

#380 Grand Street, New York City.

2d. June 1897.

To His Excellency, Mayor Strong of
New York City.

Your Excellency:-

Having learned from the papers that Your Excellency is suffering from rheumatismus, and being one of the thousands who have a great respect for you, I am very anxious to help you in your affliction. However, I do not know whether this is a rheumatismus or a gout. I can assure you that I can, within two weeks, cure you and guarantee that the disease will never return. I have had quite a number of cases of rheumatismus here in New York under my treatment, in many cases the form was an old one, in some cases the disease was just commencing to get hold of the patient. With my treatment the disease was cured entirely in one month. I can produce a number of references from persons who were under my treatment.

I beg your Excellency to be kind enough to appoint an interview in order that I might explain to you the way of my treatment. As I cannot speak good English, I hope you will have somebody who can talk either Russian or German.

Awaiting your kind reply, and assuring you of my greatest respect, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

M. Nazarov

International Gold Mining Convention to be held in Denver, JULY 7, 8, and 9, 1897.

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Office: Miners National Bureau 1709 to 1713 California St.
of Information,

Denver, Colo., June 2nd. 1897

Hon. W. L. Strong.

Mayor.

New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir;-

I have the honor to inclose to you, the Official Call of this Committee for the holding of the first International Gold Mining Convention, in the City of Denver, County of Arapahoe and State of Colorado, July 7th, 8th and 9th. 1897.

As you will note in the Call your City is entitled to 5 delegates to be appointed by the Mayor, your Commercial organizations 5 each, and the State 30 at large to be appointed by the Governor.

The objects of the Convention are out-lined in the Call, and as you will observe, are of sufficient interest to command the favorable consideration of every State and Territory in the American Union.

Mining is a business in which there is an endless source of material, and an unlimited demand for the raw and finished product. It is not only a legitimate, but it is a safe, and when properly and intelligently managed, a very lucrative one. Universal man to-day is seeking for the precious metals, and more than this, in a great measure the prosperity and happiness of this nation depends upon his

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finding and converting it into money, that the pressing demands of the hour may be satisfied and humanity relieved of its distress.

The purposes of this coming Convention are manifold. In its conception, it was intended as the initial step for a thoroughly reliable business campaign of education in all branches of Mining. All sentiment of politics or partiality to the respective metals will be laid aside. The plans now being carried out by the Executive Committee in charge of the preliminaries, omit no detail necessary to the purposes of such a convention, and the work thus far, although but a few weeks in operation, gives positive assurance that there will be a surprisingly large attendance of representative men from all parts of the Union. The correspondence and the newspapers of the various states, reflect the intense interest and enthusiasm of the people. Everywhere the people and the press are singularly attracted by what they seem to regard as a new, if not a novel idea of Western enterprise concerning which, they desire all possible information.

We have received most encouraging letters from nearly all the Envoy Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary of Foreign Governments at Washington, and this morning the following communication reached these headquarters:-

Zacaticas, Mexico. May 29th.97

Irwin Mahon.

Secy. Executive Committee.

International Gold Mining Convention.

Denver, Colo.

My Dear Sir:-

The Government of this State is convinced of the importance and utility of the Gold Mining Convention, which will be celebrated in your City on the 7th, 8th and 9th of July, and will have the honor to be represented by one delegate who will be duly appointed.

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In the name of the State of Zacaticas, I give to the Executive Committee of the Convention, my most expressive thanks for the kind invitation, which you were pleased to send me in behlaf of the State. And I, in particular, enjoy the satisfaction of subscribing myself,
Your sincere and attentive servant,
(Signed) P.F.Nafarrate.

Considering the fact that there will be questions of International as well as National moment presented to this Convention for its consideration, is it then unreasonable to believe that the great State, and the great Meptropolitan City of New York, will decline to participate in its deliberations or manifest a lukewarmness in receiving the cordial invitation of the Miners of this great Western Empire, to co-operate with them in discussing questions of mutual interest and increasing reciprocal trade between them? I think not. I have the temerity to believe that the greater New York is, as liberal and as loyal in all things, and upon all questions, local or otherwise, as she is great in commerce and trade, at home and abroad, and will through her delegates in this coming assembly of representative men, be most generous in recognizing Western and Southern enterprise, and their power to do good, by the presence of her brightest and strongest citizens, in this greatest of all Conventions ever assembled in the interest of Mining.

Should you appoint delegates, will you kindly furnish official list of names at your earliest convenience?

Trusting that those assembled will have the pleasure of your presence and influence, and that your City and State will be fully

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represented,

I have the honor to remain,

Yours very truly,

Irvin Mahon
Secy. Executive Committee.

All Sub-Committees Meet on Eighth Floor of Brown Palace Hotel.

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**Headquarters Executive Committee
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Office: Miners National Bureau of Information, 1709 to 1713 California St.

Denver, Colo., May 4, 1897.

TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF TWENTY:

Your committee of three, to consider the most favorable plan in proceeding to organize and call together the proposed International Gold Mining Convention, beg leave to report as follows:

GENTLEMEN:

Your special committee of three appointed by your honorable body April 30th, 1897, instructed to formulate a plan for opening and conducting the said International Gold Mining Convention, have discharged the duty imposed upon them, and beg leave to report the following as the result of their deliberations, for your favorable consideration and adoption.

FIRST: That the name of this organization shall be The International Gold Mining Convention, to be held July 7th, 8th and 9th, in the city of Denver.

SECOND: That the first meeting of the convention shall be held on the 7th day of July, 1897, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and thereafter from time to time as the convention may determine.

THIRD: That the temporary officers for the purpose of calling the convention together and proceeding to permanent organization shall be:

The Hon. Alva Adams, Governor of Colorado, President.
The Hon. J. L. Brush, Lieut.-Gov. of Colorado, Vice Pres.

FOURTH: The Board of Directors shall consist of the list attached hereto, with power to make additions from time to time, as they may deem proper. An Executive Committee of eleven, of whom six shall constitute a quorum with full power to call said convention, and carry forward to completion its organization, and the transaction of all business pertaining thereto, shall be selected by the joint committee of twenty.

FIFTH: After the temporary organization at the opening of the convention July 7th, the Convention will create its own permanent organization and plan of proceeding.

SIXTH: That the Governors and Lieutenant-Governors of the several States and Territories taking part in convention shall be Vice-Presidents, and that they shall be requested to appoint delegates to the convention.

SEVENTH: That the chairmen of all Boards of County Commissioners, Mayors of cities and towns, presidents of all Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade, Mining Bureaus, Mining Exchanges, Real Estate Exchanges, Miners Unions, and Trades and Labor Assemblies, shall be delegates and that they be requested to appoint delegates from their district organizations to attend said convention.

EIGHTH: Basis of representation.

The Governor of each State and Territory to name 30 delegates at large.
The County Commissioners of each County to name 5 delegates.
The Mayor of each City and Town to name 5 delegates.
And one additional for each 10,000 population or fraction thereof.
Each Mining Bureau to name 5 delegates.
Each Mining Exchange to name 5 delegates.
Each Real Estate Exchange to name 5 delegates.
Each Chamber of Commerce to name 5 delegates.
Each Board of Trade to name 5 delegates.
Each Miners Union to name 5 delegates.
Each Trade and Labor Assembly to name 5 delegates.
All other Commercial Bodies to name 5 delegates.

THOMAS B. EVERETT,
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EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, DENVER, MAY 12, 1897.

HON. ROB'T. F. HUNTER, Denver, Colo.,

SIR: Yours of the 8th instant, calling attention to my selection by your Executive Committee as temporary President to call the International Gold Mining Convention to order, which will convene in the city of Denver, July 7, 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M., with enclosed copy of official call for the holding of said convention, received.

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I hereby approve of said call and the sentiments therein expressed, and accept the temporary Presidency, and will name, as desired, 30 delegates at large from this State. Yours very truly,

ALVA ADAMS, Governor of Colorado.

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| Blake, F. O. | Heimbecker, Chas., | McPhee, C. D., | Trimble, W. G., |
| Carver, C. R., | Hopkins, J. F., | Miller, Wm. C., | Van Marter, H., |
| Church, J. B., | Kebler, J. A., | Mixsell, H. J., | Wynkoop, J. S. |

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| Baker, Edmund, | Greenlee, R. C., | Kelley, D. J., | Seerie, D. D., |
| Bills, C. M., | Greenlee, W. E., | McDermott, Andrew, | Sites, G. L. |
| Carrigan, T. M., | Hathaway, S. I., | | |

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All Sub-Committees Meet on Eighth Floor of Brown Palace Hotel.

International Gold Mining Convention

To Be Held in the City of Denver,

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY,

The 7th, 8th and 9th Days of July, 1897.

The First International Gold Mining Convention will convene in Denver, July 7th, 1897, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and continue in session during the 8th and 9th.

It is the desire of the various Mining and Commercial bodies calling this convention together, that all papers read and all discussions be confined to those subjects which are germane to Mines, Mining and kindred interests. The convention will be in no sense partisan, the originators recognizing the same high patriotism in all Americans, irrespective of political affiliations, believing all to be imbued with an equal loyalty to their country and its best interests.

The Hon. Alva Adams, Governor of Colorado, will call the convention to order. The delegates assembled will elect their permanent officers and arrange for the plan of proceeding.

The Vice-Presidents of the convention will be the Governors and Lieutenant-Governors of all States and Territories in the United States and chairmen of delegations from foreign countries.

BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.

The Governor of each State and Territory to name 30 delegates at large.
The County Commissioners of each County to name 5 delegates.
The Mayor of each City and Town to name 5 delegates.
And one additional for each 10,000 population or fraction thereof.
Each Mining Bureau to name 5 delegates.
Each Mining Exchange to name 5 delegates.
Each Real Estate Exchange to name 5 delegates.
Each Chamber of Commerce to name 5 delegates.
Each Board of Trade to name 5 delegates.
Each Miners Union to name 5 delegates.
Each Trade and Labor Assembly to name 5 delegates.
All other Commercial Bodies to name 5 delegates.

