	2841	1	280
5	2740	-	280
6	2703	3	280
7	2749	5	280
8	2740	1	280
9	2741	2	280
10	2733	2	280
11	2730	1	280
12	2733	1	280
13	2729	-	280
14	2729	-	280
15	2727	2	280
16	2718	1	280
17	2719	1	280
18	2712	2	280
19	2714	1	280
20	2716	1	280
21	2713	1	280
22	2708	1	280
23	2702	-	280
24	2696	-	280
25	2703	-	280
26	2703	1	280
27	2709	1	280
28	2707	2	280
29	2699	3	280
30	2679	2	280
31	2663	-	280
	<u>84383</u>	<u>30</u>	

Average census 2720

Daily Census, Deaths and Floor Beds in Alms House, during month of  
March, 1896.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Daily Census</u>	<u>Daily Deaths</u>	<u>Floor Beds.</u>
1	2826	2	506
2	2819	-	506
3	2817	1	506
4	2846	-	506
5	2871	3	506
6	2882	2	506
7	2884	1	506
8	2881	1	506
9	2848	1	506
10	2847	1	506
11	2848	7	506
12	2870	1	506
13	2887	1	506
14	2913	1	506
15	2909	1	506
16	2880	3	506
17	2885	1	506
18	2880	3	506
19	2844	1	506
20	2854	1	506
21	2842	2	506
22	2888	-	506
23	2844	0	506
24	2848	-	506
25	2842	4	506
26	2838	3	506
27	2840	3	506
28	2858	3	506
29	2881	3	506
30	2908	2	506
31	2881	1	506
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	28922	50	506

Average census 2905.



# Recapitulation.

Highest census, March 1896	2962
" " 1897	<u>2753</u>
Decrease, 1897	209
Amounting to decrease of %	7.06
Average census, March, 1896,	2903
" " 1897,	<u>2720</u>
Decrease, 1897,	183
Amounting to decrease of %	.63
Number of deaths, March 1896,	50
" " 1897,	<u>26</u>
Decrease, 1897	24
Amounting to decrease of %	.42
Average Hospital Census March 1896, 523	
" " " " 1897, 463	
Decrease, 1897	60
Amounting to decrease of %	9.75
Average daily W. H. Gang,	22.

# QUARTERLY REPORT FROM LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN

for Quarter ending March 31st, 1897.

January,	Total number of Lodgers, male,	7871	
"	" " " " female,	302	
	Hospital cases, male,	38	8211
February,	Total number of lodgers, male,	7184	
"	" " " " female,	479	
"	" " " " children,	37	7670.
March,	Total number of Lodgers, male,	8441	
"	" " " " female,	388	
"	" " " " children,	34	6070
	Grand total,		21981.

## NATIVITIES.

	Natives,	Irish,	German,	English,	Other nations,
Males	9634	8768	2842	1020	1403
Females	480	808	88	57	44

## TIME IN CITY.

	5 das.	30 das.	6 mos.	1 yr.	5 yrs.	over 5 yrs.	City.
Males,	1808	1603	1730	1076	2823	5817	5961
Females,	9	13	38	80	119	601	449

## AVERAGE OF AGES.

	20 yrs.	30 yrs.	40 yrs.	50 yrs.	over 50 yrs.
Males	755	7067	3884	2144	6382
Females	9	380	283	193	571



**Classified statement of applicants' declaration of  
former residence.**

	<b>Lodging House,</b>	<b>Boarding House,</b>	<b>Own Home.</b>
<b>Males,</b>	<b>12460</b>	<b>6897</b>	<b>1147</b>
<b>Females,</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>391</b>

**Specification of References and Investigations.**

<b>Total Investi- gations.</b>	<b>Previously Investigated.</b>	<b>Good Refer- ences.</b>	<b>False Refer- ences.</b>	<b>Adverse Refer- ences.</b>	<b>Pending cases.</b>	<b>No refer- ences.</b>
<b>12033</b>	<b>3102</b>	<b>4596</b>	<b>5806</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>8911</b>

<b>Sent to Central Office</b>	<b>Males,</b>	<b>808</b>	
" " " "	<b>Females,</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>861</b>
" " <b>Court,</b>	<b>Males,</b>	<b>775</b>	
" " "	<b>Females,</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>769</b>
" " <b>B. Hospital,</b>	<b>Males,</b>	<b>118</b>	
" " "	<b>Females,</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>148</b>
" " <b>Work</b>	<b>Males,</b>	<b>69</b>	
" " " "	<b>Females,</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Found employment for</b>	<b>Males</b>	<b>28</b>	
" " "	<b>Females</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>37</b>



Report from Lodging House for Homeless Men for month  
ending March 31st, 1897.

