

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* Sept. 17, 1895.

Mayor W. L. Strong,

City Hall:

Dear Sir:

The Police Board has in its possession a section of the old Stuyvesant pear tree, of which there is a picture in the Governor's room at City Hall. The Police Board has no appropriate place in which to keep this very valuable and interesting relic of early Manhattan, and the Board thinks it would be peculiarly appropriate to have the section of the trunk put underneath the picture of the old pear tree in the Governor's room. If you consent that this be done the Board will forward the relic to you at once. Most certainly we should all try to preserve any relic telling, as this does, of the past of the city, and there are no facilities in the Police Department for its preservation.

Trusting to hear from you favorably, I have the honor to be,
with great respect,

Yours very truly,

Theodore Roosevelt

*Answered
9th 15th 95
BLL*

Upper Half:

Major W. T. Stone,

Roosevelt

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Police Department of the City of New York,
~~Office of Chief of Police,~~
300 Mulberry St.

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New York, Sept. 23^d 1895.

Hon. W^m L. Strong,

Mayor, N. Y.

My dear Sir:-

Your Communication of 21st inst. to Presdt. Roosevelt, relative to form of draft, for the printing of which Messrs. Corlies, Macy & Co have received an order, has been referred to me for attention, and I have the honor to inform you that I have turned the same over to Acting Captain O'Brien of the Detective Bureau, and have instructed him to give it all the attention it requires. He has already assigned officers to be present at Mr. Herbert's office, as you request; and he has communicated, by telegraph, with the

Police Department of the City of New York,
OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE
Superintendent's Office,
300 Mulberry St.

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police authorities of Chicago upon the
subject.

With great respect, I am
Very truly yours,

John L. Sullivan

Acting Chief of Police

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

COMPLAINT NO.

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From the Board

New York Sept 27/95

Mr. J. C. Hedges

Dear Sir

The
Block bounded by Center St.
Franklyn Leonard + Edm.
is nightly the resort of
all kinds of Bullies Street
walkers sluggers out Throats
Thieves and Murderers. Your
attention is respectfully
called to ~~this~~ place by
many old residents who
reside here for many
years

Very Respectfully
James Burk

To President
~~pin~~ pin

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 3, 1895.

Copy.

Mr. Olaf Johnson,

8 Fullam Place:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 10th ult., as to alleged dangerous blasting, addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, and referred to this Department, that Acting Captain Kirchner, of the 32d precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"I find upon thorough investigation of the matter that the house in question is a very frail one-story frame structure, built with eleven more in the same row by Mr. Fullam, of 151st street, west of the Boulevard, principally of old doors and covered with weather boarding and tar-paper roof, and that the damage done to the building which consists of a part of the ceiling in the front room falling, was done by concussion and not, as claimed, by flying stones from the blast, as the building is at least three hundred feet from the Speedway and up a steep grade, and the place where the blasting is done is on the side of the cut facing the river, and which is at least one hundred feet high, so that any stones flying therefrom must necessarily go toward the river and could not possibly go toward Mr. Johnson's home. Mr. Rogers, the contractor doing the work, informs me that he offered Mr. Johnson, through the City Inspector, Mr. George Hillman, and John Willoughby, the sum of forty dollars for the damage to ceiling but that he refused to accept it, claiming a considerably larger amount, which the contractor refused to pay. I would also state that I have an officer stationed on the upper Speedway, in the vicinity of 184th street, where the blasting is being done, to see that the ordinance relative to blasting is strictly complied with."

Very respectfully,

John J. Kirchner

Chief Clerk.

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55 Downing st
New York
Sept 2 95

Mayor Strong

Hon sir

will you be good enough
to give it your attention
I like to speak to the
police authorities to put
a stop to those news
boys I have been annoyed
the last few nights
by them an incorrig-
ible set I hope you won't
forget it they need
the detectives bad esp-
ecially those @ Ave 8 st
& Ave 23 st also 8 Ave
23 st up to 30 st
they throw stones & hard
substances

I think such thing
is quite uncalled
for for it is out of
place an answer would
oblige

I remain
yours
M J Collins

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 3, 1895.

Copy.

Mr. M. I. Collins,

55 Downing street:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 2d ult., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, complaining of disorderly newsboys, that Captain Eakins, of the 15th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"Sixth av. and Clinton Pl. is a point of delivery for the evening papers to the newsboys, and the boys have behaved very well, as this is the first complaint since I have been in command of this precinct (nearly two years). However, I have taken measures to prevent any cause of complaint in the future."

Acting Captain Thomas, of the 16th precinct, reports:

"I can find no cause for the complaint. There is no delivery of papers either at 7th av. and 23d st. or at 8th av. and 23d st., therefore, no gathering of newsboys. There may be occasionally a newsboy crying out his papers, but that is all."

Acting Captain Welsing, of the 20th precinct, reports:

"I detailed an officer of this command in plain clothes, who visited 8th avenue, between 27th and 30th sts. at various times of the day and evening for the past three days (Sept. 19, 20 & 21) and failed to find any boys acting in a disorderly manner. I also instructed the officers on this post to give this matter special attention."

Please send any comment or suggestion you may have to make.

Very respectfully,

John J. Ryan
Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 3, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to forward to you enclosed copies of letters sent to complainants, requested by you, as follows:

Sept. 4, M. I. Collins, complaining of newsboys.

Sept. 12, Olaf Johnson, complaining of blasting.

Very respectfully,

John J. Kelly

Chief Clerk.

CABLE ADDRESS "LUMSDON"

PACKER
QUARTER POUND



OVAL FIGS.

SPECIALTIES: ORANGES AND LEMONS.
MALAGA GRAPES, VALENCIA ONIONS, FIGS AND DATES.

Established 1860.

Inc. W. Lumsdon,
Importer and Wholesale Dealer in
Foreign Fruits.

From the Board.

PACKER

CROWN BRAND

PERSIAN DATES.
IN SMALL PACKAGES.

122 Warren St., New York, Sept. 17th 1895.

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Dear Sir:-

The nuisance of leaving rotten fruit and vegetables on the sidewalk in front of my office continues in spite of any notification to the police.

I would be glad if steps would be taken to have the nuisance abated.

Yours truly,

W. Lumsdon

*This should be attended
to at once* 2/21

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 7, 1895.

Mr. John W. Lumsden,

122 Warren street:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 17th ult., complaining of rotten fruit and vegetables being thrown in front of your premises, that Captain Cross, of the 5th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"Mr. Lumsden informs me that he has been occasionally annoyed by finding the barrel in front of his office partially filled with decayed fruit and vegetables, evidently the refuse of stuff bought by peddlers in the early morning hours from commission merchants in the neighborhood. Mr Lumsden admits that this is not of very frequent occurrence, and there has been no cause for complaint since Sept. 17th, the date of his letter. This is the first intimation I have received of the annoyance complained of, and in the future will see that the nuisance is abated."

Please send any comment or suggestion you may have to make.

Very respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

Cable
Address
"Latinturk"



From the Board

Telephone
"3446
Cortlandt"

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Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir,-

The writer takes the liberty of calling your attention to what he considers dangerous to passers-by, as well as to the health of residents in the immediate vicinity of W. 86th St. and the Boulevard. The St. Nicholas Ave. Street Car Co. continuously permit horses to pass on the sidewalk and block the same, in their business of exchanging them on the street cars; whilst the odor of 50 or 60 horses stalled in the lots is very objectionable, and in the writer's judgment, injurious to the public health.

