

1090. Saugerties Post, Jan 30, 1905. Laid to Rest. The Funeral of William Mould on Sunday a Very Large One.

"Sleep on beloved, take thy rest" Amid a large concourse of people, who knew him so well, the late William Mould was laid to rest in the Main street cemetery, Sunday afternoon, many eyes being moistened with tears as the body was being consigned to the earth. It was the largest attended funeral held here in years. From all parts of this town and places on the opposite side of the river came those who desired to offer the last mark of esteem in which they held the deceased, and when Tivoli Lodge, A. O. U. W., Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows and a delegation of Tappan Post, G. A. R., entered the Reformed church, the edifice was filled, with many standing. The remains reposed in a handsome black casket, covered with the stars and stripes and a profusion of beautiful flowers, among which was a pillow of carnations from Tivoli Lodge. The services in the church were brief and simple. Rev. D. M. Hunter, the pastor read the service and Rev. Thomas Cole offered prayer. A male quartette, Edmund Burhans, W. R. Freligh, George Sargent and Edgar Myer, sang "Lead, Kindly Light," and Messrs. Freligh and Sargent sang "Jesus Lover of my Soul." After the service the cortege, a very large one, proceeded to the cemetery, where Franklin Fuller, chaplain of Confidence Lodge, conducted the beautiful burial service of the order most impressively. The pall bears were: Eugene Lasher, D. E. Abeel, Jas. Jewell, John Hotaling, Norman Cunyes and John Gordel, all of Confidence Lodge.

1091. Undated. Tribute From a Friend. To the Late William Mould Who Was Buried Sunday.

The last sad rites over the remains of the late Wm. Mould, were observed in the Reformed church, Sunday afternoon. From far and near gathered the numerous acquaintances and friend to pay their sad respects and mingle their tears over the body of their beloved friend, each one feeling that from out their lives, had passed one of God's noblemen, one who bore life's burdens and trials in silence, with never a word of complaint or impatience passing his lips. Who is there among us who can recall one unkind word or unjust remark? But we can all remember the cheering smile, kindly disposition, jovial greeting, good nature and true comradery beaming from his genial face. Long will he be remembered with affection, his name spoken with trembling lips and tearful eyes. Over Saugerties a pall of sadness has settled, and friend meets friend with sympathetic hand clasp, while they extol and eulogize the merits of their friend. How much happier this world of ours would be if more were like him, giving smiles for frowns, meeting ill nature with mirth, infusing courage and good spirits to the depressed. His placid countenance, in death, reveals, that God's call found him, as ever, ready, and in response he went out to meet him in peace. To us he has shown that the cheerful spirit, a smiling countenance and a hopeful mind are earth's most potent conquerors; that he who cultivates them becomes a master among men. His death reminds us to work while it is yet day; to abolish anger by kindness, to overcome evil with good. One Who Knew and Loved Him.

1092. Hand dated Sept 8, 1906. Burglars in Gray's Warehouse.

Burglars once more entered the warehouse of S. M. Gray at the West Shore Friday night. They broke open the money drawer and found nothing but two dollars worth of stamps which were purchased Friday. These they stole. Whether any goods were taken is unknown. It is probable they were seeking money, but Mr. Gray never leaves any in the store. How the burglars secured ingress to the store is unknown. Mr. Gray believes either a false key was used and the front door opened, or they secreted themselves in the building before the place was locked for the night. The bolt of the rear door was removed and it is thought they made their departure this way.

1093. Hand dated Post, Jan. 7. , 1905. Judge Parker's Gold Telegram Success Says Rev. C. M. Hall Rescued It From the Waste Basket.

Judge Parker is rather careless of his personal possessions, says a writer in Success. He has no interest in souvenirs, particularly of his own past deeds. After his nomination for the presidency, many newspapers and magazines were eager to obtain speeches of his that would give his views on general topics, but in this quest a surprising paucity of material was encountered. It was well known that Judge Parker had delivered numerous addresses. Few of them were available for the very simple reason that he had never kept drafts of even those utterances which were most carefully prepared.

One day after he had sent his famous telegram to the convention in St. Louis, and the press had given evidence that the country had been electrified, the judge's son-in-law the Rev. Charles M. Hall, went down from his house in Kingston to Esopus. He asked for the original copy of the telegram, which the judge had written on a telegraphic blank and then turned over to his secretary to be typewritten, so that the operator would make no mistake.

"What do you want to do with the telegram?" inquired Judge Parker. "Why, I want to preserve it." replied Dr. Hall. "Oh, nonsense," laughed the judge, "I think it is in the waste basket, where it ought to be." Dr. Hall found it, and it was through him that the reporters obtained it for reproduction in facsimile. He consented to give it to them only under the most implicit promises that it would be returned, and now it is one of the valued possessions of the Hall family.

In speaking of it to an acquaintance, Judge Parker remarked: "One can never tell how his personality or his actions impress others. The sending of the telegram seemed to me to be the simple and obvious thing to do. I was astonished when I learned from the newspapers what a stir it was making through the county."

1094. Saugerties Post, Feb. 9, 1905. District Deputy Makes His Official Visit. The Third Degree Worked and Banquet Served in Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., Wednesday Evening.

Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., Wednesday evening, was honored with the presence of right Worshipful District Deputy Grand Master, Joseph Drake, of Kingston, who made his official visit, and a large number of the brethren, with many visitors from Monumental lodge of Tivoli were present. Worshipful Master William V. Burhans occupied the East and the District deputy was introduced to the brethren by Senior Deacon Charles Coon, and received with the grand honors due his exalted station. A very pleasing address was made by Mr. Drake and following this the Master Mason's degree was conferred, a Fellow-Craft being raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, in due and ancient form, Past Master William G. Sickles assisting in the work. A banquet served under the direction of stewards, Byron Hallenbeck and S. Yates Knight followed and proved to be a most enjoyable feature of the evening. The craft dispersed to their homes, about midnight, well satisfied with the pleasure afforded them during the entire communication

1095. Saugerties Post, Jan. 29, 1912. Church Officers Installed.

At the morning service in the Ev. Lutheran church, Sunday. Adam Knaust and Lewis Mattes, both past four score were installed as honorary elders, John Dietrich Sr., Phillip C. Smith and Herman Gleisner as elders and Lewis H. Kleeber, Jr., Albert Smith and Frank P. Hildebrandt as deacons.

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1096. Saugerties Post, April 22, 1905. Business of the Common Council. The Regular Meeting Held on Friday Evening and the Matters Before the Directors.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, April 21, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Mr. Ziegler of the street committee reported that he had conferred with the Board of Sewer Commissioners, at their meeting of April 17, 1905, in regard to placing the village streets in better

condition, and the sewer Commissioners stated that they would give the matter their attention as far as possible.

Motion, that the communication from Frank Pidgeon be received and action deferred. Carried.

Street Committee responded as follows: Scraped Partition street from Russell to Dock streets; scraped Partition street from Main street to Fireman's Hall; scraped Ulster avenue from Market to Elizabeth streets; cleaned up Main, Market and Partition streets and Ulster avenue; seven loads of stone on Mynderse street; worked five days drawing stone from tunnel off Washburn meadow to repair Ulster avenue, one team; replaced three broken tram on Post street.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                             |      |
|-----------------------------|------|
| John G. Knox, washing hose, | 2.00 |
| M. Fitzgerald, " "          | 2.00 |
| James Russell, supplies,    | 2.40 |

ROAD FUND.

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| F. Yanchke, labor 11 days,    | \$16.50 |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 11 days,     | 16.50   |
| B. Reynolds, labor 1 day,     | 1.50    |
| Wm. Yanchke, team, 11 ¼ days, | 50.62   |
| Wm. Doyle, team, 7 days,      | 31.50   |

The following communication from the Saugerties Board of water Commissioners was read;  
Saugerties, N. Y., April 20, 1905.

*To the Honorable, the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N.Y.:*

Gentlemen: - We would recommend that the sum of Twenty-nine Hundred and Thirty-two Dollars and fifty cents be included in your annual budget for the purpose of meeting the semi-annual interest on twenty-five Bonds of One Thousand Dollars each, Series No. 3; issued Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901, interest due and payable on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sept. 3d, 1905, respectively, amounting to 862.50

The interest of two bonds, One Thousand Dollars each, Series No. 3, Section No. 2, interest due and payable on May 9<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1905. 70.00

And to provide for the payment of Bond No. 4, Series No. 3, growing due and payable on Sept. 3, 1904 for 1000.00

Also the sum of One Thousand Dollars for the extension of water main in Overbagh street, as per application of Estate R. C. Washburn, Benjamin Myer and T. V. R. Brown. 1000.00  
\$2932.50

Yours respectfully submitted,

Saugerties Water Commissioners.

H. C. Bogardus, Secretary.

Motion, That when this meeting adjourns that it be until April 28, 1905, at 8 o'clock. Carried.

Motion, That the communication from the Board of Water commissioners be received and referred to the Finance committee and they, the Finance committee confer with the Board of Water commissioners and report at the meeting to be held Friday evening, April 28, 1905. Carried. Minutes read and approved.

On motion the Board adjourned until April 28, 1905, at 8 o'clock, p. m. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1097. Saugerties Post, April 29, 1905. The Village Board to Buy a Steam Roller. The Decision Made at Friday Night's Adjourned Meeting - The Year's Budget Adopted Also.

Adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, April 28, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis.

President Rowe presiding.

The finance committee reported that they had conferred with the water commissioners on Monday evening, April 25, 1905 and reported that they had decided not to make the extension on Overbagh street this year.

The street committee reported as follows: 1 day drawing stone from tunnel to patch up Partition street; 1 load of crushed stone to repair Hill street; 1 load of dirt to fill up the holes on Hill street; 2 loads of stone to repair street west of railroad; 4 loads of stone to repair East Bridge street; cleaned up Jane and Russell streets; relaid sidewalk on Ulster avenue; relaid sidewalk crossing Elm street; purchased eight planks from Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co. to repair fence on Hill street.

Motion, That the Clerk be directed to notify Mr. P. C. Smith that if he made an excavation without first obtaining a permit the Board would begin action against him to collect the fine as provided by the Village Charter. Carried.

TAX BUDGET FOR 1905.

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| General Fund,   | \$ 4,000.00     |
| Road Fund,  | 3,000.00        |
| Health Fund,  | 500.00          |
| Bond Account,   | 1,020.00        |
| Water Commissioners Re-<br>quisite,   | 1,932.50        |
| Interest on Newer Bonds due<br>Feb. 28 and August 28,<br>1905 and Feb. 28 1906, | <u>5,159.20</u> |
| Total,  | \$15,612.20     |

Motion, Than the legal Committee take whatever steps are necessary for the collection of unpaid corporation tax, with power to employ counsel. Carried.

The committee appointed to examine the steam road roller offered for sale by Mr. Van Wagenen, reported that they had examined the roller as directed, and that in their judgment the same was in good condition and that it could be purchased for \$1700. Mr. Van Wagenen to load the roller on the cars and send a man here to unload it. The village to pay the railroad freight. The committee recommended that the roller be purchased.

Motion, that the President be empowered to offer Mr. Van Wagenen \$1700 for the roller referred to, delivered free at Saugerties. Mr. Van Wagenen to guarantee the roller to be in good working condition in all its parts Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

Albert Rowe and D. McLaugh-  
lin, expenses to Worcester, to

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|-----------------------------|--------------|
| examine steam roller,       | \$ 22.50     |
| F. Yanchke, labor 5 days,   | 7.50         |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 5 days,    | 7.50         |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 4 days,   | 18.00        |
| Wm. Doyle, team 3 days,     | 9.00         |
| R. Casey, salary for April, | <u>41.65</u> |
|                             | \$106.15     |

On motion, and exemption certificate was ordered granted to John Scanlon, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.

On motion certificates of membership in the Exempt Fireman's Association were ordered granted to Charles Freder and John Scanlon.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1098. Saugerties Post, May 20, 1905. The Village Board in Regular Session. The Meeting Held Friday Evening and the Business Transacted in the Interest of Our Municipality.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, May 19, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Chief Engineer of the fire department reported that he had tested the fire hose and found the same in good condition.

The Street Committee reported as follows: Ten loads of chips and replaced broken tram on Mynderse street; eight loads of gravel to repair upper end of Main street; repaired gutters and also one broken tram over sewer on Ulster ave.; scraped and cleaned Partition street from Russell to Main streets; scraped and cleaned Main street from Partition to Market streets; scraped Washington avenue from Main to Russell streets.

The President reported that he had purchased the steam road roller as directed for \$1700.00 the Village to pay the freight charges, and also stated that the roller had been shipped May 18, 1905.

Motion, that the Clerk be directed to notify the Sewer Commissioner to compel the sewer contractors to clean up Ripley street so that traffic may be carried on, and also notify them to have removed the heap of dirt and stone on Montgomery street, and also have placed in a safe condition all gutters crossing street which were left in an unsafe condition. Carried.

The Legal Committee reported that they had consulted counsel in the matter of the collecting of back corporation taxes, and that the matter was now under way.

On motion, a certificate of membership in H. D. Laflin Hose Co., was ordered granted to Charles Crum.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co.,    |              |
| lights to May 1, 1905,       | \$227.00     |
| E. Hassinger, set of steel   |              |
| stamps,                      | 1.25         |
| John Palmer, washing hose,   | 2.00         |
| M. Fitzgerald, washing hose, | 2.00         |
| D. E. Abeel, 6 months ser-   |              |
| vice as policeman,           | <u>75.00</u> |
| Total,                       | \$307.25     |

ROAD FUND.

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| F. Yanckhe, labor, 6 3/4     |             |
| days,                        | \$ 10.12    |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 5 1/2 days, | 8.25        |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 6 1/4      |             |
| days,                        | 28.12       |
| Wm. Doyle, team 1 1/2 days,  | <u>6.75</u> |
| Total,                       | \$ 53.24    |

HEALTH FUND.

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Clarence Woven, vital sta- |              |
| tistics,                   | \$ 13.20     |
| John H. De Witt, M. D.     |              |
| typewriting,               | 5.50         |
| Saugerties Post, printing  |              |
| sewer regulations,         | <u>13.00</u> |

Total, \$ 31.70

Motion, That Mr. S. J. Adams be notified that if the license for Maxwell Opera house from May 1, 1904, to May 1, 1906, is not paid forthwith, the license would be revoked. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1099. Saugerties Post, July 8, 1905. Encampment Officers. Installed Friday Evening by District Deputy Emmet.

District Deputy Grand Patriarch Chas. F. Emmet, of Kingston, assisted by the following staff, Grand Junior Warden, W. J. Riddick; Grand High Priest, J. F. Osterhoudt; Grand Senior Warden, A. F. Van Steenberg; Grand Rec. Scribe, F. P. Osterhoudt; Grand Fin. Scribe, S. F. Barker, and Grand Treas. S. Y. Knight, installed officers of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F. Friday evening as follows: Wm. H. Ward, Chief Patriarch; Jas. Smith, High Priest; Wm. J. Stewart, Senior Warden; Otis D. Snyder, Junior Warden; Robert Webber, Rec. Scribe; Ernest Hassinger, Fin. Scribe; W. E. Comfort, Treas.; Robt. Webber, First Watch; S. F. Barker, Second Watch; W. J. Stewart, Third Watch; Robt. Espey, Fourth Watch; John Lang, First Guard of Tent; Herman Gleisner, Second Guard of Tent; S. Yates Knight, Guide. After the installing ceremony, a banquet was partaken of at Ziegler's.

1100. Saugerties Post, May 29, 1905. A Barn Burned.

Just as service had commenced in the village churches, Sunday evening, an alarm of fire was sounded. It proved to be the handsome barn at "Clifton," the country seat of E. A. Hurry, on the Heights, and though the firemen responded and worked heroically, it was totally destroyed. The building was of wood, and burned fiercely, though the horses, wagons and harness were saved. The fire originated in the mow and is a mystery. It was discovered by Loftus Johnson, Mr. Hurry's coachman. Besides the barn a quantity of hay and straw and some garden tools was burned. The loss is covered by insurance.

1101. Columbian Hose Co. No. 2. Inspection and Parade. Newburgh Fire Department Oct. 14, 1903.

11:45 a. m. Assemble at Carriage House.

12:00 Noon. Start for place in line.

12:30 pm. Parade starts.

After the parade proceed to Carriage House, where apparatus will be housed, and then proceed to Cochran Hall, where banquet will be held.

After the banquet we go to the Carriage House, where the real Doins' will take place. [illustration]

1102. Hand dated Post, Oct. 1, 1906. How They Will Stand.

In spite of the severe drubbing, received by the regular delegates from Ulster county and those who accompanied them to the Democratic State Convention, they will loyally support the ticket nominated at Buffalo. Ex-Mayor Brinnier, who appeared before the committee on contested seats to defend the status of the regular delegates from the first Ulster district voiced the sentiments of the Ulster men when he declared that each and every one would do all they could to assist in the election of the ticket. Kingston Leader – The delegates John E. Kraft and Everett Fowler, of Kingston and Ernest Hassinger of this village were those who were unseated.

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1103. 1905 Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association.

Application for Membership

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To Charles Weiant, Secretary, Haverstraw, N. Y.

Please enroll \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ N. Y., as a member of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 3, of Article II, of the Constitution, as below, the fee of two Dollars is enclosed.

It is certified that Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ has been duly selected to represent \_\_\_\_\_

in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ N. Y. at the Sixteenth Annual Convention, at Mount Vernon, N. Y. June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1905.

It is further Certified that the above named Delegate is and has been an active member of the above-named Organization for at least six months previous to this date.

\_\_\_\_\_ Foreman.

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary.

EXTRACTS FROM THE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE ii. – Membership and Dues.

Section 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 selection.

Section 3. An *Initiation of \$2.00* shall be paid by each organization or chief engineer upon joining the Association, which amount shall cover the annual dues of that year.

Section 4. *The annual dues shall be \$2.00 for each organization and \$1.00 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 preceeding 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.

1104. Charles A. Weiant, Secretary,  
Haverstraw, N. Y.

Vice Presidents ;

Edwin C. Hallenbeck, Coxsackie  
Wallace A. Dawson, Hudson  
Rodney A. Chipp, Kingston  
Michael J. Hanna, Walden  
George Nagengast, Poughkeepsie  
James T. Carey, Troy  
Thomas Timmons, Peekskill  
Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw

Ernest Hassinger, President  
Saugerties, N. Y.

HUDSON VALLEY

Fred S. Bieber, Treasurer  
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Executive Committee

H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties  
Henry Buxbury, Hudson  
Edward H. Hogan, Suffern  
William Dederick, Kingston  
Charles G. Coffin, Catskill  
Hugh Murphy, Poughkeepsie

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

Jerome Bailey, Ravena  
Harry E. Barton, Mechanicsville  
Milton J. McGibson, Liberty

Organized 1890

Auditing Committee  
James H. Haight, Peekskill  
Edgar E. Schryver, Kingston  
Alfred M. Hitchcock, Mount  
Vernon

Saugerties, N. Y. June 4 '05 [letterhead, illustration]

1105. The accompanying cut is an exact photograph of the William T. Garner Fire Company of Wappinger Falls, N. Y. Uniforms complete, consisting of Coats, Pants, Hats, Caps, Shirts and Belts were made by R. W. Stockley & Company, Manufactures of Uniforms and Equipments.  
810 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA.

Read this Testimonial – R. W. Stockley & Co. Wappner Falls, N. Y.

Dear Sirs – I am sending you by this mail the sample front which we wish you to replace with two as per instruction sent you. We have only one misfit out of the entire 53 uniforms, and that is one pair of pants too large in waist. Everything else O.K. H. Marriott.

It will pay you to get our Catalogue, samples of cloth, and prices before ordering elsewhere. [illustration]

1106. Saugerties Post, June 7, 1907. Committee Named.

E. M. Wilbur, chairman of the Independence day celebration meeting, has named the following committee to arrange for the same; Martin Cantine, George P. Hilton, George W. Washburn, William Doyle and Howard Gillespy. The committee will meet at Mr. Wilbur's home, Partition street, Tuesday evening June 11<sup>th</sup> at 8 o'clock.

1107. Saugerties Post, Mar. 30, 1907. Autopsy Performed.

An autopsy was performed on the body of the late Eston K. Myer in the Mortuary chapel, Friday. This information was obtained from one of the deceased's family. It was performed to satisfy the family, as the deceased's death had occurred so suddenly. Other than this, our informant refused to say anything, promising later to give us full details.

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1108. Story of the 10 Little Firemen.

10 little firemen went out to dine,  
A cocktail killed Williamson, then there were 9.  
9 little firemen drinking to their fate,  
Down went Morgan then there were 8.  
8 little firemen thought they were in heaven,  
A small bottle fixed Jefferies, then there were 7.  
7 little firemen playing funny tricks,  
Another cork, fixed Owens, and then there were 6.  
6 little firemen trying to booze and thrive,  
The next round fixed Rogers and then there were 5.  
5 little firemen, the others on the floor,  
Jenkins gave up the ghost, then there were 4.  
4 little firemen on a lonely spree,  
Voigt got his habit on, then there were 3.  
3 little firemen sitting round the brew,  
Away rolled Blackburn, then there were 2.  
2 little firemen pretty nearly done.  
Sweet could not stand the pace, then there was 1.  
1 little fireman drinking all along.  
He was Frank Scholl and he took the whole bunch home.

1109. George Worthington, President Missouri Firemen's Association. [illustration]

1110. J. J. Strapp, Fire Chief in St. Paul. [illustration]

1111. Chief Louis Behrens, of Charleston, the New President. [illustration]

1112. New York, May, 1905. Samuel N. Hoag, Grand Regent, New York. [illustration]

1113. Theo Thonet, Grand Vice Regent. [illustration]

1114. Edward Becker, Grand Orator. [illustration]



Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

1115. The Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association of the Village of Jamaica.

John J. Gracy, President

George A. Shipley, Vice President

Stephen H. Henderson, Secretary

J. Aug. Lodge, Treasurer

Directors

Wm. E. Everitt

William Gracy

James McNamara

Edward Wisbauer

Valentine Bangert

John E. Tator

Douglass Willson

Jamaica, Borough of Queens

New York City,

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1905. [illustration]

1116. Saugerties Post, Dec. 16, 1905. Won a Bunch of Prizes.

Joseph Wolven, of Mellenville, formerly of this village, a son of Egbert Wolven, and brother of Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, won two silver cups and fourteen special prizes at the poultry show in Kingston, the past week. He secured first on a pen of Barred Plymouth Rocks, old fowl, on a pen of chicks, same breed, first and second on cocks, first and third on hens, first, second and third on cockerels, first, second and third on pullets. He also landed first for the best exhibit of poultry.

1117. Saugerties Post, Jan. 23, 1905. A Farewell to Mr. Brinn.

A number of the friends of T. F. Brinn, the retiring landlord of the Maxwell House, tendered him a farewell at the hotel Monday evening. Music and good fellowship reigned, and during the pleasantries of the evening Mr. Brinn was presented with a beautiful silver handled umbrella, with his initials inscribed, the presentation speech being made by C. Winthrop Brown. Mr. Brinn responding feelingly in gratitude for the unexpected gift. Mr. Brinn left for New York city to-day.

1118. Saugerties Post, Jan. 24, 1905. Proprietor Once More.

The Maxwell House changed hands once more this morning, Thos. F. Brinn, the former landlord purchasing the place of Charles F. Beck, who bought the same last week of Mr. Brinn. The friends of Mr. Brinn are extremely pleased to hear that he is to remain in Saugerties, for he is an ideal hotel man, and has made the Maxwell House one of the leading hotels in the state.

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1119. Fifteenth Annual Convention and Tournament of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. To Be Held At Saugerties, N. Y. Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904. Officers of Local Committee.

R. B. Ballman, President.

Vice-Presidents. H. D. Laflin, M. Cantine, Ernest Myer, Denis McLaughlin,  
Ernest Hassinger, Sec. John McCormick, Jr., Treas. [illustration]

1120. Announcement.

The fifteenth annual convention and tournament of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held in Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21 and 22, and the firemen of Saugerties cordially invite your company to attend and participate.

The tournament this year will differ from any other previously given, in that no special prizes will be offered, the executive committee of the association, owing to existing dissatisfaction, regarding past prize awards, having decided by resolution to abolish such in the future.

We cannot promise you prizes, but we can promise you a welcome that knows no limit and a real old fashioned good time.

We believe that the absence of prizes will tend to harmonize a greater mutual fellowship among the firemen and make this tournament conspicuous by a fraternal mingling so essential to the success of such a gathering.

Yours Sincerely, Robert B. Ballman, President.

Ernest Hassinger, Secretary.

*Of Local Committee of Arrangements*

1121. Saugerties Post, April 20, 1904. The Maxwell House Has a Matinee. The "Who is Guilty" Company Play the "Leading Roles" Assisted by Local Talent.

The "Who is Guilty" company of fifteen players who have been here since Monday gave a unique matinee at the Maxwell house Thursday afternoon. It consisted of four acts. Local players assisted. As the curtain rose Manager Childs was seen seated on seven large trunks, surrounded by hand bags, Chinese dogs, and musical instruments. He had a revolver in each hand, while Jack Gray the hotel dispenser led the orchestra playing softly "Wait til the clouds roll by." The company was seated around the room watching Manager Childs, while Monsieur Bodin who appeared to have on three suits of clothing, listened as Miss Mann the heroine, whispered, "I wish I was an elk," and Signor Chatascy gently inquired if the walking was good in New York. The act closed in a beautiful silence.

The second act opened with thunder and lightning. The orchestra played "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night." Lawyer Carroll Whitaker and deputy sheriff Hommel then arrived, and the company were all talking at once. Manager Childs recited Anthony's address to the Romans. "If you have tears to shed, prepare to shed them now," etc. Lawyer Whitaker was then heard in "Much ado about nothing," and as the curtain falls all are conferring together.

In act three the curtain arose on a happy scene. All were shaking hands and smiling. Landlord Childs entered with sandwiches, lemonade and cigars, and also leads the "old Virginia reel." As the curtain fell, Doyle's express drives up for baggage.

Fourth act. Scene laid at the steam boat wharf. Steamer Ulster sailing out of the harbor for New York. Company assembled on upper deck waving handkerchiefs' and singing, "Home Sweet Home."

Landlord Childs on dock swinging handkerchief from each hand and singing "Auld Lang Syne." Curtain fell.

1122. Saugerties Post, June 9, 1904. A Case of Sour Grapes. Since Tucker Was Turned Down He is Sore on Saugerties.

There's a whole lot of talk about the presidency of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mount Vernon, wants it, and so does Ernest Hassinger of Saugerties. Neither cause much enthusiasm. If the association is to be maintained, made a factor for good work, some one capable of carrying it to the summit must be named this year. Ex-Chief Engineer Fred Bieber of Po'keepsie could have had the office last year for the saying so. He has been treasurer for several years and a good one, too. but there are others equally fitted for the position. What is wanted is an executive head, one who will make the organization a power, and such a man is Bieber. It's high time the big hearted fellow threw aside his personal feeling and gave the organization the benefit of his influence and power. There's no boom needed, for the boom was started a year ago. It's simply a case of take it. — Newburg Register. — Sour Grapes Tucker. — Ever since Editor Tucker was turned down for the Presidency in 1898, when the convention met here last, he has boomed any one but a Saugerties candidate. Hassinger will be the next President.

1123. The World, Wednesday July 15, 1904. Democratic Nominee For President And His Most Trusted Lieutenant. Judge Parker, and W. F. Sheehan, Rosemont, Esopus. [illustration]

1124. Saugerties Post, March 29, 1904. For the Firemens Convention in June. The Circular Being Sent out by the Local Committee of Arrangements to the Various Companies.

The fifteenth annual convention and tournament of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held in Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21 and 22, and the firemen of Saugerties cordially invite your company to attend and participate.

The tournament this year will differ from any other previously given, in that no special prizes will be offered, the executive committee of the association, owing to existing dissatisfaction, regarding past prize awards, having decided by resolution to abolish such in the future.

We cannot promise you prizes, but we can promise you a welcome that knows no limit and a real old fashioned good time.

We believe that the absence of prizes will tend to harmonize a greater mutual fellowship among the firemen and make this tournament conspicuous by a fraternal mingling so essential to the success of such a gathering.

Yours Sincerely, Robert B. Ballman, President.

Ernest Hassinger, Secretary.

1125. Saugerties Post, July 27, 1904. Little Market Man Mad. Someone Makes a Complaint and He Gets After Them.

Little market man always prided himself on the cleanliness of his place and its whole surroundings, and yet some on has complained to Board of Health of its nastiness, and the following is old man's caustic letter in answer to it to the board of health:

To The Board of Health of Village of Saugerties:

Saugerties, N. Y., July 27, 1904: -

Gentlemen: - Yours of the 23<sup>rd</sup> inst. telling of complaint of throwing garbage in street, was received with surprise and indignation, for there was no reason for it, and you have been imposed on, and I demand that you have your agent inquire and report on it. There is an old saying, that after a friend has done you an injury he becomes your enemy, and the old saw is well illustrated in this. If I am right in my suspicions, it comes from one I cut for his treachery, to one who had given him many substantial proofs of his friendship an upstart, who of late has been putting on airs, to the disgust of many of us, who remembers how he never had a thing to eat that wasn't given him, until feeling friends put their heads together and got him a political job. But that is nothing to you and I won't bother you with more of it. Now please look into this complaint, and in justice to myself, place this answer to it upon your minutes, and oblige. John H. Hardenberg.

1126. John Anderson, Chicago American. [illustration]

1127. Saugerties Post, April 9, 1904. Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works Entertain Large Number. The Entertainment at the Opera House on Friday Evening Was a Great Success.