The objects of the convention are to secure such national legislation as may be calculated to promote the business interests and development of the resources of the Mining industry in North and South America; to bring together mining men and investors; to increase reciprocal trade among them; to discuss such questions as are naturally suggested by its objects; to cultivate acquaintance, fraternal feeling and hearty co-operation among the various mining, commercial and labor bodies represented; and especially to take under advisement the importance of the creation by Congress of a department to be known as the Department of Mines and Mining, thus securing a Cabinet Officer that represents an interest which affects more than one-third of the people of the United States.

That mining is a permanent and profitable industry, capable of large expansion, is no longer a question of doubt; and it is believed that the gathering together of a large number of people interested, either as capitalists, scientists, practical mining men or otherwise, at Denver, a central point in the mining region, with creditable displays of mineral, properly and truthfully described, from the various States and districts represented, and the discussion of all questions affecting mining interests, will not only be educational in the highest degree, but stimulate the growth of public interest and the more rapid development of mineral wealth.

It is hoped that this convention will prove to be the greatest and most effective effort ever made in the interest of mining; therefore, the Governors of States and Territories, friendly Nations, County Commissioners, Mayors of Cities and towns, all Mining, Commercial, Trade and Labor organizations, are urged to take hold of the matter at once and not only see that their delegates are appointed and attend the convention, but that attractive and thoroughly educational displays of mineral are made from every mining district.

Arrangements will be made to enable delegates and visitors to visit and inspect some of the working mines, mills, smelters, mining machinery plants and other interesting features.

It will be apparent that this, the First International Gold Mining Convention, affords unusual opportunities for intelligent, earnest and practical discussion of economic and progressive measures in the interest of mining. Such a meeting must command attention and inspire men who are sensible of the responsibilities resting upon them to devote the necessary time for conference.

This official call sets forth the scope and purposes of the convention, and it is only necessary to add the following:

The Executive Committee solicits proposals of subjects which may be embraced in a programme now being prepared.

IRWIN MAHON,
Secretary Executive Committee,
International Gold Mining Convention.

ROBERT F. HUNTER,
Chairman Executive Committee,
International Gold Mining Convention.

Executive Chamber, Denver, May 12, 1897.

Hon. Rob't. F. Hunter, Denver, Colo.,

Sir: Yours of the 8th instant, calling attention to my selection by your Executive Committee as temporary President to call the International Gold Mining Convention to order, which will convene in the city of Denver July 7, 1897, at 10 o'clock, A. M., with enclosed copy of official call for the holding of said convention, received.

It gives me pleasure to inform you that I heartily approve of said call and the sentiments therein expressed, and accept the temporary Presidency, and will name, as desired, 30 delegates at large from this State. Yours very truly,

ALVA ADAMS, Governor of Colorado.



CITY OF LAWRENCE.

(MASS.)

MAYOR'S OFFICE.

June 2, 1897.

To His Honor the Mayor of New York City.

Dear Sir:--

The people of this city are considering the advisability of amending the city charter, with the view to engrafting upon it some of the features which have been successfully put in practice by the cities of the country where they have adopted the latest form of city government. A commission is now at work here upon the subject of charter revision.

We desire to examine the charter of your city, and we respectfully request a copy of your charter for each member of our commission, which consists of fifteen, - members of our city government, and leading citizens. Whatever expense may be necessary we will gladly pay.

The principal change which public sentiment is considering, is the question as to what is the wiser course to pursue, - the appointment or election of heads of departments. Opinion is divided here, some supporting election, while others believe the better policy to be the appointment of heads of departments by the Mayor. Your opinion upon this subject is respectfully solicited for the consideration of our commission. And if appointed by the Mayor, whether it is wiser to require confirmation by the city council.

Very respectfully yours,

D. F. Dolan) For the City Charter
C. H. Kidder) Commission.

Please address:-

D. F. Dolan,

Lawrence, Mass.

Supreme Court,
Judges Chambers

New York, June 3 1897

So

Ben L. Burrows, Esq,
Secretary &c
Mayor's Office, New York

Dear Sir,

Your letter of June 1. with enclosure received. I have written to Mr Blaw in regard to his papers as I have been unable to find any record of his naturalization during the period mentioned in his communication.

The enclosed, I presume, was not intended to be forwarded to me.

Yours &c

Clifford D. Case

Personal

153 E. 57th, Street,

New York, May 10th, 1897.

Hon. W. L. Strong,

Mayor,

Sir:-

Herewith please find cut of a bronze tablet, bearing Lincoln's address at Gettysburg. The admirable original of this picture was designed and finished by a Connecticut founder. The idea of engraving this "matchless oration" upon a metal plate of this size, 18 1/2 x 11 inches or larger, has been frequently suggested in connection with a desire, to keep the sentiment and occasion of this great address before the public, like a painting of historical events, in some durable and acceptable form, all of which seems to have been accomplished in this excellent bronze.

I desire to say, trusting you will pardon intrusion, that many New Yorkers and others would be pleased to see a copy, or duplicate of this tablet placed in the City Hall-- in the Mayor's office if you please-- of the City of New York, and this by direction, or with the expressed approval

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of the Mayor, during your present term of office.

Should you feel inclined to consider the above favorably, I would take pleasure in ordering one of these tablets sent here to my address, subject to approval, and personally show it to you, at your own convenience.

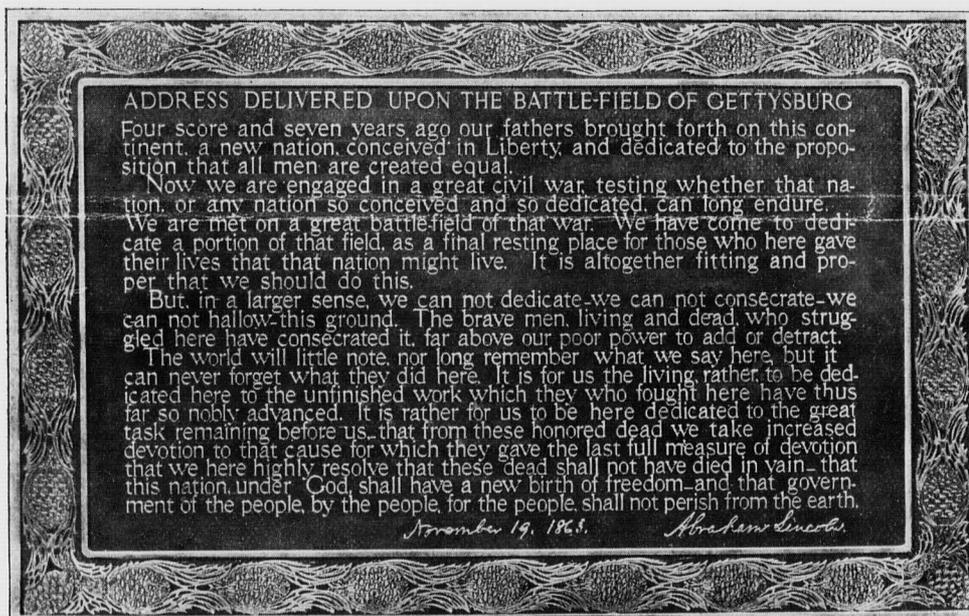
I am, Sir,

Very respectfully,

Yours,

Alfred King.

Plate 18" X 11 inches.



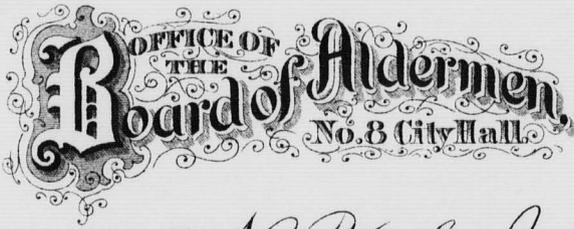
✓ # 153 E. 57th Street
New York June 3^d 1897

Mr. Burroughs.

Mayor's Office N.Y. City

My dear Sir:-

Requesting Mayor Strong to place
Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, in bronze or in some
other enduring form, in the Office of the Chief
Executive of the City of New York, during his
Administration, and if possible, before its close, in
each of the City Armories, has been a notion of my
own for some time — more than a year past —
If a satisfactory plate, at a reasonable price, could
be obtained. The one you have ^{finished} made to order
and is, I think, the only one which is at the
disposal of the Mayor. If not too much out of
place, I would like to say that the Mayor's suggestion
that vessels passing Grant's Tomb should salute,
is largely the cause of ^{the} ~~my~~ persistence in ^{the} Matter just
at this time. If the Mayor decides to retain the
tablet for a place in the City Hall, I would like to
see some reminder of his Administration engraved upon
a small plate, including the year (1897), attached to this tablet.
Very respectfully yours Alfred King



New York, June 4 1897

To His Honor Wm L. Strong
Mayor of the City of New York
Sir:

I beg to present the enclosed petitions signed by some of the residents of West 22^d Street complaining of noises during the night that disturb sleep and rest and hope that you will be so kind as to cause some action to be taken at once.

Very Respectfully
G. Rowe

H. R. DREW & CO.,
REAL ESTATE
BROKERS AND AGENTS,
1 WEST 27TH STREET,
N. W. COR. 5TH AVE.

ESTATES MANAGED.

NEW YORK, June 4 1897

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Dear Sir:

Will you kindly give us the Bethany Young Men's Institute a permit to run through the streets in our gymnasium costumes, we have already corresponded with the Police Department, and received an answer from that they could not grant such a permit, we understand the Y.-M.C.B. boys have such a permit and we would like to have one also, as the weekly runs we would take would make us better citizens, we are attached

to Bethany Congregational Church,
and we would be very
thankful to you for a permit,
hoping to receive a
satisfactory reply from
your Honor.

We remain,
Bethany Y. M. Institute,
Ralph E. Lary,
Ch. of course.

Ralph E. Lary -
West 27 St
So H. R. Drew Co.

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PUBLISHING HOUSE OF
FUNN & WAGNALLS COMPANY,
30 LAFAYETTE PLACE.