Very truly yours

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*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* October 7, 1895.

Mr. M. Tanenbaum,

92--94 Liberty street:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 18th ult., complaining of sidewalk obstructions, that Acting Captain Chapman, of the 24th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"The Boulevard and St. Nicholas avenue R. R. Co. have a lease for premises s. e. cor. Boulevard and 86th st., and also have a permit for their horses to cross the sidewalk at that point during the summer months. As to the odor arising from the place wherein the horses are tied, I have never noticed any, and there is none at present. If at any time the odor arising from this place is such as would endanger the health of the residents of that vicinity, I will immediately notify the proper authorities."

Please send any comment or suggestion you may have to make.

Very respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York, October 7, 1895.*

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to enclose herewith
copies of letters with reports sent in answer to complaints of

John W. Lumsden, in yours of 18th Sept.,

and M. Tanenbaum, in yours of 19th Sept.,
as requested by you.

Very respectfully,

John J. Kane

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 10, 1895.

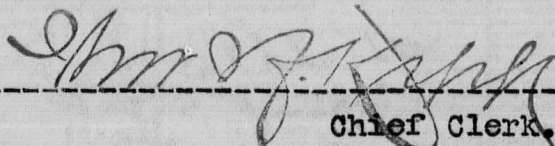
Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to send you enclosed
copies of letters containing reports with reference to yours of
Sept. 21st, letter of Julius Simon, 201 Eldridge st.
Sept. 26, letter of Miss Annie MacVay, Fort Worth Tex.,
and complaint of J. J. McFarland, 172 Montague st., Brooklyn.

Very respectfully,


Chief Clerk.

Also, yours Sept. 24th, complaint of J. R. Foley, 132
Nassau street.

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MAYOR'S OFFICE
COMPLAINT 373

Brooklyn. N.Y. 23/9/95.

From the Board.

Hon. Mr L. Strong

Mayor. N.Y. City
N.Y.

Honorable Sir;

While I was coming to Brooklyn last Wednesday, my wife accidentally struck a bunch of bananas with her umbrella which were laying against the Ferry House foot of Whitehall St. & caused same to fall whereupon an enraged Italian who had charge of the stand there called my wife vile names & used any quantity of profane language, whereupon I remonstrated & was confronted by this Italian with a dagger who threatened to kill me on the spot, this abuse I understand is a daily occurrence caused by these fruit & flower stands blocking the sidewalk & causing a great inconvenience to passengers going & coming from

Brooklyn. & I therefore respectfully
hope that you will make an effort
to keep the sidewalk clear of these
obstructionists trusting that you will
take this to your kind consideration
I remain Honorable Sir

Yours Most Respectfully
J. McFarland
172 Montague St

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immediate investigation, attention and report

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ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

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*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 10, 1895.

Mr. J. J. McFarland,

172 Montague st.,

Brooklyn, N. Y.:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 23d ult., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, complaining of alleged obstructions at ferry house foot of Whitehall st., that Acting Captain King, of the 1st precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"There are two fruit stands on the South ferry property at the foot of Whitehall street, and they have a proper permit for placing said stands there, and I cannot see that they in any way interfere with public travel. I called on Mr. W. E. Gerard, Superintendent of the ferry and informed him of the complaint relative to the stands, and he stated that the ferry company are going to remodel the ferry house in a few weeks and will have the stands removed from the ferry. Otto Abrams has a flower stand on the street, under the elevated railroad station, in front of the Bay Ridge ferry, and has permit to place same there from the Park Department. It does not interfere with public travel."

Very respectfully,

Wm. J. Kelly

Chief Clerk.

Obstructions of
ferry foot of
Whitchall Et.

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Referred to
Police Dept

SEP 24 1895

for examination and report.

W. L. Strong,

MAYOR.

From the Board.

132 Nassau Street,

N. Y. September 21st, 1895.

MAYOR'S OFFICE

COMPLAINT No. *369*.....

Hon. William R. Strong,

Dear Sir :-

I would like to call your attention to a nuisance within view of the City Hall, which certainly can be remedied by the authorities of the City. It is that of boys and vendors who congregate in Spruce Street, between Park Row and William Street, making it almost impossible to pass through that Street.

The boys are of all ages and sizes, run through the Street, frequently against pedestrians, use foul and filthy language, and since the store No. 9 Frankfort Street has been closed, of which premises I am the owner, play craps *there in the vestibule.*

This is not only a nuisance to the public, but a detriment to the business in the block.

I have endeavored at various times to have the Street cleared of the nuisance but I have not been able to see the

slightest improvement, and I respectfully ask that you investigate
the matter and, if possible ~~have~~ the nuisance abated.

I remain

Your obedient servant

J. R. Foley
by T. Eden

Room 317

Disorderly
Boys

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 10, 1895.

Mr. J. R. Foley,

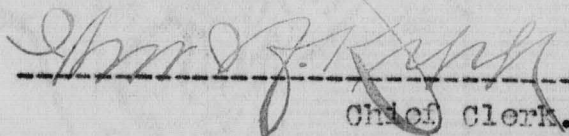
132 Nassau street:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 21st ult., complaining of disorderly boys, that Acting Captain Thompson, of the 4th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"This is the first complaint I ever had in relation to Spruce street, and I will see that there is no further cause for complaint. In regard to No. 9 Frankfort street, this neighborhood is infested with fully 100 to 200 newsboys who congregate on said block to wait for their newspapers from the different offices in the vicinity. I have made a special day post out of this block some time ago, from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. If at 8 a. m. roll call any morning an officer has to go to court with a prisoner, instead of doubling up a post to send a man to 9 Frankfort street, we generally wait until the officer who has gone to court returns, and then send him there; but in the afternoon from 1 to 6 p. m. there is always an officer there."

Very respectfully,


Chief Clerk.

OFFICE
COMPLAINT 074

Referred to
Police Dept

SEP 26 1895

and report.

W. L. Strong,

MAYOR.

From the Board.

H. C. Worth Sept. 16, 1895.
Mayor of
N. Y.
City

Dear Sir:

Will you please
give me information
if you can regarding
my Aunt Mrs. Alice
Murray, that is supposed
to reside in New York City.
My mother's sister her name
was Mrs Kate Rogers.
Any information
you can give me
regarding her whereabouts
will be greatly appreciated
by Mrs. Miss Annie
W. C. Var, H. No 7 Mercer St
H. C. Worth Pres.

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Mayor's office

Prof J

New York, *Sept. 30* 1895.
Referred to *Sergeant Starkey*
for immediate investigation, attention and report

Peter J. Corbin
ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE.

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May 10 1896

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 10, 1895.

Miss Annie MacVay,

707 Main street,

Fort Worth, Tex.:

Miss:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to your inquiry of the 16th ult., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, that the name of Mrs. Alice Murray does not appear in the New York directory, and the most likely way to obtain the information would be by advertising. There are two persons named Catharine Rogers mentioned in the city directory, viz.: Catharine Rogers, dress maker, 239 West 32d st., and Catharine Rogers, widow of James, 213 West 60th street.

Very respectfully,

John F. Keph

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

Oct. 15th, 1895.

