

Learning Places Spring 2016

LIBRARY / ARCHIVE REPORT

Brooklyn public library

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INTRODUCTION

The Brooklyn Public library is located, by prospect park. The library as a beautiful entrance, with great stairs. The class took part in looking maps of the downtown Brooklyn area to further understand what we've been doing in class, these maps were from a variety of different years some of them over a century old.

PRE-VISIT REFLECTION

I'm excited to look into old maps, I think these maps will give me and my peers better understanding of the Dumbo/Vinegar Hill area, and see some changes and similarities the architecture of the area.

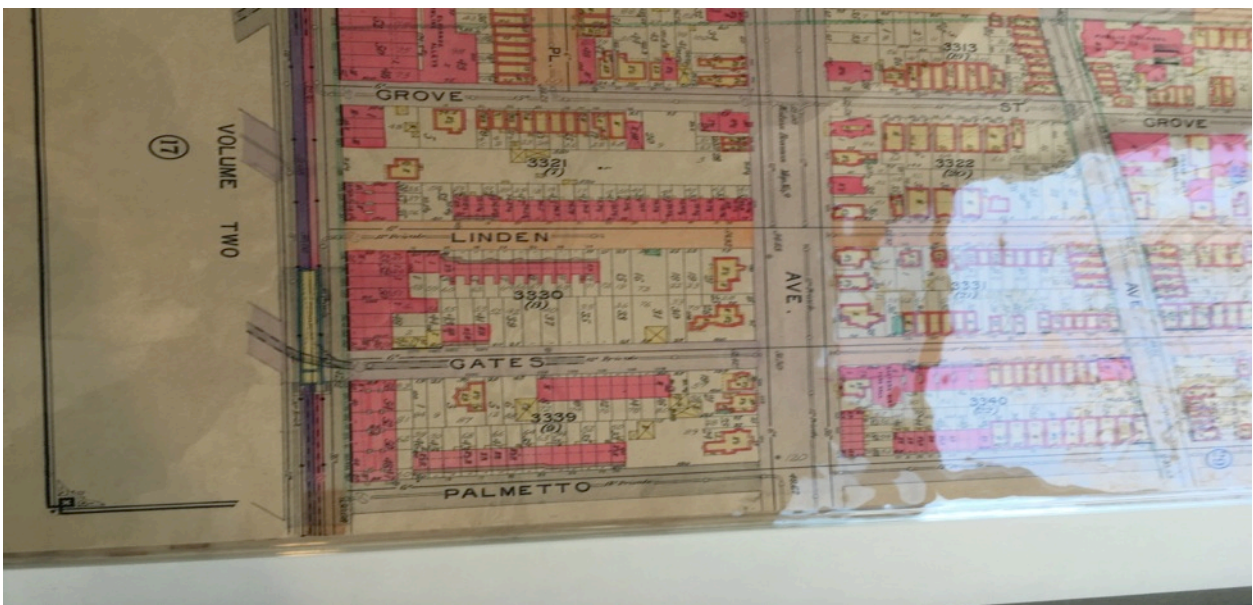
SOURCES found

1. Map from 1877

2. Map from 1900



Picture of Brooklyn with its special districts noted into numerical order. 1877



Picture of streets in Brooklyn with notations of what the buildings are made of, red being brick, yellow being clay, 1900.

These pictures are important because they don't just note street changes over time, they give you the reader a little extra information. As for instance we can now go to the building noted in the second map and check if the buildings have been renovated, are they still very much made of the same material made up. The first map can show us the readers, fire districts that have definitely changed over time

DISCOVERIES

1. Neighborhood History
 - a. Many streets have changed names
 - b. Some streets have been in longated
2. Key Events / Historical Dates
 - a. xx
 - b. xx
 - c. xx
3. Key Players
 - a. xx
 - b. xx
 - c. xx
4. Relationship Key Players
 - a. xx
 - b. xx
5. Public Perception of Key Events
 - a. xx
 - b. xx
 - c. xx
6. Important Changes to Neighborhood
 - a. The Manhattan Bridge
 - b. The obsurbtion of Brooklyn become part of NYC
7. Other Observations
 - a. I noticed on some maps they noted warehouse with their business names on them
 - b. I would like to look more into these businesses
 - c. xx

TOPICS & KEYWORDS

Key words “Dumbo” & “Vinegar Hill”

QUANTITATIVE DATA for Area of Study

Subject	Data
Land Ownership	Kings County
Number of Blocks	N/A
# of Buildings on a Typical Block	30
Materials	Brick, Clay, Stucco
# of Stories of Buildings	Two to three stories
Residential Bldgs	n/a
Empty Lots	Noticed five empty lots
Commercial Uses	Factories and warehouses
Industrial Uses	
Other Data	

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QUESTIONS to Research Further

QUESTIONS:

1. Why how did the Manhattan bridge change Brooklyns landscape

RESEARCH METHOD/ ADDITIONAL SOURCES NEEDED TO ANSWER EACH QUESTION ABOVE:

1. Question 1
 - a. The Brooklyn Eagle may have some primary information

SUMMARY / POST VISIT REFLECTION

The Brooklyn public library was very helpful in our classes research, and was beautiful public building