Male Lodgers,	5441	<u>Nativities.</u>	
Female Lodgers,	595		
Children Lodgers,	34		
Grand Total,-	6070.		
		Males	Females
		U. S.	174
		Irish,	303
		German,	53
		English,	40
		Other nations,	25
		5441.	595.

Classification of Ages.

	20 yrs.	30 yrs.	40 yrs.	50 yrs.	over 50 yrs.	
Males	288	2082	1699	889	513 (-	5441
Females	5	140	134	163	153 (-	595 6036
Average age, males, 33 1/2				Average age, females, 40 1/2		

Time in City.

	5 das.	30 das.	6 mos.	1 yr.	5 yrs.	over 5 yrs.	City	
Males	653	465	448	209	713	1419	1534	5441
Females	5	9	21	24	383	331	131	595 6036

Classified statement of applicants' declaration of former residence.

Lodging House, Boarding House, Own House

Males	3201	2007	233	5441	
Females	152	209	154	595	6036

Specifications of references and investigations.

Total investi.	Previously investigated	good refer.	false refer.	adverse refer.	Pending Cases	Non residents.
2995						2446
311	967	968	1324	21	26	284
						Total,-6036

Sent to Central Office,	Males,	247		
	Females,	24	271	
Sent to Court,	males,	171		Found employment for males,- 17
	females,	14	186	
Sent to Bellevue Hospital,	males,	46		Found employment for females,- 7
	females	29	75	24
Sent to work at B. Hospital	males	25		
	females	7	32	Average investigations per day, per man, ---34.



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New York, April 9, 1897.

H. G. Weaver, Esq.,

Secretary etc.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt by the Society of your communication of the 8th inst., enclosing a letter to the Mayor forwarded by His Honor to your Department, in relation to the alleged ill treatment of a son of Julius Seidemann in the N. Y. Juvenile Asylum, and to assure you that the same will receive immediate consideration.

Thanking you for calling the attention of the Society to the matter,

I have the honor to remain,

with great respect,

(Signed) Elbridge T. Gerry,

President etc.



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending April 10th, 1897.

Resolution was passed with reference to having the Department represented by the Str. Fidelity with proper representation from the different Institutions on board, in the fleet of vessels participating in the Grant Memorial Exercises on April 27th.

The Minutes of Meetings of the following Medical Boards were approved: Bellevue Hospital Medical Board, held April 4th, Fordham Hospital Medical Board held April ~~1st~~ 3d, City Hospital Medical Board, held Apr. 1st, and Randall's Island Medical Board, held April 6th.

Proposal of Jas. R. Floyd & Sons to perform extra work on Gas House, Randall's Island, to cost \$14.90, accepted.

The following is the daily average census, (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending April 10th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	805,	Metropolitan Hospital,	409
Gouverneur "	33,	R. I. Asylums & Schools,	318
Harlem "	39,	R. I. Idiot Asylum,	469,
Fordham "	25,	R. I. Infants' Hospital,	423,
City "	675,	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2296	Homeless Men,	179
Blind Asylum	124		
Incurable Hospital,	108		

Report of Lodging House For Homeless Men, for Week ending Apr. 10th,

Apr. 3d, Inmates,	338
Apr. 4th, "	217; sent to Bellevue Hospital, 7; to Central Office, 2; to Court, 14.
Apr. 5th, "	119; sent to Bellevue Hospital, 4; sent to work Bellevue, 10; sent to Central Office, 6, sent to Court, 10.
Apr. 6th, "	139; sent to Bellevue 4; sent to Court 2
Apr. 7th "	132 Sent to Central Office 2; to Alms House, 1; to Court 5.
Apr. 8th, "	137; sent to Central Office 2; to Bellevue Hospital 8; to Court 8.
Apr. 9th, "	180; sent to Bellevue Hospital 6; to Central Office 2; to work at Central Office 2. sent to Court 6

Report of Death Rate on Randall's Island, week ending Apr. 10th, 97

R. I. Asylums & Schools.		R. I. Infants' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	725.	Number of Inmates	215.
" of Deaths	1	" of Deaths	15
Percentage of Deaths,	00.127	Percentage of Deaths,	6.98%



Week ending April 10th, 1897.