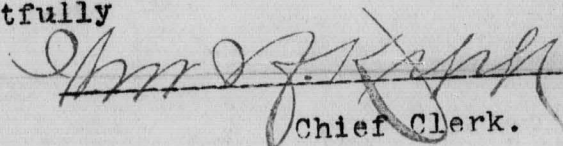
Hon. William L. Strong

Mayer New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Board of Police to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 11th inst. enclosing communication from A. C. Rankin, requesting copy of the last annual report of this department, and in reply to state that a copy of such report has been forwarded to Mr. Rankin.

Very respectfully


Chief Clerk.

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6 Septembrie 95

From the Board

Monsieur le Maire de Harlem
près New York Etats Unis

J'ai l'honneur de vous prier de bien vouloir
me donner des renseignements sur mon
beau frère et ma Sœur, M^r ~~Edouard~~ Edouard Lowe
et la femme Kate Sheils, imprimeurs-
typographes, ayant habité Harlem vers
1866

En cas de départ de Harlem, je vous
serais reconnaissante de me donner leur
nouvelle adresse, si toutefois vous pourriez
la connaître.

Je vous prie, Monsieur le Maire, d'agréer
mes salutations empressées

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whinstony.

Mary Sheils
41 Boulevard Barbès
Paris

France

(Translation on back page)

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Translation - abstract -

May Sheils,

41 Boulevard Barbès

Paris,

France

desires to know the present
of her brother-in-law

Edward Lowe and her
sister Kate Sheils, ^{his wife,} they
were printers in Harlem
in 1861

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Police Department of the City of New York.

Bureau of Information

300 Mulberry street.

New York October 10th, 1895.

Peter Conlin

Acting Chief of Police.

Sir:-

Referring to the annexed letter from Mary Shiels-Paris - France, addressed to his Honor the Mayor, requesting information relative to her brother-in law- Edward Lowe(and her sister nee Kate Shiels) I would state that an examination of the New York City Directory as far back as 1859 has been made and we fail to find the name of Edward Lowe, a printer mentioned therein.

Inquiry has been made at the Headquarters of Typographical Union No. 6 William and Duane street this City and we find that they had a man of that name on their books in the years 1873-1874, but he was dropped for non-payment of dues, and as they never keep the addresses of their members and careful inquiry having been made of old members of the order without success, we are unable to obtain the information regarding him or his wife's whereabouts.

Respectfully

John J. Harley

Sergeant B. of I.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

Oct. 16th, 1895.

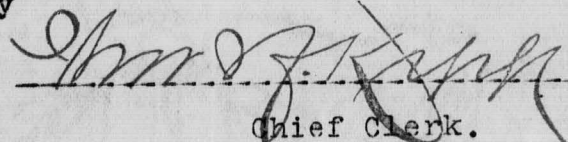
Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor New York.

Sir:-

By direction of the Board of Police and in further reply to y
your favor of the 30th ult. I return letter from Mary Shiels, with
copy of report thereon. Copy of report has been forwarded to Miss
Shiels.

Very respectfully


Chief Clerk.

MAYOR'S OFFICE

COMPLAINT

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From the Board.

Washington D.C.

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Oct 11th 95-

To the Mayor of
New York City-

Sir after writing
several letters to my
Master Mrs Mary
Broddy. her address
was at 37. W. 35th St -
& the letters I written
has been returned to
me. Stating she could
not be found. Now
Sir I would like you to
assist me in finding
her - her Husband is
named Joseph Broddy.
he was Clerkman for
Mr Geo Dunham

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you will do me a
great kindness by so
doing as I am very
anxious to find her.
My address is 2022.
Hermant Avenue Chgo.
Very Respectfully

James Langhorne

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

Oct. 18th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayer New York.

Sir:-

In reply to your favor of the 12th inst. enclosing letter from James T. Langhorne, Washington D. C. relative to his Mother, I would respectfully state that Sergeant John J. Harley reports as follows.

"Joseph Bradley the person referred to is coachman for Mr. George Dunham of 19 West 81st street this City."

Very respectfully

John J. Harley
Chief Clerk.

Police Department,

Board of Police Commissioners,

of the City of New York,

Theodore Roosevelt,
President.

Avery D. Andrews,
Treasurer.

Frederick D. Grant,

Andrew D. Parker.

300 Mulberry Street,

New York,

Octr. 18, 1895

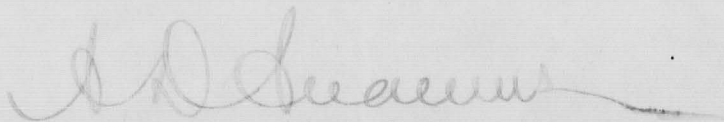
Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor, New York City.

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose herewith a printed copy of a letter recently submitted to us by Dr. S. G. Cook, President of the Board of Police Surgeons relative to the increase of that body from 15 to 18 in number.

Yours truly,



Commissioner.

WHY

More than Fifteen Police Surgeons are Needed.

New York,.....1895.

To the Board of Police---Gentlemen:

In May, 1873, after the passage of the charter of that year, the Board of Police at that time tried the experiment of employing private physicians to take care of the sick and wounded policemen, fixing the price per visit each was to receive for his services, and designated two or more in each precinct for that purpose. I know of one precinct, and there were probably more, that had five surgeons.

The experiment was a failure in more ways than one.

Besides an enormously increased sick list and a greatly demoralized police force, the expense was more than quintupled, nearly bankrupting the department.

In the latter part of September of that year (1873), with a desire for economy stimulated by a reduced exchequer, the Board looked the ground over carefully and came to the conclusion that the Department could get along with nineteen surgeons. Nineteen were appointed and for many years the Board of Surgeons consisted of that number.

At that time the total police force numbered about 2,000 men. It now numbers (when filled) about 4,000.

At that time the city did not extend beyond Manhattan Island.

It now covers several times the original area, with policemen living in every part of it, requiring, frequently, hours of the Surgeon's time to visit one of them when sick.

About four years ago, in consequence of the resignations of Drs. Reese H. Voorhees and Morton Grinnell and the death of Drs. Matthews and Damainville, the aforesaid number was reduced to fifteen.

A civil service examination was held and an eligible list obtained and the Board of Surgeons expected and had reason to believe that their depleted number would soon be filled; but their expectations were not realized.

It seems that one of the city officials had expected, intended and promised that one of the vacancies should be filled by a particular friend of his, but when the eligible list appeared it was found either that his friend's name was not on it at all, or else was so low down that it could not be reached.

Obstructive tactics were then commenced and continued so long that the public press took the matter up and berated the author of them without mercy until the meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment two years ago last fall, when the aforesaid official, probably without the least knowledge of the services required, declared that fifteen surgeons were sufficient to perform the labors required of them and that the appropriation should be made on that basis. His motion was carried. Soon after this, I, as President of the Board of Surgeons, was directed by the Board of Police to redistribute the city into fifteen Surgical Districts, instead of nineteen.

The number continued at fifteen until May of this year (1895), when by the resignation of Dr. Dorn it was reduced to fourteen, where it now stands.

The question of dividing the city into local districts and assigning surgeons to attend all members of the force living within certain established boundaries has frequently been proposed, fully discussed and abandoned because of its impracticability.

