1580. Saugerties Post, Jan. 31, 1908. A Large Funeral, Of the Late Rudolph Diedling in Catskill Monday. The funeral of the late Rudolph Diedling took place from his late residence West Bridge street, at 9 o’clock this morning, says Monday’s Catskill Mail, the cortege moving to St. Patrick’s church, where a solemn requiem high mass was celebrated. The pastor, the Rev. William P. Fitzgerald was celebrant, the Rev. Ernest Neville, deacon and the Rev. Thomas Burns, sub-deacon. the Rev. Henry T. Newey, assistant priest in St. Mary’s church Saugerties, occupied a seat within the chancel rail. The sacred edifice was thronged by the friends of the family and the parishioners of the church. A part of the left center aisle of the church was occupied by members of the Deutcher Untersteutzungs Verein, of which deceased was a valued member. The church choir, under the direction of Miss Josie Keough, rendered the music of the mass in a very effective manner, and the beautiful hymn, “Nearer My God to Thee, “as the remains were escorted from the church by the six bearers, Frank Knoll, Ernst Peloke, John Rohwedder, Fred Stahl, August X. Franz and John Bortd, all members of the Deutcher Untersteutzungs Verein.

After the mass the last rites of the church were administered by the pastor, assisted by the Rev. Gathers, Neville, Burns and Newey. The pastor, the Rev. Father Fitzgerald, then delivered a very touching eulogy, [sic] in which he referred to the kind disposition and charitable heart of the deceased. The funeral procession then re-formed and moved to the Catholic cemetery at Jefferson, where interment was made.

The following out-of-town mourners were in attendance:
Mrs. Lambert Vandemore, Mrs. Ida Griffin, Albany; Michael Tremont, Miss Anna Tremont and Miss Lena Tremont, Luther, N. Y.; Miss Mary Tremont, Albany; Christopher Tremont, John Tremont and Frank Tremont, East Schodack; Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bruckner, Dr. Marcellus Wygant, Lemuel B. Stanton, David E. Abeel, Saugerties; James Dyer, Hudson; Capt. Finger, Will Voorge and Capt. Bear, Saugerties; Joseph Lengsholz, Sr., and Joseph Lengsholz, Jr., Malden; Ernest Hassinger, Saugerties; Max Schwint, Glenville, Conn.; Miss Lena Kalb, Miss Anna Kalb, Ronon Kalb, Miss Mary Tustach, Albany; Capt. Edward Burke, Albany; Mr. and Mrs. George Wachtel, Troy; Dr. Frederick Wygant, Saugerties; James Tracy, Jersey City, N. J.; George Kremelberg, New York city. [illustration]


There was fun aplenty at the opera house, Friday evening, when Charles B. Cox was tried before Judge Davis and a jury of “notable men” charged with the theft of a Plymouth Rock rooster from John A. Snyder.

The opera house was filled and as the evidence was submitted, the audience was kept in roars of laughter. The district attorney in this mock trial was De Witt Van Buren, and Mr. Cox was defended by Col. A. V. Newton of Worcester, Mass., who makes a specialty of mock trial entertainments. The testimony was racy and brimming over with wit and many good natured sallies were distributed about. The witnesses enlivened the audience with many local hits and the lawyers also handed out a few. The trial was full of mirth, from start to finish, and everybody, even those who were roasted, enjoyed the entertainment.

After the testimony had been given and the case summed up, Cox was found guilty by the jury, and Judge Davis sentenced Cox, who is a strong Democrat, to vote the Republican ticket the rest of his life. Snyder Hose Co. band under whose auspices the mock trial was given cleared about $70 from the same.
I want to arouse your enthusiasm for this Endowment. I want to interest you all to the extent of obtaining your aid toward making it a success. We must not let the fair name of our organization become tarnished through failure to care for our needy comrades. Subscriptions can be sent to the State Treasurer of our organization, and will be promptly acknowledged, or given here to-day in envelope.

Gentlemen, in closing, I can only say that I hope you will all realize the importance of placing our Home on a firm foundation. Let us gather together such a Fund as will forever guarantee to each and every fireman in this State, should misfortune o’ertake him, a shield and protection in his time of stress. Let us so assure the continuance of the Home that in after years, when it has been accorded the public recognition that is its due, we can look upon it, with bared head, and truthfully say:

Here stands a monument to the love, devotion and fraternity of spirit exhibited toward each other, of those brand and fearless heroes.

THE VOLUNTEER FIREMEN OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Mr. Danfield:
Mr. President: In view of the facts which our worthy Treasurer of the State Association has read to us, I think it is not only due, but our duty, that they

be embodied on the minutes of the proceedings of this Convention, and I move, Mr. President, that the report as read be printed in the report of this Convention.
Motion seconded and carried.
Mr. Hassinger of Saugerties:
I would move that this Association donate $100.00 towards the Endowment Fund.
Mr. Denfield:
Is that the best we can do? We that founded this building. I think we ought to do better than that.
Motion to donate $100 seconded and carried.
President Preston:
The next order of business is the report of the Treasurer.

TREASURER’S REPORT.

To the Officers and Members of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association.
Gentlemen: -
I present herewith a full report of all money received and expended since our last Convention, held at Mt. Vernon June 20-21, 1905:

RECEIPTS.
Balance on hand, last report........ $279 98
May 29, ’06, Cash, Sec. Buxbury, 153 00
June 16, “ “ “ 246 00
June 19, “ “ “ 77 00
July 31, “ “ “ 22 00
$777.98

DISBURSEMENTS
Aug. 12, ’05 T. Honohan, sta dues $ 2 00
“ 15, “ Nic. Ehrlar, Del 30 00

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Ex. Com. –
Oct. 18, '05  Pres. Preston, Rens’r  7 92
  “  “  W. H. Flandreau  7 02
  “  “  John O’Shea  4 00
  “  “  D. C. Anderson  3 00
  “  “  E. Hassinger  2 00
  “  “  R. Hallenbeck  1 00
  “  “  H. Buxbury  11 55

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Mar.20, '06
  “  “  President, Rens’r  9 05
  “  “  W. H. Flandreau  9 05
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  “  “  D. C. Anderson  4 00
  “  “  F. S. Bieber  4 00
  “  “  H. Buxbury  2 00
  “  “  R. Hallenbeck  2 00

Convention –
June 19, '06  Pres’t Preston, Rens’r  10 00
  “  “  H. Buxbury  7 00
  “  “  F. S. Bieber  10 00
  “  “  E. Hassinger  11 00
  “  “  W. H. Flandreau  12 00
  “  “  R. Hallenbeck  7 00
  “  “  J. O’Shea  11 00
  “  “  D. C. Anderson  10 00
  “  “  W. E. Scullen  12 00
  “  “  J. T. Rollins  2 50

June 19, ’06  Buxbury, postage  $ 5 12
  “  “  Bieber, postage  2 22
  “  “  Ass’n seal, Preston  3 50
  “  “  Wentworth Print Co.  4 00
  “  “  Bryan Printing Co.  58 10
  “  “  Record Print’g Co.  140 65
  “  “  Buxbury, salary,  100 00
  “  “  Hudson Home En-
    dowment Fund  100 00
  $620 98

Balance on hand  $157 00

Fred S. Bieber, Treasurer.

President Preston:
You have heard the report of the Treasurer. What is your pleasure?

Mr. Hurley, of Kingston:
I move that the report be received and noted upon the minutes.
Motion seconded and carried.

President Preston:
The next order of business is the Reading of Communications.
Treasurer Powers, of S. F. A.:
If there is no business under this head I would like to report the findings of the Committee on Resolutions.
President Preston:
if there are no objections the reports will be received at this time.

1585. Quarryville Base Ball Club Will Hold a Benefit Dance in the Quarryville Band Hall, on Saturday, July 25th, 1908, which includes dancing. Tickets 25 cts. [illustration]


KINGSTON, Jan. 10. – Before an assemblage of political associates of his home county of Ulster, Alton B. Parker, Democratic candidate for the presidency in 1904, spoke to-night of the causes of the recent “credit panic.” The occasion was a dinner given by four-score or more Ulster Democrats, at which Judge Parker was the guest of honor. John E. Craft, State Civil-Service Commissioner, acted as toastmaster, and other speakers included State Senator John J. Linson and former County Judge John G. Vanetten. Judge Parker said in part:
“Despair not of the Republic. The false gods glitter and shine, it is true, for a day, but plain, old-fashioned common sense comes in sufficient time to the saving of a long-suffering people.
“Our actual wealth to-day staggers the belief of the world. Our conditions are so prosperous that our railroads need the expenditure of billions of dollars to enable them promptly to distribute our products. Our population – true index of favorable conditions – rises by great bounds. Our lands are tilled in ever-increasing areas. Our agricultural conditions, our manufacturing conditions, our mining conditions, improve and improve almost visibly from day to day.
“Yet amid all this a great unknown, undefined dread – a fear that we shall none of us be allowed to retain the results of our toil, but that in a renewed exploitation of wild theories – theories financial, theories governmental, theories economic – we shall see the wreck of industry, the paralysis of effort, the destruction of the value of the investments of our savings – has taken possession of the entire body politic. Where shall we look for the reason? To whom must we attribute this result?
“Now and in the future to any man who possessed of power, advocates violent and novel experiment of human relations, an adjustment which has been the slow outgrowth of all experience and can only be modified carefully, slowly and judiciously.
“Our individual personal burdens our individual responsibilities, make us all timid. We fear mob rule. We fear riot. We fear revolutionary methods. We fear the sudden application of new, untested, unthought out ideas to the whole social fabric. Confidence is lost. Credit is destroyed. Uncertainty and dread reign, [sic] and this most extraordinary of panics has followed as it would again from similar causes.
“If you ask how credit should be restored I can give you but this negative answer. Not by a continuance of the possibility of the application to the whole of the country of still other new theories, nor by a continuance at the will of our present ruler, or of an like him, of sporadic spectacular attacks, one following another, upon the various forms of invested savings.”

1588. The Narrows, Lake George. [illustration]
The following is the new Democratic town committee; Charles J. McCormick, Charles B. Cox, John McCormick, Jr., Thomas Nolan, Glasco, Daniel Rafferty, High Woods and Stephen Barker, Katsbaan. John Crowley is the new member of the Democratic County Central Committee.

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Amended Article, Section 1, to read as follows: The officers of this Association shall consist of a president, 1st vice-president, 2nd vice-president, secretary, a treasurer, an executive committee of six members, an auditing committee of three members, an honorary vice-president from each county represented in the Association. The president 1st vice-president and 2nd vice-president, secretary and treasurer, shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting by majority vote of the members present. The honorary vice-president shall be elected by the delegates represented from their respective counties. The executive committee and auditing committee shall be appointed by the newly elected president. Each of the said officers shall take office immediately upon adjournment of the Convention at which they are elected, and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors shall be elected or appointed. J. P. Powers, J. C. Hurley, Patrick Byron, The Committee on Resolutions.
Amended Article 5, Section 1 shall be amended to read as follows: The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the 3rd Tuesday in June in each year at 10 A. M. (and continue at the option of the local committee) at such place as the majority of the members present at the preceding annual meeting shall have designated. J. P. Powers, J. C. Hurley, Patrick Byron, The Committee on Resolutions.

State Treasurer Powers:
I move the adoption of the reports as amended.
Motion seconded and carried.
Mr. Mardoff of Kingston:
The Secretary in his report has made some excellent recommendations, and in order to give them full weight I move that they be referred to a committee of three so as to report to the next Convention.
Motion seconded and carried.
Mr. Wagner of Mt. Vernon:
I move that the Chair appoint the committee of three and would like to have a rising vote.
Motion seconded and carried.
The Chair announced the committee would be appointed later. Committee appointed – George Mardoff, Haverstraw; S. Allen Mead, Peekskill; Harry E. Barton, Mechanicville.
Secretary Buxbury:
I have a communication here direct from the National Firemen’s Association, which is very lengthy. The sum and substance of the communication is that an association of the kind, in fact all firemen’s associations, should work in connection and in conjunction with the National Firemen’s Association, which is built upon the same lines as our State Association.
Mr. Ackerman of Poughkeepsie:
I move the communication be received and mailed to the delegates.

Mr. Mardoff of Kingston:
I make an amendment that it be printed in the report of the proceedings of this Convention.
Secretary Buxbury:
Fayetteville, N. C., JUNE 10, 1906.
Henry Buxbury, Secretary Hudson Valley Association, Hudson, New York.
My Dear Mr. Secretary:
May I ask you to read yourself, and also have a few of your leading members to read and consider the enclosed circular letter, and also to read the same to your Convention.
I deem it very important that every State and District Association in America be well represented this year at Roanoke, Va., in August.
Roanoke is easily accessible to your territory and the Convention will be a very important one to our future interests.
I would appreciate a letter from you and would especially ask that you and your comrades gives this matter your careful consideration.

Fraternally yours to command,
Jas. D. McNeill,
Pres. Nat. F. Ass’n.

National Firemen’s Association.
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
Fayetteville, N. C., October 20, 1906.

Dear Sir:
The Eighth Annual Convention of the National Firemen’s Association held in Kansas City August 29-31, has passed into history. That this convention, in the dignity and impressiveness of its opening ceremonies, the business-like procedure of its proceedings, from Alpha to Omega, the high character of its deliberations, its discussions from the floor by practical business men on practical subjects, looking to the betterment of the entire fire service, and the methods adopted for perfecting this great and beneficent organization was a grand success, is simply a plain statement of fact.
That the Eastern fire journals were not personally represented at this representative meeting of firemen is to be regretted, especially so, in that Secretary Mc Carty was unavoidable prevented from attending the Convention on account of the desperate illness of his devoted wife, and in consequence the work of properly reporting the Convention for the general public was temporarily neglected, except in those Western journals whose editors, realizing the importance of the occasion, were present, and who have consequently given to their readers full, interesting and comprehensive reports. As the Convention was National in its character, National in its purposes and National in its benefits, I deem it right and proper that its proceedings should have, as far as possible, National publicity. Hence my object in sending you the following brief summary of the work, asking your favorable consideration of the same.
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1594. The National Bank of Rondout, 1874 [illustration]

George Gippert, a well known farmer of Churchland, this town, met a horrible death, Wednesday afternoon, being struck by West Shore north bound train No. 7, due here at 2:50. The scene of the fatality was the railroad crossing in front of Snyder’s store at Mount Marion, and the frightful manner in which Mr. Gippert came to his end is deplorable.
Following his weekly custom, Mr. Gippert with a team and a pair of heavy bobs, drove to Rondout in the morning, going to the Hauck brewery for a load of grains, which he used in feeding his stock. He made
this trip every Wednesday. After getting the grains he started for home, and was approaching the Mount Marion crossing just as the train hove in sight. Being well bundled up for protection from the cold, it is presumed, he did not see or even hear the rumble of the oncoming train, and continued on getting on the track, despite the repeated and protracted blowing of the whistle. The horses had gotten across the track safely, but not the sleigh, and the engine struck it with terrific force, shattering it in pieces and hurling Mr. Gippert up in the air, the grain being thrown in all directions and covering the engine. As the train made no stop at Mount Marion, it was proceeding at a high rate of speed, and as soon as possible the engineer brought it to a stop and backed down to the place of the accident.

Mr. Gippert was found lying along the track, fearfully crushed and mangled. His body was picked up and taken to the baggage room to await the coroner’s arrival. The dead man’s head was crushed completely and the face smashed almost beyond recognition. Both shoulders were broken, the left arm broken above the elbow, the left leg broken above the knee and the right leg broken below the knee. There were no cuts on the body. The horses, after the train hit the sleigh remained standing on the opposite side of the track, uninjured.

Coroner Benton of Port Ewen arrived at 7:31 and after viewing the body, turned it over to the Seamon Bros. Co. undertakers, and they removed it to his home.

Mr. Gippert was a much respected citizen and his untimely fate is heard with much regret. He is survived by one daughter, Elizabeth and two sons, Louis, the local milk dealer, and Frederick of New York.

The deceased was a member of the Lutheran church and the funeral services will be held there Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. [illustration]

1596. Roscoe Irwin. [illustration]

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First, a committee of our best business men to suggest and provide such methods as will place our treasury in a sound and healthy condition.

Second. A committee from the floor of the Convention to act with the regular committee on the revision of our constitution and by-laws.

Third. A committee to suggest the best and most practical and judicious method of interesting and enlisting all of the existing State associations in the National Association, and to further suggest the means and methods by which State associations can be organized in States where no organizations now exist.

Fourth: A committee of our most representative men to confer with the representatives of the insurance companies, who have accepted our invitation to meet with us, and to try and establish a more fraternal and business-like relation between the great insurance interest and the fire service, and to further try and agree upon such further legislation, both State and National, as will best serve the interests of both departments.

Fifth, A committee to suggest practical subjects for the good of the Association, and arrange for a general discussion of such subjects on the floor of this Convention by the members present.

These recommendations were adopted, and resulted in our deliberations being conducted in a business-like way and participated in by every one desiring to do so. The Ways and Means Committee satisfactorily placed our treasury in a healthy condition. The Committee on Revision of Constitution and By-Laws has satisfactorily done its work. The Committee on

State Organization made valuable and important recommendations which will be carried out by the new administration; and the most important of all the committees, the one on the “Establishment of a more fraternal and business-like relation between the Insurance Companies and the Fire Service,” brought forth from the members present one of the most educational, instructive, interesting and important discussions ever held at a Firemen’s Convention. The lack of information by some of our most intelligent men on the subject of “Beneficent Legislation,” on the 2% tax upon the premiums collected by fire insurance companies by several States; and the manner of the disbursement of the same was astonishing. The very comprehensive explanation of Chief Lyon, delegate from Minnesota, on the laws in his State and the great benefits that the firemen derive from they was a revelation to many. The fact that this tax in the State of Missouri, collected from the insurance companies, amounted to $392,000 per annum, and that not a single dollar went to the firemen of the State was startling. The fact that every State is collecting this 2% tax, presumable for the benefit of the fire service, and that only a few of these are so appropriating it, was news to nearly all of them. As to the insurance people, they thought that we were asking for more taxation upon them; whereas, we are only asking them to give us the benefit of their assistance and influence, in order that the tax that they are now paying may be appropriated by the several Legislatures to the fire service, which makes fire insurance possible as a profitable business; this is what we mean by a more “fraternal and business-like relation.”

The discussion on National legislation and the possible effect of the Dryden Bill, was on patriotic lines, and the appointment of a special committee of three, that will act, to safeguard our interests in this very important matter should entitle the Convention to the grateful consideration of every fireman in America. In addition to this special committee of three to look after National legislation at Washington, a committee of one from each State and Territory was appointed on legislation, both State and National. The resolution pledging every member of the association to “study and work for the unifying of all the firemen, whether paid or volunteer,” was also unanimously adopted. The patriotic action of the Western majority in joining with the Eastern delegates and uniting to bring the 1906 convention to the East was also in line with the liberal spirit of the Convention and will, I trust, be fully appreciated by the firemen of the New England, Middle and Southern States. In addition to the above, the adoption of a standard thread for all couplings and the reading and discussion of several valuable topics, together with the usual routine work of all conventions, made this Convention a memorable one in the American fire service.

In other words, my Dear Sir, the National Firemens’ Association is a live reality. It stands for something. It proposes to do something. It has earned the right to ask the support of every fire organization. No power on earth can now stay its progress. Its future is assured. Let me therefore urge upon every member of the American fire service to give it his moral, his financial and his enthusiastic support. The 1906 Convention will meet in the city of Roanoke, Va., an ideal place for such a meeting; easy of access from all sections. The writer will be glad to have your application for membership either as an Individual Company, Department or Association; [initiation fee only $2, with $1 annual dues.]

Take this matter up at your next company or department meeting. Appointing a special committee to investigate the merits of the National Association and find out for yourselves the importance of becoming a member of this great and beneficent organization. Your correspondence will receive careful consideration and prompt reply.

Fraternally yours,
JAS. D. MAXWELL, President,
National Firemen’s Association,
Fayetteville, N. C.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT.
Fayetteville, N. C., April 20, 1906.