The famous Mrs. Jarley, together with her wonderful collection of wax figures visited Saugerties Friday and in the evening gave an entertainment at the opera house for the benefit of the children's fountain fund. There was a very large audience and Mrs. Jarley with her figures easily made a hit. Mrs. Jarley, as impersonated by Mrs. Luther Hommel was a host in herself and her amusing descriptions of the various figures together with the many bright bits of humor, locally applied, evoked a continuous ripple of merriment and mirth. It would have been impossible to secure a better Mrs. Jarley. Mrs. Hommel's portrayal of the character was all that might be wished for and was enacted with a realism of the

celebrated woman herself. She made the whole program full of refreshing humor. The figures were all well personated and from start to finish the entertainment proved to be full of enjoyment. All sorts of characters were represented and that in manner excellent. Some were ludicrous to the extreme, some very dainty, others mediocre. They ranged from the irrepressible Yankee down to the famous colored man Booker T. Washington, including Carrie Nation and her hatchet, and the renowned Bedelia. The following were the figures exhibited:

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| Christopher Columbus,        | Edward C. Phillips                   |
| Alexander the Great,         | Charles Sickles                      |
| John Alden and Priscilla,    | Miss Blanche Ziegler and Wm. Ohley   |
| Siamese Twins of Saugerties, | Morgan Van Evera and Collings Elting |
| Yankee,                      | Frederick F. Lewis                   |
| Sleeping Beauty and Prince,  | Mrs. Harry Hill, Edward B. Styles    |
| Mrs. Winslow,                | Miss Emily Belch                     |
| Golden Locks,                | Miss Anna Johnson                    |
| Ole Bull or the Sawyer,      | Wallace F. Winchell                  |
| Organ Grinder,               | John Schoonmaker                     |
| Diogenes,                    | William Ohley                        |
| Bachelor and wife,           | Edward B. Styles, Mrs. Harry Hill    |
| Vampire,                     | Charles Sickles                      |
| Chinese Giant,               | Frederick F. Lewis                   |
| Mr. & Mrs. Jack Spratt,      | John Davis, Wallace F. Winchell      |
| Welsh Dwarf,                 | Miss Emily Belch                     |
| Bluebeard,                   | Edward Phillips                      |
| Bedelia,                     | Miss Blanche Ziegler                 |
| Carrie Nation,               | Miss Frances Keener                  |
| Signorina Squalina,          | Miss Lillian Spatz                   |
| Booker T. Washington,        | Benjamore Elmore Rose                |
| Buster Brown,                | Miss Dorothy King                    |

Occasionally the figures would refuse to work, while some worked out of their regular turn and this added to the fun. In all it was a great success, and the V. I. A. ladies certainly deserve credit for their painstaking preparations of the affair. Mrs. Jarley was assisted by Dorothy Snyder as little Nell and John T. Washburn, Jr., and R. B. Overbagh, as John and Peter, attendants. During the intermission, a duet by Miss Katherine Wilson and Miss Mabel Ball, and a quartette by Miss Lulu Eckert, Miss Mabel Ball, B. F. Fellows and Wm. Mould, were very pleasingly given. Prof. J. H. Rogers, presiding the piano.

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1128. Fireman's Herald, July 2, 1904. Hudson Valley Firemen.

Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association held its fifteenth annual convention and parade at Saugerties, N. Y., June 22-23. Tuesday forenoon June 22, the convention opened at Maxwell Opera House with over 200 delegates in attendance, President J. A. Goldsmith, of Haverstraw, presiding; C. G. Coffin, of Catskill, secretary. Rev. Thomas Bell invoked the Divine blessing. Mayor Rowe delivered the address of welcome, Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw, responding. Ninety-seven companies responded to roll call. Treasurer John P. Powers, of the State Association, spoke relative to the two percent income tax. Col. Laflin, of Saugerties, spoke relative to treasurers doing their duty in the collection of this tax.

The death of James Purvis, of Kingston; V. Person, of Catskill and C. O. Beesmer of Poughkeepsie, during the year were announced. The printing of pamphlets of proceedings by union labor was again considered. They are now so printed.

Mount Vernon was unanimously elected for convention next year. Picture of Ernest Hassinger. [Illustration]

Officers elected: President, Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties; vice-presidents by counties, Jerome Bailey, Albany; C. M. Hilton, Rockland; E. C. Hallenbeck, Greene; R. A. Chipp, Ulster; Thomas Timmons, Westchester; Jas. T. Carey, Rensselaer; Michael J. Hanna, Orange; Milton Mc Gibben, Sullivan; Wallace A. Dorsey, Columbia; Harry E. Barton, Saratoga; secretary, Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw; treasurer, Fred S. Bieber, of Poughkeepsie; State Association delegate, H. C. Van Buskirk.

The treasurer's report showed \$461.06 on hand, with no outstanding indebtedness. One hundred dollars was unanimously voted for the support of the Home at Hudson.

Ex-Presidents Joseph Hurley, of Kingston, and James A. Goldsmith, of Haverstraw, and ex-Secretary G. C. Coffin, of Catskill, were elected life members. Secretary Coffin, who has so long and so well held that position, was compelled to decline a re-election because of business cares. He was a model secretary and one of the few who can justly claim that distinction. To him is due much the association's success and prosperity. An official association button was adopted.

At the close of business the retiring president and secretary each received a handsome gold-handled silk umbrella as a token of esteem from members of the association, Col. Laflin, of Saugerties, making the presentation in a neat little speech.

The convention was one of the largest in point of members ever held by the Association. The proceedings were not enlivened by a single one of the lively contests that have thickly bestrewn the past history of the organization.

Wednesday, a beautiful day, the parade took place. There were no special prizes given this year by vote of the association, and the dissatisfaction of previous years over them was not heard. The parade was a magnificent affair, as the parades of this convention always are, and among the best held in the country. The uniforms, apparatus and marching could not have been better. Thirty companies and over 2,000 men, with twenty – five bands were in line. The uniforms were of all descriptions which made it interesting. W. V. Burhans was chief marshal. There were six divisions. The organizations in the parade were: Exempt Association, New York; Morrisania Exempts, New York; Fire Patrol, Mount Vernon; Hill H. & L., Rensselaer; Edmonds Hose, Hudson; Washington Hose, Hudson; Hoysradt Hose, Hudson; Seth Wheeler Hose, Castleton; Osgood Co., Troy; Mulford Co., Glasco; De Peyster H. & L. Tivoli; Catskill Hose, Catskill; Active Hose, Rosendale; Strang Hose, Mechanicsville; Howland Chemical, Mechanicsville; Le Dow Hose, Mechanicsville; Rescue H. & L, Haverstraw; Booth Hose, Poughkeepsie; Highland Hose, Highland; Moore Hose, Kingston; Exempts, Saugerties; Snyder Hose, Saugerties; Washington H. & L., Saugerties; Minnehaha, S. F. E., Saugerties.

President Ernest Hassinger of the Hudson Valley Association was born in New York City Jan. 27, 1852 but has been a resident of Saugerties ever since he was a lad. He is a cigarmaker. He is an enthusiastic fireman, having joined Rough and Ready Hose (now R. A. Snyder Hose Co.) in 1869, and has ever since been a member of the department, has been its chief, and is now its treasurer. He is a member and highest officer of I. O. O. F., Royal Arcanum, F. & A. M., the State and Hudson Valley Firemen's Associations and the Esopus Bathing Club. He has one of the finest collections of firemanic badges and photos in the State.

Thursday evening of last week Snyder Hose presented him with a large sized portrait of himself richly framed.

1129. No. 3 Station, Chattanooga. [illustration]

1130. Hand dated Saugerties Post, March 28, 1904. Whole Block Burned; Young Man Suffocated. An Early Morning Fire on Main Street With Sad and Distressing Results. William Simons Meets A. Very

Untimely Death. The Whole Frame Row of the Brede Estate Totally Destroyed and the Jernegan Block Badly Guttred. The Firemen Did Heroic Work Amidst Great Difficulties.

A fire in which the results were shocking and distressing, a human life being sacrificed, casting a shroud of gloom over the entire community, one in which several firms were put out of business, and one also that demonstrated the efficiency of the Saugerties fire department, broke out in the frame block belonging to the Brede estate on Main street about half past three o'clock this morning and after a heroic effort on the part of the firemen, all the hose in the department and the steamer being made use of, it was gotten under control about half past six o'clock, the buildings of the Brede estate being totally destroyed, while the adjoining building, one of frame belonging to Edward Jernegan, was badly gutted. The fire was a very stubborn one, being mostly between the walls of the Brede and Jernegan buildings, being difficult to reach and the blinding smoke and now and then sheet of flame bursting forth gave the firemen an undesirable job. They conquered it, however, using six streams. To add to their laborious work, the water froze on the firemen's coats and the ladders and hooks were also coated with ice making them dangerous to handle, and yet no one suffered injury in the work.

#### THE DISCOVERY OF THE FIRE.

About half past three o'clock, officer Charles Whitaker of the Partition street beat smelled smoke and on walking up Main street, officer C. E. Abeel being near the upper bank, he discovered flames pouring forth from the upper part of the building over Miss Wood's millinery store. Officer Whitaker then turned in an alarm, while officer Abeel began rousing the inmates of the buildings. All were gotten out safely save William Simons, an employee of J. Brede & Co. who slept in the rooms over the store occupied by William E. Wolven. He was suffocated. When the firemen arrived, the whole upper portion of the Brede buildings were afire. Several lines of hose were laid and to add to the seriousness of the situation, the hydrant near Seamon Bros. was found to be frozen. In the meantime the flames were burning fiercely and were rapidly devouring their way into the Jernegan building. Second assistant chief Jonas Myer, being in charge of the firemen, then sent in an order for the steamer and soon several streams were engaged in effective work. Several barns being in the rear of the burning buildings two lines of hose were stretched in Jane street and the fire thus confined to the buildings already ablaze. In this work the firemen showed their ability and ere long the fire king was brought under subjection.

#### THE SUFFOCATION OF YOUNG SIMONS.

When the fire first began, Otto Voerge of the firm of J. Brede & Co., made an effort to rouse young Simons, and from all accounts no response was received. A ladder was then placed against the window of the room in which he was sleeping and the window smashed in. William Voerge then entered the room which was full of stifling smoke, but was unable to find Simons. A few minutes later John Adams, of Snyder Hose, with George Lang, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. entered the room, and after a vigorous search Adams discovered Simons on the floor, face downward, between the bed and wall. They brought the body out and took it into Manning's store, adjoining. Dr. R. F. Diedling and Dr. Luther Emerick were summoned, and immediately began a strenuous effort to resuscitate the young man, but life had fled. The young man's parents were then notified and as soon as the mother appeared her grief was inconsolable, The body was then removed to Keenan & Burhans' undertaking rooms, and later to the deceased young man's home near the Canoe Hill. He was a stepson of Judson Fuller, the milkman. What makes Simons' death the more sadder was that he only began to work for Brede's on Saturday. He visited his parents Sunday and talked with them of giving up his position, and he was prevailed upon to remain at home for the night. He, however, said he would return and care for the horses, and then quit. This he did, and met his death. Why it was that he did not get out is a matter of conjecture, but it is believed he arose, and while attempting to dress was overcome by the smoke and fell over, being unable to get farther, dressing. When found he had his socks and overshirt on, indication that he was probably dressing when the inhaling of the smoke suffocated him. He was a

young man of excellent reputation, and his untimely and tragic death is greatly deplored. He was about eighteen years old.

THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

The origin of the fire is unknown, and it is believed that it had been smouldering for some time before manifesting itself. The buildings were a veritable fire trap. Once or twice before incipient fires have been squelched in the same block, and as the buildings were old and dry, a big conflagration was looked for. As discovered the fire was in close proximity to a chimney against the Jernegan building and in vacant rooms adjoining. It may have been due to spontaneous combustion, it may have been due to a defective flue. All these are purely theories, the exact cause is, and probably will be unknown. The buildings were all low, two-story ones, and the tin roofs covering them kept the firemen guessing several times, as the blaze broke out anew in different places. In the Brede block was the millinery store of Miss M. Woods, the café of Finger and Mann, the cigar store of James Merchant, and the cigar store of W. E. Wolven. In the latter was located the town clerk's office. and all the valuable papers and records of the town were in danger. These were all removed to a place of safety, however. In James Merchant's store was a lot of gunpowder and loaded shells. These officer C. E. Abeel removed, and thus avoided an explosion. Many of the guns and other goods were also removed from Merchant's. The upper portion of Jernegan's was destroyed by fire, but the place was flooded with water. In this building was located Mrs. W. H. Eckert's millinery store and Mrs. Jernegan's fancy goods store. In all these buildings the stocks were badly damaged by water. The loss is estimated at twelve thousand dollars. It is partially covered by insurance in the agencies of Eckert & Snyder, Darbee & Clum, Edward Jernegan and H. T. Keeney.

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1131. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, N. Y. May 9, 1904. Almost a Big Fire; Firemen's Fine Work. The Plant of "The Post" Saved from Destruction by Fire This Morning – Adjoining Building Badly Damaged. Thanks to the fearless and brave firemen of the Saugerties fire department, THE POST is issued as usual this afternoon and the people's newspaper is in the hands of its many readers, without interruption. Fire about ten o'clock this morning broke out in the kitchen of Dilwin's [sic] Tompkins home adjoining our office building and soon the entire place was enveloped in a mass of flames. An alarm was at once sounded, and in three minutes and a half (actual time by Wm. Mould) a stream of water was being played on the burning building by the firemen. The fire burst through the windows, and our building being in close proximity, was also soon ablaze. The fire began eating its way rapidly into the upper portion of our building, and the roof and ceiling covering our job and stock room was burning fiercely. The tin roof was cut open and two streams turned on the blaze, and it was soon subdued. Had the fire occurred at night our entire plant would have been in ruins, together with the Hommel Corner Pharmacy and Hudson River Telephone Co. Office, occupants of our building. The building where the fire started is of brick and was occupied by Dilwin Tompkins as a candy and fruit store, his living apartments being in the rear, and Henry Schneider, shoemaker's shop, on the first floor. On the second floor Fawn Stewart and Mr. Hirsch of the firm of Poit & Hirsch resided. When the fire broke out Mr. Tompkins was at Malden, peddling. His wife and children were home and in the store. In the rear of the store is a frame addition and back of the kitchen stove the fire is believed to have originated, how or exactly when being unknown, and before the flames were captive to the firemen, Tompkin's stock was completely destroyed, as was his furniture, wearing apparel and household goods. Although insured for \$300 in George B. Trumbour's agency, the loss is very hard on Mr. Tompkins and much sympathy was expressed for him and his family. There was no insurance on the building which is owned by Fred T. Russell. The loss to THE POST was mostly by water, our job room being flooded, while several fonts of type were put out of business. Our loss is covered in the agencies of Eckert & Snyder, Darbee & Clum and H. T. Keeney. The damage to the roof of the building is slight. The occupants of the Russell building other than Tompkins, suffered no loss, save discomfort from blinding smoke. [illustration]



1132. George J. Goehrig, Telephone 321 M Union. Wines and Liquors Hudson Boulevard, opp 1<sup>st</sup> St. W. N. Y. Weehawken P. O. East New Durham, N. J. [illustration]

1133. Saugerties Post, April 18, 1904. The Ev. Lutheran Church Services Sunday. Rev. Dr. Berkemeier of Mount Vernon Presents the Cause of the Institution He is Superintendent Of.

A large audience were present at the Lutheran church on Sunday at both services to listen to the eloquent and instructive discourses by the Rev. G. C. Berkemeier. D. D., superintendent of the Wartburg Orphans' Home of Mount Vernon, N. Y. In the morning he preached a powerful sermon on John 21: 15-17, impressing especially all parents with the sacred duty of bringing up their children in the fear and admonition of the Lord, so that they may grow up to be useful young men and young women, and accomplish something for time and for eternity.

In the afternoon the reverend gentleman accompanied the pastor and the choir to Plattekill, where he spoke in the English language. "Young man, young woman, aim high!" this was the keynote which he sounded in his remarks. The evening service was given over to the Sunday school. A very large audience was present, the Sunday school occupying seats to the right of the centre aisle. At this service the Rev. Dr. Berkemeier spoke especially of the great work which he is doing among the inmates of the institution whose superintendent he has been for the last eighteen years. During the severe winter, which we had this year they had not a single case of sickness among the 230 children in the home and for the last twelve years they had but one death. Very touching was the presentation of the Lenten self-denial offering of the Sunday school by two little girls, Edith Seamon and Pauline Smith, each holding a small tray, the one with three ten dollar gold pieces, the other with two. Dr. Berkemeier said: "I do not know which I shall take, the shining gold pieces or the two little girls. If I had the choice, I would take the girls." The collection of the morning, afternoon and evening services amounted to twenty dollars. A total sum of seventy dollars was thus handed to the Rev. Dr. Berkmeier for the work of love which he is doing among the orphan children in the home near Mount Vernon. [illustration of the Ev. Lutheran Church]

1134. Saugerties Post, May 6, 1904. Baker Had His Revenge And Made the Noble Red Men of Athabasca Tribe Sick.

The Catskill "Mail" of Thursday says: Last night about ten o'clock a nauseating stench filled the air in the vicinity of the Opera House block on the corner of Bridge and Main streets. This smell was suggestive of burning rags, rubber and old shoes, and a few pedestrians were on the point of sending in a fire alarm. While they were speculating upon the matter, a number of the members of Athabasca Tribe, No. 251, I. O. R. M., came down the stairs from the lodge room above, stopped on the side walk for a minute and filled their lungs with the cool and invigorating night air. Their faces were deathly pale and not a few of them seemed to be on the verge of a collapse. When questioned as to the cause of their condition, one of the red men stated that the tribe had been treated to cigars by Brother William Baker, who joined the ranks of the Benedicts last week, marrying Miss Gleisner, of Saugerties. When the business of the evening had been concluded a new box of cigars was passed around with the compliments of Mr. Baker. Every man settled back in his chair, lighted his cigar and mentally voted Baker one of the best fellows alive, but they changed their minds shortly after. All went well for a few minutes, and the room was full of fragrant smoke. Finally Fred G. Gould remarked that he smelled rubber burning, and started out to ascertain the cause. The stench increased in strength and volume, and mingled with the odor of burning tobacco, hair and rages. The windows were thrown wide open, but the smell continued to grow. One Indian dropped his cigar suddenly, placed both hands upon the pit of his stomach, and side stepped hurriedly out of the room. Soon another followed suit with undignified haste, and finally half a dozen others did likewise. In a few minutes every man in the room appeared to lose all enjoyment in his weed, with the exception of James Boyce, who puffed calmly away at his cigar, and smoked it up so close that

it burned his mustache. Finally some one smelled a rat, as well as burning rubber; out came jack knives , and half consumed cigars were dissected. In the center of some were rubber bands, others contained wool and cotton, and in a few was found liberal supply of hair. A search was made for Baker, but that gentleman had urgent business elsewhere, and could not be found. The noble Red Men then tumbled to the fact that the bridegroom had been taking revenge for the serenade his brother Indians had given him one morning about 2 o'clock, shortly after his marriage. He swore at the time that he would get even, and he kept his word.

1135. President W. R. Joyner, International Association of Fire Engineers. [illustration]

1136. Hand dated Saugerties Post, April 27, 1904. Married Another; Had Wife Living.  
A Brooklyn Policeman Comes to this Town and Marries a Girl – Has a Family in the City – Arrested.  
Charged with Bigamy.

Just west of Shultis's Corners, in the town of Woodstock, near the Saugerties line, lived Peter Keegan, a respectable farmer, with his wife and family. Mr. Keegan has resided in this vicinity a number of years and is an upright and reliable citizen. Two of his daughters and a son make their home in Brooklyn. They all have held responsible positions. The daughters are unusually attractive and highly esteemed among a large circle of friends. The son holds a prominent position in a large banking house on Broad street, New York city. On the first day of February, the daughters and son were unmarried. In a different part of the city of Brooklyn, lived John F. Rhatigan, who has been a patrolman on the police force for about ten years, and lately attached to the 50<sup>th</sup> precinct of that borough. For the last two or three years, Rhatigan, a man of good appearance, has been paying his addresses to Miss Mary E. Keegan, conducting himself well, as far as she or her friends were able to learn. Last summer Rhatigan and Miss Keegan visited her father's house, and favorably impressed Mr. Keegan. In the first part of February last, he applied for a leave of absence from his post, stating as has since been learned that he was about to have an operation performed in one of the city hospitals. He was granted leave from duty for a period of nineteen days, and came up to Mr. Keegan's, Miss Keegan having preceded him. He called on Rev. Thom. T. Halpin, of St John's rectory, Veteran, and prepared himself as required by the rules of the Roman Catholic church, for the sacrament of marriage to Miss Keegan. Rhatigan was a stranger to Father Halpin, the latter relying solely on his introduction. The wedding was solemnized by Father Halpin on Feb. 7, 1904, and the couple went to Brooklyn to the home of her brother Robert, where they remained for two weeks. One day, Rhatigan not returning home as was his custom, his wife called up police headquarters to ascertain the cause and there learned to her amazement that Rhatigan was a married man, having been married eleven years, and with his wife and three children resided in Brooklyn. Rhatigan's first marriage occurred at St. Edwards' church, Myrtle avenue Brooklyn, eleven years ago, the church records showing this. The second Mrs. Rhatigan, having become apprised that her husband had another wife, living, came to Saugerties immediately and notified Father Halpin of the situation. She also consulted lawyer Carroll Whitaker. Father Halpin, Mr. Whitaker and Mrs. Rhatigan then went to New York city, and after a conference, decided to prosecute Rhatigan to the fullest extent of the law. On Mr. Whitaker's return, a warrant was procured from Judge Coon of this place, and placed in the hands of officer D. E. Abeel to execute. Abeel went to New York last Friday, and on his arrival there the city detective force were detailed on the case. They discovered, after a search, that Rhatigan had resigned from the force Tuesday afternoon, however, officer Abeel received a telegram from New York stating that Rhatigan had been caught, and he started at once for the city to secure his man. Rhatigan was brought here today, and arraigned before Judge Coon on the charge of bigamy, and held to await the action of the grand jury. The penalty for bigamy is five years in prison. Mr. Whitaker, in behalf of Mrs. Rhatigan, has begun an action to annul the marriage. It is said that at the time Rhatigan

was courting Miss Keegan, he was also engaged to a widow, and she now threatens a suit for breach of promise.

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1137. Saugerties Post, June 2, 1904. Saugerties Listens to the Curfew Bell. Its First Peal Heard on Wednesday Evening and Children All Left the Streets.

Staid old Saugerties with its Dutch ancestry listened for the first time in its existence, Wednesday evening, to the curfew bell and as the hour of nine pealed forth from the town clock, the bell in the Reformed church, gave forth in loud tone, the warning that from the street, the children must retreat. It was something of a novelty for our old burghers, but it will soon wear away and then the town will resume its natural wont. In order that parents may become familiar with the law, we print it below. An ordinance prohibiting persons under sixteen years of age from being on the streets, alleys and public places in the village of Saugerties, at night after the hour of nine o'clock, p. m. from April 1st to Sept. 30th inclusive, of each year, and from Oct 1st to the last day of March, inclusive, of each year, after the hour of eight o'clock p. m. Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y.

Sec. 1. It is hereby made unlawful for any persons under sixteen years of age to be or remain in or upon any of the streets, alleys, or public places in the Village of Saugerties, at night after the hour of nine o'clock, p. m. from April 1st to Sept. 30th inclusive, of each year, and from Oct 1st to the last day of March, inclusive, of each year, after the hour of eight o'clock p. m. unless such person is accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person having legal custody of such minor person, or is in the performance of a errand of duty directed by such parents, guardian, or other person having the legal custody of such minor person, or whose employment makes it necessary to be upon said streets, alleys or public places during the night time after said specified hours. Provided – This exception shall not apply when the person under such age shall be playing or loitering in or upon said street, alley or public place, whether alone or accompanied by a parent, guardian or any persons whomsoever.

Sec. 2. It is hereby made unlawful for any parent, guardian, or other person having the legal care and custody of any persons under sixteen years of age, to allow or permit and such child, ward, or other person under said age, while in such legal custody, to go or be in or upon any of the streets, alleys or public places in the said village, within the time prohibited in Section 1 of this ordinance, unless there exists a reasonable necessity therefor. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall on conviction, be fined in any sum not less than five dollars or more than twenty-five dollars for each offence and stand committed until such fine and costs are paid.

Sec. 3. Each member of the police force while on duty, is hereby authorized to arrest, without warrant, any person willfully violating the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance and retain such person for a reasonable time in which complaint can be made and a warrant be made and served. Be it further ordained, that no child or minor person arrested under the provisions of this ordinance shall be placed in confinement, but the parents or guardians of such child or minor persons shall be notified of such arrest, and if they or any of them after being so notified shall thereafter fail, neglect or refuse to properly care for such child or minor person so as to prevent such child or minor person being or remaining upon [sic] any street, alley or public place in violation of the provision of Section 1 of this ordinance, such parent, guardian or other person having the legal care of custody of such child or minor person shall be liable to the penalty provided in Section 2 of this ordinance. It shall be the duty of the police justice upon the arrest of any child or minor person for violation of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance to inquire into the facts of such arrest of such child or minor person, and if it shall appear that such child or minor persons, for want of proper parental care is growing up in mendicancy

or vagrancy or is incorrigible, cause the proper proceedings to be had and taken as authorized and provided by law in such case.

1138. New York. Officers and Committees of the Grand Council of New York - 1903-1904.

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| Grand Regent              |   |
| Stephen C. Gallot         | 66 Broadway, New York                     |
| Vice Grand Regent         |   |
| Samuel L. Hong            | 109 S. 1 <sup>st</sup> Ave., Mount Vernon |
| Grand Orator              |   |
| Theo. Thonet              | 409 9 <sup>th</sup> st., Brooklyn         |
| Grand Secretary           |   |
| J. Y. Bicknell            | 314 Vermont st., Buffalo                  |
| Grand Treasurer           |   |
| Frank D. Westcott         | Utica                                     |
| Grand Chaplain            |   |
| Edward Becker             | Williamsbridge, New York                  |
| Grand Guide               |   |
| Frank W. Crandall         | Westfield                                 |
| Grand Warden              |   |
| Thos. L. Crane            | 202 W. 102 <sup>nd</sup> St., N. Y. City  |
| Grand Sentry              |   |
| David B. Martin           | 61 Taylor st., Brooklyn                   |
| Finance Committee         |   |
| Samil Redfern, Chi'man,   | 38 Wierfeld st., Brooklyn                 |
| Daniel A. Brown           | 956 Ogden Ave., New York                  |
| Thomas W. Howell          | 209 Guernsey st., Brooklyn                |
| Grand Trustees            |   |
| A. F. Sherman, Chairman   | 270 First Ave., N. Y.                     |
| Dr. A. S. Johnson         | 563 River St., Troy, N. Y.                |
| Charles E. Cornell        | Elmira, N. Y.                             |
| Supreme Representatives   |   |
| H. W. Jones               | P. O. Box 146, Brooklyn                   |
| P. H. Cannon              | 284 Montgomery St., Bloomfield            |
| W. W. Sheffield           | 179 Washington st., Brooklyn              |
| Steven Hickson            | 559 Broome St., N. Y.                     |
| Frank Collins             | Syracuse                                  |
| Frank W. Elliott          | Middletown                                |
| W. F. McConnell           | 203 Broadway, N. Y.                       |
| W. A. Griffith            | 669 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn             |
| S. C. Gallot              | 66 Broadway, N. Y.                        |
| Charles O. Grim           | 134 Broadway, Brooklyn                    |
| P. F. McGowen             | 224 East 12 <sup>th</sup> st., New York   |
| A. H. Kilpatrick          | 85 White St., New York                    |
| J. F. Charter             | Elmira, N. Y.                             |
| Alternate Representatives |   |
| Walter C. Burton          | 105 Broadway, New York                    |
| R. P. McCully             | 13 Van Buren St., Brooklyn                |
| W. M. Lindsay             | 95 Macon St., Brooklyn                    |

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|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| J. R. Newell       | Little Falls                          |
| T. E. Hardgrove    | Elmhurst                              |
| T. J. Hartung      | 1306 Fulton Ave., N. Y.               |
| Frank M. Clute     | 100 Broadway, N. Y.                   |
| J. B. Burggraf     | 167 E. 70 <sup>th</sup> St., N. Y.    |
| H. C. Dunscomb     | 61 Irving Place, Brooklyn             |
| Jesse Fuller       | 504 Hancock st., Brooklyn             |
| Dr. R. J. Morrison | 354 Tompkins Ave., Brooklyn           |
| J. F. Reichard     | 359 W. 43 <sup>rd</sup> St., New York |

## Committee on Laws and Supervision

|                      |                                    |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Leon Lewin, Chairman | 316 E. 72 <sup>nd</sup> st., N. Y. |
| Robert Pearsall      | 151 Macon st., Brooklyn            |
| B. G. Higley         | Sandy Hill                         |

## Committee on Printing and Supplies

|                          |                                     |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| H. L. Goodrich, Chairman | 392 Fargo Ave., Buffalo             |
| Joseph Godwin            | 1352 51 <sup>st</sup> St., Brooklyn |
| E. S. Moore, M. D.       | Bay Shore                           |

## Committee on Extension and Council Work

|                       |                              |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| K. P. Shedd, Chairman | 105 Rosendale st., Rochester |
| A. W. Paulsworth      | 129 Spruce St., N. Y.        |
| H. G. Thomas          | 356 Seventh St., Brooklyn    |
| Edward Rowell         | 45 Pine St., N. Y.           |
| A. L. Tuttle          | 505 Madison St., Brooklyn    |

All communications to the Grand Regent, should be addressed to 66 Broadway, New York City; those to the Grand Secretary to 314 Vermont Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

1139. General Directory. Officers and Committees of the Supreme Council, Royal Arcanum, 1903-1904.  
Supreme Officers and Committees

## Supreme Regent

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| A. S. Robinson, | St. Louis, Mo. |
|-----------------|----------------|

## Supreme Vice-Regent

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Howard C. Wiggins | New York |
|-------------------|----------|

## Supreme Orator

|                  |               |
|------------------|---------------|
| Robert Van Sands | Chicago, Ill. |
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## Supreme Secretary

|              |               |
|--------------|---------------|
| W. O. Robson | Boston, Mass. |
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## Sitting Past Supreme Regent

|                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Joseph A. Langfitt | Pittsburgh, Pa. |
|--------------------|-----------------|

## Supreme Treasurer

|               |                  |
|---------------|------------------|
| E. A. Skinner | Westfield, N. Y. |
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## Supreme Auditor

|                  |               |
|------------------|---------------|
| Alfred L. Turner | Boston, Mass. |
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## Supreme Guide

|                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| H. S. Burkhardt | Chicago, Ill. |
|-----------------|---------------|

## Supreme Warden

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Isaac W. Caulfield | New York City |
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## Supreme Sentry

|                |                  |
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| R. M. Millican | Evansville, Ind. |
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Supreme Trustees

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| J. M. Johnson                          | Chicago          |
| Charles H. Prentice                    | Connecticut      |
| Uriah W. Tompkins                      | New York         |
| Elective Member of Executive Committee |                  |
| C. H. Bowen                            | Pawtucket, R. I. |

Standing Committees

Committee on Finance

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| Charles J. Taylor | Baltimore, Md. |
| W. F. Irving      | Norfolk, Va.   |
| J. G. Lester      | Covington, Ga. |

Committee on Laws

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| John Haskell Butler | Boston, Mass.     |
| Arthur C. Salmon    | Brooklyn, N. Y.   |
| W. H. Shoemaker     | Philadelphia, Pa. |

Committee on Appeals

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| D. F. Mac Watt | Barre, Ont.    |
| H. I. Bowne    | Hoboken, N. J. |
| W. M. Giller   | Omaha, Neb.    |

Committee on Council Work

|                                |                 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| J. B. Tresidder, Montreal Star | Montreal, P. Q. |
| E. E. Dow                      | Toledo, Ohio    |
| D. R. Crampton                 | Monroe, Mich.   |

1140. Hand dated May 9, 1905. Esopus Club Officers

The Esopus Bathing Club held their annual meeting Monday evening, and elected the following officers: John A. Snyder, president; Wm. Liddle, vice-president; Wm. Ziegler, secretary and treasurer; Byron Hallenbeck, Martin Cantine and Fred T. Lewis, trustees.

