

SITE REPORT #3



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INTRODUCTION

On this visit, we went to the New York Public Library located near Central Park on 476 5th Avenue. On the visit we went to the libraries Map Division and obtained more information about each groups topic and more specifically a hypothesis. In this visit we had a library explaining to us all the information he had gathered for us to use.

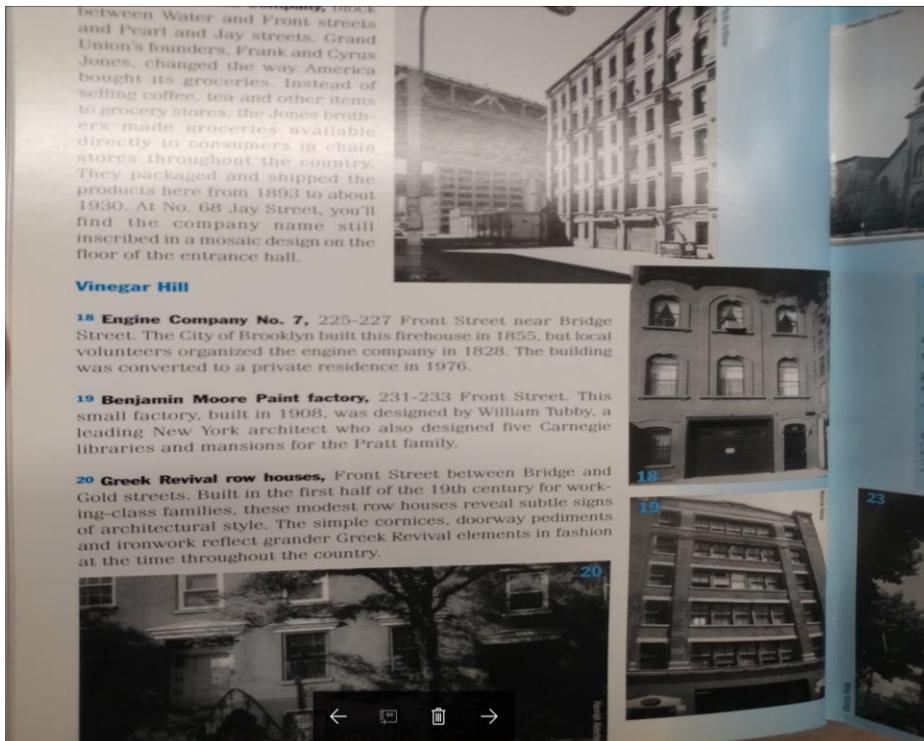
OBJECTIVES

The objective was to continue finding pieced of work that would support our hypothesis for our project. Whether that would be to find maps, diaries or any kind of information related to Vinegar hill.

PRE-VISIT REFLECTION

I went into this visit not knowing what to expect. I was hoping to find new pieces of work that would support my main hypothesis. I personally had never gone to the library so I was expecting it to me more impressive than the one we went previously.

SITE DOCUMENTATION:



A brochure that contained a variety of information about Brooklyn. Set up to serve and educate what seemed to be for tourist at least the way it was listing information. Lots of information about Vinegar Hill and the history around it.

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A book put together by researchers listing all kinds of information that included architectural plans, as well as the plans for preservation and development. From numerous of information the book contained it seems like there are public hearing for residents and public official when making important decision on a change. Contains lot of specific information about specific buildings all around Vinegar Hill.

SITE OBSERVATIONS: One or 2 general notes about the Brooklyn Collection, and 2-3 specific observations about how the primary sources you found are connected to the topic of your investigation

1. A few map from the 1900s
2. Huge library with interesting information about numerous of topics
3. Librarian was helpful with information about what books were digitized and not
4. Not enough hard information about vinegar hill in the past or about its construction plans in the past.
5. Some information there was similar or related to past library visit.

QUANTITATIVE DATA: under “subject” list the topic; Under “data” describe your findings and the quantity found

Subject	Data
map	2 maps that contained area of vinegar hill and downtown Brooklyn in general
books	4 books had had load of information but one in particular that focused on vinegar hill
brochure	1 brochure from the 2000 that seemed to be used for tourist visiting Brooklyn. Lots of various and detailed information of vinegar hill

QUESTIONS AND HYPOTHESIS Consider the primary sources found during your visit and review the material you included so far in this report.

QUESTIONS:

1. Why was the purpose of the brochure?
2. Are public hearing still a thing around Vinegar Hill.
3. Looking at the industrial Development and Residential growth section I wonder why there hasn't been an effort such as this in the 1800s to continue to grow the area Vinegar Hill?

HYPOTHESIS: From the questions you wrote above, select the most important question for your own research topic. Propose an explanation made on the basis of the evidence you have so far as a starting point for further investigation.

1. Apart from educating people about the area who was it intended for? Was it for tourist or just anyone?
2. With a proposition blocked that would have changed the zoning in Vinegar hill to construct a 10-story building did people get a change to be informed as in the past? Or was that rejection by residence block by force?
3. Is it money? Is it not worth it for developers and investors unless they start building bigger building hence changing the identity of vinegar hill.

SUMMARY / POST VISIT REFLECTION / NEXT STEPS?

Overall it was a good visit was I really loved the book “Vinegar Hill Historic District” and there was a few general maps that will help me with my overall hypothesis. My next step will be to gather all the information I obtained and put it together and wait and see what I come up with on the next library visit on 3/30. Till then I will be using the information I have to see what else I’m missing and see if I can find that information later on

PRELIMINARY REFERENCES FOR PRIMARY SOURCES:

Record the essential information that you might use to create a citation for 3-4 primary sources you examined. Don’t worry about creating a perfect or conventionally formatted citation; record the information that someone would need to find it again. Include a variety of sources: photographs, maps, articles, manuscripts, etc.

1. <http://nyhistory.org/library/digital-collections>
2. http://www.nyc.gov/html/lpc/downloads/pdf/reports/VINEGAR_HILL_HISTORIC_DISTRICT.pdf