EDITORIAL ROOMS OF "THE LITERARY DIGEST."

New York, 4/6 1897

Mayor Strong.

Dear Sir -

May I trouble you
for an answer to two questions:
1) How do you remember the names and
faces of people?

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2) Can you suggest any means of cul-
tivating this faculty which is
so weak in many of our preachers?

Thanking you for the favor

of a reply

I am yours Respdy

F C Bray

Editor THE LITERARY DIGEST,

30 Lafayette Place,

New York, N. Y.

F. C. Bray.

BLANDY, MOONEY & SHIPMAN,
COUNSELLORS-AT-LAW

CHARLES BLANDY,
EDMUND LUIS MOONEY,
ANDREW J. SHIPMAN.

WILKS BUILDING,
No. 15 WALL ST., NEW YORK.

New York, June 4th., 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,

My Dear Mr. Mayor,-

I notice by the City Record of the ^{3rd} instant, ^{at page 2107.} that Alderman Woodward introduced into the Board, and the Board passed, a resolution granting permission to Conron Brothers to lay a 4-inch water pipe across the carriage-way of 132nd. Street at its junction with 13th. Avenue; along 13th. Avenue to 131st. Street, under the carriage-way of 131st. Street, and along 13th. Avenue to 130th. Street, on the same day that he introduced, and the Board passed, an Ordinance granting to the Manhattan Refrigerating Company permission to enter upon streets in the same locality for the purpose of supplying refrigeration. The latter ordinance is the one you approved at my request yesterday.

The resolution in the interest of Conron Bros., although for a 4-inch water pipe, is really for the same purpose- to supply refrigeration, and it seems to me that there is not room for both parties within that territory and, while I dislike very much to stand in any one's way, it seems to me that, inasmuch as you have approved our ordinance for that purpose, and as we are about to invest considerable money in the enterprise, Conron Brothers ought not now to ask you to approve their resolution.

I have the honor to remain

Your obedient servant,

Chas. Blandy

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COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

June 4, 1897.

Hon. Wm. A. Strong.

Dear Sir.

I write again to
report progress in the mat-
ter of the design for the
proposed Record Building.
The revised sketch which
Mr. Thomas has present-
ed, at our request, leaves
little to be desired to
make it in our judg-
ment eminently suit-

like for the purpose. We might
make a report at once
to that effect. But it
would be more satisfactory
to ourselves and to Mr.
Thomas and it seems to
us that it will be more
satisfactory to yourself
and to the public if
we wait until the bee-
nishes that are still
conspicuous have been

removed. This, we are
confident, will be the
result of a few days
further study on Mr
Thomas's part. We
hope then to make a
report which will be
free from any reser-
vations which will im-
barrass the prosecu-
tion of the work.
Hoping that this

course will comment
itself to your judg-
ment and approval
I am, very respect-
fully your obedient
servant —

William P. Wheeler



FRANK ABIAL FLOWER.

807 H St., N.W.,

TEMPORARY ADDRESS:

224 INDIANA AVENUE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 4, 1897.

My Dear Sir:

Can you easily send to me a copy of Mayor Wood's message of January 7, 1861, in which he advocated the secession of New York city and the establishment thereof into an independent state or municipality?

I am making an historical paper and do not wish to misrepresent Mr. Wood.

If a copy of the message is not at hand and available for the purpose indicated, please have an outline made of just what Wood recommended at that time.

Very Truly Yours,

Mayor Strong.

Frank A. Flower.

Public High School,
H. S. GULLIVER, Principal.

Waterbury, Conn. June 4, 1897.

My dear Sir,

Between 40 and 50 youthful citizens
are studying civil government - especially American
civil government - under my instruction, and we
desire before the end of this month to study as care-fully
as we can the constitution of the Greater New York.
Printed documents on this subject are as yet, how-
ever, difficult to obtain. Whatever you can send
me for this purpose will be very gratefully
appreciated both by the pupils and by

Yours respectfully,

H. S. Gulliver

To His Honor The Mayor,

City Hall, New York

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BROOKS BANK NOTE CO. BOSTON.



Sturtevant House

HENRY J. BANG,
PROPRIETOR.

Broadway & 29th Street,

New York,

6/4 1897
11, 3- or 48th Street
(Can of Mr. Woodau)

Mrs. William Strong
Mayor

Dear Sir

I expect to play 50 games of Chess, all at one time, against 50 different Players, without right of Men, Boards, or Pieces for the benefit of the "Evening World's Sick - Baby Fund", soon. If in the City, will you honor us with your presence on the "Evening Night" - If we will furnish you with a plentiful supply of real good "Strong" Tea. Our object being Charity, I presume to thus address our "Reform Mayor", and ask of him that he may please confer the signal honor upon us. I have played 24 games in this manner for Charity, and now propose to try 50. The number does not seem to make any difference,

Perhaps I am presuming in thus address-
-ing you in this familiar manner, but we
all have noticed your good nature "in
re" the "Tea" I expect Col. Ingersoll to
preside, & make a short address, with
Hon. Seth Low, Trunk. R. Condit, David
Butterfield, Rev. Dr. Parkhurst, Mr
Arthur, et al, on the platform beside
you. Visit the "Evening World" in its issue
of tomorrow, or Monday next. I organized
the "Evangelical Parkhurst Society". Have been
sick 6 years with "Nervous Prostration"
- hence the "nervous hand-writing".

Yours Respectfully,
William H. Mundy

P. S. An Early Am., if convenient.

Wool Exchange.

ALLAN MACNAUGHTAN, PRESIDENT.

CHARLES FLETCHER, VICE PRESIDENT

CHARLES H. ROBERTS, TREASURER.

A. W. LIGHTBOURN, SECRETARY

F. E. CAPRON, MANAGER.

New York, June 4, 1897

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York
Mayors Office, N. Y.

Dear Col. Strong:

The South American Merchants are to visit the Wool Exchange at 1 o'clock on Thursday the 10th inst.

They will inspect the building, and I propose to serve a light luncheon for them immediately after.

I hope that you will feel like being the guest of honor and aid me in receiving them. Other prominent men will be with us.

May I expect you at that time?

Very truly yours,

Allan Macnaughtan
President

33 East 17th St., N.Y. City
June 5th, 1897

Dear Sir:-

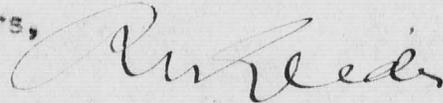
A meeting of the Committee on the Erection of the Washington Arch was held at the office of McKim, Mead & White, 160 Fifth Avenue, on the afternoon of May 27th, 1897.

At that meeting a special committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer, Mr. William R. Stewart, reported in full, showing that from May 8th, 1889 to July 9th, 1895, he received subscriptions to the fund to the amount of \$127,960.85 interest on balances in Mercantile Trust Co. 5,616.90
Total \$133,577.75

The construction of arch, and other expenses, covered this entire amount, thus leaving no funds in his hands. They reported that the Treasurer made no charge for clerk hire, office rent or postage, but contributed the same gratis. They also reported that all accounts were found correct.

The Committee passed a resolution of acknowledgment to Mr. Stewart for his indefatigable and public-spirited services, and further resolved with regard to the Macmonnies statues, which are to be placed upon the vacant pedestals of the Arch, that they would print a statement in the papers inviting subscriptions, which may be sent to William R. Stewart, Treasurer, 31 Nassau Street, and that they would suspend any further public efforts for the present. A few subscriptions were made at the meeting, and the Committee adjourned to meet at 12.30 P.M., October 5th, at the office of the Treasurer, 31 Nassau Street.

Respectfully yours,



Secretary.

22 Harvard St. Nashua N.H.
June 5th /97

Mr. Mayor
Dear Sir

In the Scientific American of June 5th, the statement is made that the U.S. Court has rendered judgment against the City of New York in favor of Christopher J. Campbell for infringement of patent.

The device shown on page 356 of the paper mentioned I think was in use many years previous to 1864 on a force pump in this city, but was not used

to put out fires. As I understand Patent law, the application of an old device for a new purpose does not constitute invention.

If the fact that a valve was used on a force pump to allow the water to circulate from one end of a cylinder to the other without doing any work, previous to 1864, and can be proved, and be of use to you, I will inquire into the matter more fully.

Yours truly

Alfred M. Hill

Late
Supervisor's Office
Late TOWN OF WESTCHESTER.

West Chester, N. Y. City June 5th 1897

Hon. William L. Strong

Mayor of New York City

I fear that my
humble expression of admiration
for you and your administration
as Mayor will be of little
moment to you but on account
of late adverse criticism I am
impelled to write you that, it is
my belief that no honest citizen
can impugn your motives or deny
but that your administration has
given us better government.

With your experience you
are the logical candidate for Mayor
of Greater New York.

Very truly
A. M. Field

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133 E. 119th St.

June 7, '97

Mayor Strong,
New York.

Dear Sir: ~~As~~ ^{As} an American Citizen I
protest against the exhibition of Sycophants
arranged for next Saturday in Central Park.

It appears that a programme of
special music is intended to be rendered
by a band to celebrate Victoria's jubilee.
Now, the money raised by taxes in
New York City was never intended for ex-
penditure in this manner.

What good has this woman done
for this city or for its citizens, that
their money should be spent in singing
the alleged story of her reign?

If there be music let it be "The Dead
March", in memory of the brave men
who perished during the Civil War.

The bloody strife would not have con-
tinued so long but for the assistance
rendered the South by Victoria's Government,
English private Companies, and British
money lenders. Other nations will soon
believe our Country is simply an annex
of the British Crown.

This country is full of toadies to
English sentiments and ways, and it is time
for the people to call "~~that~~^{that}".

Don't say: "this is from a crank," and
throw it in the waste paper basket.

There is something in it.

Yours truly,
John Browne.

Laurence Minot, Chairman.
Davis A. Dewey.
B. Rodman Weld.



Sumner B. Pearmain.
Edward H. Hartwell.
William Jackson,
City Engineer, Ex Officio.

