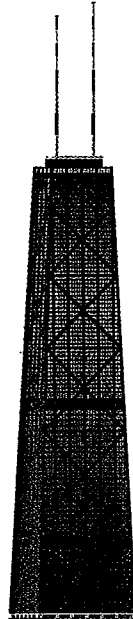




**Taipei Financial Center**  
Fastest Modern Electric  
Taiwan  
Completed 2003  
1667 ft (508.1 m)  
61 Elevators



**Yokohama Landmark Tower**  
Second Fastest Modern Electric  
Japan  
Completed 1993  
972 ft (296.3 m)  
59 Elevators



**John Hancock Center**  
Typical Modern Electric  
Chicago  
Completed 1969  
1131 ft (344.7 m)  
50 Elevators



**Singer Building**  
Early Electric  
New York  
Completed 1908  
672 ft (204.8 m)  
15 Elevators

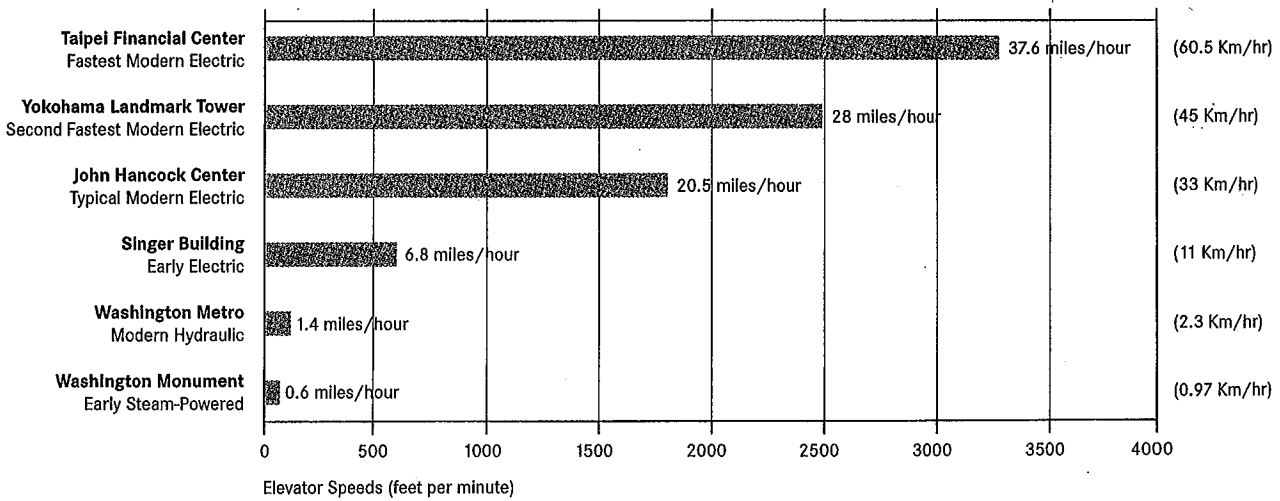


**Washington Metro**  
Modern Hydraulic  
Washington, D.C.  
Completed 2001  
165 Hydraulic  
40 Others



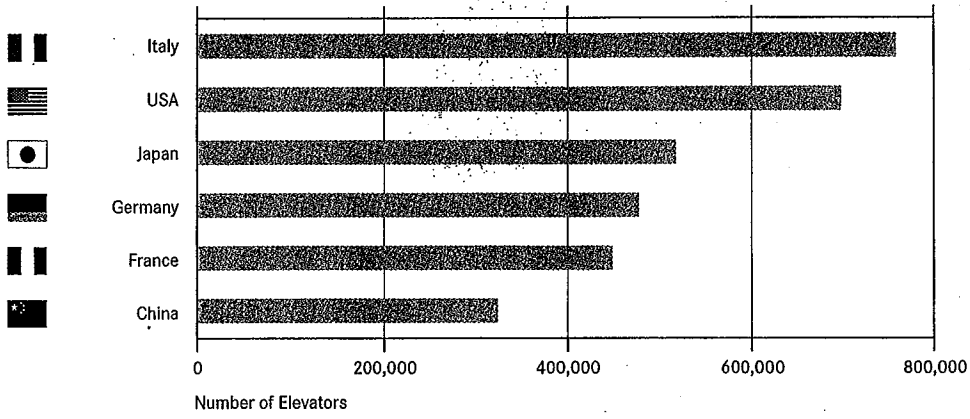
**Washington Monument**  
Early Steam-Powered<sup>†</sup>  
Washington, D.C.  
Completed 1888  
555 ft (169.2 m)  
1 Elevator