Policemen are almost as migratory in their habitations as the birds, and the district which to-day contains its fair proportion of them, might, six months hence, be deserted, or *vice versa*, might contain double the number it contained when the division was made.

Another objection would be the complete "loss of touch" between the Surgeon and the commanding officers of the various precincts, from whom the surgeons have long been in the practice of gathering points regarding the character, habits and general *personnel* of the men they have to deal with. The knowledge thus gained frequently leads the surgeon to deal in a summary manner with a policeman on the sick list. Without this knowledge a much longer time might be required to arrive at a definite conclusion.

Still another objection would be the continual change of *clientage*. Every Surgeon of Police will bear me out when

I say that he would much prefer to attend the precinct with which he has long been familiar, than to take one much smaller with which he is unfamiliar.

All physicians also know how much easier it is to make a diagnosis in the case of, and to prescribe for an *old* patient than for a *new* one. I have never known a Police Surgeon, who had given the subject due consideration, to favor districting the city by local lines instead of by precincts.

Like that of the general public, the health of the police force varies greatly with the seasons.

During the months of May, June, July, August, September and October the number of sick men in the Department will probably average not far from one hundred daily. This number, fifteen surgeons can take care of without any difficulty, "giving them the same care and attention they would give to private patients," but it will be remembered that it is during these months that the surgeons must get their vacations, if they have any, and when one surgeon is absent on vacation another one must be at home doing his own work and also that of his absent colleague; theirs being the only instance in the Department where the duties of one are doubled or sensibly increased by the absence of another.

During the other half of the year the daily sick list runs from 150 to 300, and has been over 400 for several days in succession. At such times the present number of Police Surgeons (15) is entirely inadequate to perform the duties as they should be performed.

The number of Police Surgeons should be based, if not upon the *maximum* service required, then certainly upon the *average* requirements of the six months of the year beginning with November and ending with April.

The proper performance of the duties during that period, in my opinion, requires at least nineteen surgeons, or one to every two precincts. Including the various Court, Central Office, and other Squads, the Sanitary Company and the Detective Bureau there are practically 38 precincts.

While the professional care of sick and wounded policemen is the principal duty of a Surgeon of Police, it is by no means the only one.

It was formerly made a part of their duty to attend all cases of accidents and injury occurring in the public streets and decide what disposition should be made of them (such as home or hospital) after they had been cared for at the station houses, but of late years they have been almost entirely relieved of these duties by the excellent ambulance system now in operation.

As an offset to this, however, the surgeons are compelled to "take medical and surgical charge of the pensioners of the "Police Pension Fund" and their families; giving them, without charge, the same care and attention as patients in private practice." (See Rule 106.)

As the pension list has grown, this latter requirement takes no inconsiderable portion of their time.

The pensioners now number over twelve hundred (1273). Estimating "their families" to consist, on an average, of two persons besides themselves (which I believe to be a low estimate), would give us an additional clientage equal to or greater than the present active police force (3,726).

Sick and wounded or injured prisoners do not come under "the ambulance system," and have to be attended by the Surgeon of the District in which the disability occurs.

The examination of applicants for appointment on the force takes a large amount of their time.

The Board of Surgeons have to hold bi-weekly meetings at which discussion and disposition of cases brought up for consideration by the individual members, and at which, cases that have been referred to them by the Board of Police have to be carefully considered, great care being necessary to avoid injustice to the Department or to the members thereof under consideration; mental disabilities are the most troublesome, frequently requiring several visits by committees to some one of the various institutions of the insane, including Middletown, White Plains and Amityville.

By reason of their position they are frequently called as witnesses before Grand Juries and the Courts.

Those familiar with the working of our courts will know that a subpoena to attend and give evidence, means the loss of the larger portion of at least one day, and frequently of more than one.

They are frequent witnesses in the trial room of the Board of Police against malingering and intoxicated policemen.

They have to attend any accidents or sudden illness occurring in the public schools.

They have many professional calls of a charitable nature coming to them by virtue of their positions as Police Surgeons, which cannot be disregarded and which make considerable drafts upon their time.

Unlike all other members of the force as to "regular tours of duty" followed by their allotted "time off," the Surgeons have to hold themselves in readiness for duty at all times, both day and night. The fact is, that a large *percentage* of their work is done at night. Policemen, like the rest of the human family, are more likely to be taken sick at night. More than 75 *per cent.* (estimated) of sick time commences at 6 p. m., and regardless of the number so reporting, it is the almost invariable custom, as it is the duty, of the Surgeons to visit and examine each member of the force so reporting, before going to bed.

One night last winter I was notified that eight policemen doing duty in my Surgical District had reported sick, and as they lived from Liberty Street to 143d Street, it was nearly 2 o'clock in the morning before I finished visiting them. Prompt attention to sick reports is demanded, both for the protection of the Department and for the welfare of the policemen.

They may be *very* sick when reported, or they may be malingering or intoxicated.

Finally, there is a duty the Surgeons perform, higher and more important than any which has yet been referred to, and nearly equal in value to all the others combined, and that is *their moral influence in sustaining the discipline and morality of the Department*. But this duty is so wide-spreading in its character—so subtle and undemonstrative in its action and so far-reaching and beneficial in its effects that it would require a separate paper to do it full justice.

The foregoing statement may seem unnecessarily long, but I have found it almost impossible to place the subject in its proper light and summarize the various duties of the Surgeons at less length and do justice to the subject.

Besides, their positions have so long been regarded as practical *sinécures*, and their services as slight and nearly valueless, that it is a pleasure for them to know and feel they have at last a Board of Police who take interest enough in them and in their duties to desire to know what said duties are.

As the law now stands the Commissioners may appoint "not to exceed twenty-two (22) Surgeons of Police, one of whom shall be Chief Surgeon."

As there are practically 38 precincts, I am of the opinion that the city should be divided into 19 Surgical Districts, with one surgeon to each district.

And now as to Chief Surgeon. The Rules of the Department make it incumbent upon the Board of Surgeons to elect annually, "at their first meeting in January," one of their number as President, and it has been the custom to designate the President so elected as Chief Surgeon.

That I have been so elected for several years past does not prove that I am best fitted for the position, but that I have received the most votes. Neither does it follow because I was elected this year that I will be next.

I say this to show that the further recommendation I am about to make is unselfish and disinterested, and it is this—The President of the Board of Surgeons should be entirely relieved from district duty, excepting perhaps something nominal, such as House of Detention or Central Office Squad. His duties should be to have a general supervision of the medical work of the department; to advise, counsel and direct; to hold himself in readiness for consultation with other surgeons in cases of serious illness; to assign to districts when the regular Surgeon is sick or absent, and to make examinations and reports in special cases referred to him by the Board of Police or any of its members.

In conclusion, I recommend that six additional surgeons be appointed, making the Board of Surgeons consist of twenty (20), "one of whom shall be Chief Surgeon."

Very respectfully,

(Signed) S. G. Cook

President Board of Surgeons.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS,

NR 220 FOURTH AVENUE,
S.W. CORNER 18TH ST.,

THOMAS J. BRADY,
SUPERINTENDENT.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY.