My Dear Sirs:
May I ask your kindly consideration to the following brief history of the National Firemen’s Association and the reason why you, as a member and official of your State Association, should give to the National organization your influence and support:
The National Association was founded in 1898, in the city of Chicago, by a few patriotic and representative firemen for the primary purpose of affording a

1601. K. Riley. [illustration]
1602. James Jeffries. [illustration]
1603. Ernest Hassinger, Dealer in Fine Souvenir Post Cards Also Manufacturer and Dealer in Fine Cigars Tobacco, pipes, etc. Orders taken for Rubber Stamps, also all kinds of Ink, etc. 84 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

For the second time only in its fortieth year of institution, Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., of this village, was on Friday evening honored by the official visitation of a Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of the State of New York, in the person of Fred S. Bates, of Troy.
The Grand Patriarch has been making a large itinerary among the Encampments of the State, and included the Encampment here in his list.
After the ‘camp had been opened in due and regular form, the Grand Patriarch was introduced by ex-Chief Patriarch Ernest Hassinger, and after receiving the grand honors, escorted to the Chief Patriarch’s station, from whence he delivered a most eloquent and instructive address, based upon personal observation and historical data. He deemed it a great pleasure to meet the Patriarchs in camp here assembled, and greatly deplored the fact that his official staff was unable to be present with him. He brought greetings from the other 180 Encampments in the State and said they were all in prosperous and flourishing circumstances.
He mentioned in particular his recent visit to the Encampment in the village of Trumansburg, a hamlet of merely 500 inhabitants, yet he found the members zealous and faithful in the work and as a result of his visit 24 new names were shortly afterwards added to their list of membership.
He explained the beauties of the Order, its benefits and its usefulness, and paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Thomas Wildey, the founder of American Odd Fellowship, and for whom the Encampment here was named.
Many things not for public information was dwelled upon at length. He traced the history of the origin of the Encampment branch from its inception to the present day, and stated that there were in the United States 190,000 members of which about 18,000 were in the State of New York.
He exemplified the unwritten work in the Patriarchal, Golden Rule and Royal Purple Degrees, to the edification of all.
During this portion of the ceremony the “camp was assailed” and a delegation of visiting Patriarchs from Kingston Encampment, No. 125, of Kingston, headed by District Deputy Grand Patriarch Louis Kegler and his official staff marched in and were received with honors due their exalted station. Social intercourse
and many witty remarks by the visiting Patriarchs followed, and when the “lights were extinguished” it was to meet in banquet form at Ziegler’s in a fitting close to this memorable evening in the history of our home Encampment.

1605. Post Jan 6, 1909 [hand dated] Snyder Hose Election. Officers Chosen For the Ensuing Year Tuesday Evening.
The annual election of officers in Snyder Hose Co was held in the company’s rooms Tuesday evening. The following officers were chosen for the year of 1909.
Myron Bedell, President; Henry T. Keeney, Vice-President; Floyd G. Lewis, ; Charles Reinhard, First Asst.; Josiah Perks, Second asst.; Ernest Hassinger, Secretary; William Ziegler, Treasurer; Clayton Swart, Rep. to State Con.; Stephen Dickhaut, Alternate; Henry T. Keeney, Rep. to H. V. V. F. A.; Milton Hill, Alternate; Frank G. Phelps, John Carnright, Wm. C. Ohley, Trustees.
Foreman Lewis appointed the following additional service officers.
The business over, the company repaired to the dining room below and relished a German supper served by the new officials.

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medium of representation for the individual firemen of America.
Its membership was made most liberal in order to popularize the organization.
For twenty-five years previous the International Association of Fire Engineers had been given full sway, and had failed to do anything practical for the material benefit of the individual firemen, devoting its time to the technical education of the Chiefs in the handling of fires, etc., etc., leaving to the companies in the service to obtain, as best they could, the legislation necessary to their welfare.
In quite a number of the States the firemen, realizing the necessity for organization that would benefit them, from time to time have formed State and District Associations, based upon the representation of companies in their several jurisdictions, and had commenced to take up the great question of “beneficial Legislation: - notably, New York, North Carolina, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Minnesota, Illinois, Kansas and others, leaving still quite a number of States that have neither State organizations nor any State beneficial legislation whatever for the individual firemen – notable Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Georgia, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Florida and others. Under these conditions it was therefore deemed necessary to form a National Firemen’s Association, whose aim and object would be to unify the American fire service, both paid and volunteer, into one National body composed ultimately of delegates from the several State Associations to the National Association – just as our State

1607. Proceedings 1906 continued, page 44.
Legislatures are practically represented in our national Congress – the primary and main object being to advance the material interests of the individual membership of the entire American fire service by legislation, co-operation and fraternal fellowship.
If, therefore, we would enjoy the full benefit of our State organizations we can do so only through the unification of them all into a National organization, giving us an influence, name and power for usefulness impossible for us to obtain as long as we remain a scattered body of unorganized units.
I am therefore personally asking you to take up this question with your fellow officials in your State Association, and to not only discuss the advisability and importance of your so doing but to select some of your best and most intelligent members and send them to our Convention at Roanoke, Va., in August
to represent your State Association and to help formulate and perfect the future work of the National Association.

Did time and space permit I could give you scores of reasons why you should do so, and I certainly do not known [sic] of any good reason why you should not do so. The question of “Uniform Beneficial Legislation in Every State” will be one of the main features of our next convention, and I know of no matter more worthy of the attention of every fireman than that. Let me advise every fireman to study the beneficial laws of New Jersey and Minnesota.

Will you, therefore do me the courtesy to give me a few minutes of your time and write me your views on this matter? I will certainly appreciate it.


have no personal axe to grind, and am only anxious to advance our organic interests. I am not and will not be a candidate for re-election this year, but I am especially anxious to turn over to my successor the National Organization in the very best shape to insure its future usefulness. Appealing to and relying upon your patriotism to assist in this great and beneficent work, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JAS. D. McNEILL, Pres. N. F. A.

and N. C. S. F. A.

In this letter the President of the National Firemen’s Association asks that this matter be taken up at your next annual Convention. The matter of mailing this communication would be in the neighborhood of $20.00 and the appointing of a special committee to have this matter reported in the minutes of this Convention would cover the ground just as well as through mailing.

Delegate:
I would move you, Mr. President, that a special committee be appointed to report at next Convention. Amendment accepted by Mr. Mardoff of Kingston, seconded and carried. The following Committee was appointed: George H. Scott, Coxsackie; Henry Krieger, Poughkeepsie; Joseph C. Hurley, Kingston.

President Preston:
The order of business is Topics and Essays and under this head I introduce to you the Chairman of


the Law Committee of the State Firemen’s Ass’n. Mr. J. F. Chace, of Hudson.

Speech by Mr. Chace.

President Preston:
We are indeed indebted for the address of Mr. Chace who has been quite sick and recommended by the physician to stay at home but he managed to be with us today.

Mr. Hitchcox, of Athens:
I move the address of Mr. Chace to be placed upon the minutes of this organization and that a rising vote of thanks be extended to him.

Motion seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Ackerman of Poughkeepsie:
I have listened with considerable interest to the remarks of the gentlemen from Hudson for I am interested in the Local Firemen’s Association of Poughkeepsie and while the 2% taxes, 10% of which goes to the Firemen’s Home, 90% goes to the Local Association. I thought every volunteer fireman in this Association, and every place where there is a Local Association should bear in mind the importance of the passing of future bills for it will increase the revenue of the Local Association, and by increasing the revenue of the Local Association the revenue of the Association will be increased. In Poughkeepsie there is one million of insurance from which receive no benefit whatever. (Applause.)

President Preston:
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

It has been requested of this Association by the Rensselaer Committee that we reserve a portion of


1611. Seal of Tufts College. [Illustration]


Abraham Keller, son of the late John Keller, was found dead alongside of the West Shore Rail Road track, near the Churchland school house, early Sunday morning. The discovery of the dead man’s body was made by Christopher Genthner, a mail clerk on the New York Central R. R., who was homeward bound, having reached the Saugerties station on the 1:50 north bound train.

Genthner lives on the Shoemaker place, Churchland, and in going home walked down the track. It being bright moonlight, nearing the crossing at Churchland school house, he saw the body of a man, head laying in the ditch and feet toward the track. On examination he discovered the identity of the man to be Abraham Keller of this village who is employed by William B. Hauck at Churchland. Genthner continued on home then, and after arousing his brother they came to Saugerties and notified Dr. Montgomery, who acting for Coroner Benton of Port Ewen, went out and viewed the body and turned it over to Keenan & Burhans, who removed it to their undertaking parlors.

How Keller met his death is unknown although the probabilities are that he was struck by the 1:50 train, while walking to Hauck’s. He had been in the village Saturday evening and after visiting his stepmother left about 10 o’clock. He was last seen in the village at 12:30 o’clock. When found, the position of the body indicated that he might have been walking down on the northbound track, and as the 1:50 train approached, to have stepped off the track to the ditch side, and slipped, falling on to the track and then was struck.

Death, evidently, was instantaneous. His right side was crushed in, the right arm at the shoulder broken, and the head cut open. Keller was well known, having for a long time been employed by the late Sherwood Myer and James O. Beers. He was 41 years old. [Illustration] 1612. Saugerties Post, Feb. 17, 1908.


The Poughkeepsie Star of Wednesday evening said: Alexander Finger, fifty years old, a Tivoli hotelkeeper, charged with shooting Patrick Morey, another village hotelkeeper, was to-day fined $25 and given a probationary sentence of six months in the Albany penitentiary.

Finger pleaded guilty, with the understanding that he was to receive a probationary sentence, but after he had pleaded, District Attorney Mack insisted that the probationary officer, Chief of Police Malloy, of Tivoli, have the right to arrest and place Finger in the penitentiary on a charge of intoxication. Mr. Mack explained that Finger had made threats and residents of the place feared that he would try to burn up the village when intoxicated. This stipulation was put in, and then Judge Hasbrouck gave the prisoner a lecture.

The shooting of Morey was purely accidental. There was a band of young men in Finger’s hotel on July 3, last year, and they were exploding giant fire-crackers. Finger became angry, and grabbing up a shotgun, fired at the crowd. He aimed high, but the shot missed the crowd and hit Morey, who stood in his doorway across the street. Morey’s skin was perforated in many places, but his injuries were not of a serious nature, and he soon recovered.

In disposing of the case to-day Judge Hasbrouck lectured the prisoner upon the evils of strong drink and showed that Finger might have committed a murder instead of giving his neighbor slight injuries.
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1614. Proceedings 1906 continued, page 47.
this business until tomorrow morning. The subject was brought before the Executive Committee last night and no objection was made to it and I deem it but fair that we reserve part of our business and start it to-morrow morning under the head of New Business. It has been requested for the reason that the delegates would assemble here and immediately after our session march direct from this hall to the place where we are to be entertained.
Mr. Cole of Rensselaer.
I move that we adjourn to meet to-morrow morning at ten o’clock.
Mr. Wieant:
Wishing to coincide with everything that Rensselaer asks because of their kind and courteous treatment to us in their city; still in adjourning the convention at this time without proceeding under the heads Nos. 13 and 14 – the Designation of Place to hold next convention and Election of Officers – I believe we should be working a considerable injustice upon a large number of the members of our convention. I believe that fully one third of these are here for this day only and have an extreme interest for the officers of this association.
Mr. Preston:
Gentlemen, there is a motion before the house what is your pleasure?
Delegate Wieant:
I beg to inform you that I rise to make an amendment in consideration of those members who have to leave to-day. I believe that it is but fair that we should proceed before leaving to-day.
Mr. Ackerman of Poughkeepsie.
I rise to the point of order.
Mr. Wieant:
I beg to state that a motion for adjournment is always in order and I would beg to make an amendment Mr. President, that the Election of Officers and Designation of Place to hold next Convention be decided upon this afternoon.
President Preston:
I am very sorry to state that the amendment to the motion for adjournment is out of order. Unless the motion is voted down I cannot introduce the amendment to it.
President Preston:
What is your pleasure on the motion for adjournment?
Delegate:
Calls for a rising vote.
Motion to adjourn lost.
Mr. Wieant:
I beg to offer a resolution that the Convention proceed at once to Nos. 13 and 14 and that Nos. 12, 15 and 16 be taken up to-morrow morning; the adjournment to be taken after the completion of No. 14 – Election of Officers.
President Preston:
Puts the motion. Carried.

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President Preston:
Puts the motion. Carried.

President Preston:
The next order of business before you, gentlemen, is to designate the place to hold your next Convention.

Speech by Mr. Rollins, Chairman of Local Committee and Fire Department of Ossining.
Speech of Mr. Kreiger of Poughkeepsie
Speech of Mr. Bieber of Poughkeepsie.

Mr. Myers of Peekskill:
I move you that the next Convention be held at Poughkeepsie.
Motion put by the President and carried unanimously by rising vote.

State Treasurer Powers:
I believe the next order of business is to have the delegates of the various counties to name their candidates of their respective counties for the ensuing year and in order to enable them to facilitate matters I should move that we have a recess of 15 minutes.
Motion put by President and carried.

Vice-Presidents named:
Ulster Co. - Louis Kolts of Kingston.
Westchester Co. – B. Frank Decker of Croton.
Greene Co. – Chas. W. Hitchcox of Athens.
Columbia Co. – Hiram Dingman of Philmont.
Rensselaer Co. – Jno. F. Knapp of Troy.
Rockland Co. – Louis F. Rembe.
Dutchess Co. – George Nagengast.
Orange Co. – Frank Hoolley of Walden.
Saratoga Co. – George Conley.
Albany Co. - S. O. Schoonmaker.


Mr. Mardoff of Kingston:
I move you, Mr. President, that we proceed to the election of the President.
Carried unanimously.

Speech of Mr. Ackerman of Poughkeepsie in behalf of F. S. Bieber.

Mr. Laflin of Saugerties:
I second the motion.

Speech of Delegate Frank in behalf of F. S. Bieber.

Mr. Johnson of Rensselaer:
I would present the name of Mr. Stephen Preston for president.

Delegate Jenkins:
In view of what our President has said I would move that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot.
Motion carried.

Delegates Mardoff and Hurley appointed as tellers by chair.
Tellers reported one ballot cast for F. S. Bieber for President of the H. V. V. F. A.

Mr. Bieber declared elected by President Preston,

Delegate Schick:
I move you, Mr. President that a committee be appointed to assist Mr. Bieber to the platform.
Chair appointed delegates Rollins and Hassinger.
1618. Musicale and Graduating Exercises. St. Mary’s School Columbus Hall, Friday, June 28th 1912 at 7:30 P. M. Admission 25 cents. Dancing. [illustration]
1619. Seal of Rensselaer. [illustration]
1620. Yale Flag. [illustration]

HAWXHURST – In this village, Dec. 29, 1907, Inez V. Hawxhurst, aged 36 years, 7 months and 17 days. Funeral at late residence, Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. Private. Friends wishing to view the remains may do so between 7 and 8:30 this evening. [illustration]

1622. [undated] The Death Record.
After a long and painful illness, Mrs. Inez Hawxhurst passed away at her home on Market street, early Sunday morning, leaving one son, Harold, for whom the deepest sympathy is felt, and a large number of relatives and friends to mourn her demise. Stricken many months ago with that dreaded disease, the white plague, tuberculosis, it made such rapid inroads into her system that although medical effort of every kind was used, it was without effect, and death came after weeks of suffering and pain. Mrs. Hawxhurst had lived here many years, coming to Saugerties from Brooklyn. She was a daughter of the late Dewitt R. Myers, and a niece of the late Andrew Myers and William E. Myers of Barclay Heights. For a long time she had a position in the Saugerties Manufacturing Co., and continued her work until her health forced her to cease. The death of this young woman in the very noontide of her life is particularly sad, and it casts a mantle of gloom over all who knew and loved her.

1623. [Undated] Last Sad Rites.
The funeral of the late Mrs. Hawxhurst was held this afternoon, Rev. Geo. T. Hickman of the Baptist church officiating. Interment was in Main street cemetery. The bearers were Ernest Hassinger, Charles Jacobs, Arthur Van Steenberg, J. W. Frankel, Nathan Van Steenberg and Herbert Van Buskirk.

1624. [Undated] A Card of Thanks.
In recognition of the many kindesses bestowed during the prolonged illness of my mother, the attention and assistance shown her and me, not only during her sickness, but burial, and especially for the repeated remembrance of flowers and delicacies sent to her, I desire to hereby acknowledge to all my deepest thanks. I have appreciated it and do so now in more than words can express. Again thanking all for their loving kindness. Sincerely, Harold Hawxhurst. [illustration x 4]

Washington Hook & Ladder Company held their annual meeting Thursday evening, and the reports presented indicated that the company is in a prosperous condition with a fine balance in the treasury. The report of secretary and treasurer Lewis H. Kleeber was highly commended, the trustees declaring it was a pleasure to examine the books of the company, so accurate and neatly had they been kept. The following officers were elected: Harry Schneider, foreman; John Dietrich, Jr., first assistant foreman; Peter Kimble, second assistant foreman; Lewis H. Kleeber, secretary and treasurer; Frank F. Clausman, trustee, William H. MacMullen, representative to state convention; Isaac Lazarus, alternate; William Tracey, representative to H. V. V. F. V.; Jesse Freese, alternate. At the conclusion of the meeting a fine banquet was served by the newly elected officers.

1626. [Undated] Hudson Valley Fireman. President Bieber of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, announces the appointment of the following committees for the ensuing year: Executive Committee – Chas. Higham, Middletown; William H. Kolts, Kingston; Andrew Funk, Hudson; Walter H.

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President-elect Bieber:
Gentlemen I thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me this afternoon, and I shall try to save the Association all the money we can. Some people say we have been a little extravagant this past year, and we will try and do a little better if we can. I thank you.
President Preston:
The next order of business gentlemen is the election of a Vice-President.
Mr. Johnson, of Rensselaer:
I present to you the name of Mr. A. Weiman, of the Citizen’s Hose of Rensselaer, for Vice-President,
Delegate Flandreau:
I move that the nominations be closed and Secretary cast one ballot.
Motion carried.
Tellers report one ballot cast for A. Weiman for Vice-President.
Mr. Weiman declared elected by President Preston.
Mr. Mardoff of Kingston:
I would ask that gentleman step upon the platform so that we will all know him
President Preston:
The next order of business is the election of the 2nd Vice-President.
State Treasurer Powers.
I have the pleasure of presenting to the Convention the name of a gentleman who was the unanimous

choice of the delegates of Westchester Co. Mr. J. F. Wagner of Mt. Vernon.
President Preston:
Mr. Wagner is named for 2nd Vice-President. Are there any other nominations?
Delegate Flandreau:
Moved that the nomination be closed.
Motion carried.
Tellers report one ballot cast for J. F. Wagner of Mt. Vernon for Second Vice-President.
Mr. Wagner declared elected by President
Speech by Mr. Wagner.
I thank you all, gentlemen, and with the assistance of the President and Vice-President I will do the best I can.
President Preston:
The next order of business will be the election of a Secretary.
Speech of Delegate Hitchcox in presenting the name of H. Buxbury for Secretary.
Mr. Buxbury declared elected by President.
President Preston:
The nominations for Treasurer are now in order.
Secretary Buxbury:
Gentlemen: I thank you for this honor conferred upon me, and I think that you feel the same as I do

that this session has been rather lengthly [sic] and that speech-making is a little out of order at this time, and as we have had quite a little of it this afternoon, I think we had better cut it out and go down stairs for some of the dark kind. I thank you.

Nomination for Treasurer:
Hassinger of Saugerties:
I take great pleasure in presenting to you for the office of treasurer of this association one who you all know and who has served on the Executive Committee of this association as vice president, Mr. John L. O'Shea, of Kingston.

Delegate Kolts:
I move that the nominations be closed and that the Secretary cast one ballot.

Delegate Myers:
I name you, Mr. President, for the office of Treasurer.

President Preston:
I beg to decline.

Delegate Jenkins:
I name Mr. Chas. Wieant for the office of Treasurer.

Delegate Wieant:
I decline.

President Preston:
It has been moved and seconded that the Secretary cast one ballot for Mr. O'Shea for Treasurer of this association.

Motion carried.

Tellers report one ballot cast and President declared Mr. O'Shea elected.

The next order of business is the election of delegate to State Convention.