Department of Municipal Statistics.

71 City Hall.

Boston, June 7, 1897.

To His Honor,
The Mayor of the City of New York.

S i r :

There has recently been established in this city a department for the collection and publication in convenient form of statistics relating to municipal affairs.

This is a new departure in city government which we believe will commend itself both to executive officers and to students.

It will add greatly to the value of our work if we can include in our tables comparisons with other cities, and for this purpose we should be glad to receive copies of the annual reports of your executive departments for 1895 and 1896, and to be placed upon the list of persons to whom these publications are regularly sent.

We shall be glad to return your courtesy by sending you a copy of our annual publication as soon as it is published.

Very respectfully,

Laurence Minot.

Chairman.

CHAS. R. FLINT,

4 EAST 36TH ST. 559 38TH STREET. }
66 BROAD ST. { 1270 BROAD. } TELEPHONES.
 { 954 " " }

NEW YORK, June 7th, 1897.

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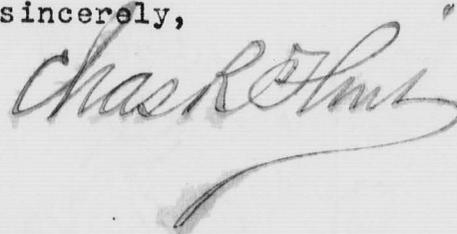
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

New York City.

Dear Sir:-

I should very much like to have an opportunity to talk with you about the matter of the proposed Ann Street widening. If you would be kind enough to let me know at what day and hour it would be most convenient for you to see me at your office, I shall make it a point to call inasmuch as I desire to lay before you certain considerations in the said matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chas R Flint". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

New York 7th Day of 6th Month, 1894

THIS is to Certify, that the Bearer hereof J. F. Davis
native of the U States of America

is on her mission through as Local Preacher preach the Second
Coming of Christ, being a fully Licensed Preacher of the Religious
Sect, surnamed Israelites.

She carries with her *The Books of Faith and Laws, collected from the Four Books of Moses, and the Four Books of the Evangelists of Jesus Christ*, to sell to the public, and is bound to have a Certificate at least once a year, signed by a person of respectability, being a believer of the Old and New Testament, to prove to the Society from which she is sent, that she herself has walked according to those Laws, which she sells, and that her conduct in all other respects has been consistent with morality. Also, that she deliver up to the Trustees of the said Society, yearly, all letters she may have received belonging to the Society.

William Chermantz 130 Delancey St
Serman J. Black TRUSTEES.

Christian Israelite Church.

#108 First St., N.Y., N.Y.
June 7th, 1897.

This is to certify, that the bearer hereof Mrs. Ida F. Davis of Washington, D. C., U.S., A., is a fully licenced preacher for the religious sect, sur-named, Israelites.

Wm. Obermann
#150 Delancey St.
N.Y., N.Y.
Trustee.

SNOW'S U. S. SAMPLE EXPRESS CO., LTD.

413 WASHINGTON STREET,

NEW YORK.

MICHAEL SNOW, PRESIDENT.
HENRY SANGER SNOW, SECRETARY AND TREASURER.
F. H. SAWYER, MANAGER.

June 7' 1897

Replying to your favor of.....

"Confidential"

Hon. Mayor Strong,
City Hall,
New York.

Sir;

Enclosed please find a report cut from the "Herald" of the remarks made by you at the Grand Central Palace last night, at the meeting held for the benefit of the Catholic boys.

I have no objection to your praise of the Catholic benevolent institutions of this City, they deserve credit for what they do; but I object strenuously to your unfavorable comparison of the work of the Protestant Societies as compared with the Catholic.

I have been for nearly thirty years a Trustee of the "Brooklyn Children's Aid Society (Protestant), and I have knowledge of the work done both by the Catholics and Protestants, among the street children.

In our institution- I cannot give the statistics of the religion of the children whom we work for; but I know that most of them have been Catholics, at first Irish, later German, now Italians. I am also one of the advisory committee of the Brooklyn Orphan Asylum Society, and I know that they receive very frequently Catholic children, and I know when the parents are asked why they bring Catholic children to a Protestant institution, they reply 'because they are better trained and cared for'.

If you will enquire of the New York Children's Aid Society, I do not doubt but that you will find a very large proportion of their beneficiaries are Catholics. So that Catholic children cared for by both Protestant and Catholic Institutions they ought to be well cared for.

My personal experience sustains your statement in regard to the Jews. We very seldom have any of their children to care for. I am under the impression that they are better trained in obedience to parents and habits of industry than others so that they are better able to take care of themselves; and have a national dislike to receive help as paupers.

I have known you for many years and have great confidence in your administration of this City, and your good intentions; but this statement which I deem unjust will spread all over ^{the} United States and ^{be} made to do duty in favor of separate schools and Catholic Institutions,, probably to the disadvantage of protestants which have been the pioneers in charitable and educational work.

I remain, *yours sincerely*
Michael Snow

William H. Hume,
Frederic T. Hume.

Offices of
Wm. H. Hume & Son.
Architects.

Lincoln Building, 1 and 3 Union Square.

New York, June 8th 1897

Hon^{ble} Wm L Strong

My dear sir

In one of your recent speeches you are quoted as saying that you would decline a re-nomination for the office of Mayor. Permit me as one of your friends and admirers, as well as a citizen desirous of seeing the best interests of our city served, to express my great regret, if such is really your determination. Your ability and experience in the office you honor, would make you an ideal head of the greater city. I earnestly hope if the nomination is tendered you, as it should be, that we may see the reflection of the best Mayor New York City has ever had.

Very sincerely yours

Wm H Hume

DR. WILLARD PARKER,
55 FIFTH AVENUE,
OFFICE HOURS UNTIL NOON.

June 8th 1896

My dear Sir

Mr. May Taylor
(Stage name May Tem-
pleton) - Presented herself
at my office today with her
son whom she is and
was to have employed
with her on the stage in

certain minor parts -
which there is no dancing.

The boy seems intellectually
peculiarly bright, and
physically is unusually
well developed and
well nourished -

In view of his condition
and of the fact that his
taking part with his mother

depends on her engagement
+ that on her engagement
the actual food problem
of their lives rests, I do
hope that you will see your
way clear, consistently
with official duty, to al-
low the boy under certain
restrictions to appear on
the stage - Respectfully
Willard Parker

HELP FOR INDIA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

New York, June 7.

These who undertook the work of procuring grain to be sent from here to Bombay, for the relief of sufferers from the famine in India, have notified Mr Long, Secretary of State for the Navy, that the grain will now be sold, and money forwarded instead. Mr Long has, in consequence, abandoned his efforts to secure steamships for the transport of grain.

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Fridham
Helensburgh
: June 8/97

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To the Mayor of New York

Respected Sir

I enclose a cutting
from today's Glasgow Herald
which informs the world that
America cannot find shipping
to convey to India the wheat
which they wish to send to
alleviate the famine in
that country, and therefore
the wheat is to be sold
and the money proceeds
sent instead. I wish to
ask sir if you think anybody
on this side of the water
will believe that sort of
a story? I write you
from the banks of the Clyde
~~where I~~ see great ocean sailing

ships coming & going laden with merchandise from all parts of the world, passing this place every day in the week, and yet nearly all the shipping companies complain that trade is very slack and they cannot get enough of freight to keep their ships fully employed. and there must be truth in their statement for quite a number of well known ships are lying idle in the Garlocks ^{close by here} and have been lying idle for many months in succession

some of them for years.

I will mention two only, with the names of which I am sure you will be familiar ~~as they~~ which a few years ago used to be considered greyhounds of the Atlantic viz The Alaska and the Arizona, but which are now considered out of date & behind the age. There is half a dozen others lying there with nothing at all to do. just resting away - and yet you proclaim to the world that you cannot find ships to carry your kind contributions of wheat from America to

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India - Why in the name
of goodness did you not
ask the British Government
to send you some ships?
We will find you more ships
than you will find grain
to fill them, if you like to
challenge us. I appreciate
very highly the goodwill of
the American people in sub-
scribing for the relief of the
Indian famine but when you
say you cannot find ships to
convey the food supplies which
you have collected I conclude
that your supply must be a
great mountain higher than
Ben-Nevis the highest mountain
in Scotland, but even that would
not daunt British shipping companies
They would shift it in a month
yours truly, Robt Jones -

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New York, 9th June 1897

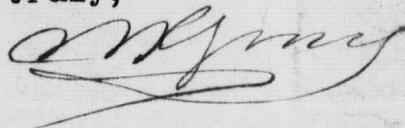
Hon William L. Strong,

P r e s e n t .

My dear Mr Mayor:

I have been notified by the Banquet Committee to act as your
escort to-morrow evening, and if it is agreeable to you I will call for
you at about half-past six, or a little later, at your residence.

Yours very truly,



TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PETITION

We, the undersigned, Citizens and tax payers of the State and City of New York, do hereby take the liberty to submit to Your Honor our following grievances:-

Your petitioners are owners of stores and dealers in various kinds of trimmings, dry goods, gents furnishing goods ribbons, notions and other wares and merchandize on the East Side of the down town portion of this City, and notwithstanding the location, we are all subjected to very large expenditures as high rents, taxes, clerk hire and other concurrent disbursements necessary for the maintaining of our business together with our families.- And we would however carry on and bear the yoke with composure, were we not disturbed by a certain class of itinerant venders and pedlers, mostly being newly arrived foreigners, who swarm like bees in front of our stores with their push-carts and baskets, taking up their respective stations for several hours in succession, and who for the reason of being under very small and insignificant expenses, do undersell us to our great injury and detriment to such an extent that the continuance in business became impossible, absolutely intolerable, and perpetual suffering under such circumstances practically unendurable.

