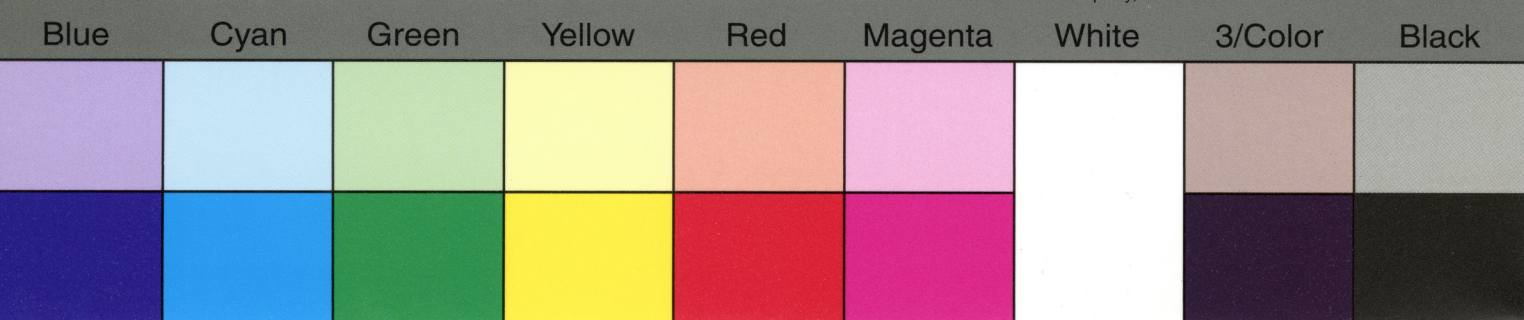


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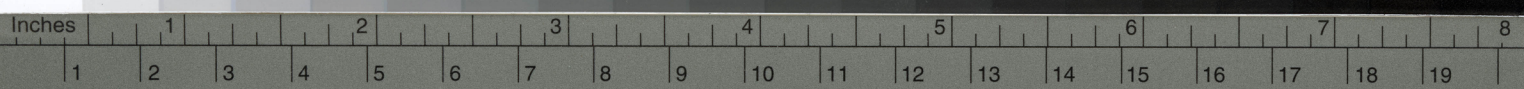
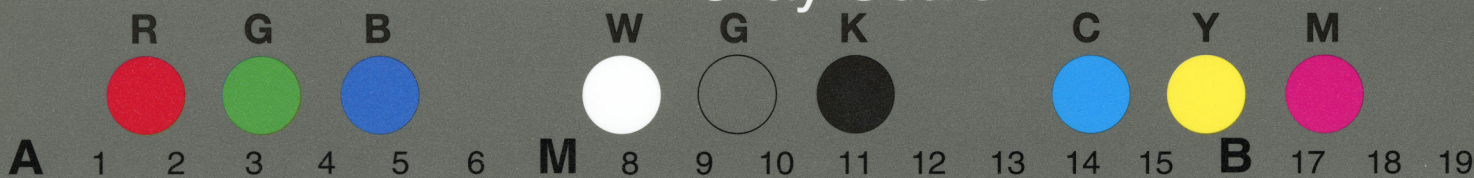


Philadelphia Septem^r 27. 1854
 To the Board of Directors of the Philad^a Library Company
 Gentlemen

The undersigned would respectfully state
 that he has again become the Lessee of the Store
 No 38 Chesnut St. and that he is desirous of
 extending the said Store some 14 feet in the
 rear, from the main building. In making this
 extension he finds it essential to ascend something
 less than 4 feet in height, above an eight feet build-
 ing, long standing, in the yard, and formerly used
 as a kitchen.