New York, Oct 9 1895

2 (b)
Dear Mr Mayor:

I have known William
Hughes, formerly of Sandusky Ohio, for
several years past and very formally.
He has been in the police force here
for nine years past, and I under-
stand by a fine record. I think
very formally of his fitness, and
therefore recommend him with pleasure
to your personal acquaintance & consid-
eration. He has always been your friend &
supporter.

Truly
Yours,
Thomas Ewing

21st Decemb East 35th Street

Referred to

Police Board

OCT 9 1895

for examination and report.

W. L. Strong,

MAYOR.

Ed W. L. Strong
Mayor.

If this man is worthy
 Command him for Promotion
 W. L. Strong

21 Recd

Sept 6 1866 -

Don't know

Don't know

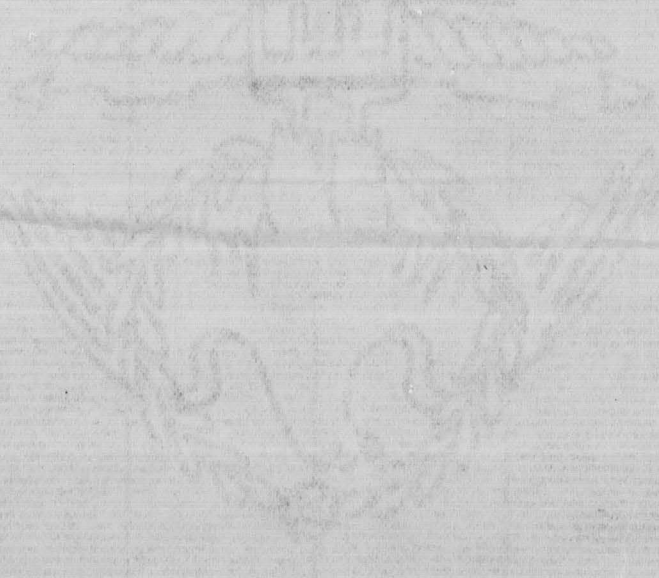
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New York Oct. 21st, 1895

Respectfully forwarded to the Board of Police enclosed find record of patrolman William Hughes 21st Precinct. I respectfully report that the complaints against him are of such a character as not to recommend him for promotion.

Peter Conlin
Acting Chief of Police.

Received
October 21 1895
City of New York



RECORD.

Precinct.

Name

William Hughes.

Rank

Patrolman

Appointed

Sept. 6. 1886.

Age when appointed

27.

Years.

Prior to

June 1st.

1890.

Number of Complaints

8

Judgments of Complaints Dismissed

1

"

"

Reprimand

1

"

"

Fine

6

Number of Days' Fine

11

DATE OF
COMPLAINT

Subsequent to

June 1st.

1890.

NATURE OF COMPLAINT

DATE OF
JUDGMENT

JUDGMENT

June 19 90	Absent from post in Liquor Store.	July 15 90	10 days
Aug. 43	" " a fine	Sept. 19	D.C.
Feb. 21 91	Conversation	March 26 91	1 day
" 21	Failed to patrol portion of post.	" 26	1/4
April 5	" make a complaint against a prisoner	May 5	3
June 7	Did not properly relieve	July 17	1/4
March 1 94	Failed to report snow and ice.	March 27 94	1/4

Total Days' Fine,

RECORD.

Precinct.

Name..... Rank.....

Appointed on Probation.....

Appointed..... Age when appointed..... Years.

DATE OF COMPLAINT	NATURE OF COMPLAINT	DATE OF JUDGMENT	JUDGMENT
Nov 12 '86	Absent from post <i>To Second Grade Sept 2 1887</i>		Rep
Sept 11 '87	Did not properly patrol <i>To first grade Sept 6/88</i>	Dec 11 87	1 day
Aug 24 "	Absent from post	Dec 2 '87	1.
Dec 10 '89	" "	Dec 27 '89	1.
July 21 90	Did not properly patrol	March 14 '90	DC
May 11 "	Absent from post in Liquor store	June 3 '90	3.
" "	Failed to arrest for vio. of Excise Law	June 3 '90	2.
" 16 "	Absent from post. Coming from Liquor store	June 3 '90	3.

Referred to
Police Dept

OCT 1 1895
for examination and report.

W. L. Strong,

MAYOR'S OFFICE

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From the Board

#

637 E. 142d St

Sept 30. 1895

Hon. Wm. C. Strong

Mayor New York City

Dear Sir

Can you not do something
for a long suffering people in regard to
the terrible nuisance of yelling and
howling Hawkers & Peddlers about
our streets & in front of our houses?
Do you not issue & sign a "Mayor's
license" to truckmen & peddlers &
can you not include in it a
proviso that there shall be no hal-
lering & yelling &c? Why Mr Mayor
I must believe you have any idea
what we have to endure up here. Any
number of wagons come through our
streets at all & the same time.
And each wagon is all the way

from one to four great big strapping
fellows with voices like thunder, rumbling
any light word of which could be
heard through the ~~thick~~^{thick} wall & they
put their hands to their mouths &
give a great yell like a fog horn
& there is no rest, no sleep, no peace
& we have come to the conclusion
that we must certainly leave the
city & live elsewhere for we can
not stand it. I had a couple
of the fellows arrested a while ago
& Judge Sims told them to "remember
that other people had rights that they
were bound to respect" & he
fined them \$3.00 each -

Now ~~Mr~~ ^{Mr} Mayor if this does not
come under your jurisdiction kindly
let me know & I will seek else-
where for relief. A Policeman told
me of these fellows that he had "no
right to sing or sing". Why should
Maddens be allowed to roam the
streets any how? Why not con-
fine them to stables during certain

hours of the day & allow no yelling & Why
I have never heard them at all at
night. There are some trees on this
block & a year ago we gave order
to make a racket place of the trees
(where our children wished to play) &
holler & yell & drink beer!

Hoping to hear from you & that
you will abate this nuisance at
once all over the city rag-men,
junk-men, coal, ice, milk-men
& all (the yelling or ^{calling} out of their
meers) I remain

Very Resp^t Yours

Geo. B. Edwards

Police Department of the City of New York.

Precinct No. 33
New York October 21st, 1895.

John McCullagh

Acting Inspector

Sir:-

In reply to enclosed communication I respectfully report as follows. A year ago last summer I received a complaint from Mr. Edwards about peddlars loitering under the trees on the block on which he resides, and their eating their dinner and drinking and using foul language. Prompt action was taken in the matter and the

nuisance abated to Mr. Edwards entire satisfaction. This is the only complaint I have ever received about peddlars during my command of this precinct to the best of personal and official knowledge no such nuisance exists as stated in the letter of complaint. The men he states were arrested a short while ago on his complaint, were really arrested over two years ago and were not peddlars. All the laws and ordinances are and have been rigidly enforced in this Precinct.

Because of the receipt of this complaint I have given special instruction to the Roundsmen and patrolmen of my command as to peddlars and their rights and ordered them to strictly enforce the law in every case.

Respectfully

Timothy J. Creeden
Captain 33rd Precinct.

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Respectfully

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Young's Hotel,

MAYOR'S OFFICE

COMPLAINT

Boston, Sept 27 1893

Mr Strong From the Board.