**Appointments,**

1 Assistant Engineer, 2 Nurses, 1 Assistant Cook,  
1 Assistant Nurse.

**Resignations:**

2 Helpers; 1 Hospital Orderly; 1 Fireman; 1 Nurse,  
1 Wet Nurse.

**Dismissals:**

10 Helpers; 1 Nurse.



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending April 17th, '97.

Proposal of Norton & Dalton for Excavating Subways and Sewers, and Steam Piping, Blackwell's Island, as per specification, for the sum of \$12,000., accepted, the same being the lowest bid, the sureties having been approved by the Comptroller.

Minutes of Meetings of the following Medical Boards, were approved. Of Harlem Hospital, held April 7th; Gouverneur Hospital, held April 3d; Metropolitan Hospital, held April 1/97.

The following Proposals were accepted:-

Of Andrew Philp's Sons for repairs to Boiler of Str. Fidelity, to cost \$69.50.

Geo. Young for repairing all brown stone and pointing up gray stone on front of Bellevue Hospital, to cost \$993.

Geo. B. Brown for labor and material necessary to clear main sewer at Lodging House for Homeless Men, to cost \$14.

M. Halliday to repair roofs at Harlem Hospital to cost \$103.

Geo. B. Brown for alteration and repairs to plumbing work in Training School of Metropolitan Hospital to cost \$95.

Geo. B. Brown to extend sewer at upper end of Randall's Island for the sum of \$105.

Proposal of Murphy Bros. to furnish necessary implements and labor to move building known as the Clothes House, at Bellevue Hospital, from its present site to site shown, for the sum of \$650.00.

H. W. Johns Man'f'g Co. to furnish and apply their Non Conducting Coverings to the surfaces indicated on Hot Water Tank at Bellevue Hospital, to cost \$27.50.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending April 17th.

Bellevue Hospital,	794	Metropolitan Hospital,	419
Gouverneur, "	36,	E.I. Asylums & Schools,	307
Harlem "	43,	R.I. Idiot Asylum	466
Fordham "	26,	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	427
City Hospital,	653,	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2249	Homeless Men?	159
Blind Asylum,	124,		
Incurable Hospital,	108		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, for Week ending Apr. 17th.

Apr. 10th,	Inmates	313,	Sent to Bellevue Hosp.	17	.
Apr. 11th,	Inmates,	148;	Sent to Central Office,	4,	to Court 7,
			Bellevue Hospital,	4.	
Apr. 12th,	Inmates,	120;	Sent to Court 3;	to Bellevue;	2.
Apr. 13th,	"	127;	Sent to Court 7;	to Bellevue Hosp.	2
			to work at Bellevue,	1;	to Alms House, 1.
Apr. 14th,	"	112;	Sent to Bellevue Hosp.	1;	to work at
			Bellevue, 1.	to Alms House,	1,
			to court 6.		
Apr. 15th,	"	143.	Sent to Bellevue Hosp.	3.	
Apr. 16th,	"	147;	Sent to Court 2;	to Bellevue Hospital	2;
			To Central Office,	for Alms House,	7.



Report of Death Rate on Randall's Island, week ending April 16th.

Asylums & Schools.  
Number under treatment, . . . 769.  
" of Deaths, 0.

Infant's Hospital.  
Number under treatment, 206  
Number of Deaths, 12,  
Percentage of Deaths, 5.83%

Appointments:

1 Trained Nurse, 10 Pupil Nurses, 6 Helpers, 1 Waitress,  
1 Nurse 2 Hospital Orderlies.

Resignations.