1141. Saugerties Post, April 2, 1904. A Busy Session of Village Board. Curfew Ordinances to be Drafted, Sewer Question to be Voted On, Bills Audited and Other Business.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, April 1, 1904.

Directors present – Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A remonstrance was read from Mr. Egbert Whitaker in regard to water running from Ulster avenue on to his premises. The President referred the matter to the Legal Committee.

The Street Committee reported as follows: Cleaned sewer on Washington avenue; two loads of ashes on Underwood street; cleaned walk on Washington avenue (property of Irving Elting, labor ½ day); purchased two oil suits from J. D. Fratscher's Co.; cleaned part of Partition and Main streets; purchased five planks from the Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co. to repair fence on Hill street; purchased one broom from Myron Bedell; filled in washout on lower end of Main street; one load crushed stone for repairs on West Bridge street; replaced two broken tram; repaired sewer on Montgomery street; three loads of chips on Burt street; repaired sewer on upper end of Market street.

The firemanic committee reported that the fire hydrants had been inspected and tested, and that the chief engineer of the fire department had furnished a written report of their condition.

Motion that a copy of the report be sent to the Board of Water Commissioners with the request that the same be attended to. Carried.

The firemanic committee also reported that Mr. S. J. Adams had stated that he would build a stairway in the rear of the opera house to be approved by the Board.

The matter of repairing the hose cart of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. was referred to the firemanic committee with power to act.

The board of sewer commissioners presented a petition for the board of directors requesting that the submitting of the proposition thereof at special election.

On motion, RESOLVED, That the petition be received and placed on file.

On motion, RESOLVED, That said proposition be submitted at a special election to be held at Firemen's hall, in the said village, on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1904, between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and 4 o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

The clerk called the roll, all the directors voting in the affirmative.

On motion, RESOLVED, That the clerk be directed to publish the notice of the election in the official paper of the village, to-wit, The SAUGERTIES POST. The first publication to be on April 2, 1904.

The president appointed Messrs. Ziegler, McLaughlin and Crump to act as tellers at the special election.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights   |             |
| to April 1, 1904,                  | \$224.84    |
| C. H. Vedder, salary and supplies, | 27.00       |
| F. M. Murphy, repairing foun-      |             |
| tain,                              | 4.25        |
| Myron Bedell, supplies,            | 4.18        |
| Frank L. Lewis, watching Voerg     |             |
| fire,                              | 2.00        |
| Geo. J. Longfeld, watching         |             |
| Voerg fire,                        | 2.00        |
| John T. Sinnott, watching          |             |
| Voerg fire,                        | 2.00        |
| Wm. Mac Mullen, inspecting and     |             |
| testing hydrants,                  | 3.00        |
| Patrick Burns, inspecting and      |             |
| testing hydrants,                  | 3.00        |
| W. E. Winchell, repairs at en-     |             |
| gine houses,                       | <u>2.75</u> |
|                                    | \$275.02    |

HEALTH FUND.

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| John H. DeWitt, M. D., salary   | \$ 50.00    |
| to April 1, 1904,               |             |
| W. E. Wolven, vital statistics, | 11.00       |
| Alex Lackey, salary to Mar 4,   |             |
| 1904,                           | <u>8.00</u> |
|                                 | \$69.00     |

ROAD FUND.

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor, 6 ½ days,     | \$ 9.75 |
| Wm. Yanchke, labor, 7 3-4 days, | 11.62   |
| B. Reynolds, labor 3 1- 4 days, | 4.87    |
| R. Casey, salary for March,     | 29.16   |
| F. Yanchke, team, 2 3-4 days,   | 12.37   |

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J. D. Fratscher & Co., two oil suits  
and hats,

6.00  
\$73.77

Motion that the legal committee be authorized to draft a Curfew ordinance to be presented to the board at its next meeting. Carried.

On motion the bond of L. B. Howard was accepted.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1142. Hand dated Saugerties Post, April 16, 1904. Street Supt's. Salary Increased by Directors. New Spanners and Suspenders for Fire Department Ordered – Bills Audited – New Hose Cart – Other Matters. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, Crump, McLaughlin, and Ziegler. President Rowe, presiding.

Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

Street committee reported as follows: Scraped Partition street from Main to Lafayette streets; scraped Main street from Washington avenue to Second street; scraped Market street from Main street to Ulster avenue; scraped Ulster avenue from Market to Elizabeth street; fourteen loads of crushed stone for patching; six loads of chips on Burt street; purchased two shovels from James Russell; one plank to repair fence on Church street; one load of chips on Ulster avenue; one load of chips on Main street; cleaned out all side gutters; now working on Washington avenue.

Motion that the crusher committee be empowered to place the crusher plant in repair for the contractor. Carried.

The legal committee reported progress on the Egbert Whitaker matter and also curfew ordinance.

Firemanic committee reported progress on the matter of procuring new hose cart.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

## GENERAL FUND.

Eureka Fire Hose Co., 1000

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| feet of hose, less freight,                              | \$898.11     |
| H. Gleisner, setting up booths,                          | 3.00         |
| D. McLaughlin, inspector of<br>special election,         | 2.00         |
| James Crump, inspector of<br>special election,           | 2.00         |
| William Ziegler, inspector of<br>special election,       | 2.00         |
| C. H. Vedder, clerk of special<br>election and supplies, | 3.10         |
| James Russell, lanterns and<br>shovels,                  | 17.80        |
| Maurice Carle, testing hose,                             | 2.00         |
| Edward B. Codwise, surveying<br>and map,                 | <u>54.94</u> |
| Total,   | \$983.95     |

## ROAD FUND.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Wm. Yanchke, labor 12 ½ days,   | \$ 18.75 |
| Wm. Dixon, labor, 10 ½ days,    | 15.75    |
| B. Reynolds, labor, 8 ½ days,   | 12.75    |
| John Mitchell, labor, 2 ½ days, | 3.75     |



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|-------------------------------|--------------|
| F. Yanchke, team, 8 3-4 days, | 39.37        |
| Wm. Doyle, team, 7 days,      | <u>31.50</u> |
| Total,                        | \$121.87     |

The following communication was read:

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State of New York, Executive Chamber, Albany

April 14, 1904.

Hon. C. T. Coutant,  
Assembly Chamber.

Dear Sir: - It gives me pleasure to state that your Bill, Assembly No. 1699, entitled  
AN ACT.

To amend chapter two hundred and sixty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled  
"An act revising and amending an act entitled 'Act to incorporate the village of Ulster.'" relative to the  
title of such act and the salary of the street commissioner has been signed by the Governor to-day.

Very truly yours,

Jas. G. Graham, Secretary to the Governor.

On motion, RESOLVED, That commencing on May 1, 1904, the salary of the Street Commissioner be at  
the rate of \$500.00 per year.

Motion that the clerk be directed to order to improved hose suspenders and two dozen Taber's patent  
spanners. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1143. Saugerties Post, May 9, 1904. A Busy Session of Village Board. The Wide Tire Ordinance, Curfew  
Ordinance and Budget for the Year Adopted – Bills Audited and Other Business.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, May 6, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

The following communication was received from the Board of Water Commissioners:

Saugerties, N. Y., April 11, 1904

*To the Honorable, The Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y.*

Gentlemen: - We recommend that the sum of thirty-four hundred sixty-seven dollars be included in your  
annual budget for the purpose of meeting the semi-annual interest on 26 Bonds of \$1000 each, Series  
No. 3, issued Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901; interest due and payable on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sept. 3, 1904, respectively,  
amounting to \$897.00.

The interest of the two bonds of \$1000 each, Series No. 3, Section No. 2, interest due and payable May  
9th and Nov 9th, 1904, \$ 70.00

And to provide for Bond No. 3, Series No. 3, growing due and payable on  
Sept. 3r, 1904 for one thousand dollars 1000.00

Also the sum of 1500.00

for the extension of water mains in Mynderse street, as per application of H. Gillespy, F. T. Russell and  
Henry Krauss.

And by Robert Main for extension of water main in Barclay street.

Very respectfully submitted,  
Saugerties Water Commissioners,  
H. C. Bogardus, Sec.

On motion, Resolved, That the communication from the Board of Water Commissioners be received and placed on file, and that the sum of \$3467.00 be included in the annual budget for the year 1904, as requested.

The Street Committee reported as follows:

Rolled Elm St.; rolled Washington Ave., rolled Post St.; replaced one broken tram, one load of dust on Elm St.; seven loads of ashes on Burt St. and two loads of chips on Burt St. and two loads of chips for quarry; eight loads of chip to repair Mynderse St.; cleaned out ditch on West Bridge St., property of S. Truesdale; three barrels of wood from J. Martin for steam roller; one and one-fourth tons of coal from Finger & Lewis; men watching roller five nights; steam roller used by village 3 ½ days.

Motion that the matter of straightening Post street be laid on the table. Carried.

The matter of laying and lowering crosswalks was referred to the Street committee with power to act.

The matter of the sewer on Post street was referred to the Street committee.

Motion, that the President be empowered to sell the old water pipe leading to the crusher. Carried.

Crusher committee reported that repairs had been made at the crusher.

On motion, Resolved, That the Village Improvement Association be granted permission to place their proposed fountain on the square at Main and Market streets, under the supervision of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Ziegler offered the following ordinance, and moved its adoption.

#### VILLAGE ORDINANCE

An ordinance prohibiting persons under sixteen years of age from being on the streets, alleys and public places in the village of Saugerties, at night, after the hour of 9 o'clock, p. m. from April 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup> inclusive, of each year, and from October 1<sup>st</sup> to the last day of March, inclusive, of each year, after the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y.

Sec.1. It is hereby made unlawful for any persons under sixteen years of age to be or remain on or upon any of the streets, alleys, or public places in the Village of Saugerties, at night after the hour of nine o'clock, p. m. from April 1st to Sept. 30th inclusive, of each year, and from Oct 1st to the last day of March, inclusive, of each year, after the hour of eight o'clock p. m. unless such person is accompanied by a parent, guardian or other person having legal custody of such minor person, or is in the performance of a errand of duty directed by such parents, guardian, or other person having the legal custody of such minor person, or whose makes it necessary to be upon said streets, alleys or public places during the night time after said specified hours. Provided – This exception shall not apply when the person under such age shall be playing or loitering in or upon said street, alley or public place, whether alone or accompanied by a parent, guardian or any persons whomsoever.

Sec. 2. It is hereby made unlawful for any parent, guardian, or other person having the legal care and custody of any persons under sixteen years of age, to allow or permit and such child, ward, or other person under said age, while in such legal custody, to go or be in or upon any of the streets, alleys or public places in the said village, within the time prohibited in Section 1 of this ordinance, unless there exists a reasonable necessity therefor. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall on conviction, be fined in any sum not less than five dollars or more than twenty-five dollars for each offence and stand committed until such fine and costs are paid.

Sec. 3. Each member of the police force while on duty, is hereby authorized to arrest, without warrant, any person willfully violating the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance and retain such person for a reasonable time in which complaint can be made and a warrant be made and served. Be it further ordained, that no child or minor person arrested under the provisions of this ordinance shall be placed in confinement, but the parents or guardians of such child or minor persons shall be notified of such

arrest, and if they or any of them after being so notified shall thereafter fail, neglect or refuse to properly care for such child or minor person so as to prevent such child or minor person being or remaining upon [sic] any street, alley or public place in violation of the provision of Section 1 of this ordinance, such parent, guardian or other person having the legal care of custody of such child or minor person shall be liable to the penalty provided in Section 2 of this ordinance. It shall be the duty of the police justice upon the arrest of any child or minor person for a violation of the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance to inquire into the facts of such arrest of such child or minor person, and if it shall appear that such child or minor persons, for want of proper parental care is growing up in mendicancy or vagrancy or is incorrigible, cause the proper proceedings to be had and taken as authorized and provided by law in such case.

Sec. 4. This ordinance shall take effect June 1, 1904.

The above ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote.

The village collector, John Crowley, reported having collected \$10,960.55 of the general tax, \$136.00 of the poll tax and \$34.00 of the dog tax of the Corporation tax Levy of 1903.

The President referred the Collector's report to the Finance committee.

The clerk reported that a building permit has been granted to A. O. Voreg, the heirs of John Bruckner and to Edw. Jernegan for 30 days from April 18, 1904.

Mr. Ziegler offered the following, moved its adoption.

#### WIDE TIRE ORDINANCE

An ordinance to prescribe the width of tires used on wheels of wagons, carts or trucks used in the Village of Saugerties, upon which loads, baggage, freight, merchandise, stone or other material are drawn or conveyed through or upon the streets, avenues, roads, lanes or alleys within the bounds of the corporation and to compel the owners or users of such wagons, carts or trucks to use the width of tire prescribed by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties do ordain as follows:

Section One. From and after the first day of June, 1904, the width of the tires used on wheels of wagons, carts or trucks used in said Village upon which loads, baggage, freight, merchandise, stone or other material are drawn or conveyed or carried through or upon the streets, avenues, roads, lanes or alleys within the bounds of the corporation shall be as follows:

1. – Upon all wagons, carts or trucks built and designed to carry and carrying a weight of 2,500 lbs. but not exceeding 4,000 lbs. exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck the width of the tires shall be at least three inches.

2. – Upon all wagons, carts or trucks built and designed to carry and carrying a weight of 4,000 pounds and not exceeding 8,000 pounds exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck, the width of tires shall be at least four inches.

3. – Upon all wagons, carts or trucks built and designed to carry and carrying a weight of 8,000 pounds and not exceeding 16,000 pounds exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck, the width of the tires shall be at least six inches.

4. - Upon all wagons, carts or trucks, built and designed to carry and carrying a weight of 16,000 pounds or more exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck, the width of the tires shall be at least eight inches.

Section Two: Any person, persons, corporation or company offending against the provisions hereof shall forfeit and pay a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each offense. The violation of this ordinance shall constitute disorderly conduct and any person violating the same shall be a disorderly person.

The above ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights<br>for April,                   | \$224.84    |
| Saugerties Gas Co., lights for<br>March and April,               | 3.67        |
| New York Belting & Packing<br>Co., supplies,                     | 8.00        |
| Jas. V. Gilmore, watching Rus-<br>sell fire,                     | 2.00        |
| Edward Lawler, watching Rus-<br>sell fire,                       | 2.00        |
| W. E. Persons, care town clock<br>March and April,               | 8.00        |
| J. R. Martin, 3 bbls. wood,                                      | .75         |
| Myron Bedell, supplies,  | 2.01        |
| John Crowley, 5 per cent on poll<br>tax and dog tax collections, | <u>8.50</u> |
|  | \$259.77    |

ROAD FUND.

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 7 days,                   | \$ 10.00     |
| Wm. Yanchke, labor 5 ½ days,               | 8.25         |
| B. Reynolds, labor 9 ½ days,               | 14.00        |
| E. Brink, labor 3 days,                    | 4.50         |
| F. Yanchke, team 4 ¼ days,                 | 14.62        |
| R. Casey, salary and expressage,           | 29.61        |
| S. B. Van Wagenen, 4 days<br>steam roller, | <u>40.00</u> |
|  | \$121.73     |

The following tax budget was read:

TAX BUDGET FOR 1904.

|                      |                |
|----------------------|----------------|
| General Fund,        | \$ 4000.00     |
| Road Fund,           | 4000.00        |
| Health Fund,         | 400.00         |
| Bond Account,        | 1120.00        |
| Water Co. Requisite, | <u>3467.00</u> |
|                      | \$12,987.00    |

On motion, Resolved, that the Tax Budget for the year 1904 be adopted as read.

Motion that the Board adjourn until Monday evening, May 9, 1904, at 8 o'clock. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

Board adjourned. C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1144. Undated. Directors Proceedings. An Adjourned Meeting Held on Monday Evening.

Adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors held Monday evening, May 9, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, Ziegler, McLaughlin and Crump. President Rowe presiding.

Mr. R. B. Overbagh appeared before the Board on behalf of the Village Improvement Association, and read a communication from their President in regard to the location of the proposed Children's Fountain.

Mr. S. M. Gray, President of the Sewer Board, appeared before the Board and asked for \$800.00 for sewer purposes.

On motion, Resolved, That a warrant for \$800.00 be drawn in favor of the Martin Cantine Co. to acquire a piece of property for sewer purposes.

On motion, Resolved, That the sum of \$46.96 for setting curb and gutter in front of the property of Anna Boyle on Washington avenue, be included against the property in the Corporation Tax for 1904.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1145. Saugerties Post, July 7, 1904. The Sewer Bids. Received and Opened, But No Contract Awarded as Yet.

In response to the advertisement of the Sewer Commission, for the construction of a system of sewers, in Saugerties, representatives of six different contractors were present, and submitted bids as follows:

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| McNamee & Rice, Kingston,                  | \$75,200  |
| Smith Construction Co., Philadelphia, Pa., | 76,375    |
| Frank Pidgeon, Saugerties, N. Y.,          | 77,869    |
| Geo. S. Miller, Oneida, N. Y.,             | 79,000    |
| Lewis & Co., N. Y.,                        | 93,554.96 |
| Ajax Construction Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.,    | 123.000   |

The Commissioners have the bids under advisement.

1146. Saugerties Post, Sept 20, 1904. Quarantine is Off. No More Muzzling of the Dogs in Town.

The following notice posted about town by Dr. Ambler explains itself. It surely is much approved, especially by the canines.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:-

TAKE NOTICE – That I, Charles A. Weiting, Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of New York, by virtue of the power and authority conferred upon me as such, did issue and publish on February 23, 1904, a notice of restriction or quarantine upon and against an infectious or contagious disease known as rabies in the Town of Saugerties, County of Ulster and State of New York.

It having come to my notice that, at the present time, the disease of rabies does not now exist in any dog or dogs, or other domestic animals in the said quarantine district, I therefore hereby give notice to all persons within the said Township of Saugerties that the restriction or quarantine as issued and published on the aforesaid twenty-third day of February, 1904, is hereby cancelled and withdrawn.

1147. Hand dated, Post, June 8, 1910. Joe Wolven Robbed.

Some time Monday evening entrance was gained to the residence of Joseph Wolven in Mellenville by forcing a door, and a child's bank containing money, a couple of razors belonging to Mr. Wolven and some other articles were taken. The thief left the house unobserved, but a clue has been obtained, and he may be captured soon. Mr. Wolven is a son of Egbert Wolven, and a brother of Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, of this village.

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1148. Saugerties Post, June 4, 1904. Proceedings of Our Common Council. Important Business by the City Fathers at Their Meeting on Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening June 3, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Street committee reported as follows:

# Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Lowered three crosswalks on Ulster avenue, one on Elm St., one at Cross St., one at Mrs. Lasher's; lowered three on Livingston St., one on Second, one on First, one on Market; lowered two on West Bridge St., one leading to Jane and one leading to Main; two on Market St., one crossing Ulster Ave., one end of Market St.; five on Main St., one crossing from postoffice, one from Russell's block, one from Porter's block, one from drug store, one from Reformed church, one from Partition St.; lowered three crosswalks on Washington Ave., one on Russell St., one on Post St., one on Clermont St.; two on Partition St., one on Clermont St., one on Lafayette St., cleaned up streets, scraped West Bridge St. from Main to Jane, cleaned streets, graded roads on Ulster Ave., dug bank away to put up a stone wall on Ulster Ave., seven loads of chips on Underwood St., ordered by the President, I. Mower, one load of dust, weight 6790.

Crusher committee reported that repairs were being made at crusher.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

## General Fund.

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co.,        |              |
| lights to June 1,                | \$224.84     |
| Saugerties Gas Co. lights        |              |
| at engine house,                 | 3.20         |
| National Express company,        |              |
| expressage,                      | 1.50         |
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co.,    |              |
| coal and lumber,                 | 31.46        |
| A. A. Post, repairs at fire      |              |
| house,                           | 2.00         |
| James Russell, repairs,          | 1.35         |
| James Teller, firemanic          |              |
| supplies,                        | 3.75         |
| D. E. Abeel, services as police- |              |
| man to May 15,                   | 50.00        |
| C. E. Abeel, expenses to         |              |
| Rondout,                         | 2.00         |
| R. E. Sternberg, surveying and   |              |
| drafting map,                    | <u>71.00</u> |
| Total                            | \$391.10     |

## Health Fund.

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| J. H. DeWitt, salary for April |              |
| and May and expenses,          | \$37.83      |
| Alex. Lackey, salary to June   |              |
| 1st,                           | <u>12.00</u> |
| Total,                         | \$40.83      |

## Road Fund.

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 10 3-4 days,    | \$ 16.12 |
| B. Reynolds, labor 6 days,       | 9.00     |
| John Mitchell, labor 3 1-4 days, | 4.87     |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 3 1-4 days,    | 14.62    |
| P. Canner & Co. repairs at       |          |
| crusher,                         | 23.73    |
| Albany Belting and Supply        |          |
| Co., 1 oak belt,                 | 35.67    |

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 6 1-4 days,                | 9.37        |
| J. Mitchell, labor 5 days,                  | 7.87        |
| F. Yanchke, labor 2 1-2 days,               | 3.75        |
| F. Hughes, labor 1 day,                     | 1.50        |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 4 1-4 days,               | 19.12       |
| R. Casey, salary for May,                   | 41.68       |
| Stanley & Trethewey, repairs<br>at crusher, | 4.85        |
| S. B. Van Wagenen, team 35<br>days,         | 138.00      |
| W. Doyle, cartage and<br>freight,           | <u>3.30</u> |
| Total,                                      | \$328.43    |

On motion, RESOLVED, That the whistle on the Electric Light company's building be designated be blown at 9 o'clock each evening as a warning of the Curfew ordinance.

Motion, that the president be authorized to have the dials on the town clock painted. Carried.

The following invitation from the president and secretary of the firemen's committee was read:

Saugerties, June 2, 1904.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y.

You are hereby most cordially invited to participate in the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and parade of Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association to be held in Saugerties, June 21st and 22nd, 1904. To be guests of the local committee at dinner on Tuesday, June 21st, and also to ride in the parade Wednesday, June 22nd. Hoping to have the pleasure of being your hosts on the above mentioned dates.

Yours sincerely,

R. B. Ballman, Pres. Ernest Hassinger, Sec.

Motion, that the invitation be accepted. Carried.

On motion, RESOLVED, That the following ordinance establishing a curb and grade line on Mynderse street be adopted.

An ordinance establishing curb and grade line on Mynderse street in the Village of Saugerties, Ulster County N. Y.

The Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties do ordain and resolve as follows:

Resolved, That the curb and grade lines on Mynderse street be established as follows:

WEST CURB LINE

Beginning at an iron pipe 144 feet south-east corner of Peter P. Schoonmaker's stone house at the intersection of the west curb line of Mynderse street with the south property line of Main street at an assumed elevation of 48.90 feet, thence southerly on the line making an angle of 153 degrees 35 minutes with the southeast corner of said Schoonmaker's house, rising 1.20 ft. per hundred for 250 feet, elevation 51.90; thence falling 1.20 ft. per hundred for 198.5 feet to an iron pipe, elevation, 48.13; thence deflecting 13 degrees 5 minutes east, falling 1.90 ft. per hundred for 51.5 feet, elevation 47.15, thence falling 4.30 ft. per hundred for 250.8 feet to an iron bolt elevation 36.40.

EAST CURB LINE

Beginning at an iron pipe 161.4 feet south-east from the southeast corner of Peter P. Schoonmaker's stone house at the intersection of the east curb line of Mynderse street with the south property line of Main street at an assumed elevation of 48.90 feet, thence southerly on a line making an angle of 144 degrees 32 minutes with the southeast corner of said Schoonmaker's house, rising 1.20 ft per hundred for 250 feet, elevation 51.90, thence falling 1.90 ft. per hundred for 193 feet to an iron pipe, elevation 48.23; thence deflecting 13 degrees 5 minutes east falling 1.90 ft per hundred for 57 feet, elevation 46.15; thence falling 4.30 ft. per hundred for 241.5 feet to an iron pipe elevation 36.77.

The curb connecting the west curb line of Mynderse street with the south curb line on Main street shall be laid on a curve of 10 feet radius; grade to conform to established grade at the points of intersection of the curb line of each of said street with the property line of the other street.

The east curb line of Mynderse street is 30 feet from and parallel to the west curb line of said street.

The east and west side walks are each 10 feet wide.

The survey of Mynderse street is based upon a deed given by Nicholas Schoonmaker to Egbert P.

Schoonmaker and Peter P. Schoonmaker dated May 27th, 1844, and recorded in the Ulster County Clerk's office, June 12th, 1844, in book No. 62 of deeds at page 106.

Bench: - Top of water hydrant near corner Main street and Malden road at an assumed elevation of 50 feet above datum.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1149. Saugerties Post, July 26, 1909. Fined Fifty Dollars.

D. L. Martin was arraigned by officer C. E. Abeel before Police Justice Rowe Saturday afternoon charged with indecent exposure of his person on complaint of several young women employed on Partition Street. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$50 which he paid and was discharged with a reprimand from the Judge.

1150. Saugerties Post, June 18, 1904. The Proceedings of the Directors. The Business Transacted at Their Meeting Friday Evening – Bills and Miscellaneous Matters.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening 17, 1904. [sic]

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Street committee reported as follows:

Cleaned grass from Hill street; two new planks to fix fence on Church street; two loads stone for patching; repaired sewer on Post street; cleaned out sewer crossing Mc Donald street; opened roadway on Genthner property, on Ulster avenue; cleared out side gutters; cleaned out gutter on Main street; cleaned out sewer on Livingston street; cleaned grass on Washington avenue; cleaned grass on Lafayette street; cleaned grass on Market street; cleaned grass on West Bridge street; cleaned up stones and cut the grass from Valley and Underwood streets; cleaned grass from East Bridge street; repaired sewer at Malden bridge and repaired railing on same bridge.

Motion, that the owners of the Davis property be notified to repair curb and gutter in front of their property on Ulster avenue within fifteen days of the date of the notice. Carried.

Motion, that R. B. Overbagh be notified to curb and gutter in front of the property owned by him on Underwood street within fifteen day of the date of the notice. Carried.

The firemanic committee reported that the hose reel had been repaired and that the cart was now in good condition for service.

Motion, that Firemen's Hall be decorated at a cost not to exceed \$20.00. Carried.

On motion Arthur Van Steenberg, Charles Babcock, Augustus Katt and Luther Hommel were confirmed as members of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

GENERAL FUND.

American La-France Fire En-

gine Co., new hose reel, \$20.00

C. H. Vedder, salary, 25.00

J. G. Palmer, 6 months services

as janitor, 48.00



\$93.00

HEALTH FUND.

David M. Hunter, vital statistics, \$ 3.00

ROAD FUND.

F. M. Murphy, labor and material,

\$ 45.24

Wm. Dixon, labor 9 ½ days, 14.25

J. Mitchell, labor, 10 days, 15.00

F. Yanchke, labor 6 days, 9.00

Wm. Yanchke, team 4 days, 22.50

\$105.99

On motion the following were appointed as special police for June 22d, 1904, and also for June 21st 1904, if necessary: John Lowther, James Dunn, Michael Kenney, John Johnson and William Rivenberg, and the President to be authorized to appoint two or more additional if necessary. The special police to be paid \$2.00 per day.

Constables – Charles E. Abeel and Chas. Whitaker.

Chief of Police – David E. Abeel.

The constables to be paid not to exceed \$4.00 per day, and the chief of police not to exceed \$5.00 per day.

On motion, License for selling souvenirs, etc., was fixed at \$2.00 per day and all other things which are permissible at \$5.00 per day, and gambling of all description to be prohibited and the Clerk was directed to fill out twenty or more blank license forms for the Chief of Police, part at \$2.00 and part at \$5.00 and charge to him and to be accounted for by him.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1151. Saugerties Post, July 2, 1904. Our Village Fathers Business Session. The Regular Routine of Business Transacted at the meeting on Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, July 1, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Street Committee reported as follows: cleaned streets, cleaned weeds on Ulster avenue; three loads of stone from Elm street to fill in gutter on Washington avenue; two loads of stone for patching ; six loads of chips on Mynderse street; closed two sewers on Post street.

The bid of Geo. W. Rider for painting Firemen's Hall was referred to the Firemanic Committee with power to act.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

GENERAL FUND.

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights to

July 1, 1904, \$224.84

Chas. Whitaker, 6 months

police duty, 75.00

C. E. Abeel, 6 months

police duty, 75.00

P. C. Smith, labor and supplies, 16.30

Wm. Hanna, salary as engineer  
of steamer to July 1, an repairs  
at crusher,

28.50

Geo. A. Traham, decorating  
 Empire engine house, assigned to  
 A. Rowe, 10.00  
 \$429.64

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Dixon, labor 6 days, \$ 9.00  
 John Mitchell, labor 3 days, 4.50  
 F. Yanchke, labor 5 days, 7.50  
 Wm. Fosbrook, labor 1 day, 1.50  
 Wm. Yanchke, team 5 days, 22.50  
 B. Casey, salary for June, 41.65  
 H. Gleisner, labor and material, 2.40  
 \$89.05

HEALTH FUND.

W. E. Wolven, vital statistics, \$10.75  
 Alex. Lackey, salary sanitary in-  
 spector, 5.00  
 \$15.75

LICENSE FUND.

D. E. Abeel, police duty as chief,  
 June 21 and 22, \$10.00  
 Chas. Whitaker, police duty,  
 June 21 and 22, 8.00  
 C. E. Abeel, police duty June 21  
 and 22, 8.00  
 George Sickles, special police,  
 June 21 and 22, 4.00  
 Michael Kenney, special police,  
 June 21 and 22, 4.00  
 John Lowther, special police,  
 June 22, 2.00  
 William Rifenberg, special po-  
 lice, June 22, 2.00  
 \$38.00

On motion the bills of John Johnson, James Dunn and Denis Dunn for special police duty, was referred to chief of police, D. E. Abeel.

Motion, that the Saugerties Cemetery Association be paid \$100 toward the care of that portion of the Main St. cemetery belonging to the village. Carried.

The clerk reported having received from the chief of police \$88.00 collected for souvenir licenses on June 21 and 22, 1904, and had paid the same to the Village Treasurer.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1152. Butterfly picture. [illustration]

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1153. Saugerties Post, March 30, 1904. The Sewerage Question in Saugerties. Letters Exchanged Between Health Officer De Witt and State Commissioner of Health, Dr. Lewis, on Subject.

The appended letters regarding the sewerage question in Saugerties exchanged by health Officer DeWitt and State Commissioner of Health, Dr. Lewis, explain themselves.

Daniel Lewis, M. D.

State Com. of Health,  
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Doctor:- The question whether Saugerties shall have sewers is to be submitted to the citizens on or about April 15th, 1904. This village has a system of water supply, but has no public means of carrying off waste water or material – cess pools being used for this purpose.

A few residences have private sewers, which discharge their contents into the Hudson river and the Esopus creek.

The water supply is furnished by the Plattekill creek.