Dear Sir

I Write you a few
lines to let you know
at 70 East 12 st
there are a fast
house I was told
of this by a good
authority I learn of
this at my return from
Boston I think such
plans ought not to be
allowed I would be
very thankful to you
if you would see that
know more of them

names should be
cleared to Resist
hoping you will see to
this I remain

Your very
Obedt Servant

Frank Cepileff
216 Hegeness
Brooklyn

Recd. Oct. 3 1895
Actg. Insp. Brooks
State investigation, all
J. J. ...
J. J. ...
ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE

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From the Feb. 8th 1895

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To the Mayor of New York. Dear Sir
On the 3^d of August I sent a Money
order of \$6.49^c to J. Lynn & Co. 48 Bond
St New York - on the 6th of Aug I
received a card acknowledging the
receipt of the money - they propose to give
a silk handkerchief for 2 dollar worth
of goods - which I sent with the Money
order 45^c for three handkerchiefs -
The Money order was 6 dollars and 49^c
making in all six dollars and 49^c -
covering all required for three all
silk handkerchiefs - Yet they keep writing
to me for more money - and the Money
order stands against them, with the full
amount to show and I enclose to you
their own Card acknowledging it - and
also that they sent me but two premiums
and I sent the full amount for three

I must tell you and it seems to bid
that any man or set of men would resort
to, is be guilty of such an act - My account
to them for articles of their goods, I discovered
afterwards, did not quite count up to the 6
dollars - and therefore I am a little short in

2 goods - But they seem to take advantage of that
yet the money order in the Post Office of
August 3^d - proves that they received the full
amount of money - I cannot understand their
policy - I have written to them over and over
and to be assured that the amount was all
right & sent to the Post Office and had the
account examined and received the date as they
always wrote for dates and amounts (just because
my account did not run up to 6 dollars) so I
wrote my account out to them again, as they requested
it - And did fair and honest and on adding it up
it did not quite make the 6 dollars - I think
that is the whole difficulty - But I send you
their acknowledgement of receiving all the money
required and also that they only sent me 2
premiums instead of 3 - three - Now that
is the bone of contention - they owe me a
silk handkerchief for which I have paid
them and they refuse to send it and
confess to having received the money
I will also enclose a card to proving that
they are asking for more money - I have
ordered more goods too in the mean time
in order to afford them the opportunity to send
what they firstly owe me and if they would
ask to know what I ask and what I refer

to and to tell them when I took place ⁴⁹⁶ and I
have stated the matter to them by card and
by letter until I have come to the conclusion
that they seek to take advantage of me -

My Uncle has been a Police Officer for a good
many years - in what is now Greater Pittsburgh -
I was advised to send the account to the Police
department, But was also told to send the complaint to
you and you would submit it to an officer -

I will enclose the little slip in which they
state to allow what they will give for the sale of goods
amounting to 2 dollars by sending 15¢ for mailing
expenses - so the proof stands in the Post Office
that I sent the 45¢ for mailing expenses
and 4¢ over and yet they send for more money
and - the 6 dollar entitling me to three
silk handkerchiefs - I shall be extremely
obliged to you if you will attend to this matter for
me in that way - as their own confession is here to
prove that they received all the amount and that
they sent only two Premiums and also that they
have still requested more money -

I join this here to show you what they offer to give
for an order of 6 dollar worth of goods by sending
45¢ for mailing expenses -

Very Gratefully Grace Stahl
Scottdale Pa
Westmoreland Co,

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

October 22, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to send you enclosed copies of letters sent in reply to enclosures from you as follows:

Sept. 28th, Frank Cefinlo, 216 Degraw st., Brooklyn.

Miss Caroline Hatt, Stedman, N. Y.

Oct. 3, Miss Grace Deahl, Scottdale, Pa.,

Very respectfully,

John J. Kane

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* October 22, 1895.

Mr. Frank Cefinlo,
216 Degraw street,
Brooklyn;

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 27th ult., relative to an alleged disreputable resort at 70 East 12th street, that Acting Captain Laneey, of the 15th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"I have fully investigated the allegations set forth in the attached letter and cannot obtain any evidence to verify them. The whole of the upper part of the house is occupied by Bruno Wolfram, dealer in dogs, and at the present time he has a number of dogs in kennels. June 11, 1894, Clara Schultz was arrested at this place, charged with keeping a disorderly house, since which time the premises have been under constant police surveillance."

Very respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

Disorderly
Cause

report concerning the same as follows:

"I have fully investigated the al-

lege of the 27th ult., relative to an al-

I am directed by the Board of Fol-

am:

Disorderly Cause

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* October 22, 1895.

Miss Grace Deahl,
Scottdale, Pa.:

Miss:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 2d inst., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, relative to an alleged swindle, that Acting Captain Lamey, of the 15th precinct, reports concerning the same as follows:

"The firm of J. Lynn & Co., have been in business (novelty) in this precinct for the past fourteen years, ten years at 769 Broadway, and for the past four years at their present address 48 Bond street. In an interview with Mr. Lynn he acknowledges receiving Miss Deahl's money order for \$6.49, but her order calls for \$6.14 worth of goods, instead of \$6.04, as she claims, and the 45 cents for premium would make the total \$6.59, or ten cents in excess of the amount of her money order. As they still hold five cents from the amount of the last order, having shipped her to the amount of \$6.44, they will send the third premium upon receiving ten cents from her, which would make \$6.59, the total amount of goods and premiums."

Very respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

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re: the concerning the same as well
an enclosed exhibit, that Acting Com
mons of the Bd that, addressed to

I am directed by the Board

Chief: State Auditor

From the Board.

MAYOR'S OFFICE

COMPLAINT

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B98
and
Sept 26, 1896
Dear Sir

I am trying to find where my mother is. The last heard was three years ago. If you kindly or find out whether she is in the city or not. Or tell me a way that I can find out I will be greatly obliged. My Mother name was Mrs. Philip H. H. Or if you can tell me the address of any of my uncles by the name of Peter John, Henry Dietzel, Dietzel. My address is.

776/12

Miss Caroline Hatt.
Sedman
Hart Co. N.Y.
in care of J. Ford.
Eaton find a stamp.

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New York, *Oct. 3* 1895.

Referred to *Sergeant Harley*
for immediate investigation, attention and report

Peter J. Quinn
ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE.

PB-1070

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* October 22, 1895.

Miss Caroline Hatt,

Stedman, N. Y., c/f J. Ford:

Miss:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 26th ult., asking the whereabouts of your mother, that Sergeant Harley, of the Bureau of Information reports concerning the same as follows:

"Inquiry has been made of all the persons named Hatt and Dietzel whose names appear in the city directory, except John Dietzel, cabinet maker, who formerly lived at 341 East 14th street, but who has moved away and whose whereabouts cannot be ascertained, and none of them has any knowledge of the woman referred to. By advertising the writer may possibly obtain some information."

Very respectfully,

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

23, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong

Hon. Wm.

Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Board of Police to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 22nd inst., enclosing letter from J. & P. McGuire, concerning alleged obstruction and illegal use of sidewalk, and in reply to state that this man is a chronic complainant. This same complaint has been investigated and reported on already a dozen times.

Very respectfully

Thos J. Ryan
Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

Oct. 26th, 1895.