1 Waitress, 1 Helper, 1 Fireman, 2 Nurses 1 Wet Nurse.

Dismissals :

4 Helpers.



Synopsis of the Proceedings of the Board of Public Charities,  
For the Week ending April 24th, 1897.

Superintendent of Randall's Island Asylums & Schools reports case of Smallpox and states the Island is quarantined by order of the Board of Health.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending April 24th.

Bellevue Hospital,	781	Metropolitan Hospital,	406
Gouverneur "	33,	R.I. Asylums & Schools,	296
Harlem "	35,	R.I. Idiot Asylum,	461
Fordham, "	24,	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	431,
City "	623,	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2180,	Homeless Men.	171.
Blind Asylum,	124,		
Incurable Hospital,	108.		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, for Week ending Apr. 23d.

Apr. 17th, Inmates, 311; sent to Bellevue Hospital, 2.  
 Apr. 18th, " 144; sent to Central Office, 5.  
 Apr. 19th, " 153; sent to Bellevue Hospital 5; to Central Office 2; sent to Court 7.  
 Apr. 20th, " 219; Sent to Bellevue Hospital, 1; to Central Office 1; to Court 9.  
 Apr. 21st, " 137; Sent to Bellevue Hospital, 8; to Central Office 3; to Court 6.  
 Apr. 22d, " 135; Sent to Bellevue Hospital 6; to Central Office, 2; to Court, 5.  
 Apr. 23d, " 95 ; Sent to Bellevue Hospital 3; to Court 3.

Death Rate on Randall's Island , week ending April 24th.

Asylums & Schools,		Infants ' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	261.	Number of Inmates	200
" of Deaths,	1.	" of Deaths,	8,
Percentage of Deaths,	.131	Percentage of Deaths,	4%

Appointments:

19 Hospital Helpers, 6 Pupil Nurses, 1 Kitchen Girl, 1 Laundress,  
2 Nurses, 1 Assistant Cook, 1 Fireman, 4 Wet Nurses.

Dismissals:

1 Kitchen Girl, 2 Laundresses, 6 Helpers (Hospital),  
1 Assistant Cook, 1 Hospital Orderly.

Resignations:

1 Cook; 3 Hospital Helpers; 1 Apothecary, 1 Night Nurse,  
1 Hospital Orderly, 2 Pupil Nurses, 1 Waitress, 1 Nurse,  
1 Wet Nurse.



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## Death Rate on Randall's Island , week ending April 24th.

Asylums & Schools.		Infants ' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	761.	Number of Inmates	200
" of Deaths,	1.	" of Deaths,	8,
Percentage of Deaths,	.131	Percentage of Deaths,	4%

## Appointments:

19 Hospital Helpers, 6 Pupil Nurses, 1 Kitchen Girl, 1 Laundress, 2 Nurses, 1 Assistant Cook, 1 Fireman, 4 Wet Nurses.

## Dismissals:

1 Kitchen Girl, 2 Laundresses, 6 Helpers (Hospital), 1 Assistant Cook, 1 Hospital Orderly.

## Resignations:

1 Cook; 3 Hospital Helpers; 1 Apothecary, 1 Night Nurse, 1 Hospital Orderly, 2 Pupil Nurses, 1 Waitress, 1 Nurse, 1 Wet Nurse.



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*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

April 26th, 1897.

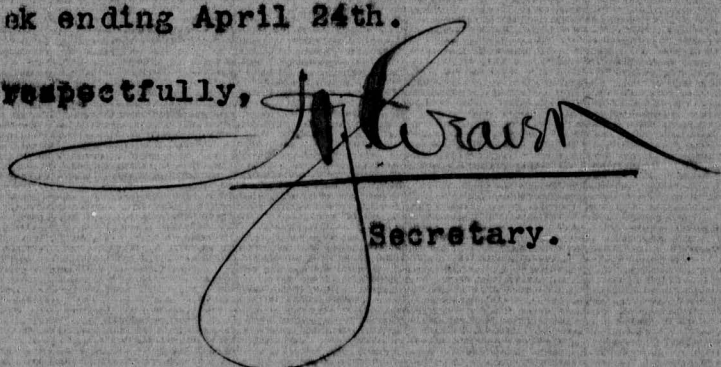
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your information, synopsis of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of Public Charities, for the week ending April 24th.

