Thickness of division and front and rear walls in all dwellings over 18 feet front.

Sec. 20. And be it further enacted and ordained, That all dwellings over eighteen feet front, division walls shall not be less than thirteen inches in thickness to top of third floor joists, and not less than nine inches to top of fire wall, and the front and rear walls shall not be less than thirteen inches in thickness the entire height.

Relating to 2-inch stone ashler.

Sec. 21. And be it further enacted and ordained, That if there be a stone ashler used two inches thick or less, it shall not be reckoned in the thickness of any wall herein specified.

Permit required for the construction of vaults and areas.

Sec. 22. And be it further enacted and ordained, That no person shall construct, or cause to be constructed, any vault or area in any of the streets, lanes or alleys of the City, without a permit from the Inspector of Buildings.

Requirements of applicants for permission to erect vaults and areas.

Sec. 23. And be it further enacted and ordained, That every application for permission to erect such vault or area shall be in writing, signed by the person making the same, and shall state the number of square feet of ground which is required for the same, and the intended width and length of such vault or area, and shall be completed and the ground closed over them within three weeks after they are commenced, unless the Inspector of Buildings extends the time for the completion of same, which he is hereby authorized to do in cases where he may deem the same necessary and expedient, and the person applying for such permit shall pay the

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sum of thirty (30) cents for each square foot of surface occupied by the said vault or area, and if it shall appear that such vault or area occupies a greater number of square feet than was paid for, the owner shall forfeit and pay the sum of one dollar for every additional foot, and no vault or excavation shall extend beyond the kerb line without special permit from the Mayor and City Council, and in no case shall the walls of said vault be less than eighteen inches thick, and shall be of such increased thickness as in the judgment of the Inspector of Buildings the length and depth of the vault shall require.

No vault or area to extend beyond the kerb line and walls to be not less than 18 inches thick.

Relating to extension of open areas and enclosure of the same.

Sec. 24. And be in further enacted and ordained, That no open area shall extend more than one-fourth of the width of the pavement, nor in any case more than three feet, measuring from the inside of the area wall to the building line, and when areas are constructed on alleys or narrow streets, the Inspector of Buildings is to designate the distance from the building line, and every open area shall be enclosed with a railing not less than thirty-six inches high and the gate to open inwardly.

Girders and columns used instead of partition walls to bear not less than 200 lbs. to the square foot of the floors resting upon them.

Sec. 25. And be it further enacted and ordained, That in case iron or wooden girders, supported upon iron or wooden columns, are substituted in place of partition walls, they shall be made of sufficient strength to bear safely not less than two hundred pounds for every square foot of the floor or floors that rest upon them, exclusive of the weight of material employed