**Elevator Speeds in Some Well-Known Installations<sup>1,6</sup>**

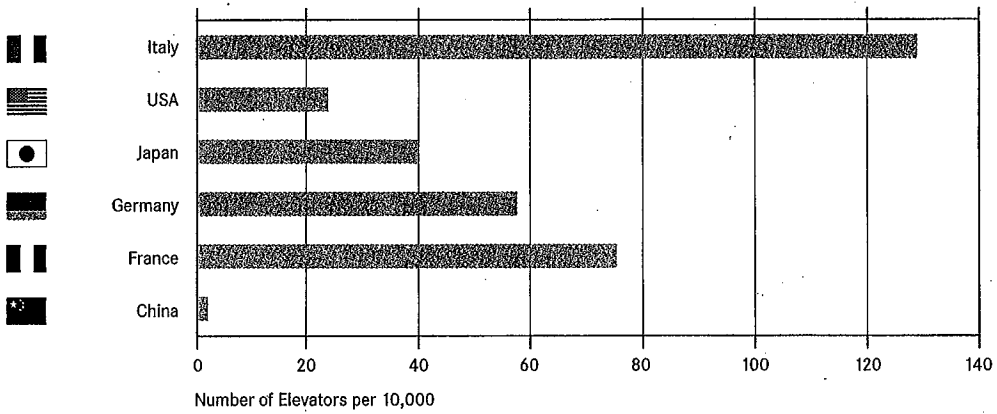


<sup>†</sup> In 2001 an electric elevator was installed in the Washington Monument that runs at 500 feet per minute (2.54 m/second) but can be slowed to 150 feet per minute (0.76 m/second), giving visitors the chance to view inscribed stones through the transparent elevator walls.

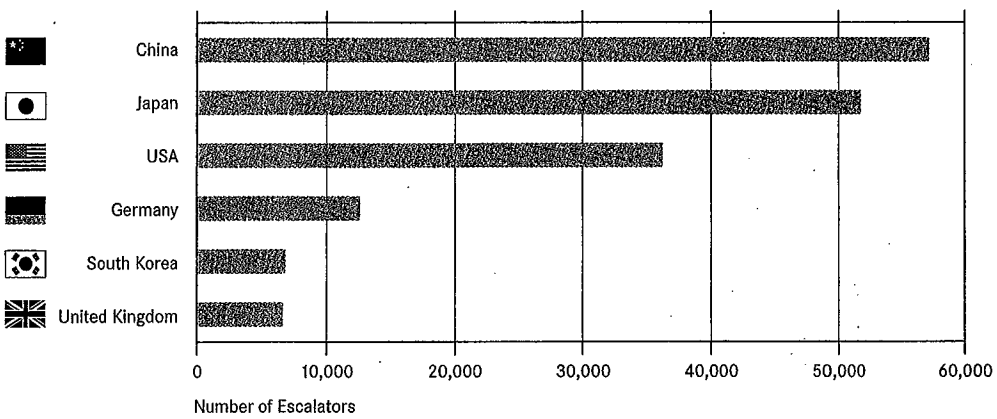
**Countries with Greatest Number of Elevators<sup>6</sup>**