Yours respectfully,

  
Secretary.



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending May 1st, 1897.

Two tents were purchased, one for Randall's Island, accommodating 250 beds, and one for Blackwell's Island, 400 beds, costing \$475. and poles for same costing \$460.

Briefs submitted by Lawyers Racey and Farley, in the White case, and laid before the Board of Commissioners.

Articles of Separation of the N. Y. C. Training School from the City Hospital, approved, and copies forwarded to the Superintendents of the School and Hospital, also ~~the~~ to the Chairman of the Advisory Board of the Training School.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending May 1st. '97.

Bellevue Hospital,	769,	Metropolitan Hospital.	413
Gouverneur "	33	R.I. Asylums & Schools,	291
Harlem "	35	R.I. Idiot Asylums,	455
Fordham "	20	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	419
City "	633,	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2128	Homeless Men,	169
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	114		

Report

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men, for week ending Apr. 30.

Apr. 24th, Inmates	230.	
Apr. 25th "	123,	Sent to Court 4; to Central Office 1, to Alms House 2, to work Bellevue 6.
Apr. 26th, "	195.	
Apr. 27th, "	262;	sent to Court 9, to Central Office, 5; to Bellevue 1.
Apr. 28th, "	154;	Sent to Court, 7; to Central Office 8; to Bellevue Hospital 2, to work at Bellevue Hospital 7.
Apr. 29th, "	101;	sent to Court 2; to Central Office 1, to Bellevue Hospital 6; to Alms House 3.
Apr. 30th, "	119;	Sent to Court 3; to Central Office 5, to Bellevue Hospital 3.

## Death Rate on Randall's Island.

Asylums & Schools.		Infants' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	743	Number of Inmates	194
Number of Deaths,	1,	Number of Deaths,	15
Percentage of Deaths	.134	Percentage of Deaths	7.73%

APPOINTMENTS 1 Superintendent, 8 Hospital Helpers.

## RESIGNATIONS

1 Laborer, 2 Nurses, 4 Hospital Helpers, 1 Seamstress, 1 Apothecary.

DISMISSALS: 2 Hospital Helpers.





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*H. G. Weaver, Secretary.*

May 30, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayer, New York,

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your information, synopsis of the proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending May 1st.

Yours respectfully,

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.



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# MONTHLY REPORT

## LODGING HOUSE FOR HOMELESS MEN ,

For Month ending April 30th, 1897.

Total Number Lodgers, Males	4405,	Natives	2312	Males		Females.	
" " " Females	578,	Irish	1028				164
	4983.	German	527				328
" " " Children	43	English	276				25
Grand Total	5026	Other Nations	262				26
				4405		578	35

### SPECIFICATION OF AGES / over

	20 yrs.	30 yrs.	40 yrs.	50 yrs.	50 yrs.		
Males	205	1686	1317	700	497	4405	
Females.	6	82	138	154	196	578	4983

### Time in City. over

	5 d.	30 d.	6 Mo.	1 yr.	5 yrs.	5 yrs.	City.	
Males	951	286	292	134	495	1033	1214	4405
Females	11	9	12	7	42	382	115	578
								4983

### Classification as to previous Residence.

	Lodging House	Boarding House	Own Home		
Males	2608	1630	167	4405	
Females	196	319	63	578	4983



Specification of References,  
Investigated, etc.

	Total Invest.	Prev. Invest.	Good Ref.	False Ref.	Bad Ref.	Pending Cases	No. Refer.
Males	2379	872	798	954	12	29	2026
Females	292						286

Sent to Central Office, Males 42  
" " " " Females 30

72

" " Court Males 121  
" " " Females 8

129

" " B. Hospital, Males 54  
" " " Females 27

81

" " Work " Males 36  
" " " " Females 1

37

Found Employment for Males 7  
" " " Females 1

8

Average Investigation per day per man, 18  
" Age of Lodgers, Males, 33 3/4  
" " " Females 44 1/4



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending May 9th, 1897.

The following Proposals were accepted.

Tucker File Company, for a Cabinet for General Book-keeper's Office, cost \$215.