WHEREFORE, we cordially pray and petition Your Honor, to investigate the above existing evil and to order the abolishment of the unjust venders with push-carts and baskets with abovementioned goods from the blocks where petitioners are engaged in business and by the evading of such a competition to save us from calamity and involuntary downfall.

| NAME | ADDRESS |
|--------------------|---------------|
| H. Zircowich | 91 Hester st. |
| H. Fischel | 72 Hester st. |
| G. Rosenfield | 83 Hester st. |
| J. Gruber | 68 Hester st. |
| Rabmowitz & Loebel | 70 Hester st. |
| M. Schechter | 86 Hester st. |
| J. Skolsky | 89 Hester st. |
| S. Rosineld | 99 Hester st. |
| J. Fox | 56 Hester st. |
| Sam Korbak | 35 Hester st. |
| * Solomon Rapport | 20 Hester st. |
| Sever Eder | 27 Hester st. |
| L. S. Goldberg | 38 Hester st. |
| D. Riveman | 45 Hester st. |
| A. Steinbeck | 42 Hester st. |
| Wagner Bros | 46 Hester st. |
| a Gentig | 46 Hester st. |
| Flann & Westley | 83 Hester st. |

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| NAME | ADDRESS |
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| Isidor Heltberg | 64 1/2 & 66 Hester St |
| Joseph Lieberman | 42 Hester St |
| Max Honowitz | 42 Hester St. |
| Joel Koperberg | 47 Hester St |
| Isidore Scheinbergson | 44 Hester St |
| Max Polinsky | 94 Hester St |
| Roman Eppas | 92 Hester St. |
| et. Bronstein | 94 1/2 Hester St. |
| J. Keller | 111 Hester St |
| Sam Bodan | 119 Hester St |
| D. Cohen & Bros. | 110 Hester St. |
| D. Kowitz | 95 Hester St |
| Freud Fejler | 49 Hester |
| M. Schwartz | Bro 27 Essex St. |
| Pinchas Sabowitz | 29 Hester St |
| L. Rosenbaum | 81 Hester St. |
| et. Koperberg | 80 Hester St. |
| et. Elmberg | 66 Hester St. |
| H. Goldberg | 70 Hester St |

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR OF THE
CITY OF NEW YORK .

PETITION.

Dated N.Y. June 9, /97.

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CITY OF NEW YORK .

PETITION.

Dated N.Y. June 9, /97.

CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

June 9/97.

Wm L. Strong, Mayor,
to Alfred King Dr.

100 1/2 bronze tablet
with inscription *Lucas*
Gettysburg Orator \$2.00

Recd. Payment

Alfred King

June 9/89.

Eben Hayes,

436 N. 36 St.

Mrs. Hayes' address

Thirty-Four Nassau Street.

June 9th. 1897.

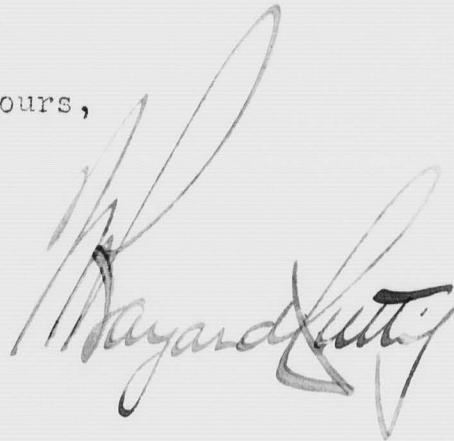
Mr. B. L. Burrows,

Sec'y. &c., Office of the Mayor,

Dear sir:

Answering yours of the 3rd. inst., I have to say that it always gives me great pleasure to do anything to further the views of His Honor, the Mayor, but I am afraid that it is impossible for me to do anything as a Civil Service Commissioner to help Miss Miller. We have no power to change her position on the list or to further her advancement in any way.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bayard Rustin". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed text "Very truly yours,".

Wool Exchange

New York June 9, 1897

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

My dear Mr. Mayor:

Will you be kind enough to come to my private office, Room 201, in the Wool Exchange when you reach the building to-morrow noon, that you may be made comfortable at once, and not be in the crowd of visiting guests.

Very truly yours,

Allan Macnaughtan
President

West 61 St.
N.Y.
6/19/97

To Mayor Strong,
Hon. Sir,

As I live adjacent to West 60 St. bet Col. Ave & Amr Ave I notice that these poor tenants on the block on 60 St bet Col Ave & Amr Ave are totally deprived of Fire Escapes. I have taken an extended view of the front and rear and fail to find any. Why don't the owners of these houses which are thickly populated be compelled at once to put them in? This is a crying shame and should not be tolerated, and you as a good, humane and charitable Mayor should at your leisure investigate and see that this be instantly done. I as republican friend expect this favor in the cause of humanity, and by conferring it I shall ever feel grateful.

Yours Fraternally. Thos. L. Byrd

New York, June 10/97
Hon. Wm L. Strong,
12 N. 57 St. City.

W^m Mayor:

If you will investigate
the Maher - Sharkey prize fight
last evening, you will be forced
to the conclusion that Inspector
McLaughlin should be dismissed
from the force for excessive
vigilance in the defence of
Common decency or that Magistrate
Cornell should be removed
for signing pay rolls for services
which do not satisfy the decaets

citizens of the Metropolis.

This affair should be brought to the notice of the Grand Jury, and their finding should shape McLaughlin's or Connell's future employment.

This outrageous insult to common decency should enlist the zeal of every decent citizen.

ROGERS PEET & CO
MEN'S & BOYS' OUTFITTERS
NEW YORK

569-575 BROADWAY
AT PRINCE STREET

June 10th, 1897.

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

Dear Sir:-

For years we have been called upon to supply small amounts of clothing to the Department of Public Charities and Corrections.

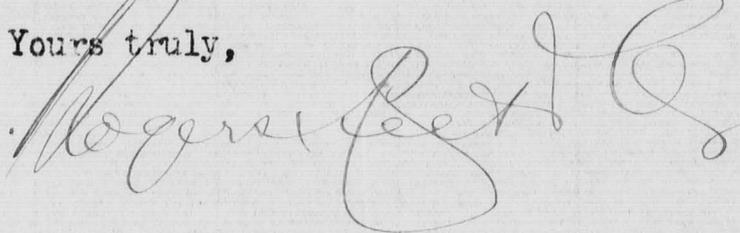
At the time the old Department was separated into two new ones there was due us \$147. for clothing supplied between November 1894 and February 1896.

We have been told at the Department of Charities that there were no funds available for the payment of the old Department's obligations, but that the matter would be attended to "shortly."

There ought to be some way of collecting a debt of this kind after more than a year's delay, and we write to you to ascertain what is the proper course for us to pursue.

With an apology for troubling you about so small a matter,

Yours truly,



New York, June 10 '97
Hon. Wm. L. Strong
Dear Sir-

As a born
and bred New Yorker,
and one taking an
interest in the city's
historical and arch-
itectural features,
I take the liberty
of trespassing on
your time with
a few remarks
concerning the

portico of the "Tomb" whose disposition I understand is now in your hands.

With all due reverence to the Board of Aldermen, I would suggest that either of the following locations would be more suitable than the proposed removal to Blackwells' Island, viz:

I. That the entire

Centre Street facade, with sufficient of the side walls from Franklin and Leonard Street, be re-erected in the N. E. portion of the City Hall Park, to be there utilized as, A. an armory for Naval Militia; B. as a downtown branch of the proposed Public Library; C. as a Professional Reference Library (Legal, Medical and Theological);

D. As a historical Museum and Library.

I do not think the community would begrudge the small portion of park space necessitated, especially when the structure would replace the present unhandsome engine house and old Criminal Court building.

II That the entire Centre St. facade, with portion of side walls, &c, be re-

erected at foot of
E. 26th St. & utilized
as Morgue, Cor-
oners' office, etc.

III That the por-
tico, only, be re-
erected at Fifth
Ave and 59th St
entrance to Central
Park, which sadly
lacks an impressive
vestibule like Prospect
Park, for instance.

IV That the por-
tico be re-erected

at the Fifth Ave.
& 81st St. entrance
to Central Park,
in appropriate prox-
imity to the obelisk,
thus exhibiting both
New and old spec-
imens of Egyptian
architecture.

Now, I humbly
submit that in
any one of these
positions this in-
teresting historical

relic and archi-
tectural gem will
be observed by
10,000 people where
in its proposed lo-
cation it will be
seen by one.

Yours very Resp'y.

Edw. W. Robinson
378 Willis Ave
City.

("Bronx Borough.")

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June 10. 1897

Itan. Gen. L. Sharp.

Mayor.

Dear Sir.

I last night received
from Mr. Thomas his final
revision of the Record Building
drawings, & today have
sent to Mr. Mangum
for his signature the re-
port upon which we have
agreed & which was
drawn up by Mr. Schuyler.

I hope to be able

to place it in your
hands by Saturday.

I am very respectfully

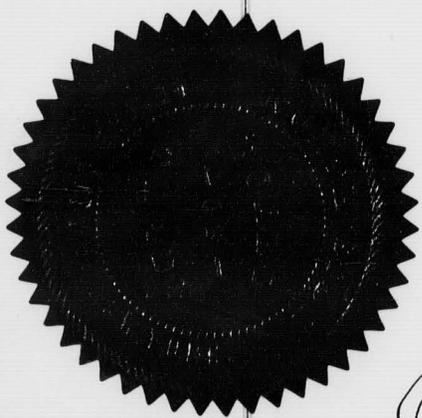
William F. Ware

NORTH SIDE BOARD OF TRADE,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

278 Alexander Ave., May 10th. 1897

This is to Certify *that at a meeting of the North Side Board of Trade of the City of New York held this day the following resolution was adopted:*

RESOLVED, that the thanks of this Board be extended to Mayor Strong for his firm stand in favor of a direct approach to the Third Avenue Bridge, a matter first advocated by the North Side Board of Trade and that this Board again affirms its belief that a direct approach is not only necessary but inevitable to properly accommodate the traffic on this important structure.



James L. Wells
President

Chas. H. H. H.
Secretary.

North Side Board of Trade

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

RESOLUTION

Extending vote of thanks
Mayor Wm.L. Strong for his
firm stand favoring a direct
3rd Avenue approach.