Delegate Hurley:
I present the name of Mr. A. E. Cole, of the Howard Hose Co. of Rensselaer, as delegate to the State Firemen’s Convention.

Tellers report one ballot cast for A. E. Cole as delegate to State Firemen’s Convention and declared elected by President.

Adjournment to June 20th, 1906

JUNE 20th, 1906.

President Preston:
Gentlemen please come to order. The first Order of Business this morning is No. 12 – New Business. What is your pleasure?

Secretary Buxbury:
Mr. President. Before you proceed under the head of New Business I have a communication here which I would like to read.

Troy, N. Y., June 20, 1906

Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association
Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention.
I regret to say that I will be unable to attend the Convention to-day. My intention was to be with you this morning to extend to you from the floor of this Convention hall an invitation on behalf of Hope Fire

The village Board of Health met for organization Monday evening. Ezra Carnright was elected president; Edward Rogers, vice-president; Martin M. Baker, secretary; Nathan Van Steenberg, registrar of vital
statistics; Dr. John H. DeWitt, health officer; Wallace F. Winchell, plumbing inspector and B. R. Whitaker, sanitary inspector.

John Turck of Kingston died Monday afternoon from a stroke of appoplexy which he suffered on the Kingston road near the city line in the morning as he was driving home.  Mr. Turck was a brother of William J. Turck and was well known in this village.  He was in his 49th year.  Several children survive him, his wife having died some time ago.  [illustration]

The election of officers at the Colonel’s Fife, Drum & Bugle Corps meeting Wednesday evening resulted as follows: President, W. Hoyt Overbagh; vice-president Bradley Shultis; recording secretary, Joseph Sweeney; treasurer, George Schoonmaker; corresponding secretary, W. H. Overbagh.

1634. Saugerties Post, April 27, 1908.  This Will Benefit the Firemen.  A Bill Taxing the Factory Mutual Insurance Co’s.  
There is now in the hands of the Governor a bill which will, as a law, prove a great advantage to the firemen of the State at large and will add in the neighborhood of $8,000 a year to the income to the Firemen’s Home in Hudson.  One the closing day of the session Senator Smith of Chatham secured the passage through the Senate of the measure taxing Factory Mutual Insurance companies which have their homes in other States, but do business here.  This measure has been before the Legislature for several years: it has passed the Senate and failed in the Assembly and failed in the Senate, but passed the Assembly.  For some reason hard to understand there has existed a determined and concerted opposition and Senator Smith’s victory this year came only after a long and hard fight.  The bill imposes a tax of one per cent on the Factory Mutuals.  It works no hardship upon them, as they are now taxed two per cent. in their home State save where a tax is imposed in a foreign State.  A company now paying two per cent. to Massachusetts will, under the present bill, if signed by the Governor and it ought to be signed, pay one per cent. to New York and but one per cent. to Massachusetts: as has been said, ‘they pay it here instead of there.’  
Assemblyman Foley had part in the good work of passing this bill this year but the man who helped materially to plough the ground and who, for several years has done a deal to prepare the measure for passage is J. Frank Chace, one of the State Firemen’s Association attorneys, of Hudson.  The Firemen’s Home will receive ten per cent. of the one per cent. tax which is estimated will bring in about $8,000.

1635. Saugerties Post, Feb 6, 1908.  [hand dated]  St. Mary’s Hall Collapsed To-day.  The Well Known Dance Hall is a Total Wreck.  
St. Mary’s hall, on Cedar street, the scene of many dances and entertainments, and a popular recreation place, is a total wreck, having collapsed about 9:30 o’clock, this morning, with a terrible noise, the concussion causing the residents in that vicinity to believe the earth was suddenly to pass away.  The cause of the collapse, it is believed, was due to the heavy weight of snow on the roof and the bulging of the foundation wall near the chimney, which spread the side walls and the roof parted in the center and toppled in, throwing the timbers about in promiscuous fashion.  
The hall, which is owned by St. Mary’s church corporation, was built in 1894 during the pastorate of Rev. Michael J. Murray.  George McNally, the well known contractor erected the structure.  It was a one story frame building 150x40, with peaked roof.  Inside was a good sized stage and at the rear was a gallery.  Underneath was a cellar.  There was no ceiling put in when the hall was built, the heavy roof trusses and iron rods being visible.  Mr. McNally only performed the labor.  Father Murray furnished all the material.
Since Rev. J. J. Mc Cabe has been pastor of St. Mary’s church, he had a hard wood ceiling placed in the hall by Mr. McNally to make the heating of it easier. This was done about two years ago. when Mr. McNally was interviewed as to the probable cause of the collapse, he stated that he could not understand it, other than that a short time ago he had his attention called to a part of the foundation bulging. He said the roof was strongly built. That the accident happened in the day time is regarded as most fortunate, otherwise many lives might have been sacrificed. There was to be a club dance in the hall Friday evening, and had this been in progress, and the accident happened, the results would have been appalling.

Engine Co. No. 7 of Troy, to attend their eightieth anniversary field day and picnic at Rensselaer Park on August 4, 1906.

Yours respectfully,
John F. Knapp,
Charles Fettig,
Delegates

President Preston:
You have heard the communication. What shall we do with it?
Delegate Cole:
I move the invitation be accepted and noted on minutes.
Carried.
Secretary Buxbury:
I have here upon my desk a communication from Mr. John Powers, enclosing his annual report:

Firemen’s Association of State of New York
TREASURER’S OFFICE.
JOHN P. POWERS, Treasurer.
Ossining, June 18, 1906.

MR. HENRY BUXBURY,
Sec’y H. V. V. F. A.

Dear Sir:
Enclosed herewith I hand you my annual report for the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association

Convention. This report shows the amount of tax received from each city, village and fire district in your territory, as the case may be, who have paid the tax which represents 10% of the 2% foreign insurance tax collected in the various places.
Through your convention I desire to thank the various treasurers for their efforts in trying to collect the tax. While a great many places show an increase it is not as large as last year, and I feel quite positive that there are many places that have not received the tax due them. It is only through a thorough canvass that this tax can be located, and I wish you would impress upon the delegates present the necessity of having such a canvass made in their respective localities. I feel sure that they will find a great amount of insurance written outside and only a thorough canvass will locate it.
I also wish to call the attention of the delegates to the Endowment Fund of the Firemen’s Home at Hudson, N. Y., as a means of placing the Home beyond the jeopardy of adverse legislation. As you are aware the chief source of revenue is derived from the 10% of the 2% foreign insurance tax, but there is an effort to do away with such tax and the likelihood being that such effort will prevail. No better evidence could be given that the action of the State Legislature refusing to pass the bill compelling
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

interstate and foreign Mutual companies to pay the tax the same as they are compelled to do in other States. The Dryden bill introduced in the present Congress, if it should become a law, would wipe out the 2% tax, so it behooves us to be up and doing and not let our unfortunate brothers suffer from any act that will deprive them from their well-earned rest.
The capacity of the Home is being doubled, consequently our expenses will increase in proportion. The fund now amounts to $3,500.00 and is steadily growing, and I hope to place the name of your Association on the honor roll for this year; no matter how small the amount, it will be welcome. Individual subscriptions to the Fund will be received by your Secretary and proper acknowledgment will be made from this office.
Wishing you a very successful Convention, I beg to remain.
Fraternally yours,

JOHN P. POWERS
Treasurer.

Mr. Hassinger of Saugerties:
I move that the report be printed in our proceedings.
Carried.
President Preston:
I have been requested by the Grand Marshall to announce that Chiefs of the various Fire Departments who will be here to-morrow are requested to assemble at the Hill Hook and Ladder House at the top of the hill, as he would like to form a platoon of the visiting chiefs.

Delegate Jenkins:
We have heard some pretty forcible arguments from people who have been working in our behalf relative

to certain bills which certain Senators were instrumental in passing, and I think we should be making a serious mistake if before adjourning this Convention we did not take some action relative to same. I would suggest that we draw up a resolution censuring the peopled who were the cause of the bills being passed in the Legislature.
Motion put and passed.
Secretary Buxbury:
Mr. President, I would ask who is to draw up that resolution?
Delegate Denfield:
I move that a Committee of Investigation by appointed, Mr. President. The committee to consist of three members.
Mr. Hassinger of Saugerties:
If I am in order may I ask when is this committee going to report.
Delegate Denfield:
I would amend the motion that the Investigation Committee report its finding to the Secretary so that it may be published in the report of our Proceedings.
Motion to appoint an Investigation Committee of three carried.
Mr. Nilan of New Paltz:
Now while I am heartily in favor of this motion, I would also suggest that a copy of this protest be sent to every firemen’s organization in that section of the state in which that man lives and reach the men who place him in office. We do not care for him and
1640. Nearing the Overlook. [illustration]

The annual meeting of the Saugerties bank was held to-day, the following directors being elected: Albert Carnright, George W. Elting, John W. Shults, Charles Davis, William E. Fiero, E. Clark Reed, James E. Dederick, Clinton Van Buskir and Charles Lusk. The inspectors of election elected were John W. Shults and John F. Carnright. The officers chosen are, Albert Carnright, president; George W. Elting, vice-president; Henry T. Keeney, cashier and John F. Carnright, teller. A dividend of 2 per cent, free of all tax on the earnings of the past six months was declared.

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1643. Paid Department at Kingston. [probably part of the Fireman’s ]
A paid and call force succeeded the volunteer department of Kingston, N. Y., on January 1. The new department will be governed by a board of commissions. Rodney A. Chipp is chief, Joseph L. Murphy, a member of the Union Hose Co., deputy chief; W. J. Heybruck, of H. & L. No. 1 and C. R. Banta, of Wiltwyck Hose, assistant chiefs; H. B. Legg, superintendent of fire alarm. The force will consist of three commissioners, five officers, seven regular and three substitute firemen, a total of eighteen men, eight of whom are officers and ten privates. Such small departments are usually governed by one chief and one assistant. Four chiefs for ten men exceeds the former limit. Many larger and well governed fire departments have only two officers, a chief and assistant. The fire departments of Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis and of many other cities are governed by one man; the chief. Kingston will probably realize in time that its new department is over-officered and undermanned, and that one capable experienced head is better that a large number of officers.

The installation of the officers of St. Mary’s Commandery, No. 145, Knights of St. John, occurred Tuesday evening, and despite the inclemency of the weather was largely attended by the lady friends, sisters and wives of the Knights. Past president Wm. F. Keenan installed the following officers for the year 1909: President, Michael W. Fitzgerald; 1st Vice Pres., Harry Murphy; 2nd Vice-Pres. Francis J. Sinnott; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Edw. J. Gordon; Financial Secretary, Joseph V. Rovegno;
Treasurer, Robt. J. Dixon; Trustees, Geo. M. Connolly and Wm. R. Johnson; Captain, Wm. R. Johnson; 1st Lieut., Wm. J. Gordon; 2nd Lieut., Jas. J. Dunn. After the installation, dancing was the chief feature of the evening. The music, rendered by Clayton Swart’s orchestra, was of an excellent character, and spoken of most favorable. The rooms were tastefully decorated with the Commandery colors of red and white.

The following officers were installed into office in Queen Ulster, Rebekah Degree lodge, Tuesday night by the District Deputy President, Mrs. Anna Van Aken of Kingston. Noble Grand, Mrs. James Smith; vice-grand, Mrs. James Jewell; rec. secretary, Mrs. Louis Weinand; fin. secretary, Miss Anna Boothman; treasurer, Mrs. James Carew; R. S. N. G. Mrs. Melissa Hommel; L. S. N. G., Mrs. Jane Newkirk; R. S. V. G. Mrs. Jeremiah France; L. S. V. G., Mrs. Clarence Vedder; conductor, Mrs. Eva Gleisner; warden, Mrs. Maggie Zimmer; R. S. S., Mrs. Viola Jack; L. S. S., Mrs. Geo. Peters; chaplain, Mrs. Margaret Mower.

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should prevail upon the men who placed him there to stop his re-election.
Chair appoints Messrs. Denfield, Jenkins and Nilan.
Delegate Jenkins:
I hope the members will not think I am the “whole thing” but I have been informed that there has been no set of resolutions drawn up in regard to thanking the firemen and citizens of Rensselaer for their kind hospitality, and I would therefore present the following:
Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:
Before adjourning this Convention, we have another duty to perform and that is we owe the Mayor of Rensselaer, Fire Association and citizens a vote of thanks. I therefore move that this Convention give the Mayor, the Rensselaer Fire Association and citizens a rising vote of thanks.

Adopted.
Mr. Myers of Croton:
I think there has been no report of the Committee on Resolutions in regard to departed members received as yet.
Secretary Buxbury:
I think that that matter was thoroughly explained yesterday, and if the gentlemen from Croton had listened he would have heard the remarks made at that time.

1647. Proceedings 1906 continued, page 60.
While we are talking about our departed, in the report of the Secretary yesterday it was reported one of our members had died within the past year. I know you have established a precedent of sending resolutions to the families of deceased members and I think you feel like continuing in the same course in the case of Mr. Manning, of Saugerties, who was a member of this Association for a number of years, and I would move you that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed and pursue the same course as on previous occurrences.
Motion carried.
Chair appointed Messrs. Hassinger of Saugerties: Scott of Coxsackie and Buckley of Mt. Vernon.
Delegate Jenkins:
I move that a rising vote of thanks be extended to all the officers of this Association for the manner in which they have presided over this Convention. Carried.
Delegate Scott:
I move that we adjourn. Carried

The installation of officers in Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, occurred Friday evening. District Deputy Grand Regent Hassinger being in charge. The officers inducted into office are:
Regent, R. S. Bennett; vice-regent, W. J. Knight; secretary, Charles Clum; treasurer, C. Westbrook Quick; collector, Ernest Hassinger; guide, William W. Whitaker; chaplain, George S. Rosepaugh; warden, John Lang, Sr., sentry, William Ribsamen; past regent, Wm. V. Burhans. Before the council closed William V. Burhans was presented with a Past Regent’s jewel, Charles Clum making the presentation speech.

Report of Investigating Committee
The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, N. Y.:
At the seventeenth Annual Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association of New York, held at Rensselaer on the 19th, 20th and 21st of June, 1906, a committee was appointed to investigate and report as to the persons who opposed the interests of volunteer firemen in the legislature at the last session.
The committee finds that during said session you did introduce an amendment to the present law relating to firemen detrimental thereto, and if said amendment has passed it would have deprived the volunteer fireman of many of his rights and privileges under the said law.
You well know (that is if you were ever a volunteer fireman) that as such you were ever willing to make all effort you could to save life and protect property, even at the risk of your life and limb. Such sacrifice on the part of the volunteer fireman deserves recognition at the hands of all lawmakers and public officers. It is the intention of this committee to so instruct all volunteer firemen of this state that their united strength will be used to prevent any legislator from ever having the opportunity, as such, of injuring them in the future.
To the Hon. Senator Cox,
   Buffalo, N. Y.

Ernest Myer
At a meeting of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, held in the city of Rensselaer June 18-19-20, 1906, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:
Whereas, The Association has heard with deep regret and profound sorrow that death has removed another from the ranks of its honored members in the years gone by, in the person of Ernest Myer, of Saugerties, therefore be it –
Resolved, That we deeply mourn the loss of our esteemed friend and association, and tender our heartfelt sympathy to those bereft [sic] of a true counselor and sincere friend; and be it further –
Resolved, That by the death of Ernest Myer this Association has suffered the loss of an honored and honorable citizen; and be it further –
Resolved, That as an expression of our appreciation of his worth these resolutions be entered in full on the records of this meeting and a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased.
   Chas. M. Hilton, Joseph C. Hurley, Patrick Byron, Committee.

1651. The upper Esopus Creek and Dam. [illustration]
1652. U. S. Postage Stamp, 2 cents, Panama Canal, red in color. [illustration]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

1653. Saugerties Post, May 28, 1908. The Fourth of July Celebration Here. The Chairmen of the Several Committees Hold and Enthusiastic Meeting on Wednesday Evening to Arrange for Event.
A meeting of the committee of chairman to arrange for the celebration of the glorious Fourth, in Saugerties, was held Wednesday evening and considerable enthusiasm was manifest. The chairman of the committee on speakers, not being able to attend the meeting sent in a report stating that as the orator for the day, Hon. Edward A. Merritt of Potsdam, St. Lawrence Co. had been secured. Mr. Merritt is the Majority Leader in the Assembly, the lower house of the state legislature, and a speaker of eloquence and renown.
The question of music for the day was also considered and it was unanimously decided to engage Snyder Hose Co. band of thirty-five pieces, at the price submitted by Charles Higham, the leader, the full band to play all day and at the fireworks display in the evening.
The question of fireworks was also talked over and action was deferred for a few days, albeit it was deemed wise when the committee is ready to solicit bids for the display this year.
The selection of a place for setting off the display was another matter mentioned, and it was also laid over until another meeting.
The advertising committee were also instructed to procure the posters, large lithographic style, and posters for envelope use at once.
The meeting then adjourned until Friday evening, June 5th, when a full attendance of all members of the committee is desired and urged.
The following committees are in charge of the celebration.
Finance committee; Howard Gillespy, chairman, Albert Rowe, Edward Moran, Myron Bedell, Charles Clum, William F. Keenan, William V. Burhans.
Fireworks committee, R. B. Overbagh, chairman, William Ziegler, John T. Washburn, Jr., C. H. Bennett.
Parade committee, Fred Grathwohl, chairman, Henry Schneider, Henry T. Keeney, Patrick Bradley.

The following prizes will be offered for the carnival parade on July 4th:
To the organization having the most men in line, $10 00
To the funniest costumed organization in line, 10 00
For the prettiest decorated automobile in line, 10 00
To the prettiest business float in line, 5 00
To the funniest dressed individual in line,
   First prize, [number torn off]
   Second prize, 2 50
   Third prize, 2 50
To the fattest individual in line, 2 50
To the tallest individual in line, 2 50
No organization of individual can win more than one of the prizes. The judges are to be Ernest Hassinger, William V. Burhans, Col. H. D. Laflin, R. B. Overbagh and John A. Snyder.
At a meeting of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, held in the city of Rensselaer, N. Y., June 18-19-20, 1906, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, We are called upon to mourn the death of one who had in former times served as one of our members, and whose memory is revered by all who were associated with him for his strict integrity, his social virtues and his honest upright character, which won friends on every hand, but who has been called away by the messenger of death, and thus did John N. Bruck, of Kingston, pass from this life into the unknown.

Resolved, that by the death of John N. Bruck, this Association has suffered the loss of a true friend and an honored and honorable member, and be it further – Resolved, That we express our appreciation of his worth by the adoption of this preamble and resolution and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased, and that it be spread upon the minute book of this Association.

Charles M. Hilton, Joseph C. Hurley, Patrick Bryon, Committee.

Hudson Valley Firemen’s Association
TREASURER’S REPORT
Year Ending December 31, 1905.

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The New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company is acquiring by condemnation additional land in
Columbia county, near the city of Hudson, for railroad use, and as it is unable to agree with the owners
as to the value, has applied to Judge Betts for the appointment of condemnation commissioners. Judge
Betts has appointed as such commissioners Senator Linson and John B. Glennon of Kingston and John
Crowley of Saugerties.