Chas. Barry, for repairs to Brewster Phaeton; cost \$50.75.

M. Halliday, repairs to and painting roof Male Training School, Bellevue Hospital, putting in new tin where necessary, repair gutter, repair and paint skylights and putting in necessary glass; cost \$174.

A. Philips' Sons; putting in a new tobin bronze rod in air and circulating pump and putting pump in good working order for \$127.

P. J. Bresnan & Son, to furnish and erect ,complete, 5 dumbwaiters, Bellevue Hospital, cost \$450.

James Murtaugh, repairing ropes in drums of elevator at Gouverneur Hospital, cost, \$6.

Minutes of Meeting of Medical Board of Fordham Hospital held April 30th, and of the Medical Board of Randall's Island, held May 4th, approved.

Report of N.Y.C. Training School for Month of April, approved.

Monthly Reports, and Monthly Liquor Reports, filed.

The following is the daily average census (Inmates only) of the different Institutions, for the week ending May 1st, '97.

Bellevue Hospital	767	Metropolitan Hospital	431.
Gouverneur "	32	R.I. Asylums & Schools,	292
Harlem "	40,	R.I. Idiot Asylum,	455
Fordham "	22,	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	390
City "	671	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2077	Homeless Men,	152
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	113		

Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for week ending May 8th .

May 1st, Inmates,	265.	
May 2d, "	195;	Sent to Central Office 1, to Court 7; to Bellevue Hospital 2.
May 3d, "	151 ;	Sent to Central Office 6; to Court 4, to Bellevue Hosp. 2, to Alms House 1.
May 4th, "	141.	Sent to Central Office 10, to Court 6; to work at Bellevue Hosp. 2; to Alms H., 2.
May 5th, "	99/	Sent to Central Office 4; to work at Bellevue Hospital, 6.
May 6th, "	108;	sent to Central Office 8; to Bellevue Hospital 3; to work at Bellevue, 10.
May 7th, "	108;	sent to Central Office 3; to Court 4, to Bellevue Hosp. 2, to Alms House 1.



Death Rate on Randall's Island.

Asylums and Schools.		Infants' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	745.	Number of Inmates,	195
Number of Deaths,	0.	Number of Deaths,	7
Percentage of Deaths,		Percentage of Deaths,	3.59%

Appointments:-

1 Examiner of Dependent Children, 2 Firemen, 1 Max 1 Laborer,  
1 Laundress, 21 Hospital Helpers, 2 Apothecaries, 2 Nurses,  
1 Assistant Nurse.

RESIGNATIONS:

1 Visitor, 2 Office Boys, 3 Fireman, 15 Helpers, 2 Nurses.

DISMISSALS:

14 Hospital Helpers, 1 Ambulance Driver, 1 Nurse.



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*Department of*  
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May 10th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your information, synopsis of the official proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending May 8th, 1897.

Yours respectfully,

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.



# SYNOPSIS OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC CHARITIES,

For the Week ending May 15th, 1897.

The following Proposals were accepted.

Andrew Philp's Sons, to make new steam piston for air and circulating pump and place same in position on Str. Fidelity, for the sum of \$26.50.

Murphy Bros. to build up opening in Dormitory with brick and tear down and cart away the rubbish of wall in Women's Prison for \$135.

Minutes of meeting of Board of Managers of Mill's Training School for Nurses, held May 5th, approved.

## average

The following is the daily census (Inmates only) of the different institutions, for the week ending May 15th, 1897.

Bellevue Hospital,	777	Metropolitan Hospital	435
Gouverneur "	33,	R. I. Asylums & Schools,	298
Harlem "	41,	R.I. Infants' Hospital,	395
Fordham, "	20	R. I. Idiot Asylum,	463
City "	661	Lodging House for	
Alms House,	2048	Homeless Men,	180
Blind Asylum,	124		
Incurable Hospital,	113		

## Report of Lodging House for Homeless Men for week ending May 14th.

May 8th, Inmates,	235.	
May 9th "	122;	Sent to Central Office 6; to Court 2, to work at Bellevue Hospital 5.
May 10th, "	158.	sent to Court 9; to Central Office 7; to Bellevue Hosp. 4, to work at Bellevue 2; to Alms House 5.
May 11th. "	101;	Sent to Central Office 4; to Bellevue 4; to Alms House 3.
May 12th "	136;	Sent to Central Office 5; to Court 4; to Bellevue Hosp. 1, to work at Bellevue 1.
May 13th "	142.	Sent to Central Office 4; to Court 4.
May 14th "	88.	Sent to Central Office 2; to Bellevue Hospital 2; to Alms House 1.