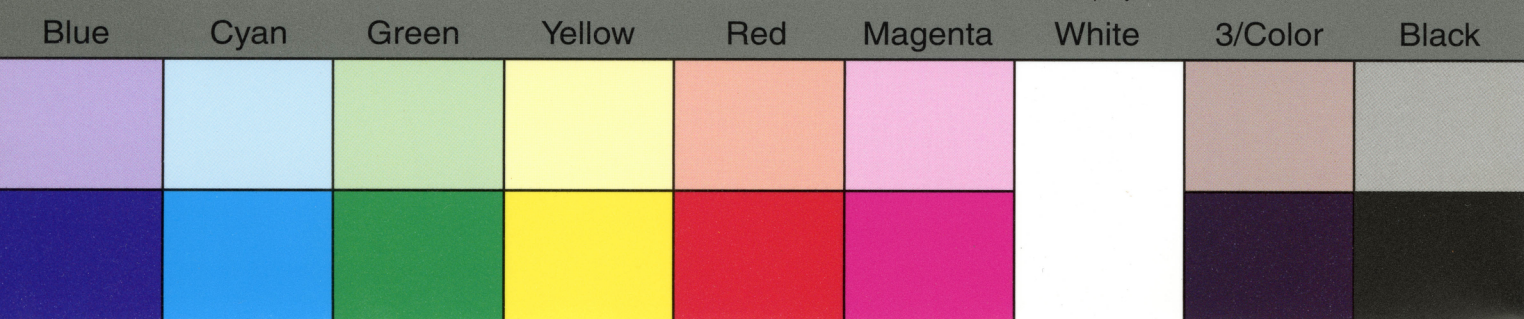
Understanding, that with the
 Philadelphia Library Company exists the power
 to grant the privilege of erecting in height, above
 the said 8 ft building or kitchen, the under-
 signed respectfully addresses your honorable body
 in praying that permission may be given him to
 make the addition to his Store, in the manner
 as above described.

The proposed erection will not
 in the slightest degree interfere with, nor obstruct the
 light and air, of the occupants of the adjoining
 Stores on either side. There being on one side,
 only a blank wall of the Counting Room of Messrs
 Quiley & Co, and on the other side, a covered entrance
 way to the Kitchen before named. The distance from



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the Side Wall of Messrs Caldwell & Co being some 9 feet
 inches. while the rear wall of the extension
 approaches but 14 feet nearer than formerly, to the
 rear Wall of the Philad Library Building - which
 last named rear Wall is a blank, not having any
 windows by which the Library derive either light or
 air.

The undersigned begs to relate that he has
 made every effort in his power to communicate with
 the directing authorities of the Library Company.
 He has seen the respected Secretary, and one or two of
 the acting Directors, and was advised by them to make
 a petition to the Board of Directors at their next
 meeting - the time being then distant nearly one
 month - and in their private opinion saw no particular
 reason for the permission being withheld.

Influenced by the hope that your honorable
 Body might see fit to grant the required privilege,
 and being anxious to have the Store in readiness
 in order to secure a portion of the Fall Trade, now
 passing - the undersigned began at once, at his
 own risk, to make the alteration previously de-
 scribed - and at this date it is nearly completed,
 affording in its appearance and construction the
 best residence of its description. The undersigned
 begs to assure your Honorable Body that in thus pro-
 ceeding, before the meeting of your Board, that he was
 not without the greatest respect for the authority of
 your Company, and that he did not design in the least

degree to usurp any of your rights, and provided
ages - but was actuated solely by the reasons he
has set forth

He prays that in your consideration
of his petition, this act of his, may not render
your determination adverse to granting the privilege
desired by him, - but on the other hand, he
prays that you may grant to him the privilege
which he herein humbly and earnestly solicits

And he will ever remain

Your most obedient servant

William S. Parburton.