1660. Jungle Animals. [illustration]
1661. Pests, flautist playing, dog howling. [illustration]

Joseph L. Taylor, of New York, who recently took possession of his new cottage on Partition street, gave
a house-warming party Monday evening, which was very largely attended. It was an entirely stag affair,
and as Mr. Taylor expressed it, he wanted it to take the form of a “free and easy,” such as was in vogue
in the city of New York when George Christy, Dan Bryant, Tony Pastor and other renowned lights of the
minstrel stage were in their heyday of success.
The company arrived shortly after 9 o’clock, many bearing presents mostly of a humorous nature, was
taken in good part by the host. After Mr. Taylor’s speech of welcome, John O’Connor sang an original
song which he had composed for the occasion, that provoked peals of laughter. It was a regular “Irish
stew.”
The hymn “America” was sung, Mr. Taylor leading (who by the way has a very pleasing tenor voice), the
whole company standing and joining in the chorus. Mr. Taylor had the interior of his home decorated
with the National colors and several flags of other nations. He is a very patriotic gentleman and is a
veteran of the civil war, having served in the 47th Regt. N. Y. Vol. Infantry.
Many other songs were sung and an elaborate spread, prepared by Ziegler, was served. Prof. F. W.
Loerzel, pianist and Richard Powers, violinist, rendered many beautiful musical selections and were
heartily encored.
One of the taking songs of the evening was the “Larboard Watch Ahoy!” sung as a duett [sic] by Mr.
Taylor and Sam Minkler, proprietor of the Mt. Airy House, where Mr. Taylor and wife boarded for
several summers. “Harrigan,” by Mr. Taylor and John O’Connor also “brought down the house,” while a
Dutch song by Mr. Taylor and Theodore Eckhoff was uproariously received.
After a season of a feast of reason and flow of soul, departing speeches were made by Charles B. Cox,
John A. Snyder and Harry Hughes. The happy affair came to an end all too soon and the company
departed expressing hopes for a long and happy life for their kind host and his estimable wife.
The guests present were: Henry J. Hughes, George B. Joy, T. A. Knowles, Pittsfield, Mass., C. H. Bennett,
proprietor of the Exchange Hotel, Charles Coon, Jr., Paul Forman, John A. Snyder, Edmund M. Wilbur, E.
Jernegan, L. J. Butzel, E. J. Lewis, Wm. V. Burhans, E. C. Snyder, David Elliot, E. Hassinger, Wm. G. Sickles,
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J. McCormick, Theodore Eckhoff, Sam Minkler, A. R. Burhans, Charles T. Sickles, Arthur Van Steenberg,

Judge Fitts, of Cohoes, who has been presiding at the present term of the supreme court in Kingston,
was found dead in bed at the Eagle hotel, where he was a guest, this morning.
Supreme Court Justice George H. Fitts, of Albany, who has been holding a trial term of the Supreme
court in Kingston during the past two weeks, and who was to have presided at the Henry F. Craft murder
trial, which was to have begun at ten o’clock Friday morning, was found dead in bed in his room at the
Eagle hotel a few minutes after nine o’clock Friday morning. He had been dead about six or seven hours
when and death had come to him peacefully. For some time Judge Fitts has suffered from acute
indigestion and also was afflicted with heart trouble. During the fall he had an attack of acute
indigestion and heart trouble, which was regarded at the time by his friends as of a serious nature.
Owing to Judge Fitts death court adjourned. [illustration]

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1670. Hal Chase, N. Y. Amer. NY Yankees. [illustration]  
1671. Starr, Buffalo, Mc Cabe, Buffalo. [illustrations]  

1672. Saugerties Post, Dec. 4, 1907.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

The Weather Forecast. Fair, north winds.

BIRTHS
ADAMS – In Malden, to Mr. and Mrs. John B. Adams, Jr., a son.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS TO-DAY.
The Seamon Brothers Company.
L. B. Van Wagenen Co. – 1st page.
Herbert Carl Dry Goods Co. - 1st page. [illustration]

Prompt and efficient work by the Saugerties fire department, prevented what otherwise might have been a disastrous fire in the business district on Main street shortly after eleven o’clock, Tuesday evening. As it is the business of Klem & Myer, the bakers, in the Shahan block, is suspended temporarily until adjustments of the losses are made. The fire was discovered by Lemuel B. Stanton, who resides in the flat upstairs over the bakery. He detected the odor of smoke and began to investigate, with the result that he found a fierce blaze raging in the baker shop, on the floor of Klem & Myer’s store. An alarm was turned in and Snyder Hose, Laflin Hose and Washington Hook’s’s were on the scene in a few minutes. Dense volumes of smoke poured forth from the store and it was so blinding and suffocating that it was hazardous work for the firemen.
However three streams were gotten into the building and the fire extinguished. Sylvester McCarthy of Laflin Hose was overcome by smoke and had to be carried out.
The fire started, it is believed, from the furnace used to heat the oven in the bakeshop. The floor of the shop had a large hole burned in it and the ceiling was badly blistered. Much of the stock was damaged by water. The bakers had left the shop but a few minutes before the fire was discovered and everything as all right then. The loss is fully covered by insurance in the agencies of Eckert & Snyder and Edward Jernegan.

In Ulster lodge No. 193, F. & A. M., Wednesday evening, the installation of officers took place. Past Master William G. Morgan of Poughkeepsie, a member of Ulster, installed the Worshipful Master and Past Master Edward Jernegan the rest of the officers. Past Master William G. Sickles acted as marshal. The following are the officers: John A. Snyder, Worshipful Master; DeWitt Van Buren, Senior Warden; Charles S. Wilbur, Junior Warden; Charles Clum, Treasurer; Charles H. Vedder, Secretary; James D. Myer, Senior Deacon; William E. Comfort, Junior Deacon; Rev. Thomas Bell, Chaplain; Edward Jernegan, Marshal; William A. Flicker, Senior Master of Ceremonies; Augustus R. Burhans, Junior Master of Ceremonies; Byron Hallenbeck and Eugene L. Myer, Stewards; William Ziegler, Organist; Jeremiah France, Tyler.
There were a number of visitors present from Kingston Lodge, No. 10, Past Masters, A. H. Van Buren and Henry B. DeWitt, Past District Deputy Joseph Drake, Master C. K. Loughran and Arthur E. Rose, all of these made speeches. Before the lodge was closed the retiring Master, William G. Sickles was presented with a gold Masonic charm. De Witt Van Buren making the presentation remarks. Mr. Sickles was completely surprised at the unexpected token of esteem, and thanked the brethren for their kindly expression of regard.
Next Wednesday evening the Entered Apprentice degree will be conferred on one candidate.

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1678. Elberfield, Washington Am. [illustration]  
1679. Mc Bride, Washington Am. [illustration]  
1680. Graham, Boston Nat. [illustration]  
1681. Mattern, Boston Nat. [illustration]  
1682. General Anthony Wayne, The Hero of Stony Point. [illustration]  

Mr. Sommerville usually visited Saugerties every three months, and arrived here Thursday evening, being a guest at the Maxwell House, his usual staying place when here. He was in apparently good health. This morning he walked over to the Diamond mills, reaching the office at 7:45 o’clock. Superintendent Charles Coon was there, and seating himself in a chair, began talking to Mr. Coon about trade conditions in Holyoke and Springfield, Mass. He had just asked Mr. Coon about the trade in the Diamond mills, and Mr. Coon happened to look toward his desk. When he raised his head to reply, Mr. Sommerville was dead.  
Dr. Montgomery was called and pronounced death due to heart failure and acting for Coroner Benton of Port Ewen, took charge of the remains and turned them over to Seamon Bros. Co. and they removed them to their undertaking parlors, and prepared the body for burial, pending the arrival of the dead man’s relatives.  
Mr. Sommerville was over 70 years of age and Mr. Coon had known him about 40 years. It is believed the long walk this morning in the storm, produced the exhaustion which caused death.
In Mr. Sommerville's pockets, besides quite a sum of money, was found two receipts for paid up dues in Amity lodge of Odd Fellows, and Wilcox Post, No. 161 G. A. R., both organizations of Springfield, Mass. [illustration]

1684. Saugerties Post, Aug. 18, 1908.
Weather Forecast – Showers; cooler; westerly winds.
DEATHS.
WILLIAMSON – In Glasco, Aug. 18th, 1908, James Williamson, aged 72 years and 10 months. Funeral at Stephen Merritt burial parlors, New York city, Friday. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery.
DIED FROM HERNIA. Iceman James Williamson Succumbs at Glasco.
James Williamson, the iceman, who submitted to an operation for hernia on Saturday, which Dr. Chandler and Dr. Montgomery performed, died at Ebel's hotel, Glasco, about five o'clock this morning. This was the second operation performed on Mr. Williamson and his case was an aggravated one. Mr. Williamson made his home in Stuyvesant, but since the Glasco Ice Co., of which he is the wealthiest member, began building a new house off Flatbush, he has been staying at Ebel’s and going back and forth each day.
Mr. Williamson was well known here, especially among the firemen whom he often befriended. He gave liberally and entertained them in a lavish manner. In Glasco, when a band was organized he provided a beautiful set of instruments and uniforms for the members and the organization was known as Williamson’s cornet band. No one was ever refused by him and he was generally esteemed. Mr. Williamson was a member of the Veteran’s Fireman’s Association of New York city, which paraded here on the occasion of the Hudson Valley fireman’s tournaments. [illustration]

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Relief H. & L. Co.
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1689. Steamship Saugerties. [illustration]

1690. Saugerties Post, Sept. 23, 1913. The Death Record.
John W. Kime, a few years ago owner of the ice business in this village, died in Flushing, L. I., Sunday night aged 54 years. He was a native of this town, having been born at Glasco, a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kime. He was an iceman of many years experience, being a superintendent for the Knickerbocker Ice Co. of New York. Mr. Kime purchased the ice business here of William L. Finger, and after a few years of business, disposed of it to the late A. F. Burhans. [illustration]

Right Worshipful Ira B. Kerr of Catskill, District Deputy Grand Master of this, the 15th Masonic district, officially visited Ulster lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., in this village, Wednesday evening. He was introduced to the lodge by Senior Deacon Van Buren and received with the grand honors due his exalted status. Mr. Kerr delivered an interesting and instructive address to the brethren, concerning to Masonic order, and giving much statistical information about the home, orphanage and temple. Following the address a Fellow Craft was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in due and ancient form. Past Master Coffin of Catskill lodge, assisting in the work. A banquet followed and at its conclusion there was speechmaking, etc. There was a large attendance of Masons, lodges from Catskill, Rochester, Cherry Valley, Po’Keepsie, Moravia, Kingston, Piermont, Mount Monroe, Brooklyn and Hudson being represented.

1692. [undated] The Odd Fellows Meeting
The annual meeting of the Past Grands of this Odd Fellows district was held in Confidence lodge rooms, Wednesday afternoon. When District Deputy Teetsel called the meeting to order 114 Past Grands were present. The chief matter of business was the election of officers. For the office of District Deputy, there was [sic] two candidates, Lewis Kegler of C. S. Clay lodge, Kingston, and Daniel W. Benton of Garfield lodge, Ulster Park. A ballot was taken and Kegler received 68 votes and Benton, 42. Kegler was declared elected. Immediately after Kegler was presented with a floral horseshoe by Saugerties Past Grands, who esteem him highly. Chas. H. Vedder of Ulster Lodge, this village, was re-elected secretary and Walter Dolson of Kosciusko lodge, Kingston was also re-elected Treas. It was also decided to hold the next annual meeting in C. S. Clay lodge rooms, Kingston.

Mrs. Byron Mansfield, mother of Prof. William Mansfield, son-in-law of Dr. James H. Reed, of this village, died at her home in New Baltimore, N. Y., Sunday afternoon. Pneumonia was the cause of her death. St. Clair Smith of New York, whom many Saugertiesians knew, and who visited here often in years gone by, died on Sunday from the dreaded white plague, tuberculosis. Mr. Smith’s demise occurred at Mount Pleasant, where he had been living the past six months in hopes of regaining his health. Mr. Smith was comparatively a young man, a genial fellow and companion, and admired by those who came to know him well. His death is heard with much regret in this place.

Charles A. Swart, son of the late Chauncey M. Swart, who has been a tuberculosis sufferer for a long period passed away about 9:00 o’clock this morning. A wife, one daughter, one son, a sister and three brothers, Clayton P., Wilbur and Samuel survive him. The bereaved family have the sympathy of many friends.

Frederick H. Burnett, familiarly referred to as “Squire Burnett,” died at his home at Tivoli at four o’clock Friday, Feb. 5th. He was eighty-five years old and had been justice of the peace in his town for the last forty-three years. He was also clerk of the village of Tivoli for two years. Squire Burnett had the honor of administering the oath of office to Lieutenant Governor Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler. Mr. Chanler was a close friend of Squire Burnett. The Squire died of old age, having no particular ailment. He had been failing for some time. He was twice married and is survived by his second wife and two children by his first wife. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 3 o’clock from the Methodist Episcopal church at Tivoli. Squire Burnett was one of the best known citizens of the county he had lived at Tivoli all of his life. [illustration]

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Irving Hose Co. No. 5.
Avalanche Hose Co. No. 7.
Lowerre Hose Co.
Nepara Park Hose Co. No. 11.
Columbia H. & L. Co. No. 2.
Mountaineer Engine Co. No. 2.
Palisade Hose Co. No. 5.
Houston Hose Co. No. 6.
Schenedale Hose Co.
Sherwood Park Hose Co. No. 10.
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Washington 112 85 112 88    03
Westchester 640 72 670 10    29 38
Total $3,385 38 $3,474 21    $105 77    16 94

Increase for 1905
16 94

Number of Towns and Cities 151
Number of Fire Companies 4 39
Total amount of 2 per cent. tax collected $34,742 10


Hudson V. V. Firemen’s Association
ROLL CALL, 1906

ORGANIZATIONS

Altamont, Altamont Hose Co. Samuel Schoonmaker
Athens, Wm. H. Morton Steamer Co. Elmore Mackey
Athens, Rescue hook & Ladder Co. H. R. Van Woert
Croton-on-Hudson, Washington Engine Co. Emil Herzig
Connelly, Hasbrouck Engine Co. Cassidy W. Lake
Catskill, Citizens’ Hose Co. No. 5. Wm. Shubert
Cornelly, Storm King Engine Company Robert R. Ryder
Castleton, Seth Wheeler Hose Co. Geo. S. Schermerhorn
Coxsackie, Coxsackie Hose Co. No. 3. Stephen Shufelt
Croton, Columbian Hook & Ladder Co. E. K. Finch
Croton, Chemical Engine Co. No. 1. T. P. Grasse
Catskill, Green Co. Firemen’s Asso. Seth T. Cole
Central Valley, Central Val. Fire Dept. W. M. Gildersleeve
Coxsackie, Hamilton Steamer Co. No. 2. ---
Catskill Hose Co. No. 1. Henry Place
Coxsackie, Scott Hook & Ladder Co. H. J. Worden
Catskill, F. N. Wilson Fire Co. No. 5. ---
Dobbs Ferry, Livingston Hose Co. James F. Dunworth
Ellenville, Kimble Hose Co. John Schupp
Ellenville, Scoresby H. & L. Co. ---
Ellenville, Pioneer Engine Co. ---
Glasco, Mulford Engine Co. No. 1. John Arnold
Haverstraw, Relief Hose Co. No. 3. Wm. W. Foeyfogle
Hudson, H. W. Rogers Hose Co. No. 2. Milton Van Hoesen
Hyde Park, Hook and Ladder Co. Ellery Masten
Hyde Park, Eagle Engine Co. Henry B. Sleight
Hillburn, Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1. Wm. Hogan

Hillburn, Hose Co. No. 1. Frank Akers
Hudson, T. W. Edmonds Hose Co. Louis Snowden
Harrison, Harrison Fire Department. Lewis Levy
Hudson, Phoenix Hose Co. No. 5. Philip A. Martin
Haverstraw, Rescue Hook & Ladder. Wm. H. Jenkins
Hudson, J. W. Hoysradt Hose Co. No. 8. Wm. O’Prey
Haverstraw, Cosgriff Hose Co. A. A. Schmohl
Hudson, Washington Hose Co. No. 3. Frank Dennis
Highland, Highland Hose Co. ---
Hunter, Hunter Hose Co. No. 1. ---
Hyde Park, Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. Theo. H. Briggs
Kingston, Weiner Hose Co. No. 6. Eugene Pehlam [sic]
Kingston, Twaafskill Hose Co. Charles A. Schlick
Kingston, Excelsior Hose Co. Alex Maines
Kingston, Exempt Firemen’s Association. Frank Ellsworth
Kingston, Weber Hose Co. No. 3. Henry Bodman
Kingston, Rapid Hose Co. Fred J. Albright
Kingston, Clinton Hose Co. Jacob Johnson
Kingston, Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. Leo Shchetzle
Katonah, Katonah Fire Department. Chas. M. Clark
Kingston, Department Fund Association. John B. Glennon
Kingston, Moore Hose Co. Irwin L. Gardenier
Kingston, Veteran Vol. Firemen’s Asso. John Wood
Kinderhook, Palmer Engine & Hose Co. Frank L. Ritz
Liberty, Liberty Hose & Truck Co. No. 2. H. B. McLaughlin
Liberty, Hallock Hose Co. No. 1. Wm. A. Buckley
Mount Vernon, Protection Engine Co. Wm. E. Ludwig
Mount Vernon, Clinton H. & L. Co. Stephen Preston, Jr.
Mount Vernon, Columbia Hose Co. No. 4. John Palm
Mount Vernon, Engine Co. No. 3. John F. Wagner
Mount Vernon, Washington Engine Co. Wm. W. Bryant
Mount Vernon, Niagara Hose Co. No. 1. Earl Scullen
Middletown, Excelsior Hook & Ladder. Chas. R. Mills
Mount Vernon, Fire Patrol Co. No. 1. Edwin I. Havay
Mount Vernon, Independent Hose Co. A. C. Archer
Mount Vernon, Central Hose Co. Chas. G. Duffy
Mechanicville, Chemical Engine Co. Floyd I. Carr
Montgomery, Walkill Hose & Engine Co. ---

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New Paltz, Ulster Hook & Ladder Martin C. Nilon
1698. [hand dated] Nov 29, 1913. Funeral of Mrs. Lewis
The funeral of the late Mrs. Edward J. Lewis, was held in St. Mary’s church, this morning, and was very largely attended, the edifice being filled with mourning relatives and friends. The casket was completely enveloped with beautiful flowers, two coaches being required to convey them, these being silent expressions of love the departed friends bore for her. The services in the church were conducted by Rev. James A. Talbot, assisted by Rev. Edmund T. Harty. The burial was in the Saugerties cemetery on Main street. The pall bearers were, Henry Dickhaut, Dr. T. F. O’Dea, John D. Fratsher, Martin Cantine, Lawrence M. Kenney and John A. Snyder.
The annual meeting of the Ladies Missionary Society of the Baptist church was held at Mrs. Lewis Brant’s on Elm street, Thursday afternoon. The officers elected are, Mrs. George T. Hickman, president; Mrs. Carrie Fellows, first vice-president; Mrs. N. R. Valkenburgh, second vice-president; Mrs. J. W. Frankel, secretary; Mrs. Brace Van Loan, treasurer. A social hour, with the serving of refreshments closed the pleasant afternoon. The society has done excellent work during the year, meeting in full the increased missionary apportionment of the denomination.

Charles Webber, the watchmaker of Glasco, enters a vigorous denial of the statement appearing in our columns, which was written by a Glasco correspondent. Mr. Webber states most emphatically that he never received any letter threatening him unless he moved from Glasco in three weeks, and that the story written by the Glasco correspondent must have originated in the latter’s mind, as he (Mr. Webber) has seen no such letter and knows nothing of any “Sicilian” threats.

To spontaneous combustion is attributed the cause of a very spectacular fire which occurred in this village shortly after midnight this morning, the blaze illuminating the skies for miles around in a glare of red light, and which burned fiercely for four hours, the flames at times leaping in sheets high in the air, and sending forth heat that was intense and blistering.
The fire was in the oil and gasoline storehouse of S. M. Gray, at the West Shore, situated between his straw storehouse and the shingle shed of the Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co. and directly below the hill on which the West Shore freight house stands. The storehouse contained seventy barrels of kerosene oil and two barrels of gasoline, upwards of 3500 gallons of inflammable material, and two buggy wagons.
All of these with the building were entirely destroyed.
It was 12:15 when the discovery was made and that it had been smouldering for some time was beyond question. The fact that forest fires have been raging in the woods in close proximity to the village had a tendency to deceive the people and the first flare of light caused them to conclude that there is where the fire was located. The sound of the fire bell and whistle warned them otherwise and soon they were hurrying to the scene.
The location of the fire and the combustible material in the building which served as fresh fuel for the roaring flames made the firemen’s work a difficult one but the boys never worked harder or braver, going into the very face of it. Chief Grathwohl and his assistants directed the firemen and how will [sic] they fought is seen in that they kept it confined to the burning building and saved the Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co. coal pockets and lumber yard, the West Shore freight house which was afire when they arrived, the Standard Oil Co.’s tank, which was full of oil, Mr. and Gray’s [sic] warehouses and barns from destruction. These were all in the danger zone and many times were ready to be devoured by the fire but were kept from igniting by a plentiful drenching of water.
Besides the water, dirt was used effectively in preventing the burning oil from spreading to the other buildings nearby. Had there been any wind it would have been an awful fire and that whole portion of the village would have been swept away.
The fire was first detected by John Sullivan, the West Shore gateeman and William Finger, Jr., who was at the West Shore station with the night operator. As soon as an alarm was turned in, Finger ran down Ulster ave. and rousing the Genthner boys and Louis Sorge went back and removed Mr. Gray’s horses, harness and delivery trucks from the stables.
While the fire was in progress, a West Shore south bound freight came along, and after uncoupling, the engine removed all the freight cars standing at the freight house and in the yard.
Mr. Gray’s loss is estimated at about $2,000, no insurance being carried on the building and its contents.