## DEATH RATE ON RANDALL'S ISLAND, Week ending May 14.

Asylums & Schools.		Infants' Hospital.	
Number of Inmates,	766	Number of Inmates	199
Number of Deaths,	1,	Number of Deaths,	8,
Percentage of Deaths,	.131	Percentage of Deaths,	4.02%

APPOINTMENTS: 1 Building Inspector, 1 Clerk, 1 Head Nurse, 2 Pupil Nurses, 2 Night Nurses, 13 Hospital Helpers, 1 Cook, 1 Laundry, 1 Waitress, 1 Scrubber, 2 Hospital Orderlies.

RESIGNATIONS: 1 Pupil Nurse, 3 Hospital Orderlies, 1 Cook, 2 Hospital Helpers.

DISMISSALS: 1 Night Nurse, dropped from roll. 1 Clerk, 1 Morgue Keeper, 7 Hospital Helpers, 1 Scrubber.



# C o m p a r a t i v e   S t a t e m e n t

Daily Census, Deaths and Floor Beds, in Alms House

During Month of April, 1896 - '97.

<u>1896</u>				<u>1897</u>			
Date	Daily Census	Daily Deaths	Floor Beds	Date	Daily Census	Daily Deaths	Floor Beds.
1	2884	5	508	1	2665	3	537
2	2892	1	508	2	2654	5	537
3	2888	1	508	3	2655	1	537
4	2895	3	508	4	2655	-	537
5	2890	3	508	5	2651	3	537
6	2888	2	508	6	2644	1	537
7	2872	4	508	7	2636	-	537
8	2883	2	508	8	2624	1	537
9	2890	1	508	9	2624	2	537
10	2891	2	508	10	2615	2	537
11	2885	-	508	11	2614	2	537
12	2882	3	508	12	2612	-	537
13	2823	2	508	13	2577	-	500
14	2783	2	508	14	2577	1	500
15	2769	5	508	15	2582	-	495
16	2757	1	508	16	2581	1	495
17	2758	3	508	17	2577	-	495
18	2760	1	508	18	2576	1	495
19	2755	1	508	19	2530	1	495
20	2677	3	508	20	2519	1	495
21	2638	2	508	21	2518	3	495
22	2624	1	508	22	2511	-	495
23	2616	1	508	23	2495	1	495
24	2606	-	508	24	2500	1	495
25	2611	2	508	25	2498	1	495
26	2607	-	508	26	2485	1	495
27	2578	-	508	27	2479	2	495
28	2587	-	508	28	2474	1	495
29	2595	3	508	29	2471	-	495
30	2591	-	508	30	2474	-	495
	<u>82775</u>	<u>54</u>			<u>77073</u>	<u>35</u>	

Average 2759

Average 2569



# RECAPITULATION

Highest Census, April 1896,	2895
" " " 1897,	<u>2665</u>

Decrease 1897	<u>230</u>
Amounting to decrease of %	7.94

Average Census April 1896,	2759
" " " 1897,	<u>2569</u>

Decrease 1897	<u>190</u>
Amounting to decrease of %	6.85

Number of Deaths April 1896	54
" " " 1897	<u>35</u>

Decrease 1897,	<u>19</u>
Amounting to decrease of %	35

Average Hospital Census April 1896	509
" " " 1897,	<u>470</u>

Decrease 1897,	<u>39</u>
Amounting to decrease of %	7.66

Average Daily Work House Gang	90
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May 17th, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board, I enclose herewith for your information, synopsis of the official proceedings of the Board of Commissioners for the week ending May 15th; and also enclose Comparative Statement of the Daily Census, Deaths and Floor Beds, Almshouse, for the Month of April, years 1896 and 7.

Yours respectfully,

*H. G. Weaver*  
Secretary.