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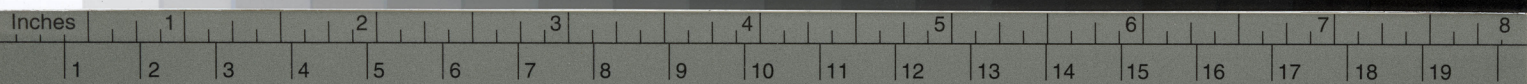
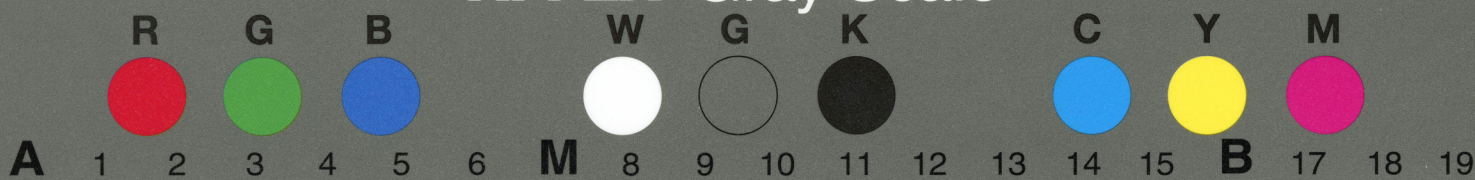
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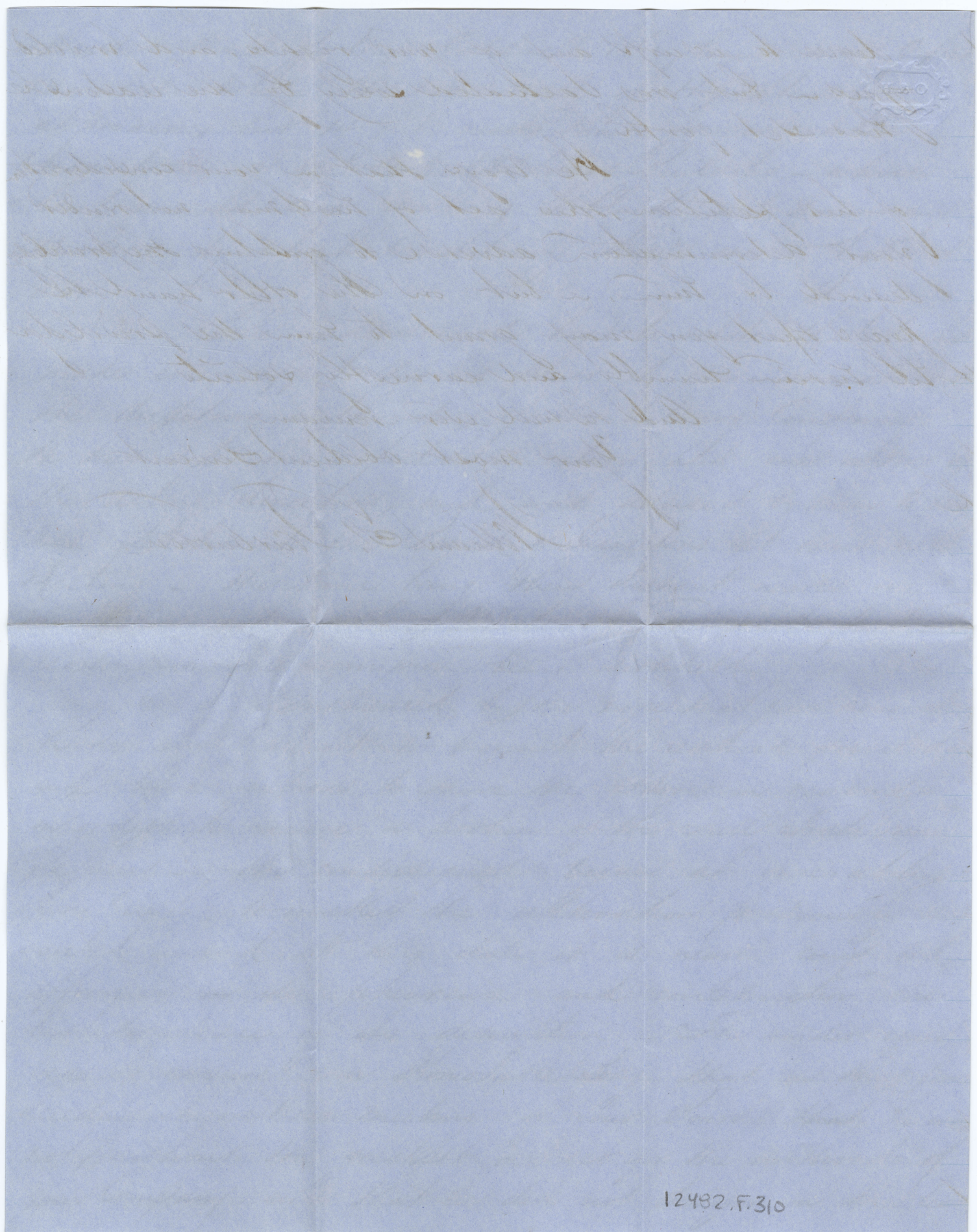