**Elevators per 10,000 Population for the Above Countries<sup>6</sup>**



**Countries with Greatest Number of Escalators<sup>6</sup>**

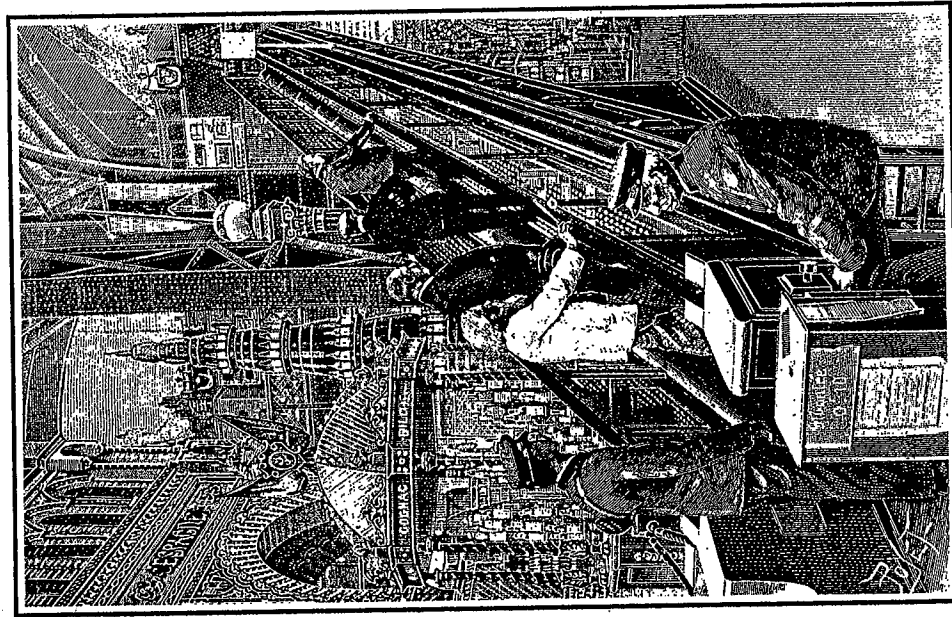


## Lifts & Escalators

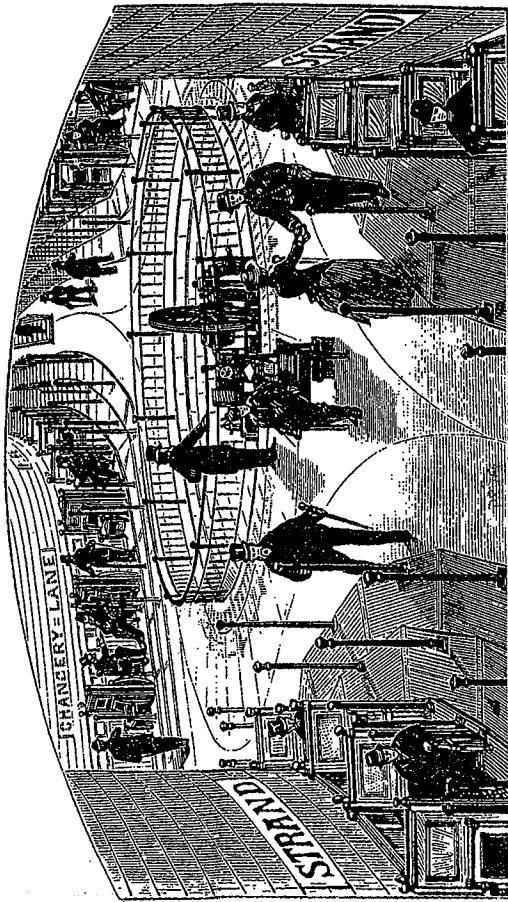
Computers in Hong Kong's prosperous Mid-Levels can now catch an escalator to work. . . . .

The system, which is nearly half a mile long, will operate in the descent mode between 6am and 10am. It will then switch into reverse, carrying people halfway up the territory's famous Peak. It consists of 20 separate escalators and three travelators.

Daily Telegraph, 14 October 1993.



148. Rolling Staircase at the Paris World Exhibition, 1900. Developed by Charles D Seeberger and the Otis Elevator Co in 1892. Otis installed the first step-type escalator for public use at this exhibition. It was subsequently refitted at Gimbel's Department Store in Philadelphia.  
*Ilustration*, p108, 19001. V1p83.