Adopted, May 10th. 1897

NORTH SIDE BOARD OF TRADE,

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

278 ALEXANDER AVENUE,

JAMES L. WELLS, President,

267 ALEXANDER AVENUE.

CHARLES W. BOGART, Treas.

OTHO G. ANGLE, Secretary,

278 ALEXANDER AVENUE.

FORDHAM MORRIS, Vice President,

16 EXCHANGE PLACE.

23rd WARD BANK.

NEW YORK May 12th. 1897.

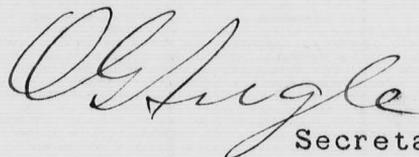
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Herewith please find copy of resolution adopted by this Board which I am directed to send to you.

Very respectfully yours,


Secretary.

**NORTH SIDE BOARD OF TRADE,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.**

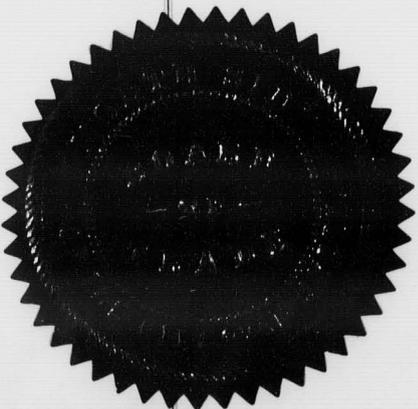
278 Alexander Ave., June 7th. 1897

This is to Certify *that at a meeting of the
North Side Board of Trade of the City of New York held this
day the following resolution was adopted:*

RESOLVED, that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment be
requested to re-open the question of a direct
approach on the southerly side of the Third Avenue
Bridge over the Harlem River and a Southern
Boulevard approach thereto; and that the associations
of property owners in Harlem be invited to co-operate
with this Board in securing a direct approach along
Third Avenue and the Southern Boulevard approach and
that the entire Executive Committee of this Board
be appointed to aid the Committee on Bridges in
securing such results.

James L. Mills
President

Chas. H. H. H.
Secretary.



North Side Board of Trade

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

RESOLUTION

Requesting re-opening of
question of direct approach
to Third Avenue Bridge.

Adopted, June 7th. 1897

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NORTH SIDE BOARD OF TRADE,
OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

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267 ALEXANDER AVENUE,
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NEW YORK, June 10th. 1897.

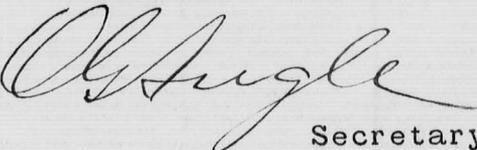
Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor N.Y. City.

Dear Sir:-

Herewith please find copy of resolution adopted by this Board which I am directed to send to you.

Very respectfully yours,


Secretary.

MARION BRANCH, NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

LOCAL MANAGER:

COLONEL GEORGE W. STEELE, Marion, Indiana.

GOVERNOR

CAPTAIN JUSTIN H. CHAPMAN,

CAPTAIN H. O. HEICHERT, Treasurer.

DR. A. D. KIMBALL, Surgeon.

DR. HARRY MILLER, First Ass't Surgeon,

DR. B. C. DALE, Second Ass't. Surgeon

REV. D. E. MYERS, Chaplain.

REV. F. C. WIECHMANN, Chaplain.

P. O. Address: NATIONAL MILITARY HOME, INDIANA, June 11, 1897. 189....

To the Honorable Mayor,
New York City.

Sir:-

In explanation of the following request, permit me to state to you, that Colonel Daniel Stinson died in New York City some few years ago. He was an officer of the United States Volunteers, commissioned as Captain and Asst. Quartermaster, August 6, 1861, and was stationed in New York City, on duty in the Quartermaster's department from September 10, 1861 to May, 1866, during which time, he was brevetted, for faithful and meritorious service during the war, Major, Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel.

In his will, he bequeathed to the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, \$10,000.00. This money has, by direction of the Honorable Board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, been expended by erecting a Stinson Memorial Hall at this Branch of the National Home.

It is our desire to place a memorial tablet to the respectful remembrance of Colonel Stinson, and we have all the data necessary except the date of his death.

General William B. Franklin, President of the Board of Managers, suggested that it might be possible to obtain the date of Colonel Stinson's death by communicating with the Mayor of New York City, and this letter is

submitted with that request.

Very respectfully,

your obedient servant,

Justin H. Chapman
Governor.

Health Department,
Centre, Elm, White & Franklin Streets,
(Criminal Court Buildings)
New York, _____

June 15, 1897

Benjamin L. Burrows, Esq.,
Secretary, Office of the Mayor,
City Hall, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 14th instant is received,
and in reply I herewith enclose, as requested, the
certificate of death of Colonel Daniel Stinson, who
died August 20, 1891.

Very respectfully,

C. S. Sherman
Chief Clerk.

Enclosure.

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P. O. Address: NATIONAL MILITARY HOME, INDIANA, June 19, 1897. 189....

Mr. Benjamin L. Burrows,
Secy. Mayor's Office,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your favor of 16th inst., enclosing official copy of the certificate of death of Colonel Daniel Stinson.

With the certificate, we are now in possession of all data necessary to complete the memorial tablet. I thank you very much for securing and furnishing us with the certificate.

Very respectfully,

Justin H. Chapman
Governor.

New York June 11 1897

To His Honor Mayor Strong
Your Park Board has proved its
Efficiency in perfecting the Pagan
God Pan.

The present Members of the Board
are an honor to the City and a Credit
to the Mayor that appointed them.

Such art may have been good enough
for all pagan Greece, but the
Clean thinking people of the U. S. ought
not and should not worship at the
Shrine of rude Mythological Gods.

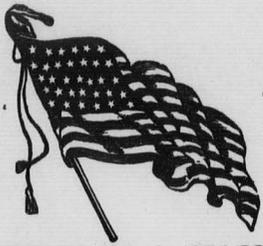
I would respectfully suggest they
present Pan to the trustees of the
Gallery of Art in Central Park. If
they are willing to accept the Bacchante
(rejected by the Boston Free Library) they ought

to be open to receive anything in the line
of nude art. Last year the trustees
reported a falling off in visitors to number of
28000, if they keep on exhibiting such art,
(Of which they have entirely too much now)
a still less number will visit the Museum.
Our Art gallery ought to a place where
we can take our sons and daughters,
If not appropriations for additions to Building
ought to be stopped.

Respectfully
J. P. Leekler

690 E. 159 St
A taxpayer and
lover of Clean Art

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THIRD ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

Business Men's Republican Association,

Branch of City and County of New York.

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Our Choice for Mayor of Greater New York!

WILLIAM L. STRONG.

New York, June 11th 1897

My dear friend
Mayor Strong

I see by some of the daily papers that the business of Lower district are going to organize for the coming Campaign our people all over the city approve of the movement and says it will add 25000 ^{votes} for our tickets this fall I hope this movement will be pushed for so we can get a separate column on the ballot tickets let get the business men organized all over the city to make sure that we elect a Republican ticket this fall that is nothing like the business men organization among our people
Yours truly
Wm A Mass

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF
Steam Engineers of Greater New York.

—COMPRISING—

Eccentric Engineers,
Portable Engineers,

N. A. S. E.
Marine Engineers.

M. D. NAGLE, President.
WM. ARMSTRONG, Vice-Pres.
J. A. STEWART, Secretary.
J. GAFFNEY, Treasurer.
J. SAUNDERS, Doorkeeper.

Meets 2d and 4th Thursday,
at 283 Hudson St., New York.

New York, June 11 1897

To the Honorable

William C. Strong

Mayor of the City of New York

Dear Sir,

A mass

meeting of Engineers will be held in Cooper Union Wednesday Evening June 16-97, under the auspices of the Central Association of Steam Engineers of Greater New York for the purpose of thanking the friends who were instrumental in defeating bill 462 & successfully passing through the legislature bill 1586.

We respectfully request the honor of your presence on this occasion & hope you can find it convenient to be with us.

John Fenytson
Chairman of
arrangements.

Yours respectfully
James A. Stewart
Secy
The Lawrence
1200 Madison Ave.

New York Produce Exchange,

New York, June 11 - 1897

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Hon. Mr. L. Strong:
City Hall N.Y.

My dear Mr. Mayor:

I wish to thank you most heartily
for your kind letter of Congratulation.
Nothing since the birth of my first boy
has pleased me more.

My hope is that I will be able to
so administer the affairs of the Institutions
of which I have been placed at the head
in such a manner
as to merit your continued friendship,
and than who placed me there.

I wish also to Congratulate you
upon the success of the Banquet held last evening,
all with whom I have talked regard it as one of

The most successful banquets of the year.

I meant to have expressed my congratulations
in person last evening but missed doing
it at the last minute -

Again thanking you for this and many other
kind recognitions, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Frank Braman

Buffalo, N. Y., June 11, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York,
Executive Chamber, New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

As a free American Citizen, proud of his adopted country, and jealous of her honor, and the manhood of her people, I wish to protest against the official celebration of the Queen's Jubilee by the City of New York where an Anglomaniac bandmaster proposes to play, Rule Britannia, God Save the Prince of Wales, God Save the Queen, and every other air which is used to glory over America and defend citizens of foreign birth, whose rule and oppression, as well as the dissensions of the citizens of the original thirteen colonies which were obliged to revolt against English tyranny. Every citizen of the State of New York has a right to interest himself in the official actions of the great metropolis of the State, and it is most amazing the virus of Anglomania should have so permeated the City Government of the City of New York that by words and music the colors of England and England's Queen should be thrust in the peoples' teeth. The throwing of tea in the Boston Harbor must have been forgotten, the sympathy of England with the Southern Rebellion must have been forgotten, the depredations of the Alabama must have been forgotten, the insult to the American Flag in London must have been forgotten, and a long series of other insults to America must have been forgotten. It must also have been forgotten

that when the Irish people were starving and England refused them her aid Hon. Levi P. Morton sent over America's contribution for the sufferers. When I was in London four years ago I heard a Member of the British Parliament assert in the House of Commons that there were more people starving in the City of New York than there were in the City of London, and he made the assertion with evident satisfaction. While I have no desire to show any disrespect to England's Queen I still believe that Americans should be true to America, and that instead of encouraging Anglomania every official in the land should do what he can to stamp it out.