The water-shed is the Round Top, down whose slopes flow three streams, which are tributaries to the Plattekill.

Although the village is situated on high grounds, overlooking the Hudson river and Esopus creek, yet, there exists a wide area of wet and swampy soil, caused by a deposit of clay. The water rises through the sub-soil to the surface and becomes contaminated by running through cess-pools and foul soil. It presses into the cellars of houses, public schools and churches. In some cellars it remains the year round to the depth of two feet, and is of bad color and offensive odor. It renders the houses unsanitary, and menaces the public health.

The hotels and public buildings, situated on the Main streets, having no adequate means of sewerage, the soil surrounding them has become foul through accumulated filth, an exciting cause of disease, which may give rise to an epidemic.

The village is in great need of public sewerage. I wish you would advise with me on the subject.

Very Respectfully Yours,

John H. DeWitt, M. D., Village Health Officer, Saugerties, N. Y.

New York State Department of Health, Albany

March 24th, 1904.

John H. DeWitt, M. D., Health Officer, Saugerties, N. Y.

Dear Sir: - I am in receipt of your communication of the 20th inst. stating that the question of whether the Village of Saugerties shall have a system of public sewers will be submitted to the people about April 15, 1904, and note your reference to need of such system.

In reply you are informed that plans for a sewer system were approved by this Department, Dec. 17, 1902.

The authorities failing to construct the sewers within a reasonable time, a representative of this Department visited Saugerties some months since for the purpose of conferring with the authorities as to the necessity for prompt completion of the system, a fact which has been clearly demonstrated to us upon investigation as well as by reason of your statement as to nuisances now existing in the matter of damp cellars, leaching cesspools, &c.

It is therefore hoped that the citizens of Saugerties will take steps to place their Village in a proper sanitary condition by voting for an immediate construction of a sewer system in accordance with the plans already approved.

Very respectfully, Daniel Lewis, Commissioner of Health.

T. A. Stuart, Chief Clerk,

Albany, March 28th, 1904.

John H. DeWitt, M. D. Health officer, Saugerties, N. Y.:

Dear Sir: - I enclose herewith, copy of a report made by Dr. R. M. Pearce upon his examination of a specimen of water received from you. Very respectfully, Daniel Lewis.

Commissioner of Health

T. A. Stewart, Chief Clerk

Albany, N. Y., March 25, 1904.

Dr. Daniel Lewis, Commissioner, State Dept. of Health.

Dear Sir: - Following is the report on the specimen of water from Dr. John H. DeWitt, Health Officer at Saugerties, N. Y. Specimen dated March 23rd; received here same day; analysis started same day.

There was no gas in any of the fermentation tubes. Agar plates showed no organisms per c. c. Gelatin plates showed 45 organisms per c. c.

This water is therefore passed.

Respectfully submitted, R. M. Pearce, Director

The above analysis proves the public drinking water of the village to be pure. There exists two cases of typhoid fever in the town, one caused by drinking the impure water of the Esopus creek, the other by drinking water from the Hudson river.

John H. DeWitt, Health Officer.

1154. Saugerties Post, April 12, 1904. The Sewerage Question For the Village. A Statement from the Board of Sewer Commissioners Concerning Them and the Plans.

Our village is now contemplating putting in sewers. We thought it would be only fair to inform our taxpayers, telling them the required amount that would be necessary to do the work, also showing them how much bonded indebtedness is now against the village, and what the sewer commissioners will probably do providing the sewer question is carried.

First – Can we have sewers, or not, from a legal standpoint? The law reads that we cannot raise more than 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of the last assessment roll. Now, barring out the water bonds, which have nothing at all to do with this case, we find the bonds of the village outstanding to date are \$3,000.

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| The assessed valuation is, | \$979.450 |
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| Less personal property, | <u>63,500</u> |
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| Which leaves real property valuation, | \$915,950 |
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| Therefore the law allows us to raise, | 91,595 |
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| Less the bonded indebtedness, | <u>3.000</u> |
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| Which equals, | \$ 89.595 |
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| And the sewers would only require, | 86,000 |
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This leaves us within the limit, notwithstanding our village assessors only assess at half rate.

Second – If this proposition should be carried, we have thirty years to pay for these sewers. We propose to pay only the interest on this amount for the first three years; that will leave us twenty-seven years to pay the \$86,000, if the system costs this much to build, which would be about \$3,000 and interest each year.

Third – The reason we have for deferring the time three years before starting in to take up the bonds, is this: By that time our village bonds would be all cleaned up, and there would be no direct tax to support the water system, as the water system is nearly self-supporting now, and by having sewers the revenue for water would increase from one-third to one-half. Therefore, we would get something from our water to help support our sewers.

Fourth - Our corporation is mapped out in four profiles. The sewer commissioners now want to sewer the first, second and third profiles, (covering over 10 miles of sewers,) leaving about 2 miles of sewers,

as shown on profile number four, to be constructed at a later date. A map showing these profiles is now at the office of the Water Commissioners for those how are interested to examine for themselves.

Fifth – Of course, we cannot expect to live here in Saugerties very much longer without some remedy. If we expect to stay in the procession with other places, we must have the improvement, to say nothing about the danger of epidemics that might come at any moment the way we are living now. This money is not going to be spent in Europe, but in Saugerties, and somebody will be benefitted by the building of the sewers and probably a good many of the smaller taxpayers will earn more in some way or other, while the sewers are being built, than there tax will ever amount to.

S. M. Gray,  
R. B. Overbagh,  
A. R. Burhans, Sewer Commissioners

1155. Hand dated Saugerties Post, April 15, 1904. Saugerties Will Have System of Sewers. A Special Election Held on Thursday and the Majority Was Fifty-five in the Affirmative.

Saugerties, the pride of the Hudson valley and the prettiest village in New York state is to have a system of sewerage. This important decision regarding our municipality was made on Thursday when in the special election held, it was decreed by the majority of taxpayers, not very large, yet large in proportion to the vote cast. The question of sewerage has been the subject of much agitation for some time and with a deep sense of modesty we refrain from making it known the little we have done in the matter. The question, one of vital interest stirred up considerable opposition, but those in its favor had successfully marshaled their forces and victory was not in doubt. To many minds and especially among some who favored sewers there was a marked suspicion as to the proposition being carried, and the victory was not only hailed with surprise but great delight, as much, that general rejoicing prevailed everywhere. The victory was a great one for the progressives and the much needed, as well as desired sewers will now become a reality. The vote case was one hundred and ninety-four, and among those exercising the right of suffrage was a large number of women. The majority in favor of sewers was fifty-five, the complete vote polled being given in the official canvas in another column.

With this system of sewers, Saugerties will take another step forward in the procession of live and up-to-date municipalities and no longer will be the "thread bare" statement be heard, that we're behind the times. THE POST believes in Saugerties and heartily congratulates its citizenry on the results of Thursday's election. Now for sewers.

1156. Hand dated Saugerties Post, April 15, 1904. The Official Canvass Of the Special Election for Sewers Held on Thursday.

Of the special election held at Firemen's Hall, in the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., on the 14th day of April, 1904, between the hours of 10 o'clock in the forenoon and 4 o'clock in the afternoon: The whole number of votes cast for Proposition No. 1 as follows:

Shall there be constructed at the expense of the Village of Saugerties Sewage disposal works and such portions of the permanent sewer system for such Village as shown on the map and plans of the permanent sewer system for said Village heretofore submitted to and approved by the State Board of Health and filed in the office of such board December 17th 1902 and a copy filed in the office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Saugerties March 26, 1901. as are shown by profiles Numbers One, Two, and Three and shown on said map in blue colored lines for profile No. 1, in pink colored lines for profile No. 2, and in violet colored lines for profile No. 3.

The estimate maximum cost of the said sewage disposal works and such portions proposed to be construction as above defined is the sum of eighty-six thousand dollars. The estimated minimum cost thereof is the sum of sixty-thousand dollars.

Total number of votes cast 196; of which 122 were in favor, and 67 were against; 5 blank and 2 spoiled. The whole number of votes cast for proposition No. 2, as follows:

Shall the Directors of the village of Saugerties, if proposition No. 1, be adopted, create funded debt and issue its bonds in the sum not to exceed the sum of eighty-six thousand dollars in the manner provided by law for the specific purpose of constructing sewage disposal works and such portions of the permanent sewer system for the Village of Saugerties as are shown on the map and plans of the permanent sewer system for such village heretofore submitted to and approved of by the State Board of Health of the State of New York and filed in the office of such board December 17th, 1902 and a copy filed in the office of the Village Clerk of the Village of Saugerties March 26th, 1901 as shown by profiles Numbers One, Two and Three and shown on such map in blue colored lines for of No. 1, and in pink colored lines for profile No. 2, and in violet colored lines for profile No. 3, and shall the Directors of the Village of Saugerties caused to be levied by taxes upon the taxable property of said Village a sum sufficient to pay the interest and principal as the same shall become due?

Total number of votes case, 196, of which, 120 were in favor and 62 were against, 12 blanks, 2 spoiled.

William Ziegler

Denis McLaughlin

James Crump, Inspectors.

C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

1157. Saugerties Post, June 10, 1904. The Mount Vernon Fire Companies. About Three Hundred to Come From That Place to the Parade on the 22nd.

The Mount Vernon Argus, says: The annual convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held at Saugerties, N. Y., on Wednesday, June 22. The Mount Vernon fire department will be represented at this convention by Fire Patrol No. 1 and Engine Company No. 3. The Fire Patrol company has chartered the steamer City of Hudson to take the company, apparatus and friends to the convention.

The company will leave Mount Vernon about 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening, June 21, and will go to Yonkers by trolley. The wagon will be taken to Yonkers early in the afternoon. The company and friends and the wagon will all leave Yonkers on the steamer about 10 o'clock Tuesday evening.

After an all night sail, Saugerties will be reached at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning. The Mount Vernonites will remain all day and take part in the parade, in which there is no doubt, they will present the fine appearance for which the local department has come to have a reputation. They will be headed by the Port Chester Cornet Band.

It is expected that 300 people will accompany the Fire Patrol on this occasion including members of the company. This also includes the Mayor, members of the Common Council, and City Clerk, all of whom have signaled their intention of going. A list of the staterooms is on view at Alvord's drug store, Third avenue and Third street, for those who have not yet secured staterooms. As they are going fast, prompt action will be necessary on the part of the delinquents.

Among the people who will go with the patrol company are the members of Engine Company No. 3. who have purchased tickets from the patrol company will help represent the city in the parade, with their apparatus. The return from Saugerties will be made at about 9 o'clock Wednesday evening and after another all-night sail, Yonkers will be reached about 5 o'clock Thursday morning.

1158. Hand dated Post, June 3, 1904. Another Candidate For the Presidency of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Convention.

Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mount Vernon, N. Y. a former vice-president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, is in the field this year for the Presidency. His name is not meeting with much favor, however, among the delegates to the convention and in all probability Ernest Hassinger of Saugerties will be chosen as President at the convention the 21st inst.

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1159. Saugerties Post, June 8, 1904. The Big Firemen's Parade This Month. Twenty-Seven Companies and Bands to March on Wednesday, June 22nd. – Will be a Big Day.

Following are the arrangements made for the big firemen's parade Wednesday, June 22nd:

Parade to start at 1:30 p. m., sharp.

Divisions to form as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Division – Lafayette street, head towards Washington avenue.

2<sup>nd</sup> Division – Market street, north of Lafayette street.

3<sup>rd</sup> Division – Market street, south of Lafayette street.

4<sup>th</sup> Division – Partition street, south of Lafayette street.

5<sup>th</sup> Division – John street, south of Lafayette street.

6<sup>th</sup> Division – Washington avenue, north of Lafayette street.

Line of March – Lafayette street to Washington avenue. Washington avenue to Main street.

Main street east to Howard Bogardus's house, counter left to right to Second street, Second street to Livingston street, Livingston street to Market street. Market street to Lafayette street. Lafayette street to Partition street. Partition street to Bridge street. Bridge street to Hill street. Hill street to Church street; Church street to Burt street, counter right to left to Valley street. Valley street to East Bridge street. East Bridge street to West Bridge street. West Bridge street to Main street. Main street to Partition street and disband.

William V. Burhans, Marshall.

William Doyle, Jr., Aid.

Henry Cordes, Aid.

1<sup>st</sup> Division Band.

New York Exempts.

Exempts Fire Association

22d and 23d wards, New York.

Band.

Mount Vernon Fire Patrol, No. 1 Mount Vernon.

Engine Co. No. 3, Mount Vernon

Rensselaer Drum Corps.

Hill Hook & Ladder Co. Rensselaer.

C. T. Montgomery, Marshall.

B. F. Davis, Aid.

2<sup>nd</sup> Division.

Hudson Band

Edmonds Hose Co., No. 1, Hudson.

Phoenix Hose Co., No. 5, Hudson.

Elting's Fife & Drum Corps.

Washington Hose Co. No. 3, Hudson.

Stottville Band.

Hoysradt Hose Co., No. 3, Hudson.

Seth Wheeler Hose Co., Castleton, N. Y.

M. H. Weygant, Marshall.

Richard C. Washburn, Aid.

3<sup>rd</sup> Division

Band.

J. G. Osgood Steamer Co., of Troy.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Drum Corps.  
Mulford Engine Co., of Glasco.  
Drum Corps.  
DePeyster Hook & Ladder Co., Tivoli.  
Ormsbee Steamer Co., Tivoli.  
Band.  
Catskill Hose Co., Catskill.  
T. F. O'Dea, Marshall.  
H. B. Ambler, Aid.  
4<sup>th</sup> Division  
Rifton Band.  
Active Hose Co., Rosendale.  
Strang Hose Co., Mechanicsville.  
Wm. L. Howland Chemical Engine Co., Mechanicsville.  
Ladow Hose & Steamer Co., Mechanicsville.  
A. A. Finger, Marshall.  
Byron Hallenbeck, Aid.  
5<sup>th</sup> Division.  
Drum Corps.  
Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. Haverstraw.  
Drum Corps.  
Booth Hose Co. Po'keepsie.  
Drum Corps.  
Highland Hose Co. No. 1, Highland.  
Moore Hose Co. Kingston.  
A. R. Burhans, Marshall.  
Stephen F. Barker, Aid.  
6<sup>th</sup> Division.  
Exempt Firemen's Asso., Saugerties.  
20<sup>th</sup> Regimental Band.  
Snyder Hose Co., Saugerties.  
Drum Corps.  
Laflin Hose Co., Saugerties.  
Band.  
Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Saugerties.  
Minnehaha Steamer Co. No. 1.  
President and Directors of Village of Saugerties.  
Invited Guests.

Companies that arrive after the parade has started will not be placed in their regular division, but behind the 6th division preceding the carriages.

Disbandment.

1<sup>st</sup> Division – Partition street, north of Main street.

2<sup>nd</sup> Division – Partition street, south of Main street.

3<sup>rd</sup> Division – Market street.

4<sup>th</sup> Division – Main street, east of Partition street.

5<sup>th</sup> Division – Partition street, south of Main street.

6<sup>th</sup> Division – Partition street, north of Main street.



1160. Hand dated The Rockland Co. Times, June 11, 1904. Saugerties Parade. Interest Being Arouse in Coming Meeting. Hassinger Hustling. Says Parade is to be a Hummer – Strife for Honors – To Have More than 20 Companies in Line.

The apathetic aroma that appears to have surrounded the arrangements for the holding of the annual parade and convention of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association which is to take place in Saugerties on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 21, and 22, seems to be giving way to a lively interest and diligent effort to make the pageant part of the demonstration at least of a respectable character, so far as the number and volume of the companies to participate are concerned.

Former chief engineer Ernest Hassinger of the Saugerties fire department and who is an avowed candidate for president of the association, and to whom the association is largely indebted for having a place to hold this year's convention and parade, is sure that it will be a magnificent success.

Several companies have been secured in the last few weeks and Mr. Hassinger is consequently highly elated. In a letter to the Times he says that the following companies are sure to participate in the parade: Osgood Steamer of Troy; Fire Patrol No. 1 and Engine Co. No. 3 of Mount Vernon; Catskill Hose of Catskill; Moore Hose of Kingston; Hill Hook and Ladder Co. of Rensselaer [*sic*]; Edmonds Hose, Hyseret Hose and Washington Hose of Hudson; Strang Hose of Mechanicsville; Booth Hose and Chemical Engine of Poughkeepsie; New York Exempt Firemen's Association of the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Wards of New York City; Mulford Engine Co., of Glasco; Highland Hose of Highlands, N. Y. Seth Wheeler Hose of Cassleton; Active Hose of Rosendale; Depuyster Hook and Ladder Co. and Ormsbee Steamer of Tivoli; Rescue Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1 of Haverstraw, with Snyder Hose, Laflin Hose, Washington Hook and Ladder Co. and the Exempt Firemen's Association, comprising the four companies in the Saugerties department. In addition to the companies enumerated, Mr. Hassinger says he also expects another company from Troy and one more from Hudson. They confidently expect to have more than twenty companies in line.

While no prizes are to be given the companies participating in the parade, they are assured of a warm welcome, and genuine hospitable treatment on the part of the people of Saugerties.

The resources at the hands of the committee having in charge the preparations of the convention, will not permit the elaborate entertainment that was accorded to the delegates in Catskill and Haverstraw, but, the delegates to the convention while not being assured of an excursion of any kind, are to be given a first class dinner and in addition, the committee are to use every effort to make it pleasant for the visitors.

Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. have chartered a special train and have secured from the West Shore Railroad a concession of one fare for the round trip for all those who desire attending the parade.

Mr. Hassinger, to whom success, as before said, the coming parade and convention will be largely due, and who is an avowed candidate for president of the association, is not to have his coveted honors without a desperate struggle. Editor Tucker of the Newburgh Register, who is one of the most active firemen along the Hudson River, does not take kindly to the Hassinger program and in Monday's issue of the paper says:

"There's a whole lot of talk about the presidency of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mount Vernon, wants it, and so does Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties. Neither cause much enthusiasm. If the association is to be maintained, made a factor for good work, some one capable of carrying it to the summit must be named this year. Ex chief Fred Bieber, of Poughkeepsie, could have had the office last year for the saying so. He has been treasurer for several years, and a good one, too. But there are other equally fitted for the position. What is wanted is an executive head, one who will make the organization a power, and such a man is Bieber. It's high time the big hearted fellow threw aside his personal feeling and gave the organization the benefit of his influence and power. There's no boom needed, for that boom was started a year ago. It's simply a case of take it."

1161. Hand dated Saugerties Post, June 18, 1904. Twenty-Eight Companies To Parade Here With Twenty-two Musical Organizations it Will Make and Imposing Pageant on Wednesday Afternoon. Following is the official revised list of the companies participating in the big firemen's parade Wednesday. The parade will start promptly at 1:30 o'clock :

1<sup>st</sup> Division – Lafayette street, head towards Washington avenue.

2<sup>nd</sup> Division – Market street, south of Lafayette street.

3<sup>rd</sup> Division – Ulster avenue, head resting on Lafayette street.

4<sup>th</sup> Division – Partition street, head resting on Lafayette street.

5<sup>th</sup> Division – John street, head resting on Lafayette street.

6<sup>th</sup> Division – Washington avenue, north of Lafayette street.

Line of March – Lafayette street to Washington avenue. Washington avenue to Main street.

Main street east to Howard Bogardus's house, counter left to right to Second street, Second street to Livingston street, Livingston street to Market street. Market street to Lafayette street. Lafayette street to Partition street. Partition street to Bridge street. Bridge street to Hill street. Hill street to Church street; Church street to Burt street, counter right to left to Valley street. Valley street to East Bridge street. East Bridge street to West Bridge street. West Bridge street to Main street. Main street to Partition street and disband.

William V. Burhans, Grand Marshall.

M. H. Wygant, Aid.

C. T. Montgomery, Aid.

FIRST DIVISION

Henry Cordes, Marshall.

B. F. Davis, Aid.

Doring's Band.

J. G. Osgood Steamer Co., of Troy.

Exempts Fire Association, 22nd and 23rd wards, New York  
Band.

Mount Vernon Fire Patrol. No. 1, Mount Vernon.

Portchester Band.

Engine Co. No. 3, Mount Vernon.

Rensselaer Drum Corps.

James Hill Hook & Ladder Co. Rensselaer.

SECOND DIVISION

William Doyle, Jr., Marshall.

Richard C. Washburn, Aid.

Hudson Band.

Edmonds Hose Co., No. 1, Hudson.

Phoenix Hose Co., No. 5, Hudson.

Elting's Fife & Drum Corps.

Washington Hose Co. No. 3, Hudson.

Stottville Band.

Hoysradt Hose Co., No. 3, Hudson.

Seth Wheeler Hose Co., Castleton, N. Y.

Palmer Engine Co., Kinderhook. N. Y.

THIRD DIVISION

David W. Hommell, Marshall.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Winfield Snyder, Aid.  
Co. C Band.  
Catskill Hose Co., Catskill.  
Fishkill Drum Corps.  
Mulford Engine Co., of Glasco.  
A. O. U. W. Drum Corps, Catskill.  
DePeyster Hook & Ladder Co., Tivoli.  
Evans Drum Corps, Catskill.  
Ormsbee Steamer Co., Tivoli.  
Hallock Hose Co., Liberty, N. Y.

FOURTH DIVISION

T. F. O'Dea, Marshall.  
H. B. Ambler, Aid.  
Rifton Band.  
Active Hose Co., Rosendale.  
Strang Hose Co., Mechanicsville.  
Wm. L. Howland Chemical Engine Co., Mechanicsville.  
D. E. Ladow Hose & Steamer Co., Mechanicsville.  
Hunter Cornet Band.  
Hunter Hose Co., Hudson.

FIFTH DIVISION

B. M. Frelich, Marshall.  
Byron Hallenbeck, Aid.  
Walden Drum Corps.  
Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. Haverstraw.  
19<sup>th</sup> Sep. Co. Drum Corps.  
Booth Hose Co. Po'keepsie.  
Drum Corps.  
Highland Hose Co. No. 1, Highland.  
Kingston Band.  
Moore Hose Co. Kingston.  
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SIXTH DIVISION

A. R. Burhans, Marshall.  
Stephen F. Barker, Aid.  
Pruyn Drum Corps.  
Exempt Firemen's Asso. Saugerties.  
20<sup>th</sup> Regimental Band.  
Snyder Hose Co. Saugerties.  
Stony Point Drum Corps.  
Laflin Hose Co., Saugerties.  
Red Hook Band.  
Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Saugerties.  
Minnehaha Steamer Co. No. 1

SEVENTH DIVISION

## Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

D. N. Finger, Marshall.  
Abram Holsapple, Aid.  
President and Directors of Village of Saugerties.  
Invited Guests.  
And All Carriages

1162. Saugerties Post, June 21, 1904. Ernest Hassinger the New President Of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association at the Convention in Maxwell Opera House.

When President Goldsmith, of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, let the gavel fall on the occasion of the fifteenth annual convention of the Association in Maxwell Opera house this morning, over two hundred delegates were occupying seats, the largest in many years. Preceding the calling of the convention, Muller's 20<sup>th</sup> Regiment Band of Kingston, seated in the gallery, rendered a delightful musical program. The first business was the invoking of the Divine blessing on the deliberations of the firemen, by Rev. Thomas Bell, of the Congregational church. Mayor Rowe was then introduced, and in a very admirable manner welcomed the firemen and the convention to Saugerties in the following well selected words:

Mr. President, Delegates and Firemen All: - During the weeks we have been anticipating this convention, we also have been studying plans by which we might make your convention a pleasant one, for we designed, as we now do, to offer you our heartiest welcome. We welcome you all to our city, our homes, our engine houses, and as many

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agreeable sights as our city affords. We welcome you as brothers in the cause of protection against the ravages of fire. Such brotherhood ought to be united, for it is a dangerous service, often requiring the utmost skill to prevent serious catastrophies. We hope and trust the results of this convention will be the cementing of the Association still closer together. We also hope and expect you all to make yourselves entirely at home as friends and guests whom we greatly esteem. The town is yours.

Mr. Rowe's address was received with much applause. Mr. Charles A. Weiant, of Harvestraw [*sic*] responded to the welcome in a very appropriate manner, thanking the citizens of Saugerties for the warm greeting extended and said that the delegates would leave here with the kindest recollections of the hospitality of the place.

The President then appointed the following committees:

CREDENTIALS – Stephen Preston, Jr., Mount Vernon, Watson Elliott, Kingston, Charles Sloat, Harvestraw.

RESOLUTIONS – Henry Kreiger, Po'keepsie, Edward H. Davis, Hudson, Wm. A. Dederick, Kingston.

Instead of adjoining [*sic*] the convention as customary, at this time on the suggestion of secretary Coffin, the business was continued. On motion, it was decided that when a delegate rise to speak he should give his name and the place he represented in order to facilitate the work of the secretary. The roll of delegates was then called by the secretary and there were but few absentees, ninety-seven companies being represented. Instead of reading the minutes, on motion, it was decided to accept the minutes as printed and distributed.

The chairman of the executive committee, Irving Nestell, of Kingston, reported that one meeting had been held during the year, in Saugerties, October 21, 1903, at which time the invitation to hold the next convention in Saugerties was received and accepted, also that by unanimous vote the future awarding of prizes in connection with the Hudson Valley Association convention parades was prohibited, that the appointment of a committee to select a button for the convention had been made, that Hallock Hose Co., of Liberty, Sullivan Co., had been admitted into membership, and that the association was in a flourishing condition. The report on motion was accepted. John N. Bruck, of Kingston, chairman of the

auditing committee reported that the committee had examined the books and vouchers of the treasurer of the Association, Fred E. Bieber, of Po'keepsie, and that everything was correct, as were the books of secretary Coffin. Treasurer of the State Association, John P. Powers, of Ossining, was then granted the privileges of the platform and made an address relative to the collection of the 2 per cent tax imposed on foreign insurance companies doing business in this state. He also stated that the executive committee had purchased \$25,000.00 worth of bonds, the interest of which is to be used in maintaining the Firemen's home at Hudson, should the state law concerning insurance tax, ever be repealed. Col. Laflin, then briefly addressed the convention regarding the necessity of department treasurers doing their duty in securing the tax due the companies from the foreign insurance companies. E. C. Hallenbeck, of Coxsackie, stated that treasurers were not always at fault, and that the best way out was to insure in the companies that paid the tax to the departments. Secretary Coffin then read an invitation from the Rhinebeck fire department to the delegates to participate in their Labor day demonstration. The invitation on motion was accepted. Secretary Coffin also reported that during the year James Purvis, of Kingston, Vanderhoef Person, of Catskill and Chas. O. Beesmer, of Po'keepsie, members of the association, had died, and on motion the delegates by rising vote instructed secretary Coffin to send messages of condolence to the families of the deceased. A delegate then spoke regarding having the printing of convention minutes bear the union label, which was discussed at the last convention. Secretary Coffin then explained that under the direction of the executive committee he had had the work done in Catskill. The president announced that the selection of the place for holding the next convention was in order. Mr. Preston of Mount Vernon, invited the convention to meet there next year and also read a telegram from Mayor Brush, of that city, inviting them to come there. On motion the secretary was directed to cast the vote of the convention to be held at Mount Vernon next year. The motion was carried unanimously, amid much cheering and applause.

The election of officers was next in order. Secretary Coffin then in a most laudatory manner and eloquent address presented the name of Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, for the office of President. Mr. Hassinger's name was greeted with great cheering. The motion of Mr. Coffin was seconded by Mr. Preston, of Mount Vernon, and Col. Laflin, of Saugerties. On motion of Mr. Lansing, of Po'keepsie, a rising unanimous vote was given. When Mr. Hassinger was brought before the convention, the applause was vociferous. He then thanked the convention for the honor conferred on him. For secretary, Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw, was nominated and elected unanimously. After being introduced Mr. Weiant paid a fine tribute to retiring secretary Mr. Coffin, and then thanked the delegates for the honor bestowed on him. On motion a recess of ten minutes was then taken.

On motion of Mr. Hilton, of Haverstraw, Fred E. Bieber, of Poughkeepsie, was re-elected treasurer by acclamation. The following were elected vice-presidents for the respective counties: Jerome Bailey, Albany; C. M. Hilton, Rockland; E. C. Hallenbeck, Greene; R. A. Chipp, Ulster; Thomas Timmons, Westchester; James T. Carey, Rensselaer; Michael J. Hanna, Orange; Milton McGibbon, Sullivan; Wallace A. Dorsey, Columbia; Harry E. Barton, Saratoga.

Treasurer Bieber submitted his annual report, which showed a balance of \$461.06 on hand.

On motion of H. A. Ohley, of Saugerties, one hundred dollars was appropriated to the State Association for the Firemen's Home.

On motion of Ernest Hassinger, Herbert C. Van Buskirk was elected delegate to the State Firemen's association convention. On motion of Mr. Hilton, of Haverstraw, Jas. A. Goldsmith, of Haverstraw, C. G. Coffin, of Catskill and Joseph Hurley, of Kingston, were elected life members of the association. On motion of E. C. Hallenbeck, of Coxsackie a button to be selected by the executive committee and to be the official button of the association was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bruck, of Kingston, a vote of thanks was extended to the President of the village, the President of the firemen's committee and the citizens for the hospitality extended. It was unanimously carried.

After the presentation to the president and secretary, referred to elsewhere, the convention which was the best held in several years, adjourned.

1163. Saugerties Post, June 21, 1904. The New President. A Biographical Sketch of Our Own Ernest Hassinger.

Ernest Hassinger, who was elected President of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Convention to-day, well deserves the honor conferred upon him, for no more zealous or harder working fireman is extant. Ever since his identification with the local department he has been unswerving in his loyalty to duty, and has labored incessantly to enhance the efficiency of the department. The success of the present, as well as the other conventions held here, is largely due to his unremitting endeavor. The present one, especially, is a great triumph for him, for it has been almost wholly his own work, and he has seen success come in the face of great odds. "Peter" as he is familiarly known, was born in New York, January 27, 1852. He came to this village when a lad, and has resided here ever since. His vocation is a cigarmaker. He is an enthusiastic fireman, having joined Rough and Ready Hose (now R. A. Snyder Hose Co.) in 1869. He has always identified himself with work of the fire department and has held the position of chief engineer, and is now treasurer of the village department. He is a member of Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Saugerties Council, Royal Arcanum, having held the office of noble grand in the I. O. O. F. and regent in the Royal Arcanum, the highest office in the above orders. He has also been chief patriarch of Thomas Wildey Encampment, I. O. O. F. He is a member of Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., the State Firemen's and Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Associations, and the Esopus Bathing Club. He has one of the finest collections of firemanic badges and photos in the state.

1164. Retiring Officers Surprised By Firemanic Delegates at the Convention This Forenoon.

Just before the close of the firemen's convention this forenoon, James A. Goldsmith, of Haverstraw, the retiring president, and Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill, the retiring secretary, who have filled their respective offices [*sic*] so acceptably, were presented with beautiful gold handled umbrellas, as tokens of appreciation of their work by the delegates. The presentation address was made Col. H. D. Laflin, in well chosen words and the recipients were taken by great surprise. They however, very briefly expressed their gratitude for the gifts from their fellow firemen.