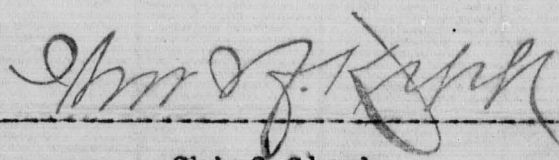
Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board of Police I return herewith communication from Thomas Ewing and a copy of the report of the Acting Chief thereon. Relative to the complaint of J. & P. McGuire I would respectfully state that this party is a chronic complainant and upon investigation the Board does not consider his complaints worthy of attention.

Very respectfully



Chief Clerk.

From the Board

523
Mayor Strong
N. Y. City.

Dr. Sir,

I wish you
to insist on the
Police furnishing
us protection against
rummy boys who
cover our walls
& houses with
mud & water
Every day Especially
at night. We are

unfortunately placed
being at Eastern End
of the big Seigel" Coop-
er & Co. Cellar, No. 19
St. between 5th & 6th
ave's.

I speak to the pa-
trol men but they
do nothing.

The police stay
most of the time
at 6th ave & 19 St.

Hoping for relief.

I am
Yours Respectfully
E. W. Van Cott

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,* Oct. 26th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong
Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

By direction of the Board of Police I return herewith
communication from E. F. VanCett with copy of report thereon.

very respectfully

John J. Kane

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

Nov. 5th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayer New York City.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day your letter enclosing communication from Wm. C. Browning commending Roundsman Clark, was placed on file with his record.

Very respectfully

John J. Kelly
Chief Clerk.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Of the City of New York,

300 MULBERRY ST.,

New York, Nov. 12 - 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 11th inst. addressed to Hon. Theodore Roosevelt relative to letter from Mrs. James Conway, of Utica, concerning her husband and to say that the same has been referred to the Chief of Police for report.

Very respectfully,

John J. Kelly

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York.*

*Frederick D. Grant,
Commissioner.*

Nov. 15th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Board of Police held this day your Communication of the 13th inst. enclosing letters from J. B. Sennett patrolman and from Florence M. Foye for appointment as Matron, was received, and I have been directed to state that Florence M. Foye's application was referred to the Civil Service Bureau, and Officer Sennett's to the Chief for report as to conduct etc.

Very respectfully

John J. Ryan

Chief Clerk.

COPY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Secret Service Division.

Washington, D. C., February 21st, 1895.

Hon. Wm. Kipp,
Chief Clerk, Board of Police,
New York City, N. Y.:

Sir:

Replying to your letter of February 20th, 1895, with enclosures relative to claim of Hon. H. W. Robertson, U. S. Consul, Hamburg, Germany, against your Department, will state Mr. Robertson had this same matter before this Division and has been notified how he can obtain relief, namely, a special Act of Congress being passed for him.

I would add that Mr. Robertson was over zealous and went outside of his line of duty, and certainly has no claim against your Department.

Respectfully yours,

Wm. P. Hazen,
Chief.

Claim against
the Dept.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York.*

*Marked D. B. Hunt,
Commissioner.*

November 15, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayer:

Sir:

Acknowledging the receipt of your communication of the 13th inst., enclosing a letter from Hon. W. Henry Robertson, United States Consul at Hamburg, Germany, concerning an alleged bill of \$19.79 against the Police Department, Mr. Robertson communicated with the Police Department upon this subject in February last, and was informed that a copy of the report of Inspector William McLaughlin, of the Detective Bureau, had been forwarded to William P. Hazen, Chief of Secret Service Division, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. The Board have directed me to again inform Mr. Robertson, of the disposition of the matter, and to also enclose to him a copy of a communication from Mr. Hazen dated February 21, 1895, a copy of which I also enclose herewith.

Very respectfully,

John J. Kane

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York.*

*Richard D. Grant,
Commissioner.*

November 15, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayer:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to forward you enclosed copy of report sent direct to Mrs. James Conway, of Utica, in response to her letters to you of the 24th ult. and 10th inst., and as requested in yours of the 25th ult. and 11th inst.

Very respectfully,

John F. Ryan

Chief Clerk.

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York.*

*Frederick W. Grant,
Commissioner*

November 15, 1895.

Mrs. James Conway,
3 Kossuth ave.,
Utica, N. Y.:

Madam:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 24th ult. and 10th inst., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, making inquiry concerning the finding of a body supposed to be that of your husband, that Sergeant Harley, of the Bureau of Information, reports concerning the same as follows:

"The only person of that name who appears on the record of accidents, etc., is James H. Conway, 35 years old, native of the United States, bar tender by occupation, who was struck in the head with a seitzer water bottle in the liquor saloon 1470 Second ave., at 8 p. m., August 16, 1895, by the proprietor of the store, William Rider, inflicting a severe scalp wound. He lives with his mother-in-law, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, 446 East 80th street, and has none of the marks described by the writer, who has evidently been misinformed.

Very respectfully,

John J. Ryan
Chief Clerk.

Nov-13-1895-

Dear Sir, I have read your letter with interest, & as a proof of my sympathy with the movement, I gladly sign the petition which you enclose. I cannot undertake however the task of presenting the matter to my congregation for their signatures, as I have no way of doing so except at some of the Church Services, & I hesitate about doing this for several reasons -

I am perfectly confident however that my people are in the heartiest accord on this matter, & I know that my signature may be taken

as representing the entire Membership
of the St Johns Methodist Church
which numbers about eight
hundred -

Wishing you great success
I am,

Very Faithfully yours,

Wesley Johnston

30 Gerrit Road B'klyn

Nov 23 - 1895

Mr Eugene V. Brewster.

or Sir

I presented
the paper on a rainy Mon-
-day. Small Audience
but a number came
forward and signed
it. I hope it may help
to strengthen the hands
of the servants of the
people.

Yours truly
J. W. Colver

Send C. Mayberry

TO THE HONORABLE WILLIAM STRONG and
THEODORE ROSEVELT, ET AL,
N. Y. CITY.

We, the undersigned, pastors and members of the Churches of your sister City, having read of the fearless and manly method in which you have caused the laws of our State to be enforced and respected, and having heard of your Intention of greatly reducing the number of licences in your City, do hereby extend to you our sincere and hearty thanks, and desire to give you this token and testimonial of our respect, esteem and endorsement, hoping that you may be encouraged to continue your noble policy in the interest of good government and temperance.

Name.	Church.
<i>Rv. J. E. Adams</i>	<i>James Methodist Episcopal Ch</i>
<i>St Richards</i>	<i>811 Jefferson Ave</i>
<i>Geo W. Collins</i>	<i>698 Monroe St.</i>
<i>W H Northrup</i>	<i>683 Putnam Ave</i>
<i>Daniel B Canhart</i>	<i>687^a Hancock St</i>
<i>T. J. Arnold</i>	<i>549 Throop Ave</i>
<i>Edwin Mendenhall</i>	<i>900^a Greene Ave</i>
<i>Hanna</i>	<i>518 Kosciuszko St</i>
<i>O Howard</i>	<i>795 Bushwick Ave</i>
<i>M R Thompson</i>	<i>71 Linden St</i>
<i>L Beach</i>	<i>64 Grove St</i>
<i>John A. Black</i>	<i>646 Monroe St</i>

J. Albert Lee
W. Atkinson
L. B. Marvin
C. H. Sparks,
A. B. Hunt
Samuel Hanna
P. L. Lathrop
George Stuart
Chas E. Reeling
J. D. Hunter
Emanuel Coleman
J. W. Am. Dr. Am.
W. D. Powell
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J. H. Walling
L. E. Rushmore
H. C. Schumacher
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Charles K. Place
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524 Putnam Ave
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George H. Friedlander 218 Lewis Avenue.