Yours with the Grace of God, free and independent
loving universal liberty and freedom.

Exile J. J. McBride,

U. S. A. C. C. E. M.

Mr Wm. G. Strong.

Mayor.

Dear Sir -

I send herewith our Report and the Plans and Elevation, including both the original design for the Chambers Street front, and the revised design which, at

our suggestion, Mr. Thomas
has prepared.

The large perspec-
tive, which being made
in accordance with
the first sketch is now
irrelevant & misleading,
I have returned to
Mr. Thomas.

Hoping that these
views will prove ac-
ceptable to yourself
and to the Board

of Estimate + Appropriation ment,

I am — truly + as

Sincerely yours -

William P. Ward.

126 East 28th Street -

June 12. 1891.

10, WATER STREET,
LIVERPOOL.

34, LEADENHALL ST
LONDON, E.C.

"ISMAY,"
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS.



WHITE STAR LINE.

29, BROADWAY,

NEW YORK, 12th June 1897 189

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

Sir:-

With reference to the leases which have been made to this Company and others of certain new piers now being constructed between Gansevoort and West Eleventh Streets I beg leave to call your attention to the remarks made by the Comptroller at the meeting of the Sinking Fund on Tuesday last.

Amongst other statements made by the Comptroller and the Recorder with regard to the value of these piers the Comptroller stated as I understand it that because since the completion of our lease with the Commissioners of the Dock Board, arrangements which have been made by the Commissioners assisted not indirectly by the evidence of the Steamship Companies have secured the extension of the pier head line thereby further securing the widening of the marginal street by 100 feet, the same arrangement very slightly lengthening the piers in question, that the Steamship Companies should be required to pay a still higher rental than that already agreed upon.

I beg to call the attention of your Honor and the members of the Sinking Fund to the fact that under the arrangements enter-

ed into with us; the Cunard Line, the Wilson Line and ourselves pay such a sum of money to the Dock Board representing the City as will not only provide for the interest on the City's bonds but will in the course of thirty years-- the limit of the three periods of the leases entirely pay off the cost not only of the piers but of the marginal street that is being widened.

The Comptroller himself stated that the value of the assessments of the property facing on this new street will be increased by not less than three-quarters of a million dollars per month.

This increase is secured at the expense of the Steamship Companies.

The Steamship Companies have no interest whatever in the widening of this street beyond that it prevents the congestion of traffic which would occur should the street be left of the original dimension.

Under our lease we have the privilege of shedding fifty feet of the bulkhead but beyond this whether the street is 250 feet wide or 500 feet wide the Steamship Company has no control whatever.

I believe I am right in saying and I would beg to call your attention to the fact that my Company is paying a greater rental to the City than has ever before been paid by any Steamship Company for any wharf property.

When the Dock Board submitted certain figures to the meeting held at your Honor's office some time since they stated in their report that the highest rents paid, on certain selected portions of the most valuable water front of the City amounted to \$246. per lineal foot. This was for shedded property. The amount that we are asked to pay the City including the cost of our sheds which the Dock Board has so far insisted upon our building without any return to us for the money invested or any provision for allowance at the expiration of their lease will be not less than \$257. per lineal foot.

If I may so far trespass upon your kindness as to ask you to read this letter before the Sinking Fund Ckmission on Monday next I cannot but feel that the objections of the Comptroller to further the work in hand will probably be overcome.

I am, Sir,

Your Honor's obedient servant,

(Dictated)

Maitland Carey

P.S. With regard to the construction of the sheds I may state that in the event of the City carrying out the work of construction which in my opinion it should do as it owns the substructure my

Company is quite willing to pay an additional rental based upon a reasonable amount of interest upon the cost of construction so that the rental per lineal foot will not be effected.

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NURSES SETTLEMENT,
NEW YORK.

265 HENRY STREET,
279 EAST BROADWAY,
312 EAST 78TH STREET.

June 14-97

To His Honor
Mayor Strong of New York

Dear Sir:

This is to express
very deep appreciation of
your decisive action
in calling our downtown
East Side Parks and
Play-grounds into
existence. We know
what they will bring to
our crowded neighborhood

✓ and will hold you in grateful remembrance always as the good mayor of the city, who gave us, in this tenement region, pleasure and beauty as well as schools and good streets.

I speak for many in this little note, who bid me say thank you, and distinctly acknowledge the thoughts and sympathy you

expressed for our children
by creating the Rivington
Street play-ground out of
the old Corporation
yard.

With gratitude and
esteem,

I am,

Very sincerely yours

Lilham D. Wald,

265 Kerry St.



Presbyterian
Church of the Sea and Land
Market and Henry Sts.
New York

June 14th, 1897:

The Hon. Wm. L. Strong,
Mayor of the City of New York.

Dear Sir:-

Permit me to express to you my very hearty appreciation if the gift which I understand that you have made to the boys of the City, of the Corporation ~~land~~ ^{yard} at the foot of Rivington Street. We who live down here in the most crowded portion of the city feel very much identified with the boys in our sympathies, and feel like paying a boy's fine every time we see him arrested for playing ball. Such a gift as you have made will be an inestimable gain to the neighborhood, I believe, for I think there is nothing these boys need more than good healthy play.

I hope most sincerely that it may ^{also} prove possible to put a good playground in the new Rutgers Park grounds, which location would benefit our own boys even more than the contemplated one in Rivington Street.

With the most cordial appreciation of everything that is being done to better this part of the city, believe me

Yours sincerely,

John Hopkins Dewaroy.



ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN
WEST THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET,
NEW YORK.

New York June 14th 1897

Hon Wm L. Strong.
Mayor of New York.

Dear Sir.

In Norfolk Street, near
Stanton is an old Dutch Reformed
church which is about to be demolished.
It has a number of historical relics
among them a marble memorial set in
the wall inscribed to the memory of
Baron Sturbeek, a member of the church
and a Mayor. Killed during the
Revolutionary war. No provision has
been made for preserving this relic,
and wish to suggest that it might be
removed to the Governor's Room at the
City Hall at a small expense. There



ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN
WEST THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET,
NEW YORK.

is no place in the city where old
New York Relics are preserved, and
where the general public are admitted.
The Governor's Room could be made
the repository for needed for an
historical New York collection, and I
feel certain that if the idea was ever
made public many persons would
present mementos of old New York
which are now hidden from sight;
& be eventually lost.

Trusting that your administration
will take up this interesting subject
before its close remain

Very truly
Yours
T. J. Benton

*Patents and
Patent Causes.*

*Charles H. Denison,
Attorney and Counselor,*

165 Nassau Street,

Butter Building,

New York.

June 14th 1897

Hon. William L. Strong.

Mayor.

My Dear Sir:-

This will introduce to you Mr. Alfred H. Boland whom I have known for many years as a thorough Republican and an enterprising citizen. He is the agent for a celluloid-covered bible, which has been indorsed and recommended for use in the courts and departments of the City by the Board of Health.

I am quite sure that an examination of the book will convince you that it would be an excellent thing if such a book could replace those in common use.

A recommendation or suggestion from you

*Patents and
Patent Causes.*

Charles H. Denison,

Attorney and Counselor,

145 Nassau Street,

Rotter Building,

New York.

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would be greatly appreciated by me and I think
by all persons who are called to make oath
in the courts.

Very truly yours,

C. H. Denison



CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

Monday afternoon

June 14/97.

My dear Mayor Strong,

I have this moment rec^d. a report by telephone from a physician who has inspected the three sites for the Harlem Hosp^l, at my request, this morning. His opinion is that the location owned by the city on the river is desirable for air. But undesirable for noise. The disadvantage of the Lenox Ave. Site is that it is located at the extreme western limit of the ambulance district, and as I told you, the district extends north from 96th to 149th. So that the location is also ^{at} $\frac{4}{5}$ of the distance from the Southern to the Northern limit. The gentleman who made the investigation believes that the old site, if land enough can be procured, would be better than either of them - by old site, I mean the present location of the hospital (120th St. & E. River) -

I suppose there is no question that the Lenox Ave. Site



CITY OF NEW YORK.
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.

will be a wholesome one from a Sanitary
point of view - but is pretty sure to be an
expensive one. It will surely be built up
densely in future in the immediate neighbor-
hood -

I do not know that I have any further
criticism to make -

Very truly yours

Geo. G. Wheeler

I do not know how large the area is of the
lot owned by the city on Madison Ave. at the river,
but should suppose the amount of land suggested
by the Med. Board (200 x 400) were too large -
just the dimensions of the old St. Luke's ground
at 54th St & Fifth Ave.

No. 75 Park Ave.
June 15/97.

Mr. Wm. L. Strong Mayor.

My dear Mayor Strong,

I enclose herewith the
report made to me as
Pres^t of The N. Y. Co. Visiting
Comm^{ee} on the Subject of Sites
for the new Harlem Hospital.

In case the matter should not
be settled upon finally today
this report may contain
matters of interest for

Yours consideration, or that
of the Controller or Mr.
Scott Dalton it may be
referred.

Sincerely yours
Geo. G. Whelock

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Princeton NJ June 15/97

Hon. W. L. Strong,

City Hall ,

Newyork City.

You were today elected an honorary member of american whig society

Job. E. Hedges.

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W. WESTON,
STOCKS, BONDS & FOREIGN EXCHANGE,
48 EXCHANGE PLACE,
NEW YORK.

June 14th, 1897.

Hon. William L. Strong,
City Hall, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

In October last I wrote you of Mr. Balston, an inventor, and some of his inventions.