1165. Saugerties Post, June 23, 1904. The Fireman's Parade The Best Yet. Remarkably Fine Demonstration Here on Wednesday Afternoon When the Bravest Marched Before Throngs.

The fifteenth annual parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association is now but a matter of history, nevertheless to the thousands who thronged the streets of the prettiest village in New York state Wednesday, it was the grandest firemanic demonstration viewed in many a day. It was a beautiful spectacle, with rapidly changing color, which lent a beauty to it all not often witnessed. It was a parade of the men who sacrifice life and limb in order to conserve the interests of the home, business house and the commonwealth. It was a parade of men just in the ranks and those who have seen many years, wearing hoary heads in service. It was above all a parade of the bravest men the world knows of, who amid the peril and devastation of fire, bring succor and salvation. To the crowds that eagerly pressed into use every vantage point, there was a spirit of appreciation of what the gallant laddies do, and they were not unresponsive nor slack in the admiration of them. There was applause and it was deserved too, for no man comes close to the heart of everyman, than the heart of a fireman.

The parade was rich in splendor, effulgent in sheen, and brilliant in its collectiveness. There was in it a characteristic which closely entwined the firemen to all. The marching was exact, the bearing was precise and military, the alignment and deportment was correct and the music was all that might soothe and charm. By special permission of the weather man, the sun shown in all its radiance. Thirty companies were in line and with the twenty-five bands, they represented easily two thousand men.

There was variety enough both in uniforms worn as well as in the music rendered. From the red shirt worn in the good old days, to the more elaborate long coat, with silver trappings, there was enough to please the most fastidious and then every company had a right to lay claim to being the finest, for there were no prize awards, consequently no mutter of discontent or dissatisfaction was heard. The unanimity of opinion found expression in "the best yet." The music which the bands and drum corps rendered, composed the popular, the classic and there was avidity on the part of each to excel. Of course all could not, yet all did well – their level best, and that's enough. Some of the uniforms worn by the musical organizations, were handsome specimens and very artistic. The applause was not stinted toward them, either. The parade was magnificently managed, sufficeth to say it moved on time. Every marshal and aid was at his post and thus promptly at 1:30 o'clock, Grand Marshall Burhans started. And then the lines of march was not wearisome. Much of unnecessary travel was eliminated. The main thoroughfares were traversed and everyone seemed to be satisfied. There is this to be said in connection with parade and that is, no better, nor more representative companies ever participated in previous parades, and the spirit of fraternal fellowship pervading the entire affair, was one rarely enjoyed by such mingling. There is one other feather, and that is, it clearly proved that parades can be held successfully without providing any prizes, something which always invites a sense of rivalry and antagonism, and destroys the spirit of the gathering. The fifteenth annual parade, is only a memory, but strictly the one that will set the pace for others.

1166. Saugerties Post, June 23, 1904. Parade Day Pickings.

Venders of all sorts were here in great numbers, and they all were busy.

President Ballman, of the local committee deserves much credit for his handling of the parade divisions and getting everything moving on time. "Bob" worked like a Trojan.

There was music in the air everywhere, even late in the evening.

Edward Hogan, of Suffern, N. Y. was among the visiting newspaper men participating in the parade, and a good fellow he is.

Owing to high tide at Yonkers, the Mount Vernon Engine Co., were unable to get their engine aboard the boat and had to leave it there.

Everybody was happy and everybody had a good word for dear old Saugerties. We simply were "all to the good."

The Walden Drum Corps, Pruyn Drum Corps, of Catskill and 19<sup>th</sup> Separate Co. drum corps, of Po'keepsie were the swellest uniforms in line. Each one was in a class of its own, and their music was too.

One of the sights in the parade was the pair of dapple grays drawing Booth Hose Co. wagon. They were the finest specimens of horseflesh seen hereabouts and called forth much favorable comment.

Doring's band was the peer of the bands in line. There was music in their playing and their concert at the Maxwell house, Tuesday evening was a treat.

Ravena Hose Co. with the 10<sup>th</sup> Battallion Drum Corps, of Albany, came to town on the noon train and paraded. They had not notified the local committee of their coming.

The thoughtfulness of the W. C. T. U. and citizens in providing ice water for the firemen and visitors was much appreciated.

The decorations were very pretty and the old town did herself proud by way of entertaining and welcoming her guests.

President Hassinger was warmly praised on every hand for his indefatigable work in making the affair such a huge success. Peter's work saved the association from death.

Mayor Brush, of Mount Vernon was a guest and rode in the parade with Mayor Rowe and Alderman Crump and McLaughlin.

The hose carriage of Catskill Hose Co., was much admired. It had the others all distanced without any effort.

Mulford Engine Co., of Glasco, with their red shirts, revived memories of the days gone-by. Ex-Secretary Chas. G. Coffin, of Catskill, who rode in the carriage with Ex-president Goldsmith, president Hassinger and secretary Weiant, has done more to make the Hudson Valley Association a success than all the rest combined. Charles has been the "whole thing" and everyone knowing he was capable, didn't object. May his future years be peaceful and blessed.

1167. Saugerties Post, July 11, 1904. Elected an Honorary Member. President Hassinger Connected With Booth Hose of Po'keepsie.

Ernest Hassinger, president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, on Saturday received notice from the Booth Hose Co. of Po'keepsie, that he had been elected an honorary member of the company, without dues. The letter of notification also contained a key to their house. This act is in recognition of the many courtesies extended Booth Hose, when here last month by Mr. Hassinger.

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1168. Saugerties Post, June 24, 1904. The weather as reported from Hommel's Corner Pharmacy. Fair and warmer to-night, partly cloudy Saturday.

New Advertisements To-day.

Poit & Hinsch

Downie's Circus

Maxwell Opera House

Herbert Carl Dry Goods Co. – 1<sup>st</sup> page.

Presented With His Picture. Ernest Hassinger Remembered By His Friends Thursday Evening.

Honors thick and fast have come to Ernest Hassinger the past week, forsooth, everything has been coming his way. Not only does he hold a large place in the hearts of the Hudson Valley Association firemen, who have made him their chief executive, but those who know him best, love him best. This was palpably plain Thursday evening, when at Ziegler's cafe his Saugerties friends and fellow members in Snyder Hose completely surprised him. Hon. John D. Fratscher at the hour of nine, addressing Mr. Hassinger in a very appropriate manner, presented him with a life sized portrait of himself (Mr. Hassinger) attired in full uniform, encased in a beautiful gold frame. The gift was so wholly unexpected that Mr. Hassinger was totally overcome, and he could only say thank you. The picture was made by Miss Hallenbeck, of New York, daughter of S. Hallenbeck, of Elm St. It is now on exhibition in Mr. Hassinger's cigar store window and much admired.

1169. Saugerties Post, Sept. 2, 1904. The Weather As Reported from Hommel's Corner Pharmacy.

Occasional showers to-night and Saturday.

DIED

MOWER – At Centerville, Aug. 31, 1904, Jonah L. Mower, aged 67 years and 7 months. [illustration]

New Advertisements To-day:

Servant Girl Wanted.

H. N. Roberts – 1<sup>st</sup> page.

Excursion to Kingston Point.

Chicken, squabs, crabs, baked beans, hams and cheese sandwiches, sardines and lobsters at the Exchange hotel lunch room to-day. Open till midnight.

1170. Saugerties Post, Sept. 2, 1904. Steamer Ida Damaged. Cornell Tug, Ellen M. Ronan, Runs Into Her at Red Hook Island.



The palatial steamer *Ida*, of the Saugerties & New York Steamboat Co., while coming up river this morning was run into by the Cornell tug, *Ellen M. Ronan*, and so badly damaged that she will be out of commission for a few days. The collision occurred below Red Hook island about 3:30 o'clock and second pilot, Harry Gough was at the helm. The *Ronan* was apparently in charge of a deck hand or some incompetent pilot, for when pilot Gough blew his signal, the *Ronan* which was coming down the river, immediately attempted to cross the *Ida's* bow. Pilot Gough then slacked up, blowing for the *Ronan* to pass, but instead the *Ronan* came full head into the starboard side wheel house, and did so much damage to the wheel that the *Ida* was helpless. Not content with doing the damage, the *Ronan* after the mishap, immediately started off and only after a distress whistle had been blown returned and towed the *Ida* in the creek. Later this morning the *Ida* was towed to Newburgh for repairs. The accident could not have happened at a worse time and the absence of the *Ida* from her route the next few days entails a great loss to the Steamboat Co. The fact that the *Ronan* hit the *Ida* on starboard side is palpably that she was out of her right course and wholly to blame for the collision.

1171. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Aug 6, 1904. The Steamer "*Ida*" Arrives in Creek. The New Vessel of the Saugerties & New York Steamboat Co. a Handsome Boat.

The steamer "*Ida*," the new boat of the Saugerties & New York Steamboat Co. fleet, arrived in the creek Friday afternoon about 2 o'clock, spick and span in a new garb of paint, ready for service. The *Ida* is a fine vessel, and easily eclipses the smaller night boats on the river. She is 198 feet long, a trifle shorter than the erstwhile steamer *Saugerties*, but is many feet wider, which more than makes up for her length. She is a handsome looking boat, and has an iron hull, feathering wheels, is lighted by electricity, with powerful searchlight situate in front of the pilot house, and has three decks, the hurricane projecting over the promenade, which makes the latter always a desirable place to sit on. Her equipment is especially fine, that for fire purposes particularly. There is every sort of appurtenance for an emergency should fire arise. The *Ida's* main deck is covered with a composition of tar and ashes, which relieves the pressure very much and makes trucking easy. This has a capacity of 3500 barrels. The purser's office is situate on the starboard side forward on this deck, while on the port side is the kitchen, in charge of John Binga, a native of Baltimore, and the bar-room. After is the entrance to the ladies' cabins, first and second, while the men's cabin is in the hold, underneath, the entrance being via. stateroom hall. The second deck, which contains the stateroom hall and dining room, is beautifully furnished. It is finished in white and gold, and a large dome which covers it entirely, affords plenty of light. The furniture is of black walnut, trimmed with garnet brocaded plush. There is also an upright piano in the hall for the use of passengers. There are thirty-four staterooms, four of which are bridal chambers. Each stateroom is comfortably arranged so that one will at once lock arms with Morpheus. One hundred and eighty passengers can sleep on the boat. On this deck is also a large and airy gents' smoking room which leads into the promenade deck, a pantry connected with the kitchen by a dumb waiter and a wash room for gentlemen and ladies. Forward is the dining room equipped with six tables, which will accommodate six persons each and an officers table. There are three stairways leading into the state room hall, one direct from the first ladies cabin. A large bevel edge mirror forms the frontispiece of the main stairway approach. The officers quarters are in the rear of the pilot house on the hurricane deck. The boat can make about seventeen miles an hour, and is commanded by Capt. Charles Tiffany. The following is the crew: Pilots, Henry C. Briggs, Harry Goff; engineers, Genio Gutches, Matthew Davenport; firemen Jacob Cripps, John Lowther; purser, Frank H. Myer; clerk, James Wood; salesman, Wm. Wey; mate, Hugh McEnroe; watchman, John Fellows; stewardess, Florence Thomas; wheelsman, James Shultis. The *Ida* will leave Saugerties every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and New York on alternate days.

1172. Saugerties Post, Aug 6, 1904. For the Firemen's Home. Another One Hundred Dollars Sent in From Here.

As a result of the convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association being held in Saugerties this year, the Firemen's home at Hudson is \$200 better off. At the convention \$100 was appropriated to the State association for the Firemen's Home, and on Friday treasurer Ernest Hassinger, of the Saugerties fire department, sent \$100 for the same purpose. This latter contribution is the surplus of the money collected for the entertainment of the convention here.

1173. Saugerties Post, July 28, 1904. Steamer Ida Sold. Will Go to New York to Run on The Hudson. The deal for the purchase of the handsome freight and passenger steamer Ida, of the fleet of the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company, which has been pending for several weeks, was consummated yesterday morning, when she was bought by the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company of New York city. The price paid was not made public.

The purchase was followed by a dinner given by the local company to Capt. Robert A. Snyder, president of the New York company, who had arrived in this city with his family. Captain Snyder expressed himself as highly pleased with the Ida, and said that she will be a handsome and valuable addition to his company's fleet of steamers.

The Ida will leave Baltimore this morning for New York with President Snyder and his family on board. She will be manned by a Baltimore crew engaged by her new owners.

The Ida is 10 years old, and is in spic-and-span condition. The old Ida was built in 1881 by Harlan & Hollingsworth, Wilmington, Del., for the Maryland Steamboat Company. She was named after Mrs. Howard Ensign, whose husband, the late Major Ensign, was the president of the company before it was purchased by the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway Company. She was burned in 1894, and the new Ida was built on her hull. She is 198 feet long, 54 feet beam and 9 feet depth of hold. She is manned by a crew of 26 and accommodates 180 passengers. She is capable of making a speed of 15 miles an hour.

The Ida has been doing duty on the Piankatank River line, running between Baltimore and Freeport. She will be used by the new owners for passenger and freight business on the Hudson river, a service for which she is admirable adapted. — Baltimore Sun, Wednesday.

The vessel is due in New York to-night. As soon as she arrives she will be taken to Hoboken and hauled out. Her hull will be scraped and painted. Then she will proceed to Newburgh and be painted, coming on the Saugerties-New York route about Saturday, August 6.

1174. Saugerties Post, Aug 9, 1904. Letter of Gratitude To the Saugerties Firemen for Their Donation to the Home.

Ossining, August 5, 1904

Col. H. D. Laflin, Saugerties, N. Y.

My Dear Colonel: - I cannot find words to express my gratification to Messrs. Ballman, Hassinger and yourself for your very generous donation to the endowment fund for the Firemen's Home. At this time I wish to state, that the check came a little too late to be included in this year's report, but I will take particular pains to call the Convention's attention to it at Dunkirk from the state.

I sincerely hope that this beginning on behalf of yourselves and the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association will have a good ending for the Firemen's Home.

I am. Very respectfully yours, John P. Powers, Treasurer.

1175. Hand dated July 22, 1904. Electric Light Company. The Annual Meeting of the Ulster Company Held Thursday.

The annual meeting of the Ulster Electric Light, Heat & Power Co., was held on Thursday. The following directors were elected: William A. Hanna, Ada Eckert, Jennie G. Hanna, Adella Coon, Mabel E. Hanna,

Charles Davis, and George Washburn, Jr. The company propose making several improvements to their plant in the near future.

1176. Saugerties Post, Aug 30, 1904. The weather as reported from Hommel's Corner Pharmacy. Partly cloudy to-night and Wednesday.

DIED

MYER – In this Village, Ernest Myer aged 39 years and 20 days. Funeral *Private*

Friends who desire to view the remains may have an opportunity of doing so during the hours of 12 and 2 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday.) [illustration and # 1177]

New Advertisements To-day.

Shed for sale.

Women for General Housework.

Chicken, squabs, crabs, baked beans, hams and cheese sandwiches, sardines and lobsters at the Exchange hotel lunch room to-day. Open till midnight.

1177. Saugerties Post, Aug 30, 1904. In Death's Realm. Ernest Myer Passes Away at His Home Monday Evening.

After an illness of several months, Ernest Myer passed away at his home on Lafayette street, shortly before nine o'clock Monday evening, Bright's disease being the cause of his death. Mr. Myer was taken ill last spring, and though receiving the best of medical treatment and spending the past two months in the northern part of the State, he gradually grew worse until he was brought home last week. Since then he steadily failed until death came. Mr. Myer was among Saugerties' best known and highly esteemed younger men. He was genial and affable, and held a large place in the hearts of many friends. He was popular, and served always to enliven those he mingled with. He was universally liked, and those who knew him best will lose a valued friend. Mr. Myer was a member of Confidence Lodge, No. 41, I. O. O. F., and Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., having held the highest offices in each. In Confidence lodge he was a great favorite and worker, and this organization will miss him much. He was also Chief Engineer of the fire-department, having served as assistant engineer also. He was President of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. and one of its most energetic members. He was also connected with and a leading figure in the Esopus Outing Club, who own a cottage at the Hague, and during the life of the Bi. Club, served as its President. Mr. Myer was for many years in charge of the shipping office of the Saugerties Mfg. Co. He was 39 years old. A widowed mother survives him.

1178. Saugerties Post, Sept. 6, 1904. The Firemen's Parade And Inspection on Labor Day Afternoon. The "bravest" who compose our village fire department were on parade Monday afternoon, and as is their wont, made a fine showing. the companies assembled in front of Fireman's hall at 2:00 o'clock, and were inspected by the Board of Directors, and everything was found in first-class shape. The line was immediately formed as follows:

Chief Engineer Ballman,  
Assistants Mc Mullen and Myer.  
Directors in Carriages,  
Co. C. Band of Catskill,  
Exempt Firemen,  
Snyder Hose Co.,  
Pruyn Drum Corps of Catskill,  
Washington Hook & Ladder Co.,  
Pruyn Drum Corps,  
Laflin Hose Co.

The companies presented a very fine appearance clad in their handsome uniforms and glittering helmets, and together with their glistening apparatus, bearing a sheen and brilliance, they were much admired. Liberal and deserved applause greeted the laddies along the line of march, and the parade once more made plain that ours is not excelled anywhere.

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1180. Democratic State Convention. Harmanus Bleecker Hall, Albany, Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 1904. 2 o'clock. Admit the Bearer. John N. Carlisle, Secretary, Frank Campbell Chairman Democratic State Convention. [illustration]

1181. Saugerties Post, Aug. 23, 1904. The Weather As Reported From Hommel's Corner Pharmacy. Fair to-night and Wednesday.

New Advertisements To-Day.

G. B. Joy.

Standard Shoe Co.

New England Bakery.

Fred I. Cox Co. – 1<sup>st</sup> page.

Herbert Carl Dry Goods Co. – 1<sup>st</sup> page.

Chicken, squabs, crabs, baked beans, hams and cheese sandwiches, sardines and lobsters at the Exchange hotel lunch room to-day. Open till midnight.

DIED

ZEILMAN – At Malden, August 22nd, Gracie, daughter of Chauncey and Lucy F. Zeilman, aged 8 months and 10 days.

Funeral at residence Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in the Main street cemetery. [illustration]

1182. Saugerties Post, Aug. 23, 1904. Met Death in Trench. The Sewer Embankment Caves in and Kills Harry Overbagh.

As a result of a cave in, in the sewer trench on Washington avenue near the intersection of Post street, shortly before nine o'clock this morning, Harry Overbagh, a young man whose home was at West Camp, met a sudden and untimely death. Overbagh and Charles Knox were at work in the trench, which was about eleven feet deep, and almost in a moment, the sides came down upon Overbagh, completely burying him, while Knox barely escaped. The work of rescue was immediately begun but the pile of sand was so great that nearly an hour lapsed before the unfortunate man could be released. When found he was pinned against the east side of the embankment and one arm was across his body, under the chin, the other stretched forward. As soon as the cave-in occurred physicians were summoned and Drs. Stafford and Montgomery were on the scene when Overbagh was brought out. He was breathing apparently, but on examination the doctors found that life was extinct. Overbagh's chest was crushed in by the weight of the sand, otherwise no bones were found broken. The body was at once removed to Seamon Bros. undertaking rooms, Coroner Montgomery granting the necessary permit. The fatality caused much sorrow among the men and in general, as this was Overbagh's first days' work on the job. Overbagh was about 35 years old and leaves a wife and child. He was a brother-in-law of Charles Martin, of South Partition street, and also a nephew by marriage of Officers D. E. and Charles Abeel. [illustration]

1183. Saugerties Post, Aug. 2, 1904. The Weather As Reported From Hommel's Corner Pharmacy. Rain to-night and Wednesday.

BORN

ABEEL – In Saugerties, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Abeel, a daughter.

DIED

STEVENS – At Smith's Landing, Aug. 1, Pascal Stevens, aged 74 years.

Funeral at his late residence Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Interment Wiltwyck cemetery, Kingston, N. Y. [illustration]

New Advertisements To-day.

Snyder Hose Co.

Esopus Bathing Club - Reward.

Herbert Carl Dry Goods Co. – 1st page.

Chicken, squabs, crabs, baked beans, hams and cheese sandwiches, sardines and lobsters at the Exchange hotel lunch room to-day. Open till midnight.

1184. Saugerties Post, Aug. 2, 1904. Democratic Primaries. William D. Brinnier Secures the Delegates to County Convention.

Delegates favorable to the nomination of William D. Brinnier for County Judge were elected at the Democratic primaries held throughout the town Monday evening. The primaries were very largely attended, and gave ample evidence that the Democracy of Saugerties were thoroughly alive. The primaries were very harmonious, even though there was a contest on for delegates. Both candidates for the nomination, Mr. Van Etten and Mr. Brinnier, and their adherents out in large numbers, and everything passed off good naturedly. The primary in the court room, districts 1, 2, and 3, was the largest attended in years. John C. Shults was chosen chairman, and Henry A. Ohley, secretary. William Fiero and Frank D. Martin were chosen inspectors. The voting for the delegates, Theodore Kistner, (Van Etten) and John McCormick, Jr., (Brinnier) began at 8:10 and continued for one hour, during which time there was a steady stream of voters. Democrats who had not been seen inside of a primary in years were among the number, and it was every indication of a revived party. A total of 244 votes were cast. McCormick received 120 votes and Kistner 114. McCormick's majority was 16. At the Glasco primary, David Ebel (Brinnier) defeated David Schoentag (Van Etten.) Over one hundred votes were cast. At the Kleeber primary, Ben. Murray (Brinnier) defeated Thomas Mahar, (Van Etten) and at Katsbaan, Stephen Barker (Brinnier) defeated Charles Cook (Van Etten.) The county convention will be held at Kingston, August 11.

1185. Saugerties Post, July 22, 1904. The Sewer Bids. Four Opened by the Board of Commissioners.

The Sewer Commissioners, with engineer Hopkins, met at Fireman's hall, this noon, and opened the bids for the construction of sewers in Saugerties. Following were the bids, four in all:

Frank Pidgeon, Saugerties, \$76,439.50

Smith Construction Co., Philadelphia, Pa., 76,000.00

Rice & McNamee, Kingston, 72,750.00

Henry E. Wieber & John T. Watson  
Rondout, 69,085.76

The commissioners after opening the bids adjourned until 3 o'clock

Following were bids received at first meeting, July 7, six in all:

Frank Pidgeon, Saugerties, \$ 77,869.00

F. N. Lewis & Co., New York, 93,554.96

Ajax Construction Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., 123,317.04

McNamee & Rice, Kingston, 75,200.00

Geo. D. Miller, Oneida, 79,500.00

Smith Construction Co., Philadelphia, Pa., 76,375.00

1186. Saugerties Post, Aug. 18, 1904. An Alarm of Fire. Burning the Contents of Sleeping Bunks Calls Out the Department.

About daylight this morning an alarm of fire was given which was promptly responded to by the fire department, but fortunately its services were not required. The alarm was caused by two of three of the Italians who had been working on the sewer force quitting the job and celebrated their early morning departure by carrying the contents of their bunks out on Dock street in front of the building just erected for their accommodations, and setting fire to them. Mr. George H. Morgan, night watchman at the Cantine factory, observed the flames and supposing the building to be on fire, turned in an alarm.

1187. First Steam Fire Engine 1829. [illustration]

1188. Saugerties Post, July 21, 1904. Committees Named. President Ernest Hassinger Makes Firemanic Appointments.

President Ernest Hassinger, of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association has named the following standing committees:

Executive Committee – H. D. Laflin, Saugerties; Henry Buxbury, Hudson; Edward M. Hogan, Sufferren [*sic*]; Wm. Diederick, Kingston; C. G. Coffin, Catskill; Hugh Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Auditing Committee – A. M. Hitchcock, Mount Vernon; James H. Haight, Peekskill; E. E. Schryver, Kingston.

1189. Hand dated July 22, 1904. Odd Fellows Installation. The Officers, Elective and Appointive of Ulster Lodge.

District Deputy S. F. Barker, assisted by James Smith, grand marshal; W. E. Comfort, grand warden; Wm. Fiero, grand secretary; and Robert Webber, grand treasurer, installed the officers of Ulster Lodge No. 59, I. O. O. F., Thursday evening, as follows: Otis Snyder, noble grand; Herman Gleisner, vice-grand; C. H. Vedder, secretary; John Seamon, treasurer; Robert Espey, R. S. N. G.; Wm. M. Fiero, L. S. N. G.; E. F. Fortin, R. S. V. G.; Fred Neiffer, L. S. V. G.; James Smith, conductor; C. E. Hamlin, warden; S. F. Barker, chaplain.

1190. Saugerties Post, Aug. 15, 1904. Committed Suicide. John Wesley Greene Ends His Life With a Shot Gun.

About 5 o'clock this morning John Wesley Greene, who a few days since purchased the grocery store of R. S. Gibson on East Bridge street, committed suicide by shooting himself with a shot gun in a room in the building in which the store is located. He placed the muzzle of the gun under his chin and pushing the trigger with the great toe of his right foot, discharged the piece. The charge of shot passed upward through his throat into his head, killing him instantly. He was standing up on the floor, leaning over the gun, when he committed the deed. Coroner Montgomery was summoned who after viewing the body, decided to issue a burial permit. Mr. Greene formerly was a farmer at the High Woods in this town, and last spring sold his farm there at auction and subsequently purchased the Gibson grocery moving to this place with his wife. He was 39 years old and is survived by his wife. He had no children. [illustration]

1191. Ernest Hassinger, dealer in Fine Souvenir Post Cards. Also Manufacture 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]

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1192. Saugerties Post, July 15, 1904. The Annual Report of the Board of Education of Union Free School. A Full Report of the Receipts and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending July 31, 1904.

Pursuant to law, the Board of Education of Union Free School, district No. 10, town of Saugerties, Ulster county, N. Y., herewith submit a report containing a full and detail account of all moneys received and paid out during the fiscal year ending July 31, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

|  |              |
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| Balance on hand from last year,  | \$ 20.62     |
| Public money received from department of Public Instructions for teachers wages, | 1637.51      |
| For library,   | 25.00        |
| From Board of Regents for quota,   | 100.00       |
| From Board of Regents for attendance,  | 182.51       |
| From Board of Regents for books and apparatus,                                   | 175.00       |
| Raised by taxes for school purposes on personal and real estate,                 | 9277.19      |
| On bank stock  | 788.22       |
| Tuition from non-resident pupils,  | 168.50       |
| From County Treasurer for back taxes,  | 396.73       |
| Sale of books,   | 19.90        |
| Receipts from Commencement exercises,  | <u>36.91</u> |
| Total receipts 1904,   | \$12,828.09  |

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers salaries: -

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| F. N. Moulton,            | \$ 1500.00 |
| S. B. Howe, Jr.,          | 800.00     |
| Nellie M. Crawford,       | 517.40     |
| Euphemia B. Engle,        | 460.00     |
| Jessica Bagley,           | 460.88     |
| Martha V. Benson,         | 394.38     |
| Ethel Mosher,             | 134.00     |
| Myrtle S. Reynolds,       | 465.00     |
| Alpha J. Rauch,           | 380.00     |
| Mrs. Rachel M. W. Sharpe, | 400.00     |
| Ada J. Overbagh,          | 200.00     |
| Mrs. Harriet S. Howe,     | 380.00     |
| Myrta Kelsey,             | 363.00     |
| Jeanette E. Burrows,      | 445.00     |
| Ella K. Darbee,           | 390.00     |

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Luella M. Heaton,           | 400.00      |
| Maude L. Griffis,           | 264.90      |
| Katharine Wilson,           | 27.75       |
| Fannie M. Keener,           | 66.75       |
| Mrs. John T. Washburn, Jr., | 1.50        |
| Louise Van Wagonen,         | 158.40      |
| Mary Spellman,              | 148.00      |
| Adelaide Snyder,            | <u>2.25</u> |
|                             | \$8359.21   |

LIBRARIANS SALARIES

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Jennie J. Hanna,  | \$ 75.00 |
| Rose M. Bedell,   | 50.00    |
| Fannie M. Keener, | 25.00    |

JANITORS SALARIES

|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| Wm. Keener,   | \$450.00      |
| John Maxwell, | <u>120.00</u> |
|               | \$570.00      |

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Chas. E. Abeel, attendance officer, | \$120.00     |
| J. Wm. Lackey, clerk,               | 50.00        |
| Ira Lewis, treasurer,               | <u>50.00</u> |
|                                     | \$220.00     |

EXPENSES OF SCHOOL HOUSES AND SITES.