The action of Horace Hoag against John Knorr, Arthur Van Etten and Frank Reynolds, in which the latter are charged with assault upon the former at a social gathering, near Mt. Marion, last Sunday, is on Judge Coon’s docket for a hearing this afternoon. A number of witnesses have been subpoenaed. William D. Brinnier, Jr. appears for plaintiff and Frank O’Reilly and Roscoe Irwin for defendants. The hearing is on as we go to press.

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1707. Shady Valley. [illustration]

Ernest Hassinger has been appointed one of three commissioners by Judge Betts to condemn land along the highway near Catskill which the state highway commissioners want for the state road now being built there. The state highway commissioners and owners of the land cannot agree on the price, hence the appointment to determine its value. The other two commissioners are from Catskill.

The Saugerties team suffered their first defeat this season at the Athletic Field Saturday afternoon when the Hirches' [sic] of Albany got away with the game by a score of 8 to 7, thought the eight errors chalked against the locals in no way show what an exhibition they put up, and the closeness of the score only indicates what a plucky fight they made to win despite their bobbles. The game was full of miserable plays and every boot Saugerties had counted against them. In the breakaway the Albanians got after Sherer and knocked his curves all over the field. Added to this in trying to get a man at second Sherer hit the "ump" and the next ball up he threw wild and a tally was registered. Another wild throw by Hughes added two more scores, the inning closing with Albany three runs to the good. In the second inning two more hits, a wild through by Sherer out in center field with second and third bases occupied, and a low throw by Fellows added two more runs. Sherer being unable to hold the visitors in check, the hook was used, and he went to right field, Phillips going in the box without even warming up and Morgan was shifted to the keystone sack. That Phillips pitched a fine game is beyond question and poor support is the only reason the Hirches' got their three extra runs. In the seven innings Phillips was on the slab (this being his first pitching stunt on the Saugerties grounds since the old amateur team flourished), he allowed only four safeties, struck out six and walked one. He had good speed, curves and control. The first run scored was on a wild heave of Sherer's over Kiernan's head, the other two came through on Morgan's bobble after two hands were down. Oliver had soaked the sphere for two stations, Eagan was retired, Otto reached first on Phillips' error, and John Otto fanned. Two were on base, two were out. Griggs then hit to Morgan who made a nice stop, but hurled the pellet to Hughes so low that the ball was lost, Oliver and Otto going the rounds to the midway. Albany never scored any more. From the locals viewpoint they went two innings without a run. In the third, two were manufactured on two passes, two sacrifices and an error. One more came in the fifth on a pass and a single by Hughes. In this inning poor coaching caused Sherer's retirement after he had poked a Texas leaguer over second. He tried for the middle bag on it and was nipped. The locals continued gamey and in the seventh, three more runs were secured, though four should have been recorded. Sherer walked, and Reynolds walked. Sherer then attempted a foolish play, trying to steal third while Eagan stood in the box holding the ball; the result was disastrous and a run was lost for Phillips was hit next, and this would have filled the bases. Hughes then came through with a terrific clout which scored Reynolds and Phillips. Hughes later crossed the rubber on Henry's grasscutter to left, but the side was retired without further scoring. The run lost in this inning was fatal, for had it been scored, the game would have gone for an extra inning at least and possibly ended a tie, as it was very dark when the last half of the ninth was played. Saugerties scored the last run in the eighth on Fellows' single and Reynolds hit which whizzed for two basses. [sic] In the ninth there was nothing doing and the Hirsches' went home with the first victory over Saugerties this season, and the fans left the field realizing that though the Hirsches' got the game, it was only on errors, for they did not earn a run. Here is the box score.

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* Mr. Daniel W. Bugel who was elected President of the Association, tendered his resignation at a meeting of the Executive Committee and officers held at Hudson, March 15th, 1894, whereupon the resignation was accepted and Mr. Henry A. Ohley was elected to fill the vacancy.

1714. Olive and Shandaken Township Line. [illustration]
1715. A Bit of Rock City. [illustration]

1716. Saugerties Post, Oct. 26, 1908. Trip to Coney Leads to Divorce Court. Witness Tells of Doctor’s Affection for a Young Woman in Mrs. Stanwix’s Writ.

The following appeared in the New York World Saturday. Dr. Stanwix and wife formerly resided on John street, this village, he having practiced here.

Mrs. Jessie B. Stanwix of No. 315 Lincoln road, Brooklyn, applied yesterday to Justice Stapleton, in Special Term of Supreme Court, for a decree of divorce from Dr. George B. Stanwix, a specialist in diseases of the eye, ear and nose, who is now practicing in Yonkers.

Alma Bradley was named as co-respondent. A motion was made for $10 a week for the support of one child, George B. Stanwix, Jr. Mrs. Stanwix testified that she married the defendant Oct. 4, 1899, in Albany. She did not ask for any support for herself, but only for the child.

Harry P. Farley, of Westwook, N. Y., who described himself as a fire insurance agent, testified that he met Dr. Stanwix and Mrs. Stanwix in Binghampton, N. Y., in 1905, when Dr. Stanwix was practicing there, and became friendly with them. He received a telephone message, he said, from Dr. Stanwix, telling him to meet the doctor at the Waldorf-Astoria, at 1 o’clock, July 18.

In the party that went to the hotel according to Farley, were Miss Alma Bradley, Dr. Stanwix, another young woman, whose name Farley refused to reveal, and himself.

Highballs and cocktails were ordered, the witness said, after which a trip was made by the party to the Hofbrau Haus on Broadway, where more drinks were had. The party then took a hansom[sic] to a pier and embarked on one of the iron steamboats for Coney island.
After "doing" Coney Island, the witness said, they returned to Brooklyn and visited the house No. 246 Clinton street where Farley resided. Farley testified that Dr. Stanwix and Miss Bradley hugged and kissed and stopped at the house all night.

Dr. Stanwix testified that since beginning practicing in Yonkers his income had decreased so far as to make it necessary for him to ask his father to pay the rent for the house he occupied.

Justice Stapleton said that under the conditions described he could not see how Dr. Stanwix could be made to pay more than $3 a week. Elmer White, counsel for Mrs. Stanwix, asked time to submit additional memoranda and decision was reserved.

Executive Committee Meeting.

At the call of the President of the H. V. V. F. A., a special meeting of the Executive Committee was held at Kapp’s Hotel, October 18, 1905, at 12 o’clock noon. President Stephen Preston called meeting to order. The following committee were present:

- Stephen Preston, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
- Ernest Hassenger, of Saugerties, N. Y.
- Richard Hallenbeck, of Hudson, N. Y.
- Denton C. Anderson, of Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
- Walter H. Flandreau, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
- John L. O’Shea, of Kingston, N. Y.
- Harry E. Barton, V. P., of Mechanicville.

The President stated the meeting had been called to appoint or elect a new Secretary, owing to the resignation of J. J. Bruce, of Yonkers.

Denton C. Anderson, of Poughkeepsie, moved and was seconded that Richard Hallenbeck act as Secretary of this meeting.

President appointed Mr. Flandreau to escort Mr. Hallenbeck to his chair.

Secretary read the resignation of J. J. Bruce, of Yonkers, as Secretary of the H. V. V. F. A., and on motion of Denton C. Anderson, of Poughkeepsie, that the resignation be accepted and the communication of such be spread upon the minutes of this meeting.

Motion was carried.

President stated that the nomination now for Secretary of the H. V. V. F. A. was open.

Mr. Buxbury, of Hudson, was unanimously elected for the office of Secretary.

The President instructed the Secretary to telephone to Mr. Buxbury, at Hudson, of his election and have him come up to meet the Executive Committee.

Mr. Buxbury arrived a few hours later and met the Committee in due form.
Albert Weinmann, Samuel Fowler, James Hart, John Kapp and Charles Brooksby, of the Rensselaer Local Committee, asked permission to speak a few words in regard to holding the Convention three days instead of two days at Rensselaer, and after some debate Mr. Anderson, of Poughkeepsie moved, and was seconded, that their request be granted.

No further business being before the meeting, Walter Flandreau, of Mt. Vernon, moved to adjourn. Carried. Richard Hallenbeck, Secretary, Pro Tem.


Mutual Insurance Bill of 1906.

Senate Bill Int. No. 408, Print No. 883, introduced by Senator Smith.
Assembly Bill Int. No. 823, Print. No. [blank] introduced by Mr. Steele.

AN ACT to amend the insurance law to permit mutual insurance companies or associations of other States do to business in this State; to regulate the business done by them; to tax the same; and to prohibit the insuring of property in this State in authorized companies.

AN EXPLANATION OF THE BILL.
The objects of this bill are as follows:

1. To permit mutual insurance companies of other States to do business in this State.
2. To require such companies to pay the same tax to the local fire departments as is now paid by other foreign insurance companies doing business in this State.

The legislature of 1903 passed an act (Chapter 530) assessing these companies, as companies doing business in New York, one per cent of their premiums for the benefit of the fire departments. It was drawn by the representatives of the fire departments and various manufacturing interests of the State, was agreed to by both parties, and passed practically by the unanimous vote of the Senate and Assembly.

These companies now pay to the State Treasurers of Massachusetts and Rhode Island one per cent. of the premiums which they collect in New York, and


under the laws of those States if they paid the one per cent. here, they would not have to pay it again in those States. Notwithstanding this fact the Boston Manufacturers’ Mutual Fire Insurance Company, in July, 1903, brought an action against the Superintendent of Insurance alleging:

1. That it did no business in New York State, and
2. That the imposition of a one per cent. tax on the business done by said company in the State of New York “would be prohibitive of insuring their property situated in the State of New York.” To that action the Attorney-General interposed a demurrer, and while the demurrer was sustained, Mr. Justice Herrick, in his opinion, decided that the act could not be enforced in most cases if its constitutionality was questioned.

The statements in plaintiff’s complaint, however, do not correctly represent the facts. First, because such insurance companies do a very large amount of business in New York, both by inspectors and agents soliciting policies and adjusting losses and fixing rates, and claim to escape from any control of the State of New York because its policies of insurance are issued in the City of Boston, and second, the statement of the prohibitive tax of one per cent. is entirely without foundation for the reason that said companies pay the precise amount to the State treasuries of the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and if they pay it here they would not be obliged to pay it there. This fact was admitted to be correct by the Tax Commissioner of Massachusetts, whose letter to that effect was in the possession of Senator Green who introduced the bill in 1903.
Herbert J. Wolven, aged 18 months and 2 days, son of Supervisor and Mrs. Joseph C. Wolven, of Mellenville, died at noon last Thursday after a long illness. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon at his father’s residence. Interment was in the Mellenville cemetery. The boy was a nephew of Mrs. Ernest Hassenger of this village. [illustration]

A Woodstock correspondent writes: The tragedy of last Sunday, the discovery of the body of Mrs. Simeon Williams below Shultis Corners, in a field where death had come from exposure, as created considerable excitement. People are wondering whether she remained at the hotel until 2:30 Sunday morning and where it is reported she was intoxicated and whether the license of that hotel could not be revoked for keeping open until that hour on Sunday. If all reports concerning a certain house is true, it is a lasting disgrace that such a condition of things exist. [illustration]

The first National bank held their annual meeting to-day, and elected the following directors: Robert A. Snyder, James T. Maxwell Jacob Van Gelder, Samuel M. Gray, Orville L. Carn, George Seamon, Stephen Cordes, John A. Snyder, Charles H. Lamb, George W. Washburn, Harry Wells and Byron L. Davis. The officers elected are, Robert A. Snyder, president; James T. Maxwell, vice-president; John A. Snyder, cashier; John Hallenbeck, teller; Stuart B. Maxwell, bookkeeper. The inspectors of election were B. M. Coon, John Seamon and Oliver Holden. A dividend of 2 ½ per cent. on the earnings of the last six months was declared. The bank directors also decided to join the new federal bank reserve system.

The post office is now at home in new quarters in the former Merritt building on the south side of Main street, after being located for almost a quarter of a century in the Russell Block. The equipment is thoroughly up to date and no place, size of Saugerties, can boast of a finer post office. The fixtures are of golden quartered oak, extending from door to ceiling and are conveniently arranged. Postmaster Lewis, whose administration is highly spoken of, has a private office, and there are separate apartments for the money order and registry letters department: also for the general delivery, stamp purchasers and city carriers’ evening delivery. In the rear there is ample room for receiving and dispatching the mails, which under the rules now arrive and depart via Jane street. In the extreme rear is a cozy room with table and chairs for the carriers’ comfort and use. The building is lighted by gas, heated by steam and has a modern toilet room. The lobby has a tiled floor, two desks for writing, an advertised letters case and bulletin board. There are two brass rails in the lobby, one at the general delivery window and one at the city carriers’ window; these will serve to prevent the usual evening “stampede” for the mails, and keep the crowds in line.
Postmaster Lewis has also decided to introduce a new feature which will prove popular, i. e. the leaving open of the lobby doors each evening until 10:30 o’clock, which will give box holders an opportunity to get their mail after the regular office hours. This rule will also apply all day on Sunday. However, no mail will be given out at the windows or other business transacted except during the regular office hours, which terminate at 8:20 o’clock each evening, Sundays excepted.
The officials of the office are as follows: Postmaster, Edward J. Lewis; Deputy Postmaster, John D. Lyon; registry clerk, Henry R. Cordes; stamp clerk, Spencer Williams; dispatching clerk, Jeremiah Carle; city carriers, Charles T. Sickles, Clifford M. Abeel, Charles A. Reinhard, substitute carrier, Richard Powers; rural carriers, Frederick Hoff, Andrew Simmons, Winfield Snyder and Oscar W. Maxwell.
The annual meeting of Union Free School, district No. 10, was held in the High School building, Tuesday evening. R. B. Overbagh was elected chairman and J. William Lackey was clerk of the meeting. The following budget was unanimously adopted:

- Teachers wages, $10,115
- Less public money, $1,725
- Janitors and Engineer, 1,100
- Librarians, 150
- Clerk and Treasurer, 125
- Attendance Officer, 120
- Taking census and making tax roll, 30
- Insurance, 36
- Printing, Postage and Stationery, 50
- Repairs and Improvements, 250
- Fuel and Lighting, 1,300
- General supplies, 300
- Water rent, 50
- Incidental expenses, 200
- Free Text Books, Stationery and Typewriters, 600
- Bonds, $2,145
- Interest, 3,283 $5,378
- Shortage on year just closing 391

$38,270

John E. Washburn, Jr., James T. Maxwell and William Ziegler were nominated as trustees for three years. The election was held this afternoon at Fireman’s Hall, and there being no opposition, all three were elected.

The theory upon which the bill of last year was drawn was, that these companies were authorized to do business in New York State but had refused to recognize the authority of the insurance department. Upon an investigation, however, we find the law of New York State is such that mutual companies of other States were not permitted to do business in this State legally. To cover this point the bill of this year had been drawn. Its provisions are plain and simple.

Section 138 permits every mutual fire insurance company of any other state to do business in New York State upon filing a certified copy of its certificate of incorporation with the Superintendent of insurance, and a statement, verified annually, that it has and maintains a reserve fund equal to fifty per cent. of its unearned premiums; a consent appointing the Superintendent of Insurance its attorney upon whom process may be served, an agreement that it will pay the tax imposed by this act, and an annual filing tax of $50. It also prohibits said companies from removing its cases to the United States Courts.

All these provisions contained in the Insurance Law applicable to foreign stock companies doing business in this State.

Section 139 levies a tax of one per cent. on all premiums precisely the same as the bill of 1903.

Section 140 is practically the same as the bill of 1903, and prohibits persons acting as agents for mutual insurance companies which are not authorized to do business in New York State.
Section 141 prohibits corporations from insuring in any unauthorized mutual company when it can get
policies in authorized companies and at rates which they are willing to pay. If they cannot do this, they
are permitted to get insurance in any company upon filing an affidavit with the Superintendent of
Insurance to that effect, and an agreement that it will pay the tax of one per cent. of the premium in the
same manner as if the insurance was written by an authorized company.
Section 142 provides for distributing the moneys obtained from the tax to the fire departments of the
state in the same manner as the tax paid by agents of foreign stock companies.
The bill in its present form, does no harm or injury to any manufacturer or other person insuring in these
mutual companies. It permits them to do business legally in this State instead of doing it illegally as they
now are, and imposes a tax of one per cent. only on the business they do in New York State. That sum
they now pay to the State treasuries of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and when it is paid in New York
State they are exempt from paying it to those States in which they are charged under the provisions of
the statues of these States, hence neither the insurance companies nor the insured are occasioned the
slightest extra expense.
These statements are clearly proven by the sections of the insurance laws of Massachusetts and Rhode
Island which are here quoted.
Section 26 of Chapter 14 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, as amended by Chapter 522 of the laws
of 1894, is as follows:
“Sect. 26. A domestic fire, marine, fire and marine, real estate title and other insurance company * * *
shall annually pay a tax of one per cent. on all premiums received for insurance during the preceding
year whether in cash or in notes payable, and one per cent. on all assessments made by such company
upon policy holders; but premiums received in other States where they are subject to a like tax shall not
be so assessed.”
Section 5 of Chapter 29 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as amended by Chap. 791 of the laws
of 1901, is as follows.
“Sec. 5. Every Insurance Company incorporated and doing business in this state shall annually, on the 1st
Monday in April, pay to the General Treasurer two per centum of the gross premiums and assessments
received on property and upon the lives of individuals insured by said company * * * within this state
and on property and upon the lives of individuals insured in any other state on which such company has
not paid and is not liable to pay a tax to such other state.”
These same companies which are doing a very large amount of the insurance business in New York do
business in the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and in the state of Rhode Island, the
Massachusetts companies pay two per cent. of the premiums collected in the State to the State
Treasurer of Rhode Island; and the Rhode Island companies pay one per cent. of the premiums which
they collect in Massachusetts to the State Treasurer of Massachusetts.
In New York State these companies pay no tax whatever, either to the State or to the local fire
departments, and they are doing to-day nine-tenths of the insurance on plants within the State and
collecting a large sum of money and turning it
over to the State treasuries of other States. All other insurance companies organized outside of the
state of New York now pay to the local fire departments two per cent. of the premiums which they
collect. This bill only requires the mutual companies to pay one per cent., and, in view of the fact that

they are now paying that one per cent. to the State Treasuries of other States, it cannot possibly do
them any harm.

The two per cent. tax, as it is called, is the main support of the fire departments throughout the State,
both volunteer and paid. It is the principal source of revenue by which the pensions of widows and
orphans of firemen are maintained in the various cities. All citizens of this State who insure their homes
and stores in foreign Stock Companies pay a tax to the local fire departments, while the large
manufacturing companies pay no taxes but enjoy the same protection from the local fire departments.
The action of these mutual companies in evading this tax has seriously crippled the fund of every fire
department in the State. For instance, in the city of Troy, it cut the revenue of the fire department
down from $8,000 to less than $3,500. The same proportionate reduction in the amount of the two per
cent. tax shown in Troy is true of every city and village in the State, while approximately this or a greater
amount is being paid under existing laws to the benefit of other States than New York and by those of
New York who insure their property elsewhere.

Fireman’s Association of the State of New York,
J. Frank Chace,
Chairman Law Committee, Hudson, N. Y.

