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April 21, 2004

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8 - K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report
(Date of earliest event reported):
April 21, 2004

THE BANK OF NEW YORK COMPANY, INC.

(exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NEW YORK

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-06152

(Commission file number)

13-2614959

(I.R.S. employer identification number)

One Wall Street, New York, NY

(Address of principal executive offices)

10286

(Zip code)

212-495-1784

(Registrant's telephone number,
including area code)

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ITEM 5. Other Events

First Quarter of 2004 Financial Results

On April 21, 2004, The Bank of New York Company, Inc. issued a press release containing unaudited interim financial information and accompanying discussion for the first quarter of 2004. Exhibit 99 is a copy of such press release and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits

| (c) | Exhibit | Description |
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| | 99 | Unaudited interim financial information and accompanying discussion for the first quarter of 2004 contained in the press release dated April 21, 2004, of The Bank of New York Company, Inc. |

ITEM 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

Press release filed under Item 5

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 21, 2004

THE BANK OF NEW YORK COMPANY, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Thomas J. Mastro

Name: Thomas J. Mastro

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Title: Comptroller

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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