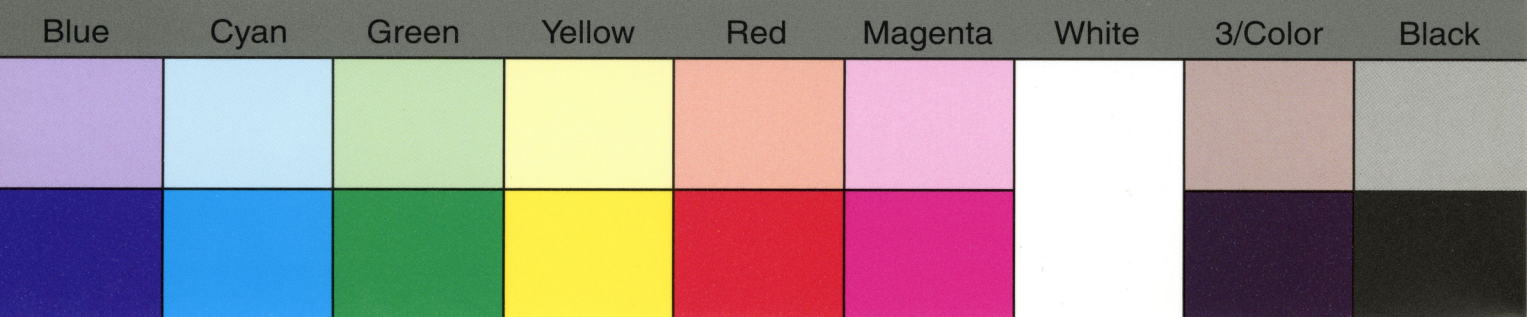
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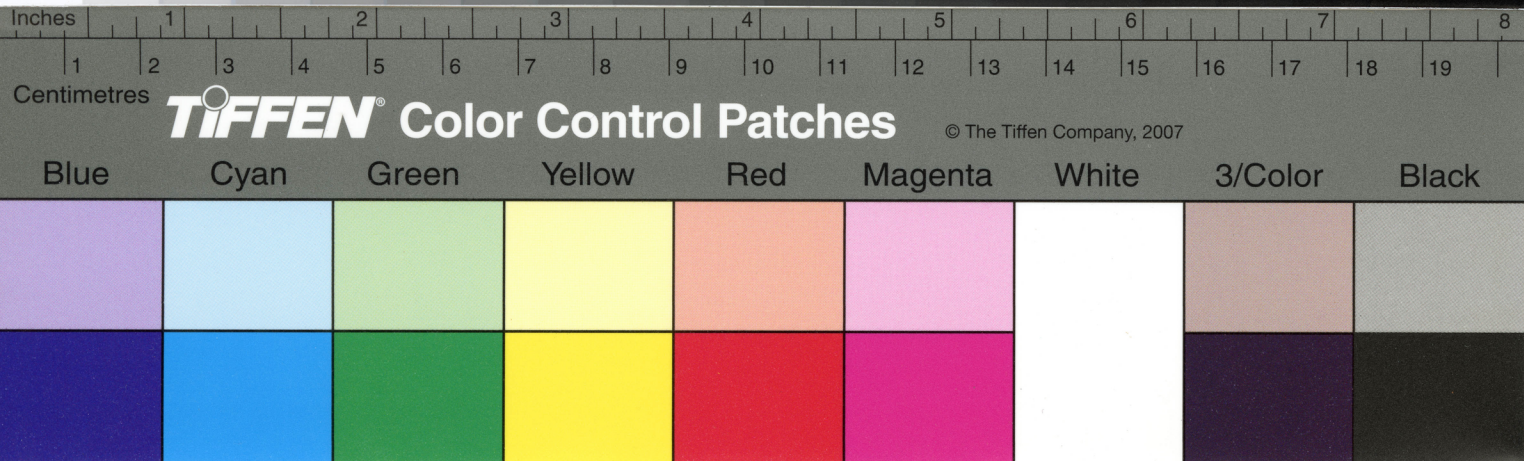
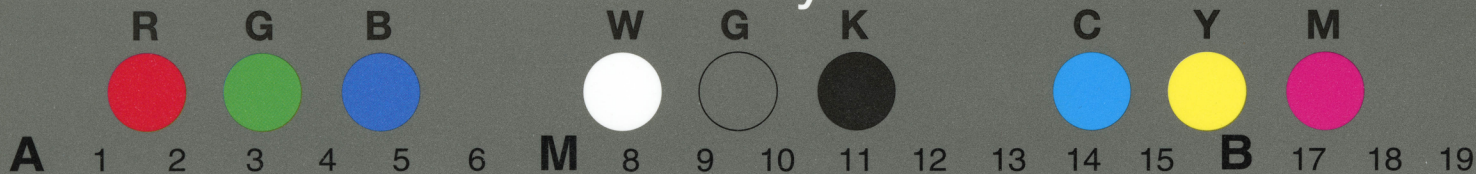
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