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| S. J. Adams, rent of Board rooms,            | \$150.00 |
| H. T. Keeney, insurance,                     | 40.00    |
| Darbee & Clum, insurance,                    | 55.00    |
| J. P. Russell, insurance                     | 22.00    |
| F. A. Hildebrant, labor and material,        | 45.13    |
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., mate-<br>rial, | 118.98   |
| F. M. Murphy, labor and mate-<br>rial,       | 27.99    |
| Finger & Lewis, lumber,                      | 142.10   |
| Howard & Valkenburgh, labor,                 | 205.82   |
| John Cook, labor,                            | 25.00    |
| Chas. Miller, labor,                         | 3.50     |
| Nathan Whitaker, labor,                      | 32.00    |
| Seamon Bros., desks,                         | 28.55    |
| P. C. Smith, gas fixtures,                   | 4.48     |
| Daniel Lamb, labor and supplies,             | 61.82    |
| Saugerties Gas Light Co., gas,               | 18.56    |
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co.<br>coal,        | 281.22   |
| Finger & Lewis, coal,                        | 331.81   |



# Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

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| M. F. Waterbury, wood,                           | 4.50         |
| J. W. Lackey, making tax roll,                   | 15.00        |
| C. E. Abeel, taking census,                      | 15.00        |
| Saugerties Water Commission-<br>ers, water rent, | <u>41.00</u> |
|  | \$1669.46    |

## SUPPLIES

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| Saugerties "Post," printing            | \$ 10.00     |
| Saugerties "Telegraph," print-<br>ing, | 20.40        |
| Postage and telegrams,                 | 17.50        |
| C. W. Bardine, stationery,             | 3.00         |
| Saugerties Mfg. Co., stationery,       | 14.30        |
| Allyn & Bacon, stationery,             | 6.00         |
| Wm. Doyle, freight and cart-<br>age,   | 20.79        |
| Expressage,                            | <u>10.80</u> |
|  | \$102.79     |

## COMMON SCHOOL LIBRARY

|                        |              |
|------------------------|--------------|
| Prang Educational Co., | 7.80         |
| Rand McNally & Co.,    | 28.48        |
| American Book Co.,     | <u>14.92</u> |
| Total,                 | \$ 81.20     |

## HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY AND APPARATUS

|                                    |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| Baker & Taylor Co. Books,          | 6.32   |
| Rand McNally & Co. ap-<br>paratus, | 57.25  |
| O. T. Lewis & Co. apparatus,       | 107.79 |
| L. K. Knott Co. apparatus,         | 106.65 |
| A. J. Tiffany,                     | 75.00  |
| The Morse Co.                      | .68    |

## SUPPLIES.

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Tower Mfg. Co. pens, pencils,<br>&c,  | 78.45       |
| J. L. Butzel's Son, flags,            | 25.55       |
| James Russell, supplies,              | 1.30        |
| J. M. Olcott, paper,                  | 5.20        |
| T. B. Howe Jr., supplies,             | 7.87        |
| Eagle Pencil Co. pencils and<br>pens, | 49.85       |
| T. B. Cornwell, brooms,               | 5.70        |
| A. L. Hill, brooms,                   | 1.63        |
| C. I. Menick, supplies,               | <u>3.00</u> |
| Total,                                | \$390.97    |

## FREE TEXT BOOKS.

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| D. C. Heath & Co.,     | 6.08   |
| Ginn & Co.,            | 152.98 |
| Maynard Merrill & Co., | 32.15  |

# Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Prang Ed. Co.,     | 50.04       |
| American Book Co., | 30.34       |
| Henry Holt & Co.,  | <u>1.53</u> |
| Total,             | \$273.07    |

## INCIDENTALS.

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| M. Bedell,                   | .30        |
| Hudson River Telephone Co.   |            |
| rent,                        | 83.80      |
| C. H. Vedder, services,      | 2.00       |
| J. W. Frankel, services,     | 2.00       |
| C. H. Ditson & Co. music,    | 2.14       |
| Novells Ewer & Co.           | 4.90       |
| Luther Hommel,               | 5 .44      |
| F. N. Moulton, traveling ex- |            |
| penses,                      | 2.66       |
| Chas. Davis, services,       | 134.15     |
| R. B. Overbagh, expenses,    | 40.15      |
| Saugerties Public Library,   |            |
| books,                       | 350.00     |
| Refund taxes,                | 11.30      |
| Quayle & Son, diplomas,      | 3.00       |
| W. H. Rider, rent piano,     | 40.00      |
| S. J. Adams, rent hall,      | 42.00      |
| Frank Martin, music for com- |            |
| mencement exercises,         | 25.00      |
| Refund tuition,              | 6.75       |
| Reed & Reed, supplies,       | <u>.90</u> |
| Total,                       | \$ 746.49  |

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|--------------------------|-------------|
| Total expenditures 1904, | \$12,887.19 |
| Deficit,                 | \$59.10     |

## BUDGET FOR 1904 AND 1905.

Board of Education estimate that the following money will be required for school purposes for ensuing year:

|                                    |        |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Teachers wages,                    | \$8220 |        |
| Less public money,                 | 1620   | \$6600 |
| Janitors,                          |        | 640    |
| Librarians,                        |        | 150    |
| Clerk,                             |        | 50     |
| Treasurer,                         |        | 50     |
| Attendance Officer,                |        | 120    |
| Taking Census and Making Tax Roll, |        | 30     |
| Rent Library and Board Rooms,      |        | 150    |
| Insurance,                         |        | 105    |
| Printing, paper and Stationery,    |        | 50     |
| High School Library and Apparatus, |        | 100    |
| Repairs, &c.,                      |        | 400    |
| Fuel and Light,                    |        | 575    |

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|------------------|------------|
| Supplies,        | 300        |
| Water Tax,       | 41         |
| Incidentals,     | 300        |
| Free Text Books, | <u>300</u> |
| Total,           | \$9961     |

R. B. Overbagh,  
L. J. Butzel, Finance Com.  
John A. Snyder,  
Respectfully submitted,

Board of Education

W. L. Darbee, President.

J. Wm. Lackey, Clerk.

1193. Saugerties Post, Sept. 3, 1904. Common Council Proceedings. The Regular Monthly Meeting Held on Friday Evening and the Business Transacted.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Sept. 2, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Hon. Board of Directors.

Saugerties, N. Y.

GENTLEMEN: - The blasting near the Dam is doing considerable damage to our property. We give you formal notice, as we will hold the village of Saugerties responsible for any loss or damage we may sustain owing to this work being done. Yours very truly,

The Martin Cantine Co. Per Martin Cantine, Pres.

Motion, that the communication be received and placed on file and that a copy be sent to the Board of Sewer Commissioners, Carried.

Motion, that a warrant be drawn in favor of the Saugerties Board of Water Commissioners for \$3467.00, as per Tax Budget of May 6, 1904. Carried.

The street committee reported as follows: Cleaned streets; replaced three broken tram on Mynderse street; two loads of cinders on Valley street; cleaned out gutters on Underwood street; six loads of cinders on Mill street.

Motion, that Robert B. Ballman be appointed Chief Engineer of the Village Fire Department to serve for the balance of the unexpired term of Mr. Ernest Myer, deceased. Carried.

Motion, that an Exempt Fireman's Certificate be granted to William Richard Johnson of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. Carried.

The bill of the Saugerties Post for advertising was on motion referred to the finance committee.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights  |          |
| to Sept. 1, 1904,                 | \$224.84 |
| C. H. Vedder, extra services in   |          |
| connection with the Bond is-      |          |
| sue, and supplies,                | 27.60    |
| Saugerties Gas Co., lights at en- |          |
| gine house,                       | 1.80     |
| Saugerties "Telegraph," adver-    |          |
| tising,                           | 7.00     |
| N. E. Valkenburgh, flag staff,    |          |

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|----------------------|--------------|
| Empire engine house, | <u>17.72</u> |
|                      | \$278.96     |

## HEALTH FUND.

|  |          |
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| J. H. DeWitt, M. D., salary as health officer, | \$ 16.00 |
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## ROAD FUND.

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 2 ½ days,   | 3.75         |
| F. Yanchke, labor 1 ½ days,  | 2.25         |
| Wm. Yanchke, team, 2 ½ days, | 11.25        |
| R. Casey, salary for August, | <u>41.65</u> |
|                              | \$ 58.90     |

Minutes read and approved.

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

1194. Saugerties Post, July 23, 1904. The Sewer Contract. A Rondout Firm, the Lowest Bidders, Get the Job.

The Board of Sewer Commissioners at their meeting Friday afternoon awarded the contract to build a system of sewerage in Saugerties to Henry E. Wieber and John T. Watson, of Rondout, they being the lowest bidders. Their bid was \$69,085.76. Work will be commenced as soon as possible and it is expected that excavating will begin in a few days.

1195. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Aug 6, 1904. The Work of Our Village Fathers. A New Street Lighting Contract – New Firemen Confirmed – Other Business at Friday Night's Meeting.

Regular meeting of Board of Directors held Friday evening, Aug. 5, 1904.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Street committee reported as follows: Cleaned streets; purchased six posts of Finger & Lewis to repair fence on Mynderse street; sold 21 tons of crushed stone to Wm. MacMullen; 51 tons 480 lbs. crushed stone for concrete wall to the water works and 70 tons of dust to Mr. Van Wagenen for state road.

The matter of repairs to Empire Engine House was referred to the firemanic committee with power to act.

On motion A. V. Parker, William Ohley, Ralph Keener and Josiah Perks were confirmed as members of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid when funds:

## GENERAL FUND.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| N. Van Steenberg, supplies,                      | \$ 6.00 |
| W. O. Pettit, painting town clock,               | 23.42   |
| W. E. Persons, repairing and care of town clock, | 15.00   |
| E. Moran, four dinners,                          | 2.00    |
| John McCormick, services as assessor,            | 36.00   |
| John C. Shults, services as assessor,            | 36.00   |
| Ezra Carnright, services as assessor,            | 36.00   |
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights to Aug. 1,      | 234.84  |

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| John G. Palmer, salary, | <u>16.00</u> |
| Total,                  | \$395.26     |

ROAD FUND.

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| S. B. Van Wagenen, balance   |              |
| excavating on Ulster Ave.    |              |
| less 70 tons of dust,        | \$180.45     |
| Stanley & Trethewey, repairs |              |
| at crusher,                  | 6.63         |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 3 3-4      |              |
| days,                        | 16.87        |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 8 days,     | 12.00        |
| F. Yanchke, labor 8 days,    | 12.00        |
| Chas. Miller, labor 2 days,  | 8.00         |
| Geo. Cole, labor 2 days,     | 3.00         |
| Thomas Bradley, labor 1 day, | 1.50         |
| E. Casey, salary for July,   | <u>41.65</u> |
| Total,                       | \$278.60     |

Motion, That the President be empowered to make a contract with the Ulster Electric Light, Heat and Power Co. for fifteen 1200 candle power arc street lights at a cost of \$100 each per year for three years from Aug. 1, 1904. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1196. President James D. McNeill, National Firemen's Association. [illustration]

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1197. The Late Chief Frederick Macy, New Bedford, Mass. [illustration]

1198. President D. S. Mercereau, Central New York Association. [illustration]

1199. Thomas F. Barrett, Assistant Chief at Indianapolis, Ind. [illustration]

1200. D. L. Kane, Secretary Minnesota Firemen's Association. [illustration]

1201. Saugerties Post, Sept. 18, 1905. Bursting of a Dryer Causes Injury to Four At the Diamond Paper Mills About Nine O'clock This Morning – The Injuries Are Quite Serious.

By the bursting of a dryer in Mill No. 1 of the Diamond Paper Mills about nine o'clock this morning, four of the employees were seriously injured. They are: John McCarthy, leg and arm broken.

Chester Teetsel, fingers and leg broken, S. William Shultis, scalded, James H. Carew, bruised and injured internally.

The dryer was completely demolished, and the pieces were scattered all over the room, several boxes being smashed. All the other employees of the room escaped being hurt.

The cause of the dryer's bursting is unknown. The dryer was located in the novelty department and is 36 inches in diameter. The cylinder is filled with steam and as the paper comes from the machine it passes over the dryer and is then reeled.

McCarthy had just left the dryer when it burst and was almost ten feet away walking from it. Suddenly there was a terrific intonation and McCarthy sank with a groan, a piece of the dryer striking him in the left leg and arm, Teetsel was in the rear of the dryer and had just come in the room with Carew for a roll of paper.

Shultis was quite a distance also from it. A piece of the flying iron struck Teetsel's left hand and another piece struck his right leg. Carew was struck in the hip and knocked down and Shultis' left side and neck was horribly scalded by the escaping steam.

As soon as possible Dr. Montgomery was summoned and on his arrival he gave surgical aid to McCarthy and Shultis, Carew and Teetsel. In the meantime being removed to their homes where Dr. Stafford attended them. The bones of McCarthy's leg protruded, it being a compound comminuted fracture.

One of the bones in his elbow was splintered and it was badly cut also.

The four fingers of Teetsel's hand were broken and although not definitely known his right leg is believed to be broken. It was swollen to such an abnormal size that it was impossible to ascertain the extent of its injury. Carew's injuries are said to be light. Shultis, however, is fearfully burned. It is fortunate that none were killed.

This is the third dryer that has burst at the mill, two having done so last year, but no one was harmed.

1202. Saugerties Post, Oct. 29, 1906. Visited Firemen's Home.

On Sunday Ernest Hassinger, James Teller, A. R. Burhans, Byron Hallenbeck, Joseph L. Taylor and Teddy Eckhoff visited the Firemen's Home at Hudson. On arriving in Hudson the party were met by teams from the home at the direction of the resident trustee, Col. S. C. Rogers, and taken to the home, and on arrival there were extended every courtesy by Supt. Watson. Both old and new departments were examined and the visit with the seventy veteran firemen housed there, will long be remembered. During the sojourn in Hudson, Col. Rogers entertained the Saugertiesians at Ely's Hotel in a most hospitable manner, their money being of no value while in the gallant colonel's company. He did the honors most thoroughly and when they left for home they carried fragrant memories of the trip and lavish praise for Col. Rogers.

1203. Saugerties Post, July 31, 1905. Caught With the Rig.

Two young chaps who are boarding at Young's, Platte Clove, hired a rig on Sunday of Jimmy Dolan, who runs a livery there. They said they were going to Tannersville. Instead they started down the mountain. Suspicious that it was a case of rig stealing, Dolan telephoned to officer D. E. Abeel to intercept them, should they come here. Not arriving in town it was learned that they were at Schoentag's and the officer started in pursuit. On reaching there the chaps were interviewed and finally settled the bill, Mr. Dolan arriving in the meantime and taking his rig home.

1204. Saugerties Post, Aug. 5, 1905. The Horse Stealing Case. A Defense of the Men who Had Dolan's Rig.

Mr. Editor: - In reply to an article which appeared in Monday's "Post." I wish to make the following statement: The two young men who were stopping at Young's, Platte Clove, and accused of horse stealing, happen to be men, and of good standing, instead of young chaps, and can prove same. They had spoken of driving to Tannersville when hiring the rig of a Mr. Dolan, and on their way to Young's decided to go to Schoentag's to visit a friend of theirs who had unfortunately broke his leg, not having any other intentions but to pay Mr. Dolan on returning whatever his charges would be. But it seems Mr. Dolan saw the weather was unfavorable for the livery business, and saw an opportunity to make up for same, followed these people up to Schoentag's with officer Abeel, and got their easy money. These people could use a rig of mine a week without my following them up. C. Schoentag.

1205. Democratic State Convention Saratoga Springs. Tuesday, Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904. 12 o'clock noon. Admit the Bearer. John N. Carlisle Secretary, Cord Meyer, Chairman Democratic State Committee. [red card stamped "General"] [illustration]

1206. Democratic State Convention, Saratoga Springs, Tuesday, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904. 12 o'clock noon. Admit the Bearer. John N. Carlisle Secretary, Cord Meyer, Chairman Democratic State Committee. [green card labeled Stage] [illustration]

1207. Card of Richard Hallenbeck. [illustration]

1208. Saugerties Post, Sept. 19, 1906. The Burglar Captured. William Valk, Jr., Arrested for the S. M. Gray Robbery.

William Valk, a son of William Valk, the blind man living on Ulster avenue, was arrested Saturday by officers D. E. Abeel and Chas. Whitaker on the charge of burglary and larceny. Valk was enjoying the base ball game at the League grounds when taken into custody. He was arrested on complaint of S. M. Gray, whose warehouse was entered last Friday night and two dollars worth of stamps taken.

Saturday afternoon Valk went into Ernest Hassinger's cigar store and wanted to sell some stamps, saying he had found them in an envelope near the steamboat dock, and that he wanted the money to have his sore hand attended to. Mr. Hassinger to help him out purchased seventy of the stamps. Valk also sold eighteen stamps to David Elliott. After Mr. Hassinger had purchased the stamps he mentioned the matter to postmaster Lewis, who informed him that Gray's warehouse had been robbed and stamps taken.

Mr. Gray was then notified and a warrant sworn out for Valk's arrest. After being placed in the lockup Valk denied all knowledge of the burglary, but later made a full confession stating that in addition to the stamps he had stolen a sack of flour. He was arraigned in police court before Judge Coon and committed to await the action of the grand jury which meets next week. Valk was taken to the county jail on Sunday.

1209. Hand dated N. Y. Firemans Herald, Jan 18, 1908. Saugerties, N. Y.

The department has elected Fred Grethwhol of Truck 1, chief; James Reynolds of Laflin Hose and J. M. Adams of Snyder Hose, assistants; Ernest Hassinger of Snyder Hose, secretary and treasurer.

The Snyder Hose Co. will have a minstrel show next month. At the annual meeting of this company Ernest Hassinger, as retiring secretary, was presented with a group picture of Chief Harry Howard and his assistants of New York City, taken fifty years ago, to add to his collection, which is said to be the largest in the State.

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1210. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Octo 8, 1904. A Busy Session of the Directors. Plenty of Business Transacted at the Meeting on Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening Oct. 7, 1904.

Present - Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe, presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The following remonstrance was received from Geo. H. Morgan.

Saugerties, N. Y., Oct. 6, 1904

HON. BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES, N. Y.:

GENTLEMEN:

The gutters in front of my property on West Bridge street, have been filed up by the sewer excavations and in accordance the water has backed up so that it overflows in my yard and running into my cellar, and I hereby serve notice on you that this condition must be remedied at once, or I will be compelled to take such steps as may be necessary. This condition of affairs exists on the whole street in this locality, and the attention of your Honorable Board to this matter is immediately requested.

Respectfully yours, Geo. H. Morgan.

The matter of cleaning up gutters along the streets where sewer excavations are being made, was referred to the street commissioner.

The Finance committee reported that the bill of the Saugerties "Post" was now correct.

Street committee reports as follows: Cleaned streets, six loads of crushed stone on Malden road; scraped shoulder from same road; scraped out gutter on Market street; ten ton dust for Frank Pidgeon; six loads of dirt from Underwood street; scraped Mynderse street; four new locks, chains and staples from Daniel Lamb for crusher, ordered by the President.

Motion, that the street running from Burt street west to the residence of Uriah Washburn, be named Overbaugh street. Carried.

Moved and carried a 16 c. p. electric light be placed on Washburn Terrace.

The President referred the location of the light to the Street committee.

On motion a certificate of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, was granted to Ernest Teetsel.

On motion, an Exempt firemen's certificate was granted to John Rourke, of H. D. Laflin Hose Co., No. 2.

On motion, the action of H. D. Laflin Hose Co., No. 2, in expelling Thos. Gilmore, James Gilmore, Charles Riley and William Rowe for non-payment of dues, was approved by the Board, and they were declared expelled from the Saugerties fire department.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., lumber |              |
| and cement,                          | \$ 66.43     |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas at engine    |              |
| house,                               | .60          |
| John G. Palmer, salary for Sept.,    | 8.00         |
| F. M. Murphy, work at crusher,       | 1.00         |
| C. Van Buskirk, teams for H. & L.    |              |
| truck, & c,                          | 53.50        |
| Saugerties Post, advertising,        | <u>74.43</u> |
|                                      | \$204.86     |

ROAD FUND.

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| F. Yanchke, labor, 7 ½ days, | \$ 11.25     |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 7 ½ days,  | 32.62        |
| R. Casey, salary for Sept.,  | <u>41.65</u> |
|                              | \$ 85.52     |

HEALTH FUND.

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| W. E. Wolven, vital statistics, | \$ 9.05 |
|---------------------------------|---------|

The Clerk reported having received \$800.00 from the Board of Sewer Commissioners for money advanced for the purchase of the Ripley street treatment works, and had deposited the same with the Village Treasurer.

Motion, That L. B. Howard be paid \$300.00 on the stone crusher account. Carried.

Motion, That the Clerk notify corporation tax collector John Crowley that his warrant for the collection of taxes had expired and to make a report. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1211. Saugerties Post, Oct. 21, 1904. After Years of Suffering Death Brings Relief. Town Clerk W. E. Wolven Passes Away Sunday Evening at 7:30 O'clock at His Home.



William E. Wolven, for nearly five years the efficient town clerk, of Saugerties, passed away at the home of his mother, with whom he resided, on Jane street, Sunday evening about 7:30 o'clock, death coming as a result of another paralytic stroke which he suffered late Saturday afternoon. Drs. Diedling and DeWitt were summoned and did everything in their power but there service was of no avail. Mr. Wolven about five years, when the news that he had been elected came to him, was stricken with paralysis which made the right side of his body helpless. Ever since then and up to his death, he has suffered, yet patiently, maintaining a cheerful demeanor, so characteristic of him, despite his pain. His death coming at this time, while releasing him from the affliction which he has borne with great fortitude, causes a mantle of sorrow to cloud, not only the home, among those whom he loved, and where he was loved, but to a large circle of friends. Better known as "Eddie," he had enjoyed the friendship of many, in the village and outside. He was very well known and in his service as a public official he brought himself into the favor of all who had occasion to deal with him. Mr. Wolven was also a member of Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, and at one time Thomas Wildey Encampment. I. O. O. F. In the former organization he served for years as an officer, holding the office of Noble Grand one term, also being one of the famous degree team of the lodge. He was also secretary of the District Grand Committee of the Old Fellows at the time of his demise. He was also an Exempt Fireman, holding membership in the Exempts Association. He served his time originally in the old Star Hose Co., and afterwards in Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Many years ago he was employed in the bleaching department of the paper mills, but after sustaining an injury, embarked in business on Main street, conducting a cigar and tobacco store. This is, and has been, since its opening a favorite place and has been very successful. Mr. Wolven's brother Clarence being in charge. Mr. Wolven was a good friend and an upright official. To his bereaved mother and brothers, the sympathy of the whole community is extended. May he rest in peace. [illustration]

1212. Hand dated Post, Dec 13, 1907. No Indictments.

At the recent session of the Grand Jury in Kingston, a number of the excise law violations, complained of by the local W. C. T. U., were heard in seven cases as follows: Christ. Huberts, Peter D. Curley, Peter J. Hennegan, Frank W. Lorezel, Michael J. Martin, John Sinnott and Eugene Scovill. When the Grand Jury reported Thursday, District Attorney Stephan informed Judge Fitts that no indictments were found against these men and the charges were dismissed. Whether anything will be done in the local police court next Friday against the eight others, no heard before the Grand Jury, is unknown.

1213. Saugerties Post, Nov 1, 1904. Auspicious Opening of Snyder Hose Fair. A Fine Crowd Throngs Fireman's Hall Monday Evening, and Everything Pressages a Large Success.

With everything featured to catch the eye, as well cause purse clasps to yield, amid a host of pretty maids, the finery of delicate tinted decorations, the sweet strains of music, and the chatter of a happy and good natured throng, pleasure bent, the much talked of, and long heralded fair of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, began life at Fireman's hall, Monday evening, and if judgment is to be passed at this time of inception, success reflects its shadow everywhere. In the halo of the gathering there was evidence conclusive that its beginning was auspicious. Everything augmented this fact. In the clatter of the dames who labor, faces radiant with fascinating smile, as they lure one by their easy manner and grace to part with the lucre which all humanity with great avidity covets, there was a complacency, which betokens of joy that they too can serve, even if not in deeds of chivalry and heroism, like the fire ladies, of whom not only they, but all are proud.

Martin's orchestra, stationed in one corner of the hall, added to the gayety and combination of good things, and music such as Martin alone inspires and brings out, lent the necessary compliment to the top rung of enjoyment. Everywhere about the hall there was a busy scene and an atmosphere of activity

when Rev. David M. Hunter, the popular pastor of the Reformed church was introduced and in the following felicitous address he captivated the crowd:

Ladies and gentlemen, fellow townsmen: - At last the event has happened. the event to which we have all been looking forward for a long time, and for which many have been making preparations. Everything is ready, and as soon as the signal is given, these rooms will be the scene of active buying and selling. It is proper that, at the very beginning, while the various booths with their wares are still intact, we should pause for a moment to express our admiration and present our congratulations, our admiration at the beautiful results of months of toil and thought, our congratulations to all those directly interested upon their success, and upon the almost countless tokens of good well here to be seen.

The firemen are the friends of us all, and we are the friends of the firemen. We feel that they belong to us. Their successes and efficiency make us proud. More than once have I heard it said, "We feel safer in Saugerties, and sleep more securely, because we have such a good fire department." For fire is some thing we all dread. Some evils we can keep away from, and so escape, but fire seems to go everywhere, upon land and sea. It is one of the most destructive forces of nature, while one of the most beneficent, also. Within bounds, our great ally, out of bounds, it is the great enemy of material possessions. How destructive it is may be learned from the statement made some years ago, that the annual amount paid by fire insurance companies the world over was \$200,000,000. That does not represent the total loss, nor does it take account of the life sacrificed. How much greater would be the injury if it were not for the organized and scientific combating of the flames. Not only does our fire department make men, women and children sleep more peacefully, it puts money in the purse of everyone who insures his dwelling or his goods. Our fire department also is a sort of unifier of men. It is one of the powers making for a better understanding between men. Here party politics have no place. Democrat and Republican unite in doing honor to the protectors of our lives and our property. Sectarian differences do not intrude here. Methodist and Congregationalist vie with each other in support of this institution. We welcome every field that offers an opportunity for true co-operation. This union of forces against the common foe, fire, is one instance of such co-operation. An efficient fire department is an educative influence, it trains men in certain directions. One of the most needful things in contending with the flames is promptitude, getting at them quickly, before they have gained headway.

I was told that it was just two minutes from the tapping of the bell to the arrival of the first fireman at the scene of a recent blaze. Nothing more need be said to show the efficiency of our men in this respect. Heroes are made in this work, too, or if they are not made, the heroic in men gets the chance to show itself. There is something noble and good in the man, whose life is precious to himself and to others, who goes into the smoke and heat to rescue one who has been overcome. The annals of our department are not wanting in such displays of heroic devotion. Investigation into the causes of fires reveals the fact that 32 per cent are from unknown causes. The inference has been drawn that many of these are of incendiary origin. One could wish that there were some sort of hose by the use of which this wickedness would be put out.

Suppose that could be accomplished, and no one would commit the cowardly crime of setting property on fire. At once, perhaps 25 per cent of the conflagrations would be prevented. Now, toward that result, the church is contributing her part. No man with true religion can be a barn burner. The church, then, is fighting fire, too. The difference between her and Snyder Hose Co. is that she fights them before they begin, the company fights them after they are started. So we can join hands. But I have already spoken at too great length. Let me wish you all success in your fair, and may my stopping be the signal for the loosing of many purse strings.

This very apt and eloquent talk was received with an outburst of applause, and very warmly received. The fair is a veritable collection of good things and the display is brightened by the tasty manner in which the ladies have builded so wisely and well, true, is this of the booths, three in number, the

drapings being second to none in character of design, and perfectness. Of course the chief thing at the fair is the wheel of fortune. This is simply "it." Here is arrayed a host of things after which all men seek – and others too. The special prizes are a whip, chest of tea, barrel of apples, barrel of beer, barrel of flour, box of cigars, bottles of wine, calf, pig, pair of ducks and a phonograph. Your choice of these for one quarter of a dollar. The lusty voices of Messrs. Adams, Cordes and Parker, (not the judge) are in evidence here. The other amusement is the "jack in the box" affair. Dropping a nickel in the slot, a real boy, working automatically comes to the surface, and just like New York, "the lid is off" and you get your prize. Then there are the trio of pretty booths, presided over by the "powers who rule behind the throne." The linen booth, is artistically set off in canary and white colors. This booth has a large assortment of fancy and embroidered work in linens, besides some fine pictures. Mrs. Luther Hommel, Mrs. J. W. Lackey, Mrs. B. F. Davis and Mrs. H. C. Van Buskirk are at this booth. The candy booth is real sweet in its garb of pink and white, harmony sweet indeed. That which makes you yearn for good things draws your attention here. Mrs. Clyde Van Steenberg, Mrs. E. J. Lewis and Miss Anna C. Potts are located at this booth. The fancy booth in green and white affords a handsome alliance of color sure to please. At this booth may be found several chairs, lamps, sofa pillows, a tea set, cut glass, rugs, silverware and a host of nice things. Mrs. R. F. Diedling, Mrs. Irving Russell, Mrs. John M. Adams, Mrs. Chas. Wilbur, Mrs. H. R. Cordes, Miss Mabel Knight, and Miss Lulu Eckert are at this booth. But the real thing of the fair is the suppers served. Mrs. Byron Hallenbeck is superintending this department, and Mrs. H. Glesiner, Mrs. G. U. Peters and Mrs. E. Hassinger as assistants. Their very names are suggestive of the things are done, and if you want a good meal give them an opportunity to satisfy you. The fair will continue every evening this week and we bespeak for it a large patronage.

1214. Hudson Valley Committee.

President Ernest Hassinger, of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, has appointed the following standing committees – Executive – H. D. Laflin, Saugerties; Henry Buxbury, Hudson; Edward M. Hogan, Suffern; William Diedrick, Kingston; C. G. Coffin, Catskill; Hugh Murphy, Poughkeepsie. Auditing – A. M. Hitchcock, Mount Vernon; James H. Haight, Peekskill; E. E. Schryver, Kingston.

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1215. President Jarvis F. O'Brien, New York State Association. [illustration]

1216. Secretary John S. Jones, of Westport, Conn. [illustration]

1217. Chief Charles Little, Rochester, N. Y. [illustration]

1218. Chief W. T. Belt, Washington D. C. [illustration]

1219. Ocean City Fire Department, E. Stonehill, Assistant; James S. Rush, Chief; Warren Brown, Assistant Chief. [illustration]

1220. Saugerties Post, April 18, 1905. Rev. Michael J. Murray "Caned" Monday Night. A Beautiful Walking Stock Received by the Reverend Gentleman from a Number of Friends.

To be "caned" before a number of people is not always relished, or ever desired, by the recipient, but when "caned" in a kindly and affectionate spirit by friends, no matter how deep it may be felt, is another question then receiver has to deal with.

This happy incident occurred Monday evening, and in an unostentatious manner, one of Saugerties' erst while citizens, the Rev. Michael J. Murray, was "caned" and most beautifully, too.

The "caning" occurred in the office of Surrogate Charles Davis about 9 o'clock, the friends of the reverend gentleman contributing for the cane, being present.

St. Mary's former pastor had come to Saugerties on Monday to close up his affairs, previous to his final departure for Riverdale, and without a taint of suspicion he came to Surrogate Davis' office in response to an invitation.

The presentation was a great surprise and when Mr. Davis, at the conclusion of a very appropriate and eloquent address, handed over the cane, it was received by Father Murray in that calm and dignified manner, characteristic of the man.

Surrogate Davis said:

Father Murray – When a man has spent twelve years of his life among us, and has shown by the example of his every day walk and conversation what a noble thing it is to be a gentleman, we who are here and those of our citizens who are unavoidably absent, cannot let the opportunity pass when such a man is about to leave us, without expressing to him how deep a hold he was won in our minds and hearts.

Twelve years ago, Sir, you came among our people unheralded and unknown to us, today you are leaving, known to every man, woman and little child in our community, they know and watch for your kindly greeting, the light of your cheerful countenance, and they each believe in you they see their own particular friend.

We all congratulate you on the happy and kindly feeling that is expressed and shown to you by every one, and when we stop to consider this and ask ourselves the question: How did you do it? The answer comes quickly. Always a gentleman, always an honest, sincere, patriotic and progressive citizen, always willing to help in time of need.

We who know the terrific odds you have had to encounter, congratulate you twice and thrice over. We who have noted your career, and watched the development of the property committed to your care, and observe to day its clean and prosperous condition and appearance are led to no other conclusion, that as in your temporal, so in your spiritual work you have preached and set the of a clean religious spirit, fair and reasonable having due regard to the rights and feelings and prejudices even of all your fellow citizens.

We congratulate you on you well earned promotion to your new charge at Riverdale, though with a deep sense of our personal loss, we recognize the gain to your new parishioners, and we know your efforts in the new field will be worthy and meet with abounding success.

You have so lived your life among us, that you go from us not scourged, but with well earned plaudits and the kindest feeling of the citizens of our village, irrespective of religious affiliation.

We who are here have thought that you might be willing to receive from us some slight token and memento of the words we have spoken, some remembrance of the very deep and abiding respect we have for you, and so, in the name of all, I take pleasure in presenting to you this cane, and with it the sentiment in which we all join.