That letter may have seemed to you too enthusiastic, but six months more of close study of the man and of his inventions, have only served to convince me that he is even greater, and his inventions more valuable, than I thought them to be at the time of writing my previous letter.

Critical examinations by experts of such of his inventions as are sufficiently advanced to admit of examination, have resulted in making those experts quite as enthusiastic as I am.

I enclose with this letter a brief list of the inventions he has made, to complete which, so that they may be used commercially, it is now purposed to form a corporation. It is quite beyond the limits of a letter to describe completely any one of these inventions.

An opportunity will be offered you in the near future to become a stockholder in the Company to be formed for the development and completion of these inventions; and, as you will probably desire further information in relation to them, it will be furnished by General Willoughby Weston, and Mr. Stanley M. Hatfield, at #48 Exchange Place, or General Robert Avery, Johnstone Building, 30 Broad Street, calling upon you. Either of these gentlemen will give you full information both in regard to the inventions and the terms under which the proposed company becomes the owner of them and of any and all others which the inventor may make in the future.

LIST OF INVENTIONS.

FIRST: A typewriter which will write words instead of single letters at a touch of one's finger. This machine writes faster than you can talk, and at the same time, if it is wanted, it will write letters over an ordinary telegraph or telephone wire, almost to any distance, and makes no noise. You will see from this that it is bound to supersede telegraphy and the telephone, and is the king of all typewriters. No question but that this machine, which is nearly completed, will certainly force all other typewriters out of the market. An endless amount of money can be made out of it. This word writing principle can be very readily applied to any kind of machine where the typewriter keyboard is used, as the Lineotype machine, the electric circuit Lineotype machine, the type-setting machine, the adding machine, and to many other machines of the same nature.

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SECOND: A process for photography in natural colors. This is a process which has gone through very critical examinations by the best experts in the country, and they all say that Mr. Balston's process is the only one which will have any future in the market, all other processes of which we have heard being only apologies for photographs in natural colors, and his is the only one with which the public will be satisfied. This color photography of Mr. Balston's is not only 100 years ahead of them all, but it is simply the only one by which you would be able to take a picture of yourself as natural as you would appear in a mirror.

THIRD: Mail tube with a carriage, to convey letters and packages at a rate of speed never before obtained, exceeding 100 miles per hour. This system contains no movable mechanism of any kind, as no movable mechanism would ever stand such a constant tremendous rate of speed. This is the basis of future railroad-ing and bulk mail service.

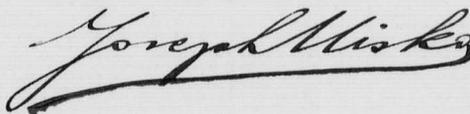
FOURTH: An electric storage battery which does not consume any metals.

FIFTH: A process to generate electricity at about 1/5 of the cost of all the present processes and dynamos.

From this brief list of five of Mr. Balston's inventions, you can easily see that if only one of them is brought to perfection and placed on the market, a very large dividend would be paid on the stock of the company owning it. The stock will be sold so that it will cost you only 50 cents on the dollar, and provision is made so that the subscribers for the first two thousand shares, shall have the first right to subscribe for and purchase, pro rata with their present subscriptions, any additional shares which may be offered for sale by the company, at whatever price may be fixed for such stock, not less, however, than Sixty Dollars (\$60) per share.

You will permit me to say that this is a very extraordinary and excellent investment, especially when you will be only called upon to pay in not to exceed 10% per month, probably not more than 5%, as the company will have no immediate use for the money beyond such percentage as that will bring. Even if you are not in a position at the present time to invest, it never does harm, neither will it take up a great deal of your time to look into extraordinary affairs like this. You will oblige us by doing so.

Yours very truly,



#48 Exchange Place,
C/o W. Weston.

Roughkeepsie N. Y.

June 15, 1897.

Hon. Wm. L. Strong
New York.

Dear Sir;

Chapter 523 Laws of 1894
authorizes the Board of Estimate &
Apportionment to provide means
for the purpose of building a
monument in Battery Park to
mark the time of the evacuation
of the British Army from that
place. Kindly bring the matter
before the board and endeavor
to carry the matter to a success-
ful issue.

Trusting you will take favorable
action and advise me what is done,

I am, Yours truly
W. H. Nelson

DIRECTORS,

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GEO. FRUH, *Treasurer*,

E. L. HUNT,

A. D. PALMER, *Secretary*.

GEO. B. INMAN CONTRACT CO.,

OFFICE:

27 THAMES STREET,

New York, June 16, 1897.

Senator John Ford,

New York City.

Dear Sir:--

As the author of bill and representative of the district you take more than an ordinary interest in the Riverside Improvement; the great feature being the Viaduct over the Manhattan Valley.

This should be an artistically designed structure as well as an engineering one. While many of our engineers are competent to build a strong bridge, very few have the happy combination of combining beauty with strength. This points to the selection of an engineer who has these qualities and who is noted for works of this character.

Of all the eminent bridge builders of this County, A. P. Boller is recognized as being head and shoulders above any other expert in such works, as having done the best work of that character, and the experience of the City of New York with him during several years past has shown him to be a man of sterling integrity and one to whom such a great work can be safely committed in full confidence that it will be carried out as a credit to the City, not only as a piece of architectural engineering but in its business character in all departments.

We wish him to secure this position if possible and wish

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you would see the committee who have the appointing of the
engineer and use your influence in his behalf. The committee are:

Mayor Strong,
Comptroller Fitch,
Pub. Works Coms. Callis,
Pres't B'd Aldermen, Joralemen,
Com. Haffen, 23rd and 24th ward.

If you will kindly do this you will confer a great per-
sonal favor.

Yours very truly,

G. B. Inman

Board of
Estimates

& app

Edmund Seymour.

William W. Seymour.

Seymour Brothers & Company
Bankers.

*35 Wall Street,
New York.*

*Brown Bros. Bldg.
Philadelphia.*

New York.

June 16th, 1897.

In Re

Hon. Wm. L. Strong,

Mayor's Office, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

I am taking a very great interest in the matter of the doings of the small park commissioners, for, with the exception of the schools, it appears to me that no more worthy work is being done in the city. I am somewhat acquainted with the portion of the city which would be most benefited by these small parks, and I wish to express my gratitude to the administration for what they are doing, especially in the way of schools, and also in this matter of the small parks, and in the street cleaning department.

In this connection I wish, as a citizen of that section of the city, to thank you for turning in the corporation yard at the foot of Rivington Street for the purpose of a park. It seems to me as if this is one of the very best locations for a park, for it is only two short squares from a large school, and in addition, both the University and the College Settlements are or will soon be located on Rivington Street, and also Mr. D. O. Mills is to build one of his hotels for working men, similar to the one that he is now erecting near Bleecker Street, which I understand will accommodate several hundred, so it seems to be one of the most desirable sections of the city for a park.

~~We~~ We have another square which I trust that the commission, in due course of time, will take in hand. I refer to the Rutgers Square which as it stands, is hot and dirty. The fountain is a means of bringing a great deal of dirt there, rather than washing it away. At the proper time and place, I would like to suggest to the commission that this would make a most excellent place for a children's playground, and it strikes me that a few trees there would be a very great improvement.

Trusting that you will take this letter in the spirit that it is meant, I am,

Yours very faithfully,

Dict. W. W. S.

William W. Seymour,

RICHFIELD MERCURY.

F. E. MUNGOR, Prop'r

Richfield Springs, N. Y. June 19 1897

Mayor Wm. D. Strong

My dear Sir:- At the request of Mr. Proctor I am going to attempt to issue an illustrated edition immediately after the dedication of the Dalziel's Monument here on July 5th.

Owing to the limited facilities of a country office we shall have to do the greater part of the work in advance, and I write to ask if you will furnish me a copy of your remarks a week or so before the event. Also will you send me a good photograph

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of yourself so I can have a suitable sub-head for this edition. Would like the photo at your earliest convenience, the celebration is to be quite an event - for Richfield and we want to do full justice to it.

Thanking you in advance for the favor, I remain

Very truly yours

F. E. Mungor

Wool Exchange.

ALLAN MACNAUGHTAN, PRESIDENT.
CHARLES FLETCHER, VICE PRESIDENT
CHARLES H. ROBERTS, TREASURER.
A. W. LIGHTBOURN, SECRETARY

F. E. CAPRON, MANAGER.

New York, June 17, 1897.

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

Dear Sir:--

After numerous conferences and much consideration, you have been selected by the Board of Governors of the Wool Exchange as a member of its Committee on Arbitration. The Exchange is now thoroughly organized and may be said to be in full operation with the exception of the public auctions which are held in abeyance on account of the Tariff bill.

As the Committee on Arbitration shall arbitrate all claims, disputes, differences and controversies between members of the Exchange arising out of any transactions, providing both parties shall agree to submit their case to the committee and be bound by its decision, you will see how important its work will be to the Exchange, and that it should be constituted of men well known for their good judgment, ripe experience, and large business acquaintance. In all of these respects you are more than eligible.

It is hoped that you will see your way clear to an acceptance of this appointment and thus help in the good work of establishing, for the first time, an open public wool market in the United States, conducted according to the most approved business methods.

Yours truly,

A. W. Lightbourn
Secretary.

Formerly with
DOUGHERTY & HERTEL



JOHN E. HERTEL

TAILOR

255 Fifth Avenue bet. 28th & 29th Streets.

NEW YORK.

6/17, 1897

HIMBLEY & CARROLL, N.Y.

Hon. Mayor Strong

My dear Sir:-

I beg to call your attention to the street, in front of my establishment, which has been torn up, for several months past. Permit me to say, that the stench and gasses, arising therefrom, are unbearable; I admit, that there is a necessity for doing this kind of work, altho' it is very detrimental to my business. I would respectfully request you to use your best endeavors to push the work along as expeditiously as possible, and think the work should be continued night and day until completed. The losses sustained from the present state of affairs, and the high rent, which we are compelled to pay, makes it urgently necessary, that something should be done to relieve us.

Trusting you will give this matter your early attention, I am,

Very truly yours,

John E. Hertel
per. G.W.