149. Proposal for a Stepped-Platform Railway for London. [*Scientific American*, p26, IV, 1890]. V1p37.

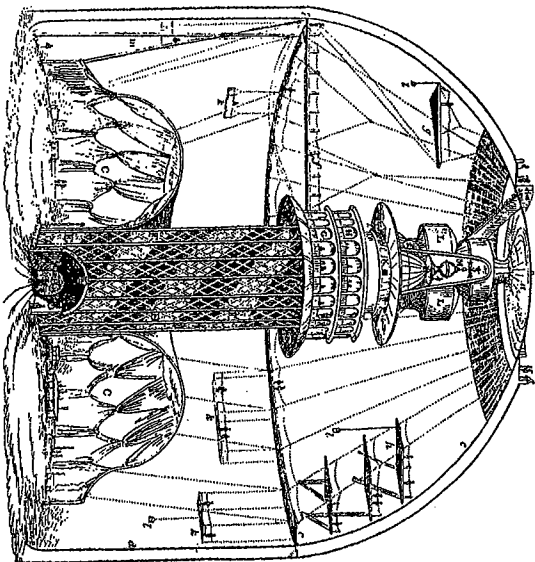
## Lifts & Escalators

The Roman architect Vitruvius wrote of a hoisting machine (26 BC). A counterweight lift, the *flying chair*, was invented by the Frenchman, Villayer (17th century). London's Royal Colosseum (1823) was fitted with an *ascending room* [150]. A lift, probably steam-powered, named the *Togole*, was used in an English factory (1835). The *hydraulic column lift* [152] is credited to Edoux (1876). Steam-powered commercial lifts were introduced in America by Waterman (1850), who also invented the method of control by a rope passing through the lift cage [155]. Elisha Otis contributed to the safety of the lift (1853) when he introduced a safety mechanism to stop the cage falling in the event of rope failure [151]. The first public passenger lift was installed in the Haughtwout Store, New York (1857). The first hydraulic column type lift built in England was by Waygood, who also installed England's first passenger lift (1870). Across the Atlantic, the Otis Co introduced a governor operated safety device (1878).

A high pressure hydraulic lift was installed in the Grand Hotel, Charing Cross by Waygood (1880), and about this time the London Hydraulic Power Co was formed, five pumping stations serving a network of high

pressure (700 psi) mains operating lifts, machinery and cranes in and around docklands. The year also saw the invention of the first electric lift by Siemens. Hart invented the forerunner of the *paternoster* lift (1863), one built by J & E Hall being installed in Mansion House Chambers. Many early electricity supplies were dc, which made for easy speed control of lifts. Later, with the introduction of ac supplies, the Ward-Leonard ac/dc converter set was employed. Other improvements were made: car switch control, automatic levelling, semi-automatic then automatic doors, and then (1930s) push button control. An *inclined travelator* was installed at Harrods (1898), using a continuous stepless rubber belt. Livered attendants were stationed at the top, ready to provide smelling salts for the ladies and something stronger for the gentlemen customers. In the 1890s, moving stairways were developed. Finally, came the *escalator*, the patent for which was then acquired by Otis (1899) and exhibited in Paris [148]. London Underground introduced their first escalator at Earl's Court Station (1911).

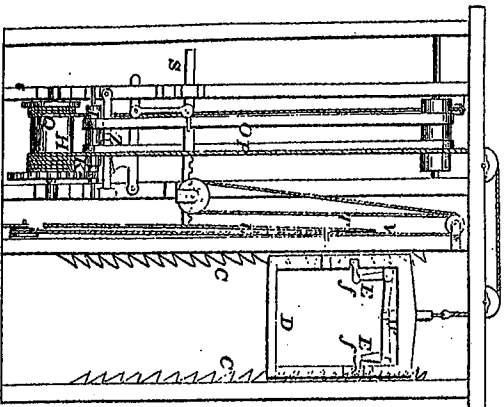
*Lifts and Escalators*, R. E. Allen et al, 1968.



130. The Ascenting Room, Royal Colossium, London, Regents Park, 1823.

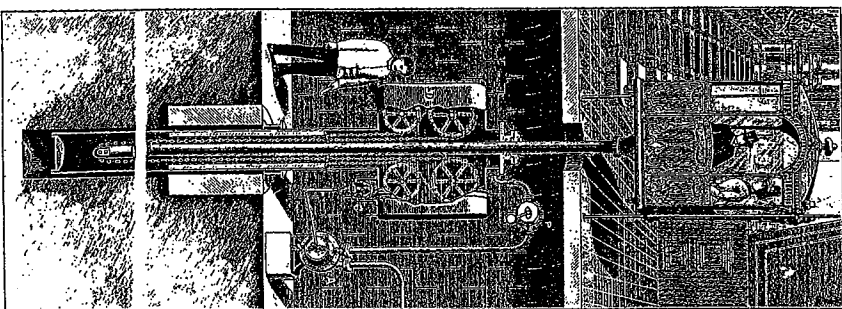
Those that wish to ascend to the panorama without the trouble of walking up stairs, may, by paying sixpence, ascend by the moving apartment, which is a small circular room, in which six or eight persons are comfortably seated, and raised by machinery to the proper height for viewing the picture.