1730. No. 665. Grand Prize Drawing for Gentleman’s Gold Watch For the benefit of the Widow and
Orphans of the late Thomas Brennan, of Clove, Ulster County N. Y. Tickets 25 cents each. Hold this
ticket. Drawing will take place Washington’s Birthday, February 22nd 1905. at 10 P. M. [illustration]

1731. 1902 Calendar. [illustration]

1732. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8,. 1909. Mr. Wolven A Large Winner. A Son of our Townsman Captures
Several Prizes.
The Kingston Freeman speaks of the poultry show held there and refers to Joseph C. Wolven as the
winner of many prizes. Mr. Wolven is a son of Egbert Wolven of this village and a brother of Mrs. Ernest
Hassinger.
At the poultry show in Cooney’s hall, the judging began in the afternoon and in the evening there was
much excitement over the destination of the handsome cup offered by the Woodcrest Farm for the best
exhibit of any one variety in the American class. The cup was won once by H. W. Millspaugh, Walden; C.
W. Peak of Peaksville; Dr. W. J. Smith of this city; Mrs. Van Winkle of Stone Ridge, and twice by Joseph C.
Wolven of Mellenville. Mr. Wolven carried off the honors again Tuesday night and the cup now
becomes his property. His exhibit this year was barred rocks, with which he won all first last year. The
cup is of silver and valued at $50. He received many congratulations from rival exhibitors at the show.
The cup did not go to Mr. Wolven without any competition this year, however, for he had J. F.
Zimmerman of New Paltz and E. J. Nesbit on his heels all the way. Mr. Wolven took first and third cock
and Zimmerman second. First and second hens went to E. J. Nesbit of Poughkeepsie. Zimmerman got
first cockerel, second went to Schofield farms and third to Nesbit. First and second pullets was taken by
Wolven, third by Nesbit; first and third pen fowl by Wolven; second by Nesbit; first pen young by Nesbit
and first and third by Wolven. [as written]
Special prize ribbons offered by the American Plymouth Club for the best shaped male went to Wolven,
as did that for best shaped female and best colored female. Best colored male was taken by Nesbit. The
$5 gold offered by J. F. Zimmerman of New Paltz for the best pen of young in the same class was won by
Nesbit. The Mayor Crane prize of $5 in gold for best exhibit of barred rocks in Ulster county was won by
J. D. Wright of this city. $2.50 in gold offered by the association for the best display of Plymouth rocks
went to Wolven. Zimmerman took the $3 prize for best cockerel in this class. The association ribbon for
the largest and best exhibit of barred rocks went to Wolven, who took several specials.
1733. [undated] Hooks Elect Their Officers. The Annual Meeting was Held on Thursday Evening.
The annual meeting of the Washington Hook & Ladder Co. was held Thursday evening and the
attendance exceeded the seating capacity of the rooms. Two new members, John J. Hughes and Glen
Robinson were elected into membership.
The fair which the company expects to hold the week of February 15th, was also discussed, and the
reports given indicate that the fair will be a hummer.
The election of Officers as usual was a keen and interesting contest, and resulted as follows:
John Dietrich, Jr., Foreman; Peter Kimble, First Assistant; Joseph Huber, Second Assistant; Lewis H.
Kleeber, Sec. and Treas.; John Weinand, Trustee; Henry Schneider Rep. to State Con.; John Weinand,
Alternate; Frederick Kraus, Rep. to H. V. V. F. A.; William Tracey, Alternate.

In the report of the Village Treas. W. S. Myer, appears in the expenditures an item “Ernest Hassinger, fire
department, $100.” This Mr. Hassinger says is misleading, and many people are of the opinion he
receives that sum for his personal use. The $100 is paid to Mr. Hassinger as treasurer of the fire
department for inspection purposes.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
Adopted at Newburgh, 1897
CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE I
Name.
Section 1. – This organization shall be known as “The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association.
ARTICLE II. – Membership and Dues.
Section 1. This Association shall be composed of those organizations and persons who are, on the 15th
day of June, 1897, members in good standing of the Tri-County firemen’s association, and such other
associates as may from time to time be duly elected to membership by the respective volunteer fire
located in the territory of the Association, and in addition thereto the chief engineer of any Volunteer
Fire Department in said territory, one delegate from each Board of Trustees of any such Volunteer Fire
Department, and one delegate from each association of exempt firemen in said territory whose
membership is entirely composed of those who have been active members of the Volunteer Fire
Department in said territory.
Sec. 2. Each organization shall be entitled to one delegate each year; and each organization shall furnish
credentials, signed by the presiding officer and secretary, that the delegate has been duly selected to
represent the organization; that he is and has been an active member in such organization for at least
six months previous to such election.
Sec. 3. An initiation fee of $2 shall be paid by each organization of chief engineer upon joining this
Association, which amount shall cover the annual dues of that year.
Sec. 4. The annual dues shall be $2 for each organization and $1 for each member; and each
organization and member, once admitted, may retain membership in this Association, as provided by
this Constitution and By-Laws, so long as their annual dues are paid. The annual dues shall be paid by or
before the Tuesday preceding the holding of the annual convention. All members failing to comply with
this section shall be dropped from the roll of membership, and shall be reinstated only upon a new application, or the payment of all arrearages of dues to the time of such reinstatement.

ARTICLE III. – Officers, Terms of Office, and How Elected.
Sec. 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President from each county represented in the Association (who shall hold office in seniority of election), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and Executive Committee of six members, and an Auditing Committee of three members. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, at the annual meeting, by a majority vote of the members present. The Executive Committee and the Auditing Committee shall be appointed by the newly-elected President. All of said officers shall take office immediately upon the adjournment of the convention at which they are elected or appointed, and shall hold office for one year or until their successors shall be elected or appointed.

ARTICLE IV. - Duties Of Officers and Committees.
Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all meetings, regular or special, of the Association or Executive Committee, sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer duly granted, and call special meetings at the request of a majority of the Executive Committee, [sic] or when he deems a call of the Association necessary, at such time and place as he or the Executive Committee shall select. In the absence of the President at any meeting the senior Vice-President shall assume such duties as may be required of the President. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, by death, resignation or otherwise, the senior Vice-President shall become President and shall continue as such until a successor has been chosen by the Association.
Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all proceedings of the Association and of the Executive Committee, to receive and answer all communications relating to the Association, to collect all money due to the Association and render a monthly report of the same to the Treasurer, paying over to the Treasurer the amount received during the month (for which payment he shall take a receipt from the Treasurer), keep correct accounts of his financial transactions, and countersign all orders upon the Treasurer, after approval by the Auditing Committee; make full reports at the annual meetings of the Association as to membership, and perform such other duties or make such reports as may be required of him by the President or Executive Committee; to issue to each and every organization paying annual dues a printed card of certificate, showing that the possessor thereof is entitled to a badge and such other privileges as may be presented by the Citizen’s Committee where conventions are held, and upon the surrender of said card or certificate to the local committee in some room apart from the Convention Hall. the badge shall be delivered without a roll call. Not later that the Tuesday preceding the convention the Secretary shall procure printed lists of all the delegates and members who are by the terms of the Constitution and By-Laws entitled to a seat in the Convention, and shall cause such lists to be placed in the delegates’ seats prior to the opening of the convention. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President. He shall receive the sum of $100 per year for the faithful performance of his duties.
Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money belonging to the Association from the Secretary, giving a receipt to the Secretary for the
1741. Saugerties Post. Sept 22, 1913. [hand dated] Final Decree of Divorce. Judge Hasbrouck on Saturday granted a final decree of divorce to Charles M. Carnright against Rowena Carnright, his wife. The parties resided here for a number of years and had one child. The decree gives Carnright the custody of their child. William D. Brinnier & Canfield appeared for Mr. Carnright.

1742. West Shore Railroad, N. Y. C. & H. R. R. Co --- Special Sunday and Holiday Excursion Ticket Not Transferrable. Good only for one continuous passage. KINGSTON to SAUGERTIES. On the date of sale as indicated by stamp of Agent on back hereof. Not good on new yokr Centarl and Hudson River R.R. Trains, nor in Parlor or Sleeping Cars. In consideration of reduced fare at which sold, baggage will not be checked on this ticket. 1348-1384.

6056. [Dated on back]  N. Y. Central & HRRR Saugerties, Sep 14, 1918. [illustrations]

1743. Feb. 25, 1909, Masonic Brethren Work and Feast. “Red Letter” Event in Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M. on Wednesday Evening. Tho’ the elements were exceedingly unpleasant, nevertheless Wednesday evening proved to be a “red letter” event in Ulster lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., and the lodge room was filled with a large number of members and visiting brethren. The occasion was made notable by the presence of Right Worshipful Brother, Samuel Stern Jr., of Kingston, District Deputy Grand Master of the 15th Masonic district, who on being introduced to the lodge by Senior Deacon Myer, welcomed by Worshipful Master Snyder, and received with the honors due his exalted station. District Deputy Stern delivered an address that commanded marked attention, and in which he emphasized the honor of being a member of the “brethren of the mystic tie.” He also complimented Ulster lodge on its progress and gave them good advice respecting the craft of Free Masonry. At the conclusion of the address three Fellowcrafts were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, according to the usages of the lodge in due and ancient form. The work was conferred by Worshipful Master Snyder, assisted by District Deputy Stern. Worshipful Master Ellis of Rondout lodge, No. 343, gave the historical lecture and Irving Russell, who exemplified the screen work. At the close of the lodge a banquet was enjoyed in the court room. The Stewards Byron Hallenbeck and Eugene L. Myer had prepared the spread and it was conceded to be the finest ever partaken by the members of the lodge. Choice roast turkey and all the concomitants used on such occasions, graced the festive board and it was served in a most tempting manner, the proof of its being keenly relished, being evident in the way it was eaten. This spread brought to a close what was universally said to be one of the best communications of the lodge held in some time.

1744. Saugerties Post. Oct. 2, 1909. Private Excursion Party. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger and daughter Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. James Teller, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Cornwell, Mr. and Mrs. William Ziegler and daughter Blanche, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thurnherr, Mrs. Herman Gleisner, Mr. and Mrs. David Elliott, W. L. Darbee, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cordes viewed the battleship fleet at Newburg, Friday, going on an excursion on the steamer Herman Livingston. The party had an enjoyable time, providing their own refreshments aboard the boat, and reaching home in season.

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same; keep full and correct accounts, pay all bills upon the order of the President and Secretary, countersigned by the President and approved by a majority of the Auditing Committee; and, from time
to time, make such reports as the President or Executive Committee shall require. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President.

Sec. 4. It shall be duty of the Executive Committee to transact all business of the Association during the interval between meetings, and to fill all vacancies in office, except that of President wherever such occur. The Executive Committee shall have power to call special meetings of the Association, to appoint a sub-committee on Transportation and Railroad Rates, to examine books and papers of all officers of the Association, and, after being heard, to suspend any officer of the Association for malfeasance or misfeasance in office; to make a draft upon the Treasurer for a sufficient amount for the running expenses of the Secretary, to change the time and place of the annual meeting, when this may be necessary, and shall have authority to decide the territory to be covered by the Association.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Auditing Committee to audit bills before payment, and examine the books of the Secretary and Treasurer previous to the assembling of the annual convention, and report the result of such examination to such convention.

Sec. 6. Any officer referred to in this Article failing to comply with any of the sections herein contained, shall be replaced by the Executive Committee according to the provisions of Section 4.

Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Association shall have a credit with the Treasurer not exceeding fifty dollars in any one year, which may be drawn out of the treasury upon his own order, and is not subject to the restrictions of Section 3 of Article 4; this provision being made for the purpose of liquidating the urgent and necessary expenses of the Secretary incurred for this Association; and the Secretary shall account for the same as required under Section 2 of Article IV.

ARTICLE V. - Meetings.

Section 1. – The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday in June, in each year, at 10 a. m., at such place as a majority of the members present at the preceding annual meeting shall have designated; provided, however, that it shall not be held in one county more often than [sic] once in three years, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. Twenty members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the annual convention, and at all meeting of committees a majority of the members shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call from a majority of the committee of from the President.

Sec. 4. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated herein shall in no wise work a dissolution of this Association.

ARTICLE VI. - Amendments, Alterations and Revisions.

Section 1. The Association shall have full power at any meeting to amend, alter or revise this Constitution and By-Laws with the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members present.

Sec. 2. The Citizens’ Committee of the places at which conventions are to be held shall confer with and be under the suggestions of the Executive Committee of this Association.

BY-LAWS
Section 1. Honorary members may be elected by viva voce vote, their names being presented to the Association for acceptance. Such members may speak on any subject before the convention, but shall not be entitled to a vote, nor be eligible to office.

Sec. 2. No invitation for sight-seeing or other purposes will be accepted until after the regular business for which the Association is assembled has been completed.

Sec. 3. Any question coming before the convention for which no provision is made in this Constitution and By-Laws shall be decided in accordance with the rules laid down in Cushing’s Manual.

1749. Proceedings 1906 continued, unnumbered.

ORDER OF BUSINESS
Morning Session
1. Opening Prayer.
2. Address of Welcome.
3. Response by the President.
4. Appointment of Committee on Credentials.
5. Adjournment.

Afternoon Session
2. Roll Call.
3. Reading of the Minutes of Last Convention.
4. Annual Address of the President.
8. Report of Secretary.
10. Reading of Communications.
11. Topics and Essays.
14. Election of Officers for Ensuing Year.
15. Unfinished Business.

As this paper went to press Monday afternoon, Officer Abeel arraigned before Judge Coon, John Newkirk, Arthur Van Etten and Frank Reynolds. They were charged with assaulting Horace Haug, without provocation, at an affair held below Mount Marion, Sunday afternoon. The embroglio had its beginning in the three called Haug, who is an employee of the Diamond Paper Mills, a “scab” and continuing to do so when Haug aroused to anger, drew a revolver the has permission to carry, and threatened to shoot. Haug claimed the three then attacked him, two holding him, while one struck him in the face and knocked him down. As the trio pleaded not guilty and asked for an adjournment, the hearing was put over until Friday morning at 10 o’clock.
1751. Lawn Fete and Entertainment Under the auspices of the Men of the Lutheran Church. SPECIAL FEATURES Tuesday Evening, June 30, on the Church Lawn. Tickets, 10 cents. Good for One Dish of Cream. [illustration]

1752. A Presidential Party.
A Presidential party will be especially appropriate this year, and an original and very entertaining game for such a party is conducted in the following manner: Get a number of small miniatures of George Washington or William H. Taft. Mount these on small white cards made out of cardboard about two by three inches, or on plain correspondence cards. Also obtain some larger portraits of Washington or Taft and mount on photo mounts. Prepare a list of questions on the presidents – there should be a mounted miniature for each question – which should be asked to the guests by the hostess. When a guest answers a question correctly she is given a small miniature; when she has secured four of these miniatures, by answering four of the questions correctly, she is given one of the larger portraits. The guest that holds the largest number of these larger pictures when the game is closed in considered winner. Below is given a list of questions, but others can be added to the list.

1. Who was the first president to occupy the White House?
2. Who was the first president to be inaugurated in Washington?
3. What presidents took the oath of office in New York?
4. What presidents took the oath of office in Philadelphia?
5. Who was the first president whose father had been president?
6. Who was the first president whose grandfather had been president?
7. Who was the only bachelor president?
8. What presidents were bachelors when inaugurated?
9. Who was the only president that married a foreigner?
10. Who was the only president that married a divorced woman?
11. Who was the only president that had two wives while in office?
12. What presidents lost their wives while in office?
13. What presidents were married while in office?
14. What presidents were married after leaving office?
15. Who was the only president that had a child born in the White House?
16. Who was the only president that had a son married in the White House?
17. Who was the only president that had a daughter married in the White House?
18. What presidents signed the Declaration of Independence?
19. What presidents signed the Constitution of the United States?
20. What presidents were assassinated while in office?
21. What presidents died from natural causes while in office?
22. What presidents were buried in the same cemetery?
23. What presidents were buried under the same church?
24. Which of the presidents did his own gardening?
25. Which of the presidents did his own marketing?
26. Which of the presidents had a wife who refused to serve wine on the White House table?

The answers to the above questions are as follows:
4. Washington and John Adams
5. John Quincy Adams.
7. Buchanan.
8. Buchanan and Cleveland.
11. Tyler.
12. Tyler and Benjamin Harrison.
13. Tyler and Cleveland.
14. Fillmore and Benjamin Harrison.
15. Cleveland.
17. Roosevelt.
20. Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley.
22. Tyler and Monroe.

An old game called “Characteristics” is suitable for this sort of a party. The guests are asked to describe the characteristics of each of the presidents with an appropriate phrase, each word of which begins with the initials of the president’s name; for example, U. S. Grant is described as “Universally Successful General;” George Washington, “Great Warrior;” Abraham Lincoln, “Always Loyal” or “Apostle (of) Liberty;” William McKinley, “War-maker;” Theodore Roosevelt, “The Reformed;” and so on down the list. Some will be more difficult than others. Pansy Viola Viner.

Robert H. Coykendall, son of the late S. D. Coykendall, died suddenly in New York city Friday of heart failure. The body was brought to the family residence, Kingston, Saturday afternoon. Deceased leaves a wife, who before marriage was Katherine Sahler of this village. [illustration]

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Pursuant to law, the Board of Education of Union Free School Dist. No. 10, town of Saugerties, Ulster County, N. Y., herewith submit a report containing a full and detailed account of all moneys received and paid out during the fiscal year ending July 31, 1907

RECEIPTS.
Balance on hand from last year, $ 248 82
Public money for quota, 100 00
“ for library and apparatus, 31 00
“ for attendance, 149 36
“ for teachers wages, 1625 00
“ for tuition, 80 00
Raised by taxes for school pur-
poses, 9763 88
Back taxes of 1905, 174 26
Tax on bank stock 670 82
Tuition for non-resident pupils, 154 00
Closing exercises, 17 05
Miscellaneous, 3 00
Total receipts 1907, $13,017 18

EXPENDITURES

Teachers salaries,
Leon J. Cook, $1500 00
Jennie Robson, 600 00
Jessie E. Dow, 500 00
Harriet A. Holcke, 500 00
Minnie T. Stickney, 480 00
Margaret A. Watson, 423 50
Cornelia Fisher, 418 25
Katharine Hunt, 475 00
Julia R. Hefferman, 440 00
Stella Henry, 398 50
Elise York, 400 00
Ada J. Overbagh, 432 50
Kittie M. Cassidy, 380 00
Lena Cosman, 411 50
Florence E. Worth, 400 00
Katharine L. Johnson, 377 75
Substitute teachers,
Anna Clum, 19 50
Rose M. Bedell, 1 50
Gertrude Waterbury, 7 50
$8165 50

Librarians’s salaries.
Jennie G. Hanna, $75 00
Rose M. Bedell, 20 83
Margaret Brainard, 20 17
Marie Pidgeon, 25 00
$150 00

Janitors’ salaries,
Wm. Keener, $500 00
John Maxwell, 87 16
Sam Keener, 3 61
Patrick Keenan, 49 23
$640 00

C. E. Abeel, attendance officer, $120 00
J. W. Lackey, clerk, 75 00
Ira Lewis, treasurer, 50 00
FREE TEXT BOOKS,
American Book Co., $89 55
ERSNEST HASSINGER'S SCRAPBOOK

Hinds & Noble, 38 33
Ginn & Co., 169 77
Allyn & Bacon, 82

$ 298 47

EXPENSES OF SCHOOL HOUSES AND SITES,
S. J. Adams, rent of Board rooms, 156 00
W. L. Darbee, insurance, 64 20
Geo. B. Trumpbour, insurance, 21 60
H. T. Keeney, insurance, 36 00
Saugerties Water Com'r, water rent, 35 00
F. M. Murphy, labor and material, 23 57
John Cook, labor, 8 00
Chas. Miller, labor, 2 75
F. A. Hildebrandt, labor and material, 47 81
L. B. Howard, labor, 1 25
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., lumber, 59 10
N. R. Valkenburgh, labor, 3 98
Philip C. Smith, labor, 9 70
Myer Smith, cleaning vaults, 19 20
Seamon Bros., furniture, 3 65
Waterbury & Perkins, wood, 1 35
Myer & Carnright, wood, 2 00
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., coal, 304 03
Finger & Lewis, coal, 338 99
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 23 81
J. W. Lackey, making tax roll, 15 00
Chas. Abeel, taking census, 15 00
Fred Yanchke, carting, 5 50
Hudson River Tel. Co., rent of 'phones, 53 85

SUPPLIES
Saugerties Mfg. Co., paper, 259 00
C. W. Bardine, paper, 8 25
Postage and Telegrams, 14 12
Saugerties Post, printing, 69 00
Expressage, 16 00
Wm. Doyle, cartage, 2 60
W. L. Darbee, clocks, 11 00
A. B. Dick Co., supplies, 3 60
Tower Mfg. Co., supplies, 113 99
W. E. Persons, clocks, 1 00

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F. T. Russell, supplies  6 21
Charles Van Buskirk, supplies,  1 75
Peckham, Little & Co.,  15 56
L. E. Knott Apps. Co., supplies,  53 73
E. Hassinger, supplies,  50
The Leader Co., printing,  7 50
T. B. Cornwell, brooms,  1 65
Luther Hommel, supplies,  2 60
J. L. Butzel’s Son, flags  9 99
Binney & Smith Co., crayons,  6 00
James Russell, supplies,  4 95
American Book Co., books,  9 00
Hinds & Noble,  23 14
American News Co.,  29 17

INCIDENTALS.
Jos. Frankel, services,  $  2 00
Jennie Hanna, services,  11 80
Pierce & Bickford, services,  27 28
Leon J. Cook, expenses,  29 81
Wm. Ziegler, expenses,  8 18
Chas. Abeel, percentage on tax,  1 61
Wm. A. Hanna, services,  2 00
Saugerties Public Library,  350 00
Marie Pidgeon, services,  3 00
Frank Martin, music for commencement exercises,  25 00
S. J. Adams, rent of hall,  20 00
W. H. Rider, rent of piano,  35 00
John C. Shults, services,  6 00
B. M. Coon, services,  7 00
G. A. H. Sticht, refund tuition,  4 00

$ 532 68

Total expenditures 1907,  $11,953 23
Balance on hand,  1,063 95

Respectfully submitted,
R. B. Overbagh, Pres.  J. Wm. Lackey, Clerk.