God bless you, Sir, wherever you may go, and may a full measure of success be meted out to you in your new parish and in your future life, and may you always remember the friends at Saugerties, as they surely will remember you.

Somewhat abashed by this unexpected token of friendship, he responded very gratefully, acknowledging his thanks for the honor that the friends assembled had bestowed on him.

The cane is a fine specimen of Beth –Bara wood, with gold tips, one bearing the initials, "M. J. M." and the other "April 8, '05," the date of Father Murray's promotion.

The following persons, all protestants, arranged and made the presentation: Supervisor D. W. Maxwell, County clerk John D. Fratsher; Postal inspector C. C. James, Mayor Albert Rowe: Contractor Frank Pidgeon; Dr. C. T. Montgomery; President of the Board of Education John A. Snyder; President Albert Carnright of the Saugerties Bank; President R. A. Snyder of the First National Bank, Ex-mayor Martin Cantine; L. J. Butzel; Surrogate Charles Davis; Postmaster John C. Davis; Ex-postmaster Wm. V. Burhans; R. B. Overbagh, J. W. Frankel, John C. Shults, Wm. Doyle, Henry Dickhaut, Robert Main, President of the Empire Brick Co.; Frank Rowe, Myron Bedell, Howard Gillespy, R. B. Goodman, Fred T. Lewis, Clinton Van Buskirk and Luther Hommel.

1221. Saugerties Post, Jan. 15, 1906. The Sewers Finished.

After nearly two years of labor, Wieber & Watson, the sewer contractors have completed the job, the last pipe being laid Saturday afternoon. They are now ready for acceptance by the sewer commissioners for the bill age. Superintendant C. W. Brown, who has been in charge since last summer has rushed the work, and despite many handicaps, the non-arrival of pipe, etc. has made excellent progress. The job has been a long and tedious one and now that it is finished, our citizens feel well pleased. Spt. Brown is deserving of much credit for his part in hustling the work to a completion. He is a competent engineer and his work has been very satisfactory.

1222. Hand dated Jan 16, 1906. Mr. Wieber dead.

Henry E. Wieber, of the firm of Wieber & Watson, the village sewer contractors, died at his home in Rondout, Monday evening, after a protracted illness from a complication of diseases. Mr. Wieber was well known as a business man, and had been Mayor of Kingston. He was a member of many fraternities, and a leading citizen of the colonial city. He is survived by a wife, three sons, one daughter, a sister, Mrs. Henry C. Dolson, formerly of this village, and one brother. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at his late residence.

1223. Saugerties Post, July 29, 1905. A Busy Session of Village Board. Several Bills Were Ordered Paid – The Collector's Bond Approved – Firemen's Certificates Granted – Street Commissioners Report.

Postponed regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, July 28, 1905.

Directors present – McLaughlin, Lewis, Crump and Ziegler.

Motion, That Mr. Ziegler act as president for this session of the Board in the absence of the president and vice-president. Carried.

Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

A communication was received from Wieber & Watson, stating that the progress of replacing the streets in proper condition was not being done to their satisfaction. It was decided that Wieber & Watson should put on their own force of men, and be allowed the use of the steam roller as heretofore arranged, and the Street Commissioner to inspect the work and report to the Board.

On motion the bond of John Crowley, corporation tax collector was accepted.

On motion, Resolved, that the corporation tax toll as made out and presented by the village assessors be accepted and that a warrant for the collection of taxes be made out for a period of 60 days and the books turned over to the collector.

The Street Committee reported as follows: Drawed tram from Main street; purchases ½ gallon of lard oil, 1 gallon of kerosene oil. ½ gallon of cylinder oil and one oil filler, of Daniel Lamb; William Doyle, 17 tons and 200 pounds of crushed stone; Michelean Gornnini, leather for repairing roller, 35¢; Geo. Burhans, for repairing wrench, 25¢; two loads of dust.

The matter of overhauling the carriage of Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, was referred to the Firemanic Committee.

On motion the communication from Judge Cantine was received and placed on file.

On motion, a certificate of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, was ordered granted to Frank G. Phelps.

On motion, Exempt Fireman's certificates were ordered granted to B. F. Davis and Byron Davis, of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

Seamon Bros, Co., repairing

chairs, \$ 1.75

Kelly-Springfield Road Roller Co.,

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| 1 valve,   | 3.80          |
| Wm. McMullen, returning hose to engine house,                                  | 1.00          |
| Charles F. Cantine, legal services in the collection of back taxes and advice, | <u>100.00</u> |
|  | \$106.05      |

ROAD FUND.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Wm. Mann, work at crusher,              | \$ 3.00     |
| Edward Rose, 3 days engineer of roller, | 6.00        |
| F. Yanchke, team one-half day,          | 2.25        |
| Wm. Yanchke, labor 1 day,               | <u>1.50</u> |
|   | \$ 13.75    |

Motion, That a survey and grade be made of MacDonald and Allen streets under the supervision of the street committee. Carried.

Motion, That when the Board adjourns this evening, it be until Aug. 18, 1905. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1224. College seal. [illustration]

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1225. Saugerties Post, Aug. 15, 1905. The Village Board. A Special Meeting Held on Monday Evening. Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Monday evening, Aug. 14. 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Zeigler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

The president stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of taking the stone crushing contract of L. B. Howard and the matter of selling about 400 tons of crushed stone to the sewer contractors, Wieber & Watson.

Motion, That L. B. Howard be paid an additional \$50.00 on his stone crushing contract. Mr. Howard to release the Board from all further obligation and the Board also to release Mr. Howard from all further obligation, under his contract. Carried.

Motion, That the Board sell sewer contractors, Wieber & Watson 400 tons of crushed stone, more or less, at \$1.00 per gross ton at the crusher. Terms of payment to be agreed upon with the Board. Carried.

Motion, That Mr. Edward Rose be employed by the village from Aug. 7 to Sept. 2, 1905, inclusive, at a salary of \$10 per week. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1226. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Octo 29, 1906. A Sketch of Our Fellow Townsman John D. Fratsher, the Candidate for County Clerk on the Republican Ticket.

We present to our readers today, the well known features of the Republican candidate for County Clerk, our fellow citizen and townsman, John D. Fratsher. Mr. Fratsher hardly needs any encomium from us, his whole life having been lived here and the esteem in which he is held will be evinced on election day when he will receive a rousing majority. As County Clerk his record has been an enviable one and merits high praise. He has faithfully striven to be true to the trust the public have committed to him and his re-election is generally conceded. Mr. Fratsher was born in this village November 16, 1863. In his early life

he was employed by the Ulster Iron Works and Cross Blank Book Company as bookkeeper and later with J. L. Butzel's Sons in the same capacity. Mr. Fratscher has been elected supervisor of this town four times, and has been elected chairman of the board of supervisors three times. He is the youngest man ever elected to this office. For several years he was a page and also clerk in the assembly. He is a man of sound judgment and strong character. In every capacity he has served his constituents well and his renomination for the office of county clerk is a mark of appreciation on the part of those who know and honor him best. [illustration]

1227. Saugerties Post, Aug. 19, 1905. Proceedings of the Village Legislature. Department Matters – Attention Given to Automobiles and Other Business Transacted –

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis.

President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last regular meeting and special meeting read for information.

The street committee reported as follows: Twenty-two loads of stone on Market street; drew tram from Main street; cleaned out Searing gutter; repaired Mynderse street; twenty loads of chips from dock; cleaned dirt from street.

The street committee also reported that Allan and McDonald street were being surveyed for a grade.

Crusher committee reported that the steps and scales at the crusher were being repaired.

Motion, that \$165.00 be appropriated for the fire companies for the expenses of inspection on Labor Day, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1905. Carried.

Motion, That the President of the Board be directed to take the necessary steps to enforce the wide tire ordinance in the Village of Saugerties and that he also be empowered to incur whatever expense may be necessary in enforcing the said ordinance. Carried.

Motion, that the village officers be notified to enforce the law in regard to the speeding of automobiles through the village streets. Carried.

On motion, the action of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, in expelling C. K. Van Buskirk, Ernest Teetsel and Edward Hanley for non payment of dues, fines and assessments was confirmed by the board, and they were expelled from the village fire department.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

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| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights<br>to Aug. 1, 1905,             | \$226.00 |
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., fix-<br>tures Sunder Hose rooms,       | 15.00    |
| J. G. Palmer, salary to Sept. 1,<br>1905,                        | 32.00    |
| Myron Bedell, supplies,  | 5.79     |
| Wm. H. Burnett, two danger<br>signs,                             | 6.50     |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas to Aug.<br>1, 1905,                      | 5.40     |
| C. H. Vedder, extra services in<br>the collection of back taxes, | 25.00    |
| Wm. Doyle, carting ashes,  | 2.50     |
| Aubrey L. Hill, reseating chair,                                 | .55      |
| John C. Shults, services as asses-<br>sor,                       | 36.00    |

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Ezra Carnright, services as assessor, | 36.00        |
| John McCormick, services as assessor, | <u>36.00</u> |
|                                       | \$427.74     |

### HEALTH FUND.

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|---|----------|
| J. H. DeWitt, M. D., salary to Sept. 1, 1905, | \$ 52.50 |
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### ROAD FUND.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| F. Yanchke, labor 4 ½ days,             | \$ 6.27      |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 3 days,                | 4.50         |
| Patrick Hughes, labor 4 ½ days,         | 6.75         |
| John Maxwell, labor 1 day,              | 1.50         |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 2 ½ days,             | 11.25        |
| Wm. Doyle, team, 2 ½ days,              | 11.25        |
| R. Casey, salary for July and supplies, | <u>43.25</u> |
|   | \$83.87      |

On motion the invitation from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, William Mac Mullen, inviting the Board to inspect the fire companies of the department on Labor Day was received and the invitation accepted.

On motion the communication from the National Firemen's Association was received and placed on file. Minutes read and approved.

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

1228. Saugerties Post, Sept. 16, 1905. The Village Board. Business Transacted at the Regular Meeting Friday Night.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Sept. 15, 1905.

Directors present – Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Committee reported as follows: Scraped Partition street from Russell to Main street; scraped Main street from Washington avenue to Market street; scraped Market street from Main street to Ulster avenue; scraped Ulster avenue from Market to Elizabeth streets; drew 42 loads of stone to fill washout on Ulster avenue; drew 10 loads of dirt and rebuilt a catch basin on Ulster avenue; drew four loads of stone, four loads of chips and ten loads of dirt to fill in washout on upper end of Main street; opened sewer on Washington avenue; cleaned out gutter on Valley street; eleven loads of crushed stone for patching; drew twenty loads of crushed stone on Ulster avenue; purchased four barrels of wood from Myer & Carnright, \$1.00.

The Street Commissioner reported that the drain on Washington avenue, corner of Division street, had been improperly replaced by the sewer contractors, Wieber & Watson, and that he had a man working for 1 ½ days replacing the drain in the proper manner.

Motion, That a bill for replacing the drain above referred to in a proper condition be sent to Wieber & Watson. Carried.

The president reported that the sidewalks in several places on the north side of Ulster avenue were in a very bad condition.

The President referred the matter of placing new chandeliers in the room of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. to the Firemanic committee.



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Motion, That six rubber coats be purchased for the use of the Fire Department – three for R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, and three for H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2. Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

### GENERAL FUND.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas for July and Aug.,        | \$ 12.54    |
| C. H. Vedder, salary, barn rent and supplies      | 34.55       |
| Daniel Lamb, 15 lbs. of rope,                     | 2.25        |
| W. E. Persons, 3 months care of town clock,       | 12.00       |
| D. McLaughlin, mason work at Engine House, No. 2, | <u>8.75</u> |
|   | \$ 70.09    |

### ROAD FUND.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Wm. Yanchke, team ten days,                   | \$ 45.00     |
| Wm. Doyle, team, 11 ½ days,                   | 51.75        |
| F. Yanchke, labor 10 ½ days,                  | 15.75        |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 10 days,                     | 15.00        |
| P. Hughes, labor 10 days,                     | 15.00        |
| Edward Rose, engineer 12 days and one shovel, | <u>30.85</u> |
|   | \$173.25     |

The firemanic committee reported that a contract had been made with John Kerbert to paint and paper Engine house No. 2, at an agreed price of \$70.00.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1229. Hand dated Octo. 19, 1907. Encampment Installation.

At the meeting of the Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., held Friday evening, the following officers were installed by District Deputy Grand Patriarch Louis Kegler of Kingston. S. F. Barker, chief patriarch; James Smith, high priest; Albert Freese, senior warden; Irving Teetsel, junior warden; Robert Webber, recording scribe; Ernest Hassinger, financial scribe; William E. Comfort, treasurer; Thomas Tuttle, inside sentinel, Robert Webber, first watch; Robert Espey, second watch; Wm. Stewart, third watch; John Lang, Sr., first guard of tent; Herman Gleisner, second guard of tent; S. Yates Knight, guide. A banquet followed the installation at the Market street hotel.

1230. Saugerties Post, Oct. 7, 1905. The Doings of the Village Fathers. The Meeting Held on Friday Evening and the Work Performed by the Board.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Oct. 6, 1905.

Directors present – Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street committee reported as follows: Fifty loads of crushed stone and eight-five loads of chips to repair Ulster avenue; purchased five tons of coal from Finger & Lewis for the crusher and one and one-half tons of coal from the Saugerties Coal Co. for the roller; fiver barrels of wood from Myer & Carnright; cleaned sewer on Ripley street.

The Street committee also reported that they had met with the Sewer Board and that the Superintendent of the Sewer work had agreed to begin replacing the streets in proper condition at once.

Motion, That a notice be served on the Sewer Board and also on the sewer contractors that if work on replacing the streets in proper condition is not begun by Oct. 1, 1905, and completed forthwith, the Board of Directors would have their Street commissioner do the work at the sewer contractors expense. Carried.

The Street committee reported that they had ordered two drinking fountains at a cost of \$211.50 on board boat at New York.

Motion, That James D. Myer, Fred. T. Russell and the Saugerties Savings Bank be notified to repair the side-walk in front of the property owned by them on Livingston street, and that Chas. Davis be notified to repair the gutter in front of the Sheffield property on East Bridge street and that he also be notified to repair the sidewalks in front of the Davis property on Ulster avenue. Carried.

The President reported that he had taken action toward the enforcement of the wide tire ordinance and had started and action against one of the violators and that the case had been decided in favor of the village.

On motion of Mr. Ziegler the following ordinances established a grade for curbing and guttering on Allen and Mc Donald streets were unanimously adopted:

[SEE ORDINANCES IN ANOTHER COLUMM.]

On motion certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, were ordered granted to Richard Powers, Dr. D. B. Allen, Frank Palmer and Gordon Myer.

On motion the bill of P. C. Smith, amount 90¢ for supplies was referred to the Finance committee.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co. lights |              |
| to Oct. 1, '05,                 | \$227.00     |
| Wm. Shultis, watching Main's    |              |
| fire,                           | 2.00         |
| Chas. Crum, watching Main's     |              |
| fire,                           | 2.00         |
| Myer & Carnright, 4 bbls. of    |              |
| wood,                           | 1.00         |
| Wm. McCormick, washing          |              |
| hose,                           | 1.00         |
| Wm. Kenney, washing hose,       | 1.00         |
| John H. Kerbert, painting       |              |
| and papering Engine house       |              |
| No. 2                           | <u>70.00</u> |
| Total,                          | \$308.00     |

ROAD FUND.

|                               |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Yanchke, team 15 ¼ days,  | \$ 68. 62    |
| Wm. Doyle, team 16 days,      | 72.00        |
| F. Yanchke, labor, 16 ½ days, | 24.37        |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 12 ¼ days,   | 18.37        |
| P. Hughes, labor 16 days,     | 26.00        |
| A. Underhill, labor 7 ½ days, | 12.62        |
| T. Bradley, labor 5 ½ days,   | 8.25         |
| Edward Rose, engineer, 13     |              |
| days,                         | 32.50        |
| R. Casey, salary for Sept.    | <u>41.65</u> |
| Total,                        | \$304.38     |

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|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Saugerties Mfg. Co. supplies,  | \$ 6.25      |
| C. M. Woven, vital statistics, | <u>17.60</u> |
| Total,                         | \$ 23.85     |

Minutes read and approved.

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

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1231. Saugerties Post, Nov. 18, 1905. Village Board to make a Protest Against New York City's Taking Their Water Supply from the Catskills.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The street committee reported as follows: Drawed twenty-five loads of chips on Market street; drawed twelve loads of ashes on Ferry street; drawed four loads of ashes on Valley street; drawed four loads of ashes on Valley street; drawed four loads of ashes on Underwood street; cut two breakwaters on Valley street; cut one breakwater on Underwood street; cut shoulder off road at bindery; cut shoulder off road on Hill street and cleaned streets.

The street committee also reported that Mr. E. M. Wilbur had agreed to move back the fence in front of his property on Partition street and widen the sidewalk if the village would pay for the flag.

Motion, That the action of the street committee be approved and the offer of Mr. Wilbur accepted.

Carried.

On Motion certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, were ordered granted to George H. Smith, C. P. Swart and Harry Peters.

On motion exemption certificates were ordered granted to Henry Cordes, David Elliott, Irving Russell and Robert B. Ballman of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

## GENERAL FUND.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Wm. Doyle, 27 weeks sprinkling,               | \$125.00     |
| Peter Canner, work at crusher and supplies,   | 49.36        |
| Daniel Lamb, supplies for crusher &c.,        | 9.52         |
| W. D. Brinnier, legal services                |              |
| Happy and Schoonmaker cases,                  | 45.00        |
| C. Van Buskirk, tend to fires, &c.,           | 42.50        |
| Michael Fitzgerald, washing hose,             | 2.00         |
| John G. Palmer, washing hose,                 | 2.00         |
| D. E. Abeel , 6 months services as policeman, | <u>75.00</u> |
|   | \$350.38     |

## ROAD FUND.

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| Wm. Yanchke, team 8 ½ days, | \$ 38.35 |
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|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Doyle, team 2 ½ days,        | 11.25        |
| F. Yanchke, labor 8 ½ days,      | 12.75        |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 6 days,         | 9.00         |
| P. Hughes, labor 8 days,         | 12.00        |
| Everett Roosa, engineer 12 days, | <u>30.00</u> |
| Total                            | \$113.25     |

The bill of Finger & Lewis, amount \$72.67 was referred to the Finance committee.

On motion, the communication from Maggie McGraw was layed over for further consideration. The injunction from Viola B. Finger, forbidding the Village of Saugerties and Wieber & Watson, sewer contractors, to lay sewer pipe through Finger Street, so called, was presented to the Board of Directors. Motion, That the Village of Saugerties appear in the action brought by Viola B. Finger, against the Village and employ counsel and interpose such defense as may be advised, and that the President is authorized to carry into effect the foregoing resolution. Carried unanimously.

Motion, That the president be empowered to employ counsel to appear before the State Water Board in behalf of the Village of Saugerties to protest against the City of New York impounding the waters of Esopus creek as it would be very detrimental to the interests of the village. Unanimously carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1232. Saugerties Post, Nov. 22, 1905. The Protest of the Village Directors Adopted at a Special Meeting Held Tuesday Evening by the Local Solons.

Special meeting of the Board of Directors, held Tuesday evening, Nov. 21, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

The president stated that the meeting was called for the purpose of protesting against the city of New York securing a new and additional water supply from the Catskill mountain region.

Mr. Ziegler offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

RESOLVED, That the Directors of the Village of Saugerties, a municipal corporation in this state object to and oppose the project of the city of New York for securing a new and additional supply of water from the Catskill mountain region, the plans of which were filed with the New York State water supply commission on or about the third day of November, 1905, upon the following grounds among other, to wit:

First - That the said plans are not justified by public necessity and are incomplete and defective:

I. In that it is admitted by the city of New York that if executed they will afford to the inhabitants of that city a temporary supply of water for a period not exceeding twenty years.

II. In that the estimated cost of the same, \$161,857,000 is excessive and disproportionate to the benefit which can be derived therefrom.

III. In that the application of said city of New York is not accompanied by sufficient maps of the lands to be acquired by the city; or a plan or scheme for the payment of indirect damages to persons or property as required by section 3, of Chapter 732, of the laws of 1905.

Second – That the same are not just and equitable to the other municipalities and civil divisions of the state of New York and the inhabitants thereof affected thereby:

I. In that they are unjust and inequitable to said Village of Saugerties and to the inhabitants thereof.

II. In that they might endanger or destroy the water supply of said village.

III. In that the business of the inhabitants of said village is largely derived from persons employed in various manufacturing industries which would be destroyed or seriously crippled by the execution of said plans, the damages to which business are probably unascertainable and unenforceable in a court; but of which the State Water Commission may and should take cognizance.

IV. In that the proposed Ashokan reservoir would endanger life and property in said village.

Third. – That the said plans do not make fair and equitable provisions for the determination and payment of any and all damages to persons and property both direct and indirect, which will result from the execution thereof:

I. In that the said plans do not make fair and equitable provisions for the determination and payment of any and all damages to persons and property both direct and indirect, which will result from the execution thereof:

I. In that the said plans, save in one instance, make provision only for direct and common law damages.

II. In that the said plans provide that the city of New York shall become seized in fee for all those parcels of real estate in the said plans and maps filed by the said city, described as parcels of which it has been determined the fee shall be acquired, and may immediately after filing the oath of commissioners of appraisal take possession of the same without any suit or proceeding at law for that purpose, and may enter upon the use and occupy in perpetuity all of the same without first making compensation to the owners thereof.

Fourth. – That said plans are in contravention of the provisions of Section 3 of chapter 724 of the laws of 1905, providing that no reservoir or other structure for the storage or impounding of water shall at any time be constructed within the drainage area of the Esopus creek in the county of Ulster, other than that designated in the report of William H. Burr, Rudolph Hering and John R. Freeman, to the Honorable George B. McClellan, mayor, chairman, board of estimate and apportionment of the city of New York, as the Ashokan reservoir, in that the said plans providing for a reservoir within such drainage area, materially differ from that designate in the last aforesaid report of the said Burr, Hering and Freeman as the Ashokan reservoir.

RESOLVED, That a copy of these objections, duly attested by the president and village clerk, under the seal of the village, be filed with the state water supply commission.

The president declared the resolution unanimously adopted.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1233. Saugerties Post, Dec. 2, 1905. Lawyer Linson Makes an Able Address. Before Water Commissioners – Appearing for the Village of Saugerties He Opposes the New York Water Scheme. During the hearing before the State Water Board, Senator Linson made an able address in opposition to the New York water scheme, appearing for the Village of Saugerties. He gave a description of that part of the county, the line of Esopus creek, and in what manner it entered the village of Saugerties. He said there was a great water power there, and it was that which caused the village to be located at that point, which was 11 or 12 miles north of the city of Kingston at the junction of the Esopus creek and the Hudson river. The Esopus creek was a variable stream that in the spring, summer and fall contained a large volume of water overflowing its banks and covering the lowlands, while in the summer a person could walk across in a number of places dry shod. There are only two tributaries to the Esopus creek below the Ashokan reservoir which are of any consequence. One is the Sawkill stream, the water of which is all substantially taken by the city of Kingston, and the other the Plattekill stream, the water of which was nearly all taken by the village of Saugerties for domestic purposes. The waters of the Esopus are utilized in the village for the purposes of power. Saugerties is the largest incorporated village in the county, the largest place in the county, except Kingston.

It is a village of some 4,000 inhabitants about 800 of whom are employed in the factories which depend for their power on the waters of the Esopus creek. He said he was advised, though he had no personal knowledge in the matter, that it was doubtful whether it would be possible for the manufacturies at Saugerties to compete with others in business if they were obliged to substitute steam for water power being much more expensive, and closing of these works would necessarily throw a large number of men

out of employment, inuring both directly and indirectly the people of that village to an extent which cannot be measured in dollars and cents. It was for that reason he spoke upon the question of indirect damages as being the most important there was before the commission, and which it still seemed to him should be determined before any other question was considered. The Ulster & Delaware was protected in the matter of indirect damages under Sec. 724 of the Laws of 1905. There is no question that all the injuries to the Ulster & Delaware can be compensated and can be measured under the rules of law, but as to no one else under the rules of law and under this so called plan submitted by the other side can the village of Saugerties receive compensation. He did not blame the Ulster & Delaware Railroad. They appeared and contested as Judge Clearwater has said alone, and they succeeded in getting this provision put in the New York city act. He was glad they did, but it did not help his clients who were going to be ruined by the building of this reservoir. It was the duty of the commission to say to the representatives of the city of New York. "We decline to approve your application for leave to construct the Ashokan reservoir, until you have furnished us with plans from which we can see that the indirect damages to these people will be properly determined."

They have furnished you with a plan by which the damages shall be paid and at great length, but have they furnished you a plan by which the damages may be determined? There isn't any statute in this state and there isn't any power in any court in this state by which the damages my clients will sustain can be determined unless this commission makes rules or compels these gentlemen to make rules under which they shall received evidence of indirect damages.

I do not suppose there is an individual in the village of Saugerties with the exception of these owners of riparian rights who can prove direct damages from the execution of these plans. There are a number of people who will be ruined, turned out of house and home, with no business, nothing to do unless this commission compels these New York gentlemen to make provision for indirect damages. A member of the commission was so impressed with Mr. Linson's argument he asked him to file a list of decisions of the courts showing these people were not entitled to indirect damages which Mr. Linson did.

One of the commissioners enquired of the senator, "In view of the complex character of these various claims for indirect damages, do you think it is possible for any board or body of men to formulate a definite and acceptable plan for compensating those who are indirectly damaged? Senator Linson said he had no doubt of it, and the legislature of the state had no doubt of it in the act creating the State Board and told them not to approve of any plan until that was done.

Commissioner: It would be a pretty hard problem."

Senator Linson: "It is a pretty hard problem, and it is a pretty hard problem for the people of this county to lose their property, therefore the legislature said you must compensate.

During his address the senator said if any member of the commission had the idea that if New York settled with the Ulster & Delaware Railroad Company all opposition would cease, he should get that out of his mind as speedily as possible.

1234. Hand dated Dec 2, 1905. The Directors Proceedings. The Village Salons Transact Little Business Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Dec. 1, 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last regular meeting and special meetings read for information.

Street committee reported as follows: Carted lumber from building on Ripley street to the crusher; raked stones from Valley street; the balance of the work was done on Allen and McDonald street; engineer repairing roller; built a retaining wall on Allen street.

The street committee also reported that the curbing and guttering on Allen and McDonald streets was nearly finished and that a new drinking fountain had been set and connected at the intersection of South Partition and West Bridge streets.

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On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                     |               |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights to |               |
| Dec. 1, 1905,                       | \$227.00      |
| Henry Lawless, watching Ward fire,  | 2.00          |
| Patrick Doyle, " " "                | 2.00          |
| Jesse R. Freese, " " "              | 2.00          |
| Finger & Lewis, coal and lumber,    | 71.37         |
| E. Moran, 5 dinners for jurors,     | 2.50          |
| J. L. Mott Iron Works, 2 drinking   |               |
| fountains,                          | 211.00        |
| Rightmyer, Ballman & Jacobs, 4      |               |
| rubber coats,                       | 20.00         |
| R. E. Sternberg, surveying,         | <u>173.00</u> |
|                                     | \$711.23      |

ROAD FUND.

|                                  |              |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Yanchke, team 9 ½ days,      | \$ 42.75     |
| F. Yanchke, labor 2 days,        | 3.00         |
| P. Hughes, labor 2 days,         | 3.00         |
| A. Keeler, labor 8 3-4 days,     | 13.12        |
| Thomas Mc Gann, labor 1 day,     | 1.50         |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 4 3-4 days,     | 7.12         |
| Wm. Wright, labor 4 3-4 days,    | 7.12         |
| Everett Roosa, engineer 12 days, | 30.00        |
| R. Casey, salary for Nov.,       | <u>41.65</u> |
|                                  | \$149.26     |

The president appointed Denis McLaughlin, John T. Washburn and David E. Abeel as inspectors to serve at the Charter Election to be held December 12, 1905.

Minutes read and approved.

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

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1235. Saugerties Post, May 12, 1905. Quinn to Manage the Saugerties Team. With Lennon, the Twirler, He Will Arrive in Town to Look After Saugerties this Season.

The fans will be glad to learn that Jimmy Quinn will manage Saugerties this season, David J. Schulman=s services being dispensed with. Quinn with Pat Lennon, the twirler, arrives here Saturday on the 11:25 train. The Albany Argus speaks of Quinn as follows: Jimmy Quinn will play third base and manage the Saugerties team of the Hudson River League during the coming season. The deal by which this clever and popular little player becomes the guiding spirit of the Saugerties outfit was closed Thursday afternoon, and the fans of that town are more than elated over the success of President Keeney in landing Jimmy. Quinn played third base and captained the team last season, but he had no reserve clause in his contract, and of course could not be held for this season. Many inducements were held out to him by the Saugerties management, but not until Thursday could he be induced to take the management of the team. As a ball player Quinn is a valuable man to any team, as he knows the game thoroughly and plays a strong and consistent game at all times. Being a man of exemplary habits, he is always in condition to give his very best services, and nothing is too hard for him to make a try for. He is one of the most popular players that ever played on the Hudson River circuit and is considered among the best of the third corner guardians of that league.

As manager, Jimmy should show to excellent advantage. He is thoroughly acquainted with the strength of the league and knows just were [sic] to lay his hands on the men who are necessary to make a winning team. A player who is always in condition himself, he believes and insists that his men be at all times in condition to play their best game; no idler will stay with the team that Quinn directs. The team as it stands to-day is a very fair one, and with the material that Quinn will undoubtedly add to it should be a prominent factor in the fight for the pennant all during the season. Last season the team finished in fifth place, and Quinn hit for .261 and fielded for .981. With a fair break in luck the chances are particularly rosy for Saugerties being up with the leaders when the flag falls at the end of the season. The fans of this city will watch with more than ordinary interest the contest for the flag in that league this season, and are wishing Quinn all kinds of good luck in his managerial ventures. Jimmy has not been idle and is now in condition to start in the season=s work, and will leave to take charge of the team to-day.