[Library Gazette, 31 January, 1829] Panorama, Barbican Exhibition Catalogue, 1989, p81.



151. Safety Lift of Elisia Graves Otis. "Cut the cable", yelled Otis as

he rode a crude elevator platform up a specially built frame at the Crystal Palace Trade Exposition in New York in 1853. The lift (D) dropped an inch and clamped securely on safety catches (C). Otis had invented the safety elevator. Patent drawing, Otis Elevator Co, 1854. The Technology of Man, D Birdsell & C M Poplin, 1980, p204.



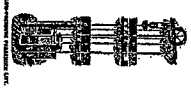
152. The Edoux Hydraulic Lift, 1888. Leo Edoux,

a Frenchman, has designed and constructed a passenger lift, which is pushed upwards by a plunger in a cylinder, the necessary power being provided by water under pressure. [Scientific American, p11, ft, 1888] V1p82.

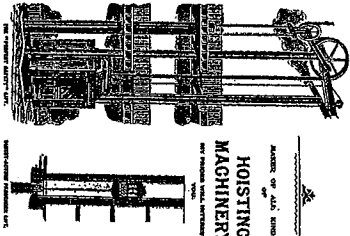
**J. STANNANH.**  
20, SOUTHWARK BRIDGE ROAD, LONDON, S.E.

**PASSENGER LIFTS OR ELEVATORS,**  
FOR HOSPITALS, CHAMBERS, HOTELS, OFFICES, &c.

MAKERS OF ALL KINDS  
**CRANES.**



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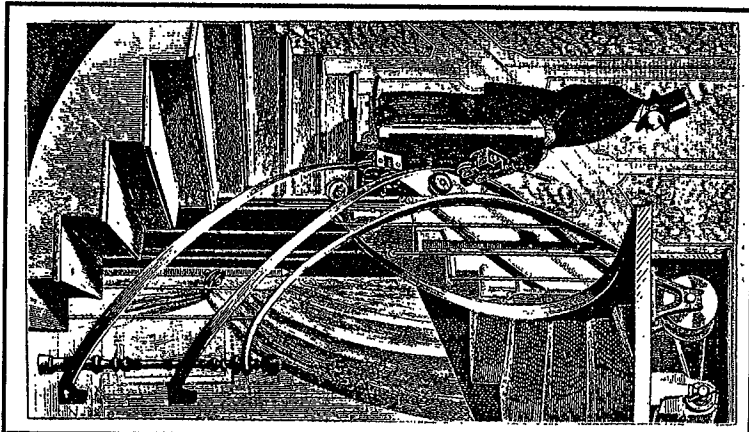


**SPECIFICATION OF HIGH-PRESSURE PASSENGER LIFT.**

THIS IS THE SPECIFICATION OF A PASSENGER LIFT, WHICH IS DESIGNED TO BE USED IN HOTELS, CHAMBERS, OFFICES, &c. AND IS CAPABLE OF RISING TO A HEIGHT OF 100 FEET. THE LIFT IS SUPPORTED BY A COLUMN OF CAST IRON, AND IS OPERATED BY A SYSTEM OF PULLEYS AND CABLES. THE LIFT IS PROVIDED WITH A SAFETY CATCH, WHICH WILL PREVENT IT FROM FALLING IN THE EVENT OF A BREAK IN THE CABLES. THE LIFT IS CAPABLE OF CARRYING UP TO 10 PERSONS AT A TIME. THE PRICE OF THE LIFT IS £1,000. J. STANNANH. LONDON.

153. Albert Hydraulic Passenger Lift, November 1889.

[Scientific American, p21, ft, 1889] V1p83.  
150 Years Building 1843/1993, Feb 1993, p90.