Budget for 1907 and 1908.

Teachers,  $ 9000
Less Public Money,  1625  $7375
Janitors,  640
Librarians,  150
Clerk,  75
Treasurer,  50
Attendance Officer,  120
Taking Census and Making Tax Roll,  30
Rent of Library and Board Rooms,  150

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Insurance, 75
Printing, 50
High School Library and Apparatus, 100
Repairs, 200
Fuel and Light, 600
Supplies, 300
Water Rent, 41
Incidentals 300
Free Text Books, 300
1 Bond Issue, 1145
Interest on Bonds, estimate 1st year, 2000

Less allowance for bal. on hand, 501

$12,701

$13,900

1755. Tag Day, for Visiting Nurses; Relief Station; Tuberculosis Work. June 11. [illustration]


When Judge Coon called the cases of the fifteen village saloonkeepers, charged with violating section 31, sub-division H, of the liquor tax law, in not exposing their barrooms to full view on Sunday, October 13, 1907, Saturday afternoon, the court room was packed to the doors. The following answered when the complaint was read, Lewis Moe, Michael Martin, R. M. Richardson, Alma Bennett, John Sinnott, Peter J. Hennegan, Albert E. Nicolai, Eugene Scovill, Frank W. Loerzel, Peter D. Curley, Denis McLaughlin, John Reynolds, James Reynolds, R. S. Gibson and Christ. Huberts. The latter is also charged with selling on Sunday.

The complainants in the cases are members of the local Woman’s Christian Temperance Union, who apparently did some detective work in securing the evidence necessary to file the complaints and swear out the warrants. Several members of the Union, accompanied by Rev. J. Marion Cornish occupied seats inside the rail.

District Attorney Stephan appeared for the prosecution. The defendants were represented by William D. Brinnier.

The first case called was that of Albert E. Nicolai and the complaint was sworn to by Mary C. Valkenburgh. As soon as the case was called Mr. Brinnier, representing Nicolai, arose and moved for the dismissal of the complain on several grounds, chiefly that the complainant’s deposition was incorrect, and that the complaint was not specific as to allege the facts of the law’s violation. In support of his motion, Mr. Brinnier made an extended speech citing the act that the affidavit was wrong in that it stated he instead of she, that it stated resident, when the law says it must be citizen, that there should be more corroborative evidence than that of the complainant, and that he was at loss to understand why the Judge had issued the warrant and assumed that the Judge hadn’t paid much attention to it. Mr. Brinnier also argued that the complaint did not specify sufficiently what the obstruction of the barroom was. He believed the ladies were over zealous in the pursuit of what they believed to be right and their motive was a worthy one in every way, but others have rights to live and do business, if the law permits them to, and as long as they do not violate the law. There are enough bad things to arraign a man on without resorting to technical violations of the law. Mr. Brinnier said he did not drink, never wanted to drink, nor have his children drink, but as the law permits a man to sell liquor, he wouldn’t object. All of us have a right to our personal views, but we must not insist in forcing them upon others. In concluding
the argument Mr. Brinnier said this was a criminal proceeding and that unless the papers are in proper form, the court cannot act. Anyone or a police officer has a right to make a complaint, but he must be a citizen, not a resident. The complainant must be at least a citizen and the affidavit does not so state, therefore this is an unusual proceeding. The ladies should have gone before the Grand Jury with their evidence.

At the close of Mr. Brinnier’s speech, the crowd began to clap quite loudly, but Judge Coon suppressed it quickly with a threat that repetition of the offense would mean immediate expulsion from the room. Thereafter it was quiet and orderly during the hearing.

District Attorney Stephan replied to Mr. Brinnier’s argument, briefly, contending that the complaint was correct. In beginning he said he was surprised to hear of Mr. Brinnier’s summing up the case, even before it was presented. He said Mr. Brinnier’s objection was merely a technical one, and that it had to reference to the violation of the law. This is no technical objection, but a complaint. Here Mr. Stephan quoted from the law, stating that the complaint was made in regular order, that the affidavits had been laid before him, and that it was his duty to present the case to a magistrate, except where the Grand Jury meets in ten days’ time from filing of the complaint. As no Grand Jury will sit in that time, this case is proper. The complaint does specify. It is a repetition of the statute. There is sufficient in this complaint for an indictment, and this court nor any other court cannot change the law. Mr. Stephan in concluding his argument, said this case doesn’t require any other specific charge than that already mentioned, and asked for a ruling so the case could proceed. Mr. Brinnier then resumed arguing the question, reiterating his statements first mentioned, relative to the specific position of the barroom obstructions and the law requiring a citizen to swear out a complaint. He also quoted a decision concerning the matter from the Appellate Division, Second District, insisting at the same time that his motion be granted.

Judge Coon then asked the District Attorney if he cared to speak further, and his answer being in the negative, the Judge denied Mr. Brinnier’s motion.

Mr. Brinnier then entered a plea of not guilty for Nicolai, and demanded a jury trial. This same plea was entered for all the saloonkeepers, and the hearings adjourned until Wednesday, November 20th.

The first case to be tried will be that of R. M. Richardson, as he was anxious to have his case disposed of and the attorneys agreed to this. The time set for the hearing is 9 a.m. on the 20th.

1756. Saugerties Post, June 7, 1909. Lutherans Are Fifty Years Old. The Well Known Church is Celebrating its Half Century Anniversary.

The German Ev. Lutheran congregation of this village which is celebrating the 50th anniversary of its organization at this time, was organized June 8th 1859, in the Davis building. Services were held in the old Academy and Congregational church until the building on Ulster Ave. and Elizabeth St. was purchased from the German Methodist Congregation. At the meeting of organization the following were present: J. Nestlen, A. Baumann, H. Martins, C. Frey, J. Brede, H. Naxe, J. Rosenberger, J. Grathwohl, H. J. Breunlein, F. Lauterbach, Joseph Seifts, J. Balzer, W. Stuewe, A. Scherzinger, H. Ohley, J. Aeschmann, John Seifts, P. Mattes, H. Seidel, P. Hollinger, P. Hassinger, J. Hofmann, H. Fischer, A. H. Knaust, J. Kraus, J. Kaufmann.

The first church council consisted of J. Brede, A. H. Knaust, P. Hassinger, Elders: J. Keller, H. Gleisner, P. Mattes, Deacons

A. H. Knaust is the only one of the charter members living. He has been secretary of the council and congregation for forty-six years.

The following pastors have served the congregation during the fifty years: The Rev. Reinold Adelberg, 1859 – 1861, Rev. Adelberg is at present residing in Milwaukee, Wis., he is seventy-four years old and an invalid. Rev. W. Jahn, 1861-1863; Rev. H. Fischer, 1863-1865; Rev. J. D. Haeger, 1865-1868; Rev. P. Lichtenberg, 1868-1871; Rev. F. C. C. Kaehler, 1871-1875; Rev. P. Lichtenberg, 1875-1879; Rev. C. Kehn,
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1879-1882, Rev. H. Beiderback, 1882-1884; Rev. J. J. Roesch, 1884-1885; Rev. B. H. Warnke, 1885-1886; Rev. F. Leddin, 1886-1894; Rev. T. Bauck, 1894-1898. Under the leadership of Rev. Bauck the present church building was erected. Rev. O. Krauch, 1898-1901; Rev. C. Krahmer, 1901-1907. Rev. Wm. H. Pretzsch, the present pastor was installed Dec. 15, 1907, by Rev. O. Krauch, president of the Albany Conference, assisted by Rev. C. Krahmer.


During the fifty years there have been baptized 754; confirmed 474; married 169 couples; buried 350. At present the congregation has 143 contributing members; 126 members communed during the past year; the Ladies Aid Society numbers 49; Luther League 93; Choir 18, Junior Luther League 24; Sunday School 88 scholars and 12 teachers.

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Sept. 20, 1907.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.

President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned streets; finished Ulster avenue from Market to Elizabeth streets; repaired Washburn hill; eight loads of chips on Underwood street; four loads of chips on Beckley street; three loads of chips on Ann street; three loads of chips on East Bridge street; balance of work done at quarry.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

**GENERAL FUND.**

C. H. Vedder, salary, barn and supplies, $67 30

W. E. Person, care of town clock and repairing same, 16 00

**ROAD FUND.**

F. Yanchke, labor 9 3-4 days, 17 00

P. Hughes, labor 10 3-4 days, 18 80

R. Casey, Jr., labor 8 ½ days, 14 43

J. Newbury, labor 9 3-4 days, 19 50

F. Yanchke, team 9 2-4 days, 43 87

Wm. Doyle, team 3 ½ days, 15 75

H. Beers, labor 4 days, 7 00

E. Roosa, engineer 12 days, 36 00

Wm. Doyle, carts 1 day, 5 00

$196 20

Minutes read and approved

On motion, Board adjourned.

C. H. Vedder, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, July 19th, 1907.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.
President Rowe presiding.
Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The street commissioner reported as follows: 2 ½ tons of crushed stone for Frank Pidgeon; 1 ½ tons of screenings for Wm. Doyle; 3 ½ days for engineer at Cantine's; 3 days for helper at Cantine's; (engineer $3.00 per day, $10.50; helper $1.57 per day, $5 25); cleaned streets – balance of work done at quarry; sharpened drills four times for Cantine; $8 25.
On motion the action of Washington Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, in expelling William Burhans and Edward Lawler for non-payment of dues was confirmed by the Board.
On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

**GENERAL FUND.**

- M. Fitzgerald, washing hose, $2 00
- J. G. Palmer, “            “ 2 00
- K. J. Myer, special police duty, 2 00
- J. A. Lowther, “            “  2 00

$8 00

**ROAD FUND.**

Quick Bros & Co. sharpening tools, $24 85
- F. Yanchke, labor 6 1-10 days, 10 67
- P. Hughes, labor 1 ¼ days, 14 43
- S. Lasher, labor 10 1-10 days, 17 67
- R. Casey, Jr., labor 9 days, 15 92
- L. Mc Carthy, labor 4 days, 7 00
- T. Ward, labor 4 days, 7 00
- J. Newbury, labor 10 1-10 days, 20 20
- E. Roosa, engineer 12 days, 36 00
- F. Yanchke, team, 6 ¾ days, 28 12

$181 86

Motion, that when the Board adjourns it be subject to a call from the President.
Minutes read and approved.
On motion Board adjourned.

C. H. Vedder, Clerk

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Adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, July 26, 1907.
Present – Directors, Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and McCormick.

President Rowe presiding.

Motion that the corporation tax roll, as made out and presented by the Village Assessors be, and hereby is accepted, and that a warrant for the collection of taxes for a period of sixty days be made out, and the books turned over to the collector. Carried.

On motion, the bond of Corporation Tax Collector John Crowley was approved and accepted.

The following bid for street lighting was received from the Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co.:

**Saugerties, N.Y., July 15th, 1907**

To the Honorable the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties:

*Gentlemen:* - We hereby offer to renew our contract with you for a further term of five years, at the following prices:
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1200 c. p. arc lamps, $90 per year; 16 c. p. incandescent lamps, $13 per year. On same terms and conditions as prior agreement. Respectfully,

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co.,
Wm. A. Hanna, Pres.

Motion, that the President be empowered to make a contract with the Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co. for lights, for a period of five years, as per their bid. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.
On motion, Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1760. Saugerties Post, Nov. 16, 1907. The Village Fathers Meet Friday Night. The Business That Was Transacted by our Municipal Board at the Regular Session.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Nov. 15th, 1907.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.

President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The street commissioner reported: Cleaned streets; repaired sewer on Ulster avenue; repaired sewer on South Partition street; drew two loads of crushed stone for patching.
The President referred the communication from the village treasurer to the finance committee.

Motion, that the sum of $500 be transferred from the general fund to the road fund. Carried.

On motion, certificates of membership in Washington Hook & Ladder company No. 1, were ordered granted to William Tracey, Jr. and Chandler DuBois.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

P. C. Smith, repairs to heater, $ 7 35
J. Hansen’s Son, weighing stone, 8 20
F. M. Murphy, gate for Curfew, 3 00
Saugerties Telegraph, advertising, 7 00
Henry Schneider, brake block on Hook & Ladder truck, 1 50
D. E. Abeel, 6 months salary as policeman, 75 00
C. H. Vedder, supplies, 2 40

$164 45

ROAD FUND.

F. Hughes, labor 7 days, $12 25
F. Yanchke, labor 6 1 4 days, 10 93
L. McCarthy, labor 1 days, 1 75
R. Casey, Jr., labor 1 day, 1 75
F. Yanchke, team, 4 days, 18 00

$44 68

HEALTH FUND.

W. F. Winchell, 10 plumbing inspections, $20 00

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1761. Saugerties Post, July 6, 1907. Village Fathers transact Business. The Regular Session Held at Fireman’s Hall on Friday Evening --- What Was Done.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, July 5, 1907.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.

President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The street commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned streets; four loads of crushed stone for patching; repaired Partition street from Main to Russell streets; finished McDonald street; drew ten loads of chips on Allen street; Frank Pidgeon four tons of crushed stone; purchased 31 loads of stone of Jacob Cook and six loads of stone of L. A. Beahler, at ten cents a load.

On motion a certificate of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, was ordered granted to Charles E. Bennett.

On motion an Exempt fireman’s certificate was ordered granted to Edward C. Snyder of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

**GENERAL FUND.**

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights for June and firing battery, $249.75

Saugerties Gas Co., gas for June, 2.28

James Teller, straps, 1.00

Saugerties Manufacturing Co., 6 tax roll books, 30.00

Theodore Kistner, police duty to July 1, 17.50

Wm. A. Hanna, engineer of steamer to July 1, 25.00

Wm. Kenney, washing hose, 2.00

John McCormick, washing hose, 2.00

Wm. McCormick, “ ” 2.00

Sylvester McCarthy, watching fire, 2.00

Thomas Dixon, watching fire, 2.00

Patrick Bradley, “ ” 2.00

**ROAD FUND.**

F. Yanchke, labor 10 ½ days, $18.37

P. Hughes, labor 10 days, 17.50

S. Lasher, labor 10 days, 17.50

L. McCarthy, labor 9 days, 15.75

R. Casey, Jr., labor 10 days, 17.50

H. Beers, labor 3 days, 5.25

J. Newbury, labor 10 days 20.00

E. Roosa, engineer, 13 days, 39.00

F. Yanchke, team, 9 ½ days, 42.75

R. Casey, salary for June, 41.65

Wm. Doyle, team, 10 days, 45.00

Wm. Doyle, cart, 2 days, 5.00

$285.27

**HEALTH FUND.**

W. F. Winchell, 15 plumbing inspections, $30.00

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Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector to July 1, 1907, 25.00

$55.00

The bill of Daniel Lamb & Son, amount $63.37, for supplies was referred to the Finance Committee. Minutes read and approved.

On motion Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.


William, the twenty-one months old son of bus driver Charles Carnright slipped himself under the rail of the porch that extends out from the second story of the rear of Mrs. Shahan’s block on Main St., where Mr. Carnright resides, and fell to the ground below, a distance of about twenty feet. The little fellow landed on his stomach and turned over. He was picked up and taken into the house. Dr. Emerick was called and found the little fellow’s left leg broken. He was also suffering from shock. That he was not killed was a miracle.

1763. Saugerties Post, Dec. 7, 1907. Municipal Affairs Discussed By Board of Village Directors at Their Meeting Held on Friday Evening --- The Business Done.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Dec. 6, 1907.

Present – Directors McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.

Vice-President McLaughlin presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned streets; cleaned out all catch basins; four loads of stone for patching; layed 300 feet of tile on the lower end of South Partition street; repaired a drain that had caved in on Dock street; two tons of crushed stone for the Martin Cantine Co.; two tons of crushed stone for John McKeeffrey; Frank Hansen, 4 ½ tons of screenings; Wm. Doyle 14 ½ tons of screenings; Wm. Mullen, 4 ½ tons of crushed stone; Norman Cunyes, 2 ¼ tons of crushed stone.

Motion, that forty keys be procured for Laflin Hose Co. Carried

On motion exempt fireman’s certificates were ordered granted to Charles Benjamin and Joseph Huber of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, and to Myron Bedell and Herbert C. Van Buskirk of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

The collector reported having collected corporation tax as follows:

General Tax, $14830.48
Back Tax, 715.39
Poll Tax, 154.00
Dog Tax, 32.00

$15731.77

On motion the collector’s report was received.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights for Nov., $215.10
Saugerties Gas Co., gas for Nov, 3.42
Finger & Lewis, coal and Amazon roofing, 53.49
N. Van Steenberg, typewriting paper, 1.00
Municipal Journal subscriptions, 3.00
Wm. H. Eckert, Treas. salary for
1907, 150.00
Wm. E. Tracey, watching Klemm & Myer fire, 2.00
Joseph Perks, watching Klemm & Myer Fire, 2.00
James Casey, watching Klemm & Myer Fire, 2.00
W. E. Persons, care town clock to Jan. 1, 1908, 14.00
M. Fitzgerald, washing hose, 2.00
John Palmer, cleaning hose, 2.00
John Crowley, collecting dog and poll tax, 9.30
Williamson Law Book Co., copy Village Laws, 2.50
Daniel Lamb & Son, dynamite, fuse, &c., 54.84
P. Hughes, labor 12 1-10 days, 21.18
F. Yanchke, 13 1-10 days, 22.92
J. Mitchel, labor 12 1-10 days, 22.92
R. Casey, Jr., labor 5 3-4 days, 10.05
F. Yanchke, team 6 3-4 days, 30.37

$623.11

HEALTH FUND
W. F. Winchell, 10 plumbing inspections, $20.00

ROAD FUND.
B. Casey, salary for Nov. 1907, $41.65

Motion, That a warrant for $100.00 be drawn in favor of the Saugerties Cemetery Association. Carried.
The Village Treasurer’s report was referred to the Finance Committee.
Directors McLaughlin, Burhans and McCormick were appointed to act as inspectors at the Charter election to be held Tuesday, December 10, 1907.
Minutes read and approved.
On motion, Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

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Theodore Kistner, police duty to Jan. 1, 1908, 75 00
Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co., coal and lumber, 36 07
C. H. Vedder, salary, barn rent and supplies, 51 25
Denis McLaughlin, inspector at charter Election 2 00
Wm. V. Burhans, inspector at charter election, 2 00
John McCormick, inspector at charter election, 2 00
H. Gleisner, putting up booths, 2 00
Chas. T. Sickles, watching Voerg fire, 2 00
Wm. A. Hanna, engineer of steamer, to Jan. 1, 1908, 25 00
John G. Palmer, salary as janitor to Jan. 1, 1908, 32 00
Saugerties Post, printing and advertising, 41 25
Wm. McCormick, washing hose, 2 00
Wm. Kenney, washing hose, 2 00
Sylvester McCarthy, washing hose, 2 00
James Casey, watching fire, 2 00
ROAD FUND.
Quick Bros. & Co., sharpening tools, $ 4 20
F. Yanchke, labor 2 ½ days, 4 37
P. Hughes, labor 1 ½ days, 4 37
A. Keeler, labor ½ day, 87
F. Yanchke, team 2 ¾ days, 10 12
B. Casey, salary for Dec., 1907, 41 65
$65 58

HEALTH FUND.
J. S. Elmendorf, 7 meetings Board of Health, $14 00
Alex. Lackey, 6 meetings Board of Health, 12 00
E. M. Rogers, 7 meetings Board of Health, 14 00
J. H. DeWitt, M. D., salary to Jan. 1, 1908, 50 00
W. F. Winchell, 4 plumbing inspections, 8 00
C. M. Wolven, vital statistics, 14 00
R. F. Diedling, M. D., vital statistics, 4 25
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Luther Emerick, M. D., vital statistics, 3 50
C. T. Montgomery, M. D., vital statistics, 9 25
Rev. John J. McCabe, vital statistics, 3 00
Rev. J. M. Cornish, vital statistics, 1 75
Dr. T. F. O’Dea, services for Board of Health, 3 00

$136 80

Minutes read and approved.
On motion, Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1765. Saugerties Post, Jan. 4, 1909. The Board of 1908 Organize for Work. The Business Transacted by the Village Fathers at Their Meeting on Friday Evening.