James McConnell 644 Monroe Street

Wm Engel 714 Chamney St.

Geo H. W. Fintock 24 Wood Street

A R Long 458 Monroe Street

Wm G. Drake 549a Kellogg St

Alfred Brand 170 Stuyvesant Ave.

W H Stryker 114 Reid Ave.

Joseph Daniels 471 Monroe St

Geo. G. Kilditch 743 Quincy St

Wm Engel 714 Chamney St.

H. Egbertson 821 Quincy St

H. J. Warner 505 3rd St.

Joseph W. Lantry 515 Monroe St.

John A. Lantry 614 Madison St.

John W. B. Quail 523 W. 1st St.

Geo W Logan 428 Hart St

Edwin B. Woods 596 Macon St.

L. R. F. F. F. 600 1st St.

Joseph H. Voss 214 State St

Robt M. Mullen 678 Putnam Ave

Lewis C. Webster 712 Putnam Ave

Thomas Robinson 707 Madison St.

Geo A. Smith 707 Madison St

Wm H. Harrison 559 Monroe St

Geo E Clark 743 Lexington Ave

Sam. Bernhardt 667 Madison Ave

Chas. J. Tiplinghast 869 Putnam Ave

L. O. Medea 954 Gates Ave

W. B. Howard 75r Putnam Ave

W. B. Seland 469 Van Buren St

W. H. Banta 891 Putnam Ave.

H. H. Riley 328 Decatur St.

W. H. Halbro 405 Tompkins Ave.

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Abraham P. Williams
Mrs. B. S. McNair
Dr. H. Brown
Mrs. F. B. Case Jr
Edward R. Case
R. B. Case Jr
Miss C. E. Lavin
F. E. Winthorst
Lila Hemmings
W. L. Pilton
Geo. Sibley

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First M. E.
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J. Windhorst.

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L. Cooper,

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Mrs H. C. Cook	" " " " " "
Mrs. Manning	" " " " " "
Mrs. O. A. Thire	" " " " " "
Mrs. C. L. Lathens	" " " " " "

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 Mrs J. E. Robertson
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 James B. Shepherd
 J. H. Middleton
 James A. Miller
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 Frank W. Gray
 Emma Hodgkins
 Robt Oliver
 Clara L. Richardson
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Board of Police Commissioners,

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300 Mulberry Street,

New York,

Dec. 4th, 1895.

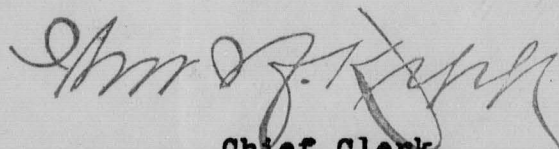
Hon. William L. Strong

Mayer New York City.

Dear Sir:-

In further reply to your favor enclosing letters from James R. Brown Va., regarding a stolen manuscript and William Wakeley Mass., regarding his brother, I would state that Mr. Brown has been informed that the Police cannot interfere in manner he suggests, but if he takes action against him for theft and communicates through the authorities with this Department the Police Will assist him. Mr. Wakeley has been informed that we are unable to obtain any information regarding his brother.

Very respectfully


Chief Clerk.

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My dear Mr Mayor:

Referring to our conversation last evening relative to the station house in the 9th Precinct, I beg to invite your attention to the following resolution adopted unanimously by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, as appears on page 3023 of the City Record:- (see 15)

RESOLVED, That permission be and is hereby granted to the Board of Police to erect and construct a station-house, prison and stable in the Ninth Precinct, upon the lots known as Nos. 133, 135 and 137 Charles Street, in the City of New York, the title to which has been acquired by the City; and

RESOLVED, that the plans for said building, transmitted to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund for their approval by a resolution of the Board of Police adopted August 30, 1895, be and the same are hereby approved.

Subsequently the Board of Estimate authorized the issuance of bonds, and appropriated \$100,000. for the building.

I have today sent to the Corporation Counsel a full statement of all proceedings, and copy of all the resolutions relating to the case.

Permit me to say that we have employed a good architect, and believe we are competent to construct our own building. If,

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however, the City desires to supervise our work, we shall not object, but we are anxious that this work should proceed without further delay.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. D. Adams".

Commissioner.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

City Hall, New York.

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December 6, 1895.

Miss Annie McGuire,

Catawissa, Mo.:

Miss:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 23d ult., making inquiry of relatives, and addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, that John Carroll is alive and well, and resides at No. 20 Beach street, this city, and he informs us that James Malone has been dead about 35 years.

Very respectfully,

John F. Kelly

*Police Department,
of the City of New York,
300 Mulberry Street,
New York,*

December 6, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong,

Mayor:

Sir:

I am directed by the Board of Police to enclose herewith
copies of reports as requested in yours

November 25th, to Miss Annie McGuire, Catawissa, Mo.

Yours of November 26th, to Johanna Krone, Berlin.

Very respectfully,

John J. Kane

Chief Clerk.

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Mrs. Johanna Krons,

37 San Sebastian street,

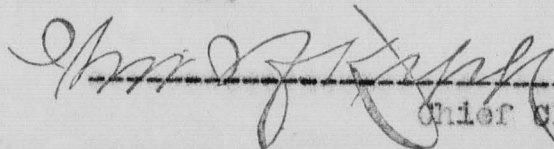
Berlin, Germany:

Madam:

I am directed by the Board of Police to say with reference to yours of the 8th ult., addressed to His Honor, the Mayor, asking information of Charlotte Kitschky, that Sergeant Harley, of the Police Bureau of Information, reports concerning the same as follows:

"By searching old city directories we find in the year 1868 the name of Charlotte Strasser, widow of Charles Strasser, saloon keeper, 7 Duane street, and upon inquiry being made of old residents of that neighborhood, we were informed that Mrs. Strasser kept a house of prostitution, but disappeared from that neighborhood about nineteen or twenty years ago, and none of them have any knowledge of her whereabouts. She was certainly the woman referred to by the writer, as she was a native of the place mentioned, and would be about the age given, if alive. After the death of her husband she lived with and supported a man named Henry Walters, whom we have tried in vain to locate. The death records have not been examined (they being kept by the Health Dept.), as it is very uncertain what name she would be recorded under, if dead. If the writer had given the woman's address when last heard from more definite information might have been obtained."

Very respectfully,


Chief Clerk.

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Dec. 9th, 1895.

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor New York City.

Dear Sir:-

In further reply to your favor of the 15th ult. relative to a complaint having been made at your office against saloon 16th street and 9th avenue I would respectfully state that Cating Captain Andrew J. Thomas reports as follows:

" I would respectfully state that the place is situated in a poor tenement locality and is chiefly patronized by the laboring class coal shovelers gas house men etc., I do not know of its being a resort for criminals hanging out there it is owned by a man named Chris. Purcell it was formerly owned by his brother William who is now serving a sentence in States Prison for killing a man in his place at 1st avenue and 22nd street some years ago. This store is kept closed during unlawful hours. I will give this place my special attention and if I find the law violated I arrests will follow!

Very respectfully

Chief Clerk.