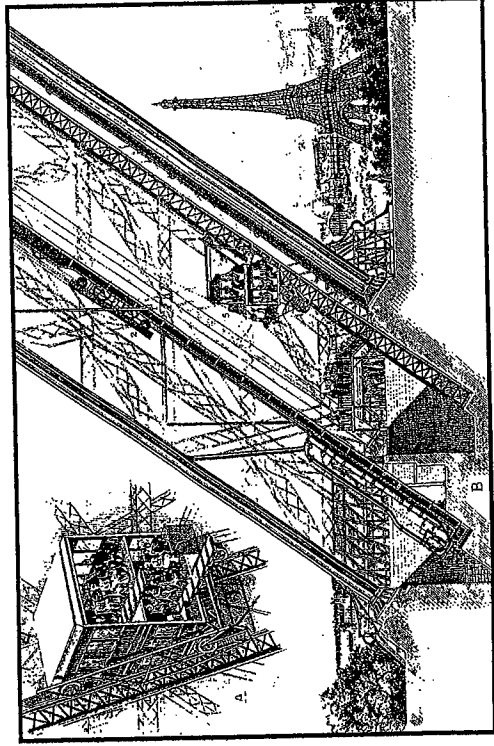
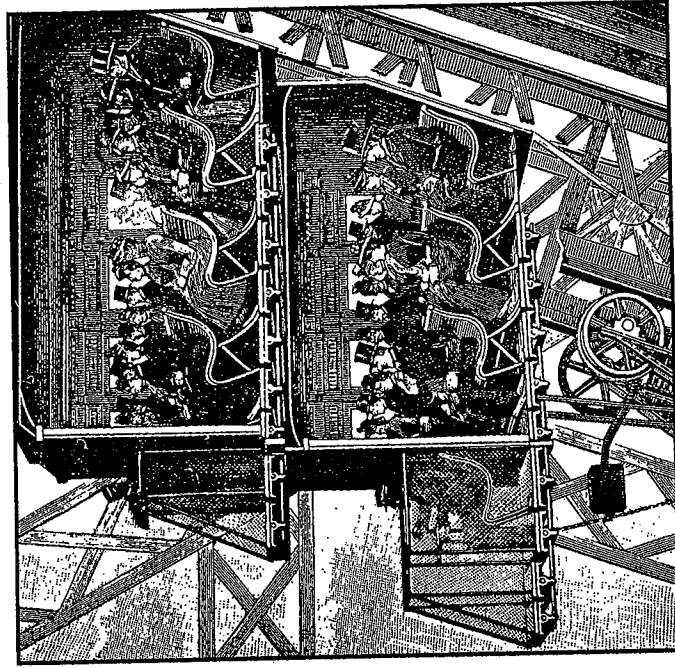
154. Arnot's Stair Climber. For dwellings and offices where a

lift would be too cumbersome or costly. [Scientific American, p21, ft, 1889] V1p83.



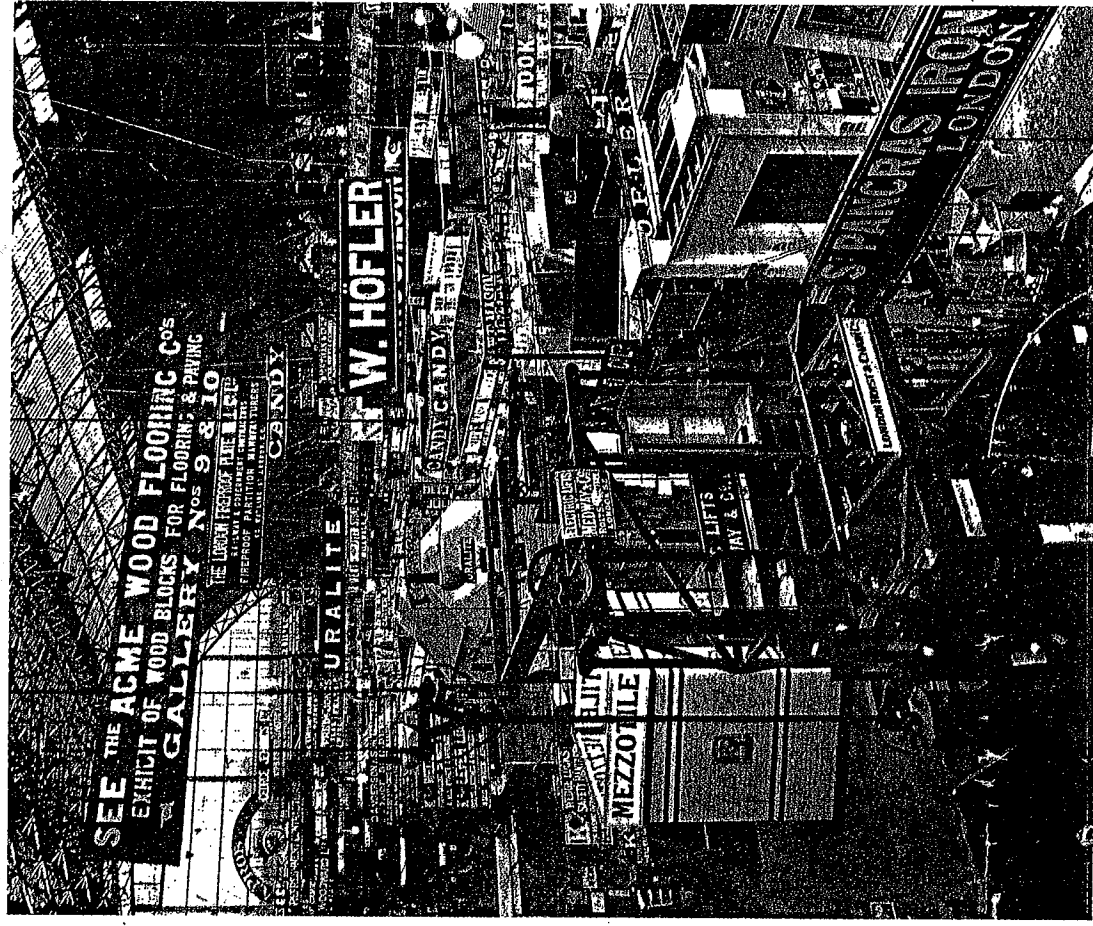
155. Passenger Lift in Lord & Taylor Department Store,