The Board of Directors for the year 1908 met at the Directors’ rooms Jan. 3, 1908 [sic] at 8 o’clock p. m. for organization.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughln, Ziegler, Burhans, Mc Cormick and Sickles.

The clerk called the meeting to order and stated that an informal ballot for President would be taken and appointed as Tellers, Directors Ziegler and Burhans.

The ballot resulted as follows: Rowe, 4, Mc Laughlin 2. Mr. McLaughlin stated that he was not a candidate. On motion the informal ballot was made formal and Mr. Rowe was declared unanimously elected President for the coming year and upon taking the chair thanked the Board for the honor they had again conferred upon him.

The ballot for Vice-President resulted as follows: Mc Laughlin received 5 votes; Burhans received 1 vote. Mr. McLaughlin was declared elected Vice-President.

The ballot for Clerk resulted as follows: Charles H. Vedder received 6 votes. The President declared Chas. H. Vedder elected Clerk at a salary of $150 per year.

The ballot for Street Commissioner resulted as follows. Robert Casey received 6 votes. The President declared Mr. Casey elected Street Commissioner at a salary of $500 per year.

The ballot for Janitor resulted as follows: William MacMullen received 4 votes; John Palmer received 2 votes. The President declared Mr. MacMullen elected Janitor for the coming year at a salary of $96 for the year.

On motion William A. Hanna was elected Engineer of Steamer at a salary of $50 per year for the ensuing year.

The ballot for a member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners resulted as follows: R. B. Overbagh received 6 votes. The President declared Mr. Overbagh elected a member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for a period of three years from Jan. 1, 1908.

On motion Wm. E. Persons was appointed to take care of the town clock at a salary of $50 per year.

The ballot for a member of the Board of Health resulted as follows: Alexander Lackey received 6 votes. The President declared Mr. Lackey elected a member of the Board of Health for three years from Jan. 1, 1908.

The ballot for a member of the Board of Water Commissioners resulted as follows: Alfred P. Lasher received 6 votes. The President declared Mr. Lasher elected a member of the Board of Water Commissioners for three years from Jan. 1, 1908.
On motion Charles E. Abeel and Theodore Kistner was appointed night watchmen and village policemen at a salary of $150 per year each, and David E. Abeel was appointed village policeman at a salary of $150 per year.

On separate motions the following were appointed as offices of the Village Fire Department for the year 1908:
Fred Grathwohl, Chief Engineer; James Reynolds, First Assistant Engineer; John M. Adams, Second Assistant Engineer; Ernest Hassinger, Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion the first and third Friday evenings in each month were designated as the regular meeting nights of the Board.

The ballot for village counsel resulted as follows: William D. Brinnier received 4 votes; DeWitt Van Buren received 2 votes. On motion William D. Brinnier was declared unanimously elected village counsel for the year 1908 at a salary of $100 a year.

After the Board had organized they convened in regular session.
Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler, Burhans, McCormick and Sickles.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The Finance Committee reported progress.

Motion, That Mr. Charles Davis be notified in writing that if any accident should occur on the sidewalks in front of his property in front of the Howard shop on Ulster avenue he would be held responsible. Carried.

On motion an Exempt Fireman’s certificate was ordered granted to Charles Dixon of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.

On motion the follower bills were ordered paid:

**GENERAL FUND.**

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights to Jan 1, 1908, $215 10
Fred Grathwohl, watching Voerg fire, 2 00

$217 10

**HEALTH FUND.**

Wm. H. Hommel, salary as sanitary inspector to Jan 1, 1908, 25 00

Motion, That warrants be drawn in favor of the Board of Water Commissioners as follows, as per tax budget for 1907:

To meet water deficit, $1863 50
For thirteen new fire hydrants, 1416 00

$2279 50

Minutes read and approved.
On motion Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

Gentleman’s gold ring, set with three diamonds. Liberal reward for its return to E. C. Reed.

1767. Saugerties Post, Jan. 18, 1908. Directors’ Proceedings, Business at the Regular Meeting Held on Friday Evening.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Jan. 17th, 1908.
Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, McCormick and Sickles.
President Rowe, presiding.
Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The street commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned out sewer on Ulster avenue; repaired fence on Church street; dug out under water fountain on Ulster avenue, ordered by the president.
On motion certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, were ordered granted to Charles Squires and Irving Teller.
On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

**GENERAL FUND.**
Saugerties Gas Co. for Dec., $ 1.52
“ ” mantels [sic] and chimneys, 1.35

**ROAD FUND.**
F. Yanchke, labor 7 1-7 days, $ 12.25
P. Hughes, labor 8 days, 14.00
C. Peters, labor 3-4 days, 1.31
A. Keeler, labor 3-4 days, 1.31
J. Newberry, labor 1 4 days, 43
F. Yanchke, team 1-4 days, 1.12

Motion, That the Firemanic Committee procure 50 keys for Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1. Carried.
Minutes read and approved.
On motion Board adjourned.  C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1768. Saugerties Post, Feb. 8, 1908. Important Session of Village Board. Many Municipal Matters Discussed and Disposed of by the Village Fathers at Friday Night’s Meeting.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Feb. 7th, 1908.
Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler, Burhans and McCormick.
President Rowe, presiding.
Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The street commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned out all catch basins; shoveled sidewalks on East Bridge street from the bridge to the top of the hill; cleaned snow away from all fire hydrants.
The president appointed the following committees: - Finance – Burhans, chairman; Ziegler and Sickles. Streets, Sidewalks, Crosswalks, Lamps – Ziegler, chairman; McLaughlin and McCormick. Crusher – McLaughlin, chairman; Ziegler and Burhans. Firemanic Matters, Buildings, Apparatus – McCormick, chairman; McLaughlin and Ziegler. Health – Sickles, chairman; Burhans and McLaughlin. Charter and Legal Matters – Ziegler, chairman; Sickles and McCormick
Motion that fifty badges and five rubber coats be procured for the use of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, and that five pairs of rubber boots be procured for the use of H. D. Laflin Hose Co., No. 2. Carried.
The petition from taxpayers and residents on Dock street was referred to the street committee.
On motion a certificate of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, was ordered granted to Albert Rivenburgh.
On motion an exempt fireman’s certificate was ordered granted to George J. Longfeldt, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., No. 1.
Motions that the communication from the Oneida County Village President’s Association in regard to a continuation of the state highway system through incorporated cities and villages be received and their request for signatures of the board be complied with. Carried.
The bill of W. L. Darbee for insurance premiums was referred to the finance committee.
The bill of Theodore Kistner for police duty for the board of health was referred to the finance committee.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

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house 9 days, L. B. Howard & Son, watchman’s
shanty in front of Van Buren’s, Wm. E. Brink, Overseer of Poor,
for watchmen 8 ½ days watching case of small pox at the
house of De Witt Van Buren, W. F. Winchell, 8 plumbing inspections,
John H. DeWitt, M. D., for vaccinations, &c,
C. M. Wolven, vital statistics,
22 50 21 29 21 25 16 00 39 60 8 00
$154 89

Motion that Robert B. Ballman be appointed Fire Warden in Ward No. 3 in place of John A. Snyder, who failed to qualify. Carried.
Minutes read and approved.
On motion, Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

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1769. Saugerties Post, Dec 13, 1907. This Friday Proves to be a “Hoodoo” and it’s the Thirteenth Day of the Month, Too. Two Early Morning Fires. The Brede Block on Main street and Donovan House, Montgomery Street, Ablaze, Firemen Do Good Work.

number 13 are unlucky, will find much food for reflection in the happenings of this day, Friday, December 13, 1907.
The events which transpired gave the firemen plenty of work and at the same time, demonstrated once more their efficiency, besides causing considerable loss in consequence of the fires.
The first fire was discovered about 1:30 o’clock in the Donovan house on Montgomery street. Peter D. Curley, who lives nearby, noticed the smoke and sent in an alarm. The firemen responded with much alacrity and soon had several streams pouring on the blaze. The house was situated between two others of the Donovan estate and the fire was in the east side. After much hard work it was confined to the building and subdued. The origin of the fire is unknown as the house had been unoccupied for several days, the tenants recently moving out. The damage is quite heavy.
The firemen had scarcely put away their apparatus and gotten to their homes before another alarm was sounded. This was shortly after 2 o’clock and the scene was the Brede Block, Main street, where a serious fire occurred and a life was lost, about three years ago. It proved to be a bad fire in many aspects, on chiefly, that is, none of the occupants had any insurance on their goods. In the block was located Wm. Epstein’s tailor shop, Charles H. Vedder’s cigar and sporting goods store, E. M. Richardson’s cafe and the cigar store of Clarence M. Wolven. In the latter was also located the office of the town clerk. Wolven’s store and Richardson’s cafe suffered the greatest damage.
The fire was discovered by Mrs. Richardson, who with her husband occupied the apartments over the cafe. She was aroused by the odor of smoke and began to investigate. The rear of Wolven’s cigar store was discovered to be afire and officer Charles E. Abeel, being near turned in the alarm. The firemen were on the scene quickly and at work. In the meantime Alfred Burhans, an employe of J. Brede & Co. who slept over Wolven’s store was awakened and he jumped from the window to the side walk, his way of escape from the rear being cut off. He suffered no injury from his jump. When the fire occurred three years ago, William Simon, a young man was suffocated. He slept in the same rooms but was unable to get out.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

The fire was hard to fight and five streams were played on it. It was necessary to cut two holes in the roof to get at the blaze, which was between the buildings, and after heroic labor by the firemen they got the fire under control. Wolven’s cigar store and stock was entirely destroyed and badly gutted. None of the town records of recent date were destroyed, they being in the large safe, which was blistered severely. Some copies of records about twelve years old, and about 25 volumes of the session laws were burned up. They were not in the safe but on shelves in the store. A part of the interior of Richardson’s cafe was burned badly, and the living rooms upstairs flooded with water and smoke, ruining all his furniture and wearing apparel. The goods in Vedder’s and Epstein’s were all removed without being damaged, the firemen holding the flames to where they began. Vedder and Epstein resumed business after the water had been mopped from the floors in their stores. How the fire originated is a mystery. Mr. Wolven said everything was all right when he closed up Thursday night. It is presumed, however, that a defective flue was the cause. The Brede estate had $700 insurance on the property in Eckert and Snyder’s agency. [last line in the column is partially torn away and ends in the words] several thous-[nothing further]

1770. Saugerties Post, Feb. 24, 1908. [hand dated] A Big Fire Guts the Davis Block. The Loss is Many Thousand Dollars --- Firemen Do Good Work --- The Interior Badly Damaged. The worst fire that the business section of Saugerties had suffered in years was that of Sunday evening, when Davis’ block corner of Main and Partition St., was gutted and the entire building inside seriously damaged, causing a loss of many thousand dollars. The fire was discovered a few minutes past six o’clock by M. F. Waterbury, who was going to his home on John street. He noticed a bright light in the lower part of the building and crossing over to investigate discovered a roaring blaze in the cellar. An alarm was turned in and it was impossible as heretofore to hear the fire bell in many parts of the village. This caused but few of the firemen to get the Snyder Hose cart out. The curfew whistle was then blown and this brought the firemen out in large numbers. Chief Grathwohl was on the scene quickly and took charge. The men under him worked like Trojans and obeyed orders to the letter. Six streams were plied on the flames, which were gradually spreading and creeping up through the floors. The location of the fire and the headway it had gained before its discovery, made it a stubborn one to handle. The flames despite all the water poured on them kept slowly eating their way up through the walls until the third floor had been reached, but the good work of the firemen kept them confined and they were gotten under control and extinguished after over two hours of strenuous fighting. During the progress of the fire three of the firemen were overcome by smoke, Fred Voerge, John E. McCormick and William F. Keenan. They were taken to the Exchange hotel, where Drs. Diedling and Montgomery, after much effort, succeeded in bringing them to. The origin of the fire is a mystery. At 4:30 o’clock Charles Freder had been in the building and gone down in the cellar to attend to the heater, which is under his store. When he left everything was all right, and even now nothing is burned about the heater, and it is just as he left it. From all appearances the fire started in the cellar under the store of Rightmyer, Ballman and Jacobs. This was unoccupied. In the building was located Charles Freder’s boot and shoe store, Rightmyer, Ballman & Jacobs’ clothing store, the rooms of the Saugerties club; the law offices of Surrogate Charles Davis and Byron L. Davis; the lodge rooms of Saugerties Aerie of Eagles; and the family of Walter Ricketson, also lived there. All of these were burned or damaged by smoke and water. The stores on the ground floor suffered most from fire and water. The stocks of Freder, and Rightmyer, Ballman and Jacobs are entirely ruined. The Davis law offices were also badly burned and Surrogate Davis lost some valuable law books and papers. The
Saugerties club’s damage is mostly due to water, although several chairs were burned. The Ricketson apartments were also damaged by water and smoke. The Eagles suffered no loss. Mr. Davis had no insurance on his law books or office furniture. His loss is about $3000. The Ricketson’s also had no insurance.

The insurance carried is as follows: on the Davis building, $8,000 in the Eckert & Snyder and H. T. Keeney agencies; on the stock of Charles Freder, $3,000 in Eckert & Snyder and T. B. Belch agencies; on the stock of Rightmyer, Ballman & Jacobs, $16,000 in H. T. Keeney, Eckert & Snyder and T. B. Belch agencies; on the Saugerties club furniture, $800 in W. L. Darbee agency.

1771. [undated] She Deserves Thanks.
When William Doyle, who ordered that coffee and sandwiches he supplied to the firemen Sunday night, tendered payment to Mrs. Charles H. Bennett of the Exchange Hotel, she refused to accept any money. For this act and her other assistance, especially to the firemen overcome by smoke, the firemen and Mr. Doyle are thankful. Mrs. Bennett, previous to her marriage was a trained nurse.

1772. [undated] They’re All Right.
There is no disputing it the Saugerties fire department cannot be excelled anywhere in the state, size of town considered, and there [sic] better than many others, even in larger town. They fight fire bravely and are orderly in doing their work. Since December first of 1907 they have attended six fires and at each one they have fought the fire demon with great credit to themselves, and our citizens are always pleased with their work. Long may our firemen live and prosper.

1773. [undated] Saturday Night’s Fire.
Prompt discovery prevented a bad fire at the residence of DeWitt Van Buren, Elm street, Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Van Buren were in Kingston at the time. Mrs. W. E. Persons, who lives adjoining smelled smoke about 8 o’clock, and on looking out saw the fire. An alarm was quickly sent in and the firemen responded although their services were not needed the blaze being extinguished by a few pails of water. The fire burned a hole in the dining room floor and closet. This was directly over the heater which had a raging fire in order to thaw out the radiators which were frozen during the last cold snap. This is believed to have caused the fire. The loss is covered by insurance in the agencies of H. T. Keeney, Eckert & Snyder and W. L. Darbee. Mr. and Mrs. Van Buren arrived home on the 9:24 train.

The button, button, who’s got the button game, which was held on Labor day for the benefit of Snyder Hose Co. band, proved to be a huge success and excited keen interest. Everybody wore a button, and everybody was seeking the duplicate to get a prize. The buttons were sold by several young ladies and they too, were eager competitors for a prize in obtaining the largest amount of money.
As a result of the game the band realized, a little over $150, which includes a gift of $10, by one of Saugerties’ best known and largest hearted citizens.
The prizes were won as follows. Button No. 86, held by Louise Snyder secured 5 lbs. of candy donated by Jacob Bruckner.
Button No. 138, held by O. W. Maxwell secured the 1 lb. box of Belle Mead sweets given by Myer Bros. pharmacy.
Button No. 244, held by Margaret Mower, drew the pair of Walk-Over shoes given by Benj. F. Fellows.
Button No. 251, held by Matilda Katt, secured the Waterman fountain pen donated by David Elliott.
The winner of the diamond ring offered by the band to the young lady getting the most money was Margaret Nestlen. Her collection amounted to $17.10, Julia Rogers was second with $16.97, thirteen cents less than the winner. A camera donated by Luther Hommel was given to Julia. Anthony Brown held No. 2200, likewise did Mrs. Otis Snyder and both obtained prizes given by the band. John Rogers held No. 446 and so did S. J. Adams and both secured a prize. There was positively 20 duplicate numbers, therefore 40 prizes were purchased, and on account of so many numbers still out the band will hold the prizes opened until Saturday night, Sept. 11th. Look up your numbers.

Wm. Ohley bass drummer of the band, saw his duplicate on a young lady while on parade but could not stop to tell her. Another young man saw his duplicate on a young lady then lost his button.

The duplicate numbers were 28, 74, 154, 254, 446, 587, 732, 831, 942, 1042, 1255, 1321, 1431, 1421, 1555, 1760, 1860, 2200.

1775. Saugerties Post, Nov. 15, 1909. Excise Inspectors Treated Roughly By a Mob of Italians in Glasco on Sunday Evening --- Rescued by Police.
Detected after gathering evidence against violators of the Raines law two inspectors of the state excise department of Albany had a narrow escape from being seriously dealt with by a gang of infuriated Italians in Glasco Sunday evening and only the intervention of several of Glasco’s well known citizens and the Methodist pastor, besides the arrival of the Saugerties police, saved them from the wrath of the frenzied mob, and not however, until they had been beaten and robbed, their camera smashed and revolvers taken from them.

The inspectors had been in the lower part of Glasco among the denizens of Italy, photographing the various places where the “booze” was being dispensed freely and illegally. They had gathered much evidence to lay before the District Attorney and intended leaving Glasco by the boat for Rondout. They missed the boat and then went to Joseph Mayone’s for the purpose of securing a rig to drive to this village. While the rig was being gotten ready the Italians having learned the business of the inspectors began surging around Mayone’s place in swarms and soon a howling mob had gathered. Mayone’s son drove the rig in front of the place and the inspectors just barely got in. Up the hill they proceeded, as fast as possible, the Italians following and shouting until a riot was soon in progress. At the top of the hill the mob surrounded the buggy and pulled both inspectors out, giving them a pummeling, and breaking the camera into bits. The mob also relieved the inspectors of $100 which they had on their person. One of the inspectors broke away from the mob and ran to the Methodist church where a service was being held, and thus escaped more serious treatment.