New York, 1872. People and Shopping, M Harrison, 1975, p109.



156. Otis Lift for the Eiffel Tower, Paris, 1889. Special double-deck elevators, following the difficult lower curve of the Tower's legs, transported up to fifty passengers at a speed of 7 feet per second to the second balcony, located at a height of 116 m. (Top) V17p82. (Bottom) [Illustrated London News, 1889]. The Technology of Man, D Birdsall & C M Cipolla, 1980, p224.

Large buildings in London and elsewhere today are too often designed in the lift going down to lunch.  
 Sir William Holford, *Observer "Sayings of the Week"*, 5 June 1960.



157. Lift Manufacturers at The Building Trades Exhibition, London 1901. (Foreground) London Hoist & Chain Co. (Behind) Meadway & Co. *Interbuild News*, 100 Years 1895/1995, No. 2, May 1995.

Source: Barney, G. C, 2003. Elevator Traffic Handbook, Spear Press, London & New York. [ 621. 877 13 267e ]

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Table 1.1 Interpersonal distances

Classification	Separation
Public distance (far)	> 7.5 m
Social distance (far)	3.6-7.5 m
Social distance (near)	2.1-3.6 m
Personal distance (far)	1.2-2.1 m
Personal distance (near)	0.75-1.2 m
Intimate distance	0.45-0.75 m
	< 0.45 m

Table 1.2 Density of occupation in waiting areas

Level	Density
Desirable	0.4 P/m <sup>2</sup>
Comfortable	1.0 P/m <sup>2</sup>
Dense	2.0 P/m <sup>2</sup>
'Crowding'	3.0 P/m <sup>2</sup>
Crowded	4.0 P/m <sup>2</sup>

Table 1.3 Possible horizontal pedestrian flows

Flows in persons per minute (P/min) and persons per hour (P/h) and typical pedestrian speeds in metres per second (m/s) for a free flow design density of 0.3 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) and for a full flow density of 1.4 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) with grouping.

Traffic type	Free flow (0.3 P/m <sup>2</sup> ) design density	Full flow (1.4 P/m <sup>2</sup> ) design density
	Speed P/min P/h	Speed P/min P/h
Commuters, workers	1.5 27	1620 84
Individual shoppers	1.3 23	1380 67
Family groups, tourists	1.0 18	1080 50
School children	1.1-1.8 18-32	1080-1920 59-92
		3540-5220

Table 1.4 Minimum corridor widths

Minimum width of corridors to accommodate various types of traffic; some compensation can be allowed for mixed two way traffic situations. A 3 m wide corridor is often suitable.

Usage	Minimum width (m)
One way traffic flow	1.0
Two way traffic flow	2.0
Man with bag	1.0
Man with bag	1.0
Porter with trolley	0.8
Woman with pram	1.2
Man on crutches	0.9
Wheelchair	0.8

Table 1.5 Reductions in corridor widths

Reductions in corridors widths in metres caused by various obstructions.

Obstruction	Reduction (m)
Ordered queue	0.5
Un-ordered single queue	1.2-1.5
Flow of seated persons	1.0
Coin operated machine: one person queue	0.5
Person waiting with bag	1.0
Window shoppers	0.5-0.8
Small fire appliance	0.2-0.4
Wall mounted radiator	0.2
Roughridy surface	0.2

Table 1.6 Portal (handing) capacities

Portal type	P/min	P/h
Gateway	60-110	3600-6600
Clear opening	60-110	3600-6600
Swing door	40-60	2400-3600
(fastened back)	60-90	3600-5400
Revolving door	25-35	1500-2100
Waist high turnstile: free admission with cashier	40-60 12-18	2400-3600 720-1080
single coin operation	25-50	1200-1800

Table 1.9 Handling capacities of passenger conveyors (moving walkways and ramps)

Incline	Speed (m/s)	Width (mm)	Width (mm)
(°)	1000	1400	
0	0.50	3600	84
0	0.63	4560	106
0	0.75	5400	128
5	0.70	84	5040
10	0.65	78	4680
12	0.50	60	3600

Table 1.7 Stairway (handing) capacities

Flows in persons per minute (P/min) and persons per hour (P/h) and typical pedestrian speeds in metres per second (m/s) for a free flow design density of 0.5 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) and for a full flow density of 2.0 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) with grouping.

Traffic type	Free flow (0.5 P/m <sup>2</sup> )	Full flow (2.0 P/m <sup>2</sup> )
	Speed P/min P/h	Speed P/min P/h
Young/middle-aged men	0.9 27	1620 84
Young/middle-aged women	0.7 21	1260 67
Elderly people, Family groups	0.5 15	900 50
		2400

Table 1.8 Theoretical escalator handling capacity

Speed	Theoretical escalator handling capacity for various factors of k in persons per minute (P/min) and persons per hour (P/h).		
	Step width 1000 mm	Step width 800 mm	Step width 600 mm
0.50	150	9000	113
0.65	195	11700	146
0.75	225	13500	169
			10125
			75
			4500
			98
			5850
			113
			6750

Table 1.11 Stair usage

The table shows the likely attraction of traffic using stairs and using escalators and lifts depending on the distance the person wishes to travel.

Floors travelled	Usage up	Usage down
1	80%	90%
2	50%	80%
3	20%	50%
4	10%	20%
5	5%	5%
6	0%	0%

Table 1.12 Lifts and escalators: division of traffic

The table shows the likely attraction of traffic between escalators and lifts depending on the distance the person wishes to travel.

Floors travelled	Escalator	Lift
1	90%	10%
2	75%	25%
3	50%	50%
4	25%	75%
5	10%	90%

Table 2.2 Actual mail pedestrian speed and flows

The table shows the likely pedestrian flow rates in persons per hour (P/h) and typical pedestrian speeds in metres per second (m/s) for uncrowded conditions of 0.2 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) and for crowded conditions of 0.45 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>).

Traffic type	Uncrowded (0.2 P/m <sup>2</sup> )	Crowded (0.45 P/m <sup>2</sup> )
Speed	Flow (m/s)	Flow (P/h)
All shoppers	1.3 936	1.0 1620

Table 2.3 Mail stairway capacity

The table shows the pedestrian flows rates in persons per hour (P/h) and pedestrian speeds in metres per second (m/s) for uncrowded conditions of 0.4 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) and for crowded conditions of 0.8 persons per square metre (P/m<sup>2</sup>) per metre width of mail.

Traffic type	Speed (m/s)	Uncrowded (0.4 P/m <sup>2</sup> )	Crowded (0.8 P/m <sup>2</sup> )
Men	0.8	960	1920
Women	0.7	840	1680
Elderly men	0.5	600	1200
Elderly women	0.6	720	1440
Children	0.8	960	1920
Push chairs	0.5	600	1200

Table 2.4 Actual mail escalator handling capacity

The table shows the likely handling capacity of mail escalators in persons per hour (P/h) for uncrowded and crowded conditions.

Speed	Theoretical handling capacity of mail escalators in persons per hour (P/h) for uncrowded and crowded conditions.			
	Step width 600 mm	Step width 800 mm	Step width 1000 mm	Step width 1000 mm
0.50	1500	3000	2250	4500
				3000
				6000