1236. Hand dated Post May 31, 1905. Base Ball Gossip. A Grist of Interesting Notes for the Local Order of Fandom.

| Won           | Lost | Pct. |      |
|---------------|------|------|------|
| Hudson,       | 15   | 5    | .750 |
| Poughkeepsie, | 10   | 6    | .625 |
| Yonkers,      | 10   | 7    | .588 |
| Paterson,     | 11   | 8    | .579 |
| Kingston,     | 9    | 11   | .450 |
| Newburgh,     | 7    | 10   | .412 |
| Saugerties,   | 5    | 12   | .294 |
| Peekskill,    | 5    | 13   | .278 |

1237. Chief John Stagg, President International Association of Fire Engineers. [illustration]

1238. Saugerties Post, May 12, 1905. Saugerties Lose First Game. Hudson Wins out by the Score of 7-4 Thursday.

The Hudson Republican gives the following version of the opening game in that city Thursday. Berger opened the season by promptly striking out Breen; Goldstein was safe on a fumble, Brice sacrificed and Harrison's single sent Goldstein over with the first run. Ely opened for Hudson with a base on balls, then followed the finest piece of bunting and team play ever seen in Hudson. Fish dropped one in front of the plate and Ely made third by a long slide, with Fish safe at first; Waterman laid another dead, and Masterson turned a somersault trying to field it; McCormick lined out a nice one and O'Malley bunted another which Hope foolishly fielded to the plate, but Waterman slid in safe; this fine bit of work netted three runs, and the big crowd went wild, for it was evident that the Hudson team was on its toes. In the fifth Simmons hit safe, and went to second on Masterson's safe one; he reached third on Hope's hit to Phalen and scored on an infield error. Ely took another base on balls and was neatly sacrificed to second by Fish; Waterman laid another bunt dead after Ely had made a clean steal of third, and the latter scored; Waterman then gave the best exhibition of base running seen in many a moon by making a clean steal of second and scoring from that bag on Gitzen's safe hit to right; McCormick was hit by a pitched ball, and with Gitzen he scored on O'Malley's beautiful drive for two bases; Phalen then got in a safe one, but he and Mike were left.

Saugerties tallied two in the ninth on two hits and a bit of slow fielding, but the game was safe, and everybody was "taking things easy." Both sides played fast ball most of the time, and a pleased crowd filed out of the grounds when it was over. The score follows:



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## SAUGERTIES.

| AB             | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E        |          |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Breen, ss.     | 4        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2        | 1        |
| Goldstein, cf. | 4        | 1        | 0        | 2        | 0        | 0        |
| Brice, lf.     | 3        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Harrison, rf.  | 4        | 0        | 2        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| Hughes, 2b.    | 4        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 2        | 1        |
| Gross, 1b.     | 3        | 1        | 1        | 11       | 0        | 0        |
| Simmons, 3b.   | 4        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        |
| Masterson, c.  | 4        | 0        | 2        | 8        | 2        | 1        |
| Hope, p.       | <u>4</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Totals,        | 34       | 4        | 7        | 24       | 13       | 3        |

## HUDSON.

| AB            | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E        |          |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Ely, cf.      | 3        | 2        | 3        | 1        | 0        |          |
| Fish, lf.     | 4        | 1        | 1        | 2        | 0        |          |
| Waterman, ss. | 3        | 2        | 2        | 3        | 4        | 3        |
| Gitzen, 2b.   | 3        | 1        | 1        | 3        | 2        | 0        |
| McCormick, c. | 3        | 1        | 1        | 4        | 1        | 0        |
| O'Malley, 3b. | 4        | 0        | 2        | 0        | 3        | 1        |
| Phalen, 1b    | 4        | 0        | 1        | 13       | 0        | 0        |
| Cooney, rf.   | 4        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Berger, p.    | <u>4</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Totals        | 32       | 7        | 11       | 27       | 14       | 4        |

Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 – R

Saugerties, 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 2 – 4

Hudson, 3 0 0 0 4 0 0 0 x – 7

Summary:

Earned runs – Hudson, 3. Two-base hits – Ely, O'Malley. First base on balls – Berger, 1; Hope, 3. Struck out – Berger, 4; Hope, 8. Left on bases – Hudson, 7; Saugerties, 4. Double plays – Gitzen to Waterman to Phalen. Time of game – 1 hr. 43 min. Umpire – Mr. Dobbins.

1239. C. H. Evans H. & L. Co. No. 3. President Henry Buxbury

Vice-Prest. E. Washburn Scoville

Treas. B. Frank Parker

Sec=y Frank Chace.

Foreman, George E. Washburn 1<sup>st</sup> Ass=t., Anton J. Lang 2<sup>nd</sup> Ass=t., Clarence J. Hctor

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Hudson N. Y. Oct 24, 1905. [illustration]

1240. Hand dated Post, May 15, 1905. Saugerties Lose to the Yonkers Team. The Opening Game Here on Saturday Well Played, and the Score was Close.

Saugerties and Yonkers opened the Hudson River League season in Saugerties, Saturday afternoon, under very favorable auspices, and though "Hank" Ramsey's men captured the game, it was only after a hard fight, the score being 2-1. The attendance was good, and the music of a drum corps enlivened the occasion. The slab artists were smiling Pat. Lennon for Quinn's men, and an elongated side wheeler, Kroh, for Hank's bunch. Both pitched fine ball, though Pat. had a shade the better of it, he displaying his assortment of benders when retiring the side several times with the bases covered. Kroh's support was without an error, while Lennon's was not, Breen's misplay being a run maker. The "Ponies" short stop had a bad wild throw in the fourth, which tallied Yonkers' first run. The game was cleverly played by both teams, sharp fielding being in evidence all through. It was not until the seventh that Saugerties evened up matters by tying the score, Goldstein who walked, and after stealing the keystone sack, scoring from second on Quinn's hit. Yonkers in the eighth got in one more on Shackleton's base on balls, he scoring on a hit of Schulte and Stalter's force. The "Ponies" were robbed of a chance to score in the second inning by Shackleton's leap in the air and nailing Ferns' line drive, which meant three bags. Yonkers played a steady game, Schulte, the short stop, putting up a great exhibition. The "Ponies" played fast, and will develop into a snappy bunch under Quinn. The honors for Saugerties were carried off by Masterson, Gross and Goldstein. The score was:

## SAUGERTIES.

|                | AB       | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E        |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Brice, lf.     | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| Masterson, c.  | 4        | 0        | 1        | 5        | 2        | 0        |
| Harrison, rf.  | 4        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| Ferns, 2b.     | 4        | 0        | 0        | 2        | 2        | 0        |
| Gross, 1b.     | 4        | 0        | 1        | 12       | 1        | 0        |
| Goldstein, cf. | 4        | 1        | 0        | 4        | 0        | 0        |
| Quinn, 3b.     | 3        | 0        | 1        | 2        | 1        | 1        |
| Breen, ss.     | 3        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 2        | 2        |
| Lennon, p.     | <u>3</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Totals         | 28       | 1        | 5        | 27       | 13       | 3        |

## YONKERS.

|                   | AB       | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---|
| Cummings, 3b.     | 4        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 2        | 0 |
| Munce, cf.        | 4        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0 |
| McQuade, 2b.      | 4        | 0        | 0        | 2        | 3        | 0 |
| Shackleton, lf.   | 2        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0 |
| Stalter, 1b.      | 4        | 0        | 0        | 11       | 0        | 0 |
| Schulte, ss.      | 3        | 1        | 2        | 5        | 2        | 0 |
| Farley, rf        | 4        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0 |
| Kane, c. 3        | 0        | 1        | 7        | 2        | 0        |   |
| Kroh, p. <u>3</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>4</u> | <u>0</u> |   |
| Totals,           | 31       | 2        | 4        | 27       | 14       | 0 |

Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 - R

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Saugerties, 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 - 1

Yonkers 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 - 2

## Summary:

Two-base hit – Schulte. Struck out – by Lennon, 4; by Kroh, 4. Bases on balls – off Kroh, 6; off Lennon, 4. Left on base – Yonkers, 7; Saugerties, 4. Umpire – Mr. Dobbins.

1241. Saugerties Post, May 29, 1905. The Spell Broken. The Hudsons Defeated Here Friday Afternoon in a Fast Game.

Friday is a hoodoo day for some people; it is for Hudson, especially in base-ball, and at the Athletic field here, Friday afternoon, Quinn's ponies broke their spell of defeats and started to ascend the pennant ladder. The Hudsons were vanquished, even though they did more safe hitting than Saugerties, yet not when they counted. The game never was in doubt for Saugerties, even though the play was fast on each side. In the ninth inning two singles and a pass, with none out for Hudson, made things look squally, but Nick Devoe then unloosened a notch and only one run was scored. Saugerties had the lead all through the game 4-3 so the extra run for Schnack's men was of no avail, the game ending 4-3. Devoe, who twirled for the Ponies did fine work despite this being his first game. He was opposed by Herbert, the southpaw, whom Hudson secured from the Jags, a clever little twirler. Owing to the absence of an outfielder, Dave Elliott played right field for the Ponies, and made a sensational catch near the foul line which prevented scoring for Hudson. Among the features of the game was Brennan's work at second, and his hitting. Nestor and Hughes also did great work. For Hudson, O'Malley's hitting and Gitzen's work were the features. The score is:

## SAUGERTIES.

| AB            | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E        |          |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Brice, lf.    | 3        | 0        | 0        | 4        | 0        | 0        |
| Masterson, c. | 4        | 0        | 0        | 6        | 1        | 0        |
| Ferns, 1b.    | 4        | 0        | 0        | 8        | 0        | 0        |
| Brennan, 2b.  | 2        | 3        | 2        | 2        | 3        | 0        |
| Hughes, cf.   | 1        | 0        | 1        | 2        | 1        | 0        |
| Nestor, ss.   | 3        | 1        | 0        | 3        | 2        | 1        |
| Quinn, 3b.    | 3        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        |
| DeVoe, p.     | 3        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 4        | 0        |
| Elliott, rf   | <u>2</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>1</u> |
| Totals,       | 25       | 4        | 3        | 27       | 11       | 2        |

## HUDSON.

| AB             | R        | 1B       | PO       | A        | E        |          |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Ely, cf.       | 5        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        |
| Fish, lf.      | 2        | 0        | 0        | 2        | 0        | 0        |
| Waterman, ss.  | 4        | 0        | 1        | 2        | 1        | 2        |
| Gitzen, 2b.    | 4        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 4        | 0        |
| McCormick, rf. | 4        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        |
| O'Malley, 3b.  | 4        | 0        | 4        | 0        | 3        | 1        |
| Phalen, 1b.    | 3        | 1        | 1        | 13       | 0        | 1        |
| Cooney, c.     | 4        | 0        | 0        | 6        | 3        | 0        |
| Herbert, p.    | <u>4</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Totals,        | 34       | 3        | 7        | 24       | 15       | 4        |

## Score by innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 - R

Saugerties, 0 2 0 1 0 1 0 0 x - 4

Hudson 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 – 3

Summary:

Bases stolen – Nestor, O'Malley. Two-base hit – Waterman. Bases on balls – off DeVoe, 2; off Herbert, 2. Struck out – by DeVoe, 6; by Herbert, 6. Left on bases – Saugerties, 2; Hudson, 7, First base on errors – Saugerties, 4; Hudson 3. Umpire – Mr. Nolan.

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1242. Saugerties Post, June 2, 1905. Base Ball Gossip. A Grist of Interesting Notes for the Local Order of Fandom.

|               | Won | Lost | Pct. |
|---------------|-----|------|------|
| Hudson,       | 16  | 6    | .727 |
| Poughkeepsie, | 11  | 6    | .647 |
| Paterson,     | 12  | 8    | .600 |
| Yonkers,      | 10  | 8    | .556 |
| Kingston,     | 9   | 12   | .429 |
| Newburgh,     | 8   | 11   | .421 |
| Saugerties,   | 5   | 12   | .294 |
| Peekskill,    | 5   | 13   | .273 |

"Rube" DeGroff of the Troys made six hits on Tuesday in the Albany-Troy games.

Hudson beat Yonkers 1-0. Po'keepsie beat Kingston 7-1. Paterson beat Newburgh 1-0. Po'keepsie beat Kingston 7-1, and Paterson beat Newburgh, 10-5, Thursday.

"The big stickers too much for the big blowers," is the way the Newburgh Register describes the double defeat of Poughkeepsie by the Hudson team.

A Hornellsville paper speaks well of Mike Sweeney's sensational fielding and good hitting. Mike played center field for Poughkeepsie last year, and his friends in the Hudson River League are numerous.

Third and last call gentlemen! Clip this out, Messrs. Sporting Editors from Paterson to Hudson and back again, and paste it where it will be handy on September 19 next. The champions will have pennant No. 2 at that celebration, and then you will all be invited to the reception – Poughkeepsie News-Press.

By the way, the harmony existing between the sporting men on all the newspapers in which Hudson River League tames hold forth, should lead to a reception of some kind at some one of the towns more than once the present season. Then firmer relationships could be established. Poughkeepsie News-Press.

At a meeting of the Hudson River League managers, held at Newburgh Thursday night, Peekskill was dropped from the league and Yonkers was suspended for ten days, a new schedule for six clubs being made to cover this period. Yonkers was suspended because of differences between the management and stockholders. If the trouble at Yonkers is adjusted within ten days she will be reinstated in the league, and another club elected to fill Peekskill's place. The new schedule introduces Sunday baseball at Saugerties, consequently on Sunday next the Poughkeepsies will play in Hudson instead of the Saugerties club, Kingston will play in Saugerties, and Newburgh at Paterson. Pitcher Ellis, over whom Newburgh and Poughkeepsie have been having trouble, was awarded to Poughkeepsie.

1243. Undated. Franchise Transferred.

The Hudson River League directors voted Friday evening to transfer the Saugerties franchise to Pittsfield, Mass. and now our town is no longer in the league. Pittsfield will open the season at home July 4<sup>th</sup>, with Kingston. Manager Cassidy has secured Cy Connors to play short, Con Daly at second, Brennan at third, and Ferns at first. Hughes plays center, DeMay left and Resequ right field. Two Pittsfield men will also be used and the team greatly strengthened.

1244. Undated. Latest Popular Song of the Day, As Sung at the National Capital. (Special to the World) Washington, May 17. – This is sung by all the principal artists of both Houses of Congress to the tune of “Everybody Works but Fathers”

Everybody lies but Roosevelt.

He stands around all day;

Thinks he's a man of iron

But he's only common clay.

Tillman, Bailey, Chandler –

The truth they try to tell.

Everybody lies but Roosevelt;

They do - like hell.

1245. Saugerties Post, June 3, 1905. Base Ball Gossip. A Grist of Interesting Notes for the Local Order of Fandom.

The Hudsons play here this afternoon. Garrity, who recently shut out Peekskill without a hit or run, will twirl for Hudson. Devoe will probably work for Saugerties.

Frank DeMay, the fast center fielder of the Central Islip team, will report to the Saugerties club to-night.

Hope says he is a good man and will strengthen the team wonderfully.

Pitcher Ellis, over whom Newburgh and Poughkeepsie have been having trouble, was awarded to Poughkeepsie. Ellis will appeal from President Harvey's decision to President Pullman of the National Board.

Yonkers has not paid the \$100 guarantee to the league and owes Peekskill and Hudson \$50 each. Efforts are being made to-day to locate the Peekskill franchise in Mt. Vernon and the Yonkers franchise in Hackensack, N. J.

It is too bad that when Sam Hope pitches, he usually is poorly supported. Hits were made in Friday's game that came after glaring errors had been made which prevented the visitors being retired. Hope is a hard worker and deserves better team work behind him.

Without waiting to learn what the Yonkers directors would do, the owners of the Newburgh Hudson River league team, have engaged “Hank” Ramsey to manage the hilly city team for the remainder of the season. It is said that Ramsey has accepted the offer and will take six of the best men of the Yonkers aggregation to Newburgh with him. The Yonkers situation is: An effort was made to freeze Ramsey out. The venture had been a financial failure. A few men offered to pay cost of grand stand and fence and take franchise and team without paying back salaries. This was refused and then came the “bust up.”

The following schedule for ten days was made up by the Hudson River League directors at Newburgh on Thursday night.

June 2, Newburgh at Poughkeepsie, Hudson at Paterson, Kingston at Saugerties; June 3, Paterson at Newburgh, Kingston at Poughkeepsie, Hudson at Saugerties; June 4, Poughkeepsie at Hudson, Kingston at Saugerties, Newburgh at Paterson; June 5, Kingston at Paterson, Newburgh at Poughkeepsie, Saugerties at Hudson; June 6, Poughkeepsie at Newburgh, Kingston at Paterson, Hudson at Saugerties; June 7, Saugerties at Poughkeepsie, Paterson at Kingston, Newburgh at Hudson; June 8, Newburgh at Hudson, Paterson at Kingston, Poughkeepsie at Saugerties; June 9, Paterson at Poughkeepsie, Hudson at Newburgh, Saugerties at Kingston; June 10, Paterson at Poughkeepsie, Kingston at Saugerties, Hudson at Newburgh; June 11, Poughkeepsie at Paterson, Newburgh at Saugerties, Kingston at Hudson.

1246. Undated. Kingston Won. Ponies Lost Because of Lifeless Playing in Friday's Game.

Kingston, with Myron Allen playing in right field, defeated Saugerties here Friday afternoon by the score of 7-1, due to the poor and lifeless playing of the Ponies. Hughes, especially had an off day, and his

errors contributed to the run column several times. Hits followed each of his misplays and scores were made. Kingston scored two in the first on an error and hits of Weeks and Rhynders. They scored three more in the sixth on errors and hits of Allen and Wiggins. Again in the seventh on an error of Ferns and hits by Allen and Daley. The Ponies scored in the first inning, Hughes getting over the rubber. Hanley pitched for Kingston and the Ponies swung at everything. They were gingerless. Hope pitched for Saugerties and though hit often was poorly supported all through the game.

1247. Hand dated Oct 6, 1906. Leased the Irvington.

The Irvington at Woodstock, of which W. A. Hildebrant is the proprietor, has been leased by David Schoentag of the Glenerie Falls hotel.

1248. Hand dated Saugerties Post, 6, 1905. A Foul Murder Near Woodstock. Oscar Harrison, the Victim of the Crime – His Dead Body Found in the House of a Colored Man Who is Missing.

His head battered in with a carpenter's hammer and his body lying with the face down, his arm extended as though he attempted to defend himself, was the condition which Oscar Harrison, white was found in the house of Cornell Van Gaasbeek, colored, about two miles this side of Woodstock Tuesday morning.

Harrison was a son of John B. Harrison, superintendent of reservoir No. 1 of the Kingston water works. He was about 21 years of age. In disposition he was inclined to be wild and on more than one occasion had remained away from his home at night. Of late Harrison had been seen in company with Van Gaasbeek and the two appeared to be close friends, Harrison often staying with Van Gaasbeek, who lived alone, over night.

About two weeks ago Harrison, who had been away with a show company for a couple of months, arrived at Woodstock and remained at his father's house until last Saturday night, when, after having an argument with his father over some trifling matter, he left. He did not return, and it is supposed he stayed with Van Gaasbeek until he was found murdered.

At the time of the finding of Harrison's body there was no one in the house of Van Gaasbeek, and it is thought that the crime was committed by Van Gaasbeek, who was last seen in the vicinity shortly before the discovery of Harrison's body. There is talk that jealousy was the cause of the crime.

District Attorney Stephan, on being notified, sent his assistant to the scene to make an investigation. Sheriff Webster also started his deputies on a search for Van Gaasbeek. The local police were telephoned and instructed to be on guard, Officer David E. Abeel making a tour of the town late in the afternoon. He has not been captured yet.

Van Gaasbeek is said to be about fifty years old, and lived with a white woman. In Woodstock, some persons say that Van Gaasbeek told them that Harrison had swallowed poison.

Van Gaasbeek has a sister who is employed as a domestic in this village. She has been here many years. Harris has two sisters employed here, one at J. O. Beers' and one at Clyde Van Steenberg's. [illustration]

1249. Saugerties Post, Jan. 13, 1906. Guilty is the Verdict of Van Gaasbeek Jury. Manslaughter in the First Degree – The Penalty is a Twenty Year Term in Prison.

At 4:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon the jury in case of the People vs Cornell Van Gaasbeek brought in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the first degree.

The case was summed up during the forenoon by A. H. Van Buren for the defendant and District Attorney Stephan for the People. Judge Cantine then charged the jury, defining clearly the different degrees of crime and the penalties for each. The jury was sent out and court held open until they had agreed.

During the afternoon there was a large attendance of spectators.

Cornell Van Gaasbeek was indicted for murder in the second degree for killing Oscar Harrison. The penalty for murder in the second degree is imprisonment for life. The penalty for manslaughter in the first degree is imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty years. One of the sections of manslaughter in the first degree is where a person kills another in a heat of passion, but not in a cruel and unusual manner, or by means of a dangerous weapon.

One of the jurors was asked regarding the deliberations of the jury, how they arrived at their verdict and he said they all practically arrived at the conclusions that it was manslaughter in the first degree from the first. It was believed that the men became intoxicated by drinking cider, and then during a quarrel, while fighting, Van Gaasbeek picked up a hammer and struck the blows on the head of Harrison, and that Harrison fell on his back and died. Sentence will be pronounced Monday.

1250. Hand dated Post, Jan. 16, 1906. Seventeen Years for Van Gaasbeek. Mrs. Rudd Sent to Women's Prison in Auburn - Minimum Term is Three Years and a Half.

When county court opened Monday afternoon, the spectators were so numerous that they seemed to hang on the window sills and sides of the room like flies in August. District Attorney Stephan moved sentence in the case of Cornell Van Gaasbeek. Mr. Van Buren made a formal motion for a new trial, which was denied. In answer to the usual questions, Van Gaasbeek said he was born in Woodstock; would be 55 years of age on February 19; was a laborer; habits were "quite temperate," could read and write; had received religious instruction in the Reformed church, and had never before been convicted. Judge Cantine sentenced him to Clinton prison at Dannemora for seventeen years.

Sentence was moved in the case of Mrs. Marian Rudd, indicted for grand larceny in the second degree. Mrs. Rudd has a golden oak complexion, and is of rather thin build and extremely ladylike demeanor. Her attorney, Everett Fowler, withdrew the previous plea of not guilty, and pleaded guilty.

In answer to the usual questions, Mrs. Rudd said she was born in New York in 1872, is a widow; her father is living; her occupation is lady's attendant; habits temperate; can read and write; is an Episcopalian, and had never before been convicted. Mr. Fowler said if there was a penitent person it was Mrs. Rudd. There was not a particle of evidence against her. She had confessed to him and Dr. C. O. Sahler. He had told her if should would tell the truth he would do all he could to get her released. Parties from whom she had taken the jewelry had promised if the jewelry was returned, they would be lenient. A letter was read from one of the parties stating that part of the money he had to pay to get the jewelry from the pawnbroker's shop had been repaid to him; and Mrs. Rudd had promised to pay the balance. Mr. Fowler said he thought that the punishment of Mrs. Rudd had already endured was sufficient.

District Attorney Stephan said there seemed to be a strong sentiment in favor of Mrs. Rudd. Why, he could not understand. It was mock sentimentality. Her penitence comes from being imprisoned. The fact that there is no evidence against he shows how shrewd she was. Some time ago she was indicted in New York for stealing a watch and pin from a lady. There is no reason for leniency.

The Court – Did you discover anything in her past in her favor?

The District Attorney – I have not.

Judge Cantine sentenced Mrs. Rudd to the women's prison at Auburn for a maximum term of five years and a minimum term of three years and six months.

1251. Saugerties Post, Oct. 1, 1907. Democratic Caucus.

At the Democratic Caucus Monday night, Rensselaer Potts was chosen chairman and John C. Shults, secretary. Dr. Diedling was elected delegate to the county convention, John C. Shults, John Sinnott and John McCormick Jr., to the Assembly district convention and Irving Russell, L. H. Kleeber, E. M. Wilbur, Charles B. Cox, Merwin Gillespy and William R. Johnson to the town convention. The Democrats intend to nominate a full ticket this year.

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##### Sixteenth Annual Convention at Mt. Vernon – Rensselaer Next Meeting Place

The Hudson Valley Firemen's Association held its sixteenth annual convention at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Tuesday and Wednesday. There was a large representation of firemen from all the Hudson River towns as far north as Troy, and much enthusiasm prevailed throughout the two days. Rensselaer across the river from Albany, was selected as the place for holding the convention next year, which will last three days instead of two. Candidates for president were Lewis E. Lansing, of Poughkeepsie, and Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mt. Vernon. Mr. Preston was elected by a vote of 158 to 59. About 200 delegates attended the convention, many of them wearing Preston buttons and Rensselaer badges. Upon the arrival of some 150 delegates headed by the First Regiment Band, the entire number of delegates entered the opera house, and about half an hour afterwards, Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, the retiring president, opened the convention. Prayer was offered by Rev. Charles H. Tyndall, pastor of the Reformed Church of Mt. Vernon, after which Mayor Brush delivered an address of welcome, in which he recalled the telegram sent him by Mr. Preston from the convention last year asking if Mt. Vernon could receive the convention. He paid a tribute to the volunteer firemen, whom he described as the most loyal and patriotic citizens of any community. His address was greeted with cheers. The mayor was followed by Chief Gilbert J. Angevine, who asked the association to confine its convention to one session owing to the afternoon's program. Riland [sic] B. Archer, who had called the convention to order, then presented the president and placed the convention in his hands.

President Hassinger, after appointing committees on credentials and resolutions, and after roll call had been made, made his annual address. In place of a formal address, the president said he offered simply his greetings to the many old friend and acquaintances, his thanks to the members of the association for their kindness to him, and his congratulations to the association on its prosperity, it having now 130 companies, an increase over last year of 39. He mentioned those who died during the year, and in closing spoke a good word for the officers.

The executive committee then presented its report of a meeting at which a resolution was passed expressing the committee's opinion that it was inexpedient for the association to adopt a badge or button to be worn by the members. This was a matter left in its hands at the last convention. The committee also brought up the matter of selecting some one who should be authorized to fill the vacancy occurring in the presidency by resignation or death, which was much discussed. At present there is a vice-president elected for every county, but all are of equal rank.

Charles M. Hilton, vice-president from Rockland county, moved a committee to be appointed to draft resolutions in memory of Ernest L. Meyer, of Saugerties, and John M. Brook, [sic] of Kingston, deceased. The president appointed a committee of three. It was moved and carried that another committee of three be appointed to amend the constitution so that the vice-presidents could be designated in such a way that one of them could if necessary fill a vacancy occurring in the office of the presidency.

It was moved and carried that the delegates to the state convention be instructed to make to the secretary a written report of the proceedings of that convention hereafter, and Secretary Weiant was named as the delegate. Rensselaer was named as the place for the next convention, amid much applause. President Riley of the Chamber of Commerce of Rensselaer and Second Assistant Chief Brant of the Yonkers department, made addresses.

The name of Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mt. Vernon was then presented for president of the association, amid much applause, and immediately afterwards the name of Lewis E. Lansing, of Poughkeepsie, was presented as a candidate. Ernest Hassinger, the retiring president, was also nominated, but withdrew.



Owing to the contest, it was found necessary to take a ballot by roll call. Several addresses were made previous to the voting, in favor of Mr. Preston.

Mr. Preston was elected president by a vote of 158 to Mr. Lansing's 49. John J. Bruce, of Peekskill, was chosen secretary, and Fred. S. Bieber, of Poughkeepsie, was re-elected treasurer. Vice-presidents were elected from each county. After the election the convention immediately adjourned, and left for the excursion to Hunter's Point. On Wednesday a parade in which all companies joined, was held. As an appreciation of his services in behalf of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, Mayor Brush was presented by Stephen Preston, Jr., the newly elected president of the association, with a pair of solid gold cuff buttons. The gift is a personal one from Mr. Preston. The buttons bear the design of the city seal.

Mr. Preston has always taken a great interest in the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. At Catskill in 1902 he was chosen one of its vice-presidents. He has frequently been a delegate to the conventions. He is also a member of the Volunteer Firemen's Association of the State of New York and has been active in promoting the welfare of that organization. Besides being treasurer of Clinton Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, Mr. Preston is also trustee of the Firemen's Benevolent Fund Association, a member of the Golden Rod Council No. 1,316, R. A.; Hiawatha Lodge, No. 434, F. & A. M., and is recording secretary of the exempt Firemen's Benevolent Association.

The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association unquestionable had its origin at Catskill in 1889, when a number of the volunteer fire companies in Greene county were organized into what was then known as the Greene County Firemen's Association. The banding together of the various companies in the county was probably the result of efforts by firemen in Catskill, who realizing that the expenses incident to attending conventions of the state association were an effectual bar to many of the companies, and knowing that without some opportunity for their getting together occasionally, interest in the volunteer department would wane, conceived the idea of an annual county convention. The organization was so successful that in April, 1890, an article written by George L. Gaynor, a member of Citizens' Hose Company of Catskill, was published suggesting that the fire companies in the counties of Columbia and Ulster be invited to join the Greene county organization. The idea "took," and resulted in the forming of a new association named "The Tri-County Firemen's Association of Greene, Ulster and Columbia Counties." George H. Scott, of Coxsackie was chosen president; F. A. Hallenbeck, of Hudson, secretary, and Dr. Robert Sheldon, of Catskill, treasurer. The first annual convention was held at Kingston on October 7, 1890. Sixty-seven members, representing twenty-three companies, were present. A constitution and by-laws were adopted at this meeting, and the following officers chosen: Chas. G. Coffin, of Catskill, president; F. A. Hallenbeck, of Hudson, secretary; T. J. Rifenbary, of Kingston, treasurer. The name of the association was changed to "The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association," in 1897. At that time the membership of the association was sixty-two delegates, two chief engineers, and 128 members. Sixty-two companies, representing seven counties were then sending delegates to the convention. "This gratifying increase was brought about" (so Secretary Coffin states in his report), "by a suggestion made just after the convention at Catskill by Mr. Preston, of Mount Vernon, vice-president for Westchester county." At a meeting of the vice-presidents and executive committee held in Haverstraw in March, 1903, on the invitation of President Goldsmith, the plan suggested by Mr. Preston was formally adopted, and when carried out, resulted in a gain of twenty-one new companies, seven of which were from Westchester county. [illustration Stephen Preston, Jr.]

1253. Undated. Former President Ernest Hassinger of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association was one of the most efficient officers the association has ever had. Not only this but he brought three companies from his home town of Saugerties to participate in the parade. They were a fine body of men. Mr. Hassinger is a member of Snyder Hose Company.

1254. Undated. Ex-President Hassinger's company, the R. A. Snyder Hose company, of Saugerties, headed by Gartland's Tenth Regiment Band, of Albany, will be one of the features of the parade. and Washington Hook and Ladder Company with a drum corps will also appear. The Exempts of the same place will lead that department.

1255. Undated. Snyder Hose Company of Saugerties was the first arrival yesterday afternoon. They presented a very natty appearance and were headed by the 10th Regiment Band of Albany which rendered excellent music.

1256. Undated. Saugerties Contingent.

Gartland's Tenth Regiment Band, of Albany, led the Saugerties contingent. The Snyder Hose Company which is the company of ex-President Hassinger, came first and were cordially greeted. They were a fine appearing body of men and the former president was the happiest man in line as they were tendered an ovation almost everywhere. Washington Hook and Ladder Company of Saugerties received their share of approbation and were cordially greeted.

1257. Undated. Ernest Hassinger of Saugerties.

Great credit is due the former president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, for his energetic and faithful work at all times in behalf of the association. The friends of the new president, Stephen Preston, Jr., owe Mr. Hassinger a debt of gratitude for his untiring and successful work for their candidate. Mr. Hassinger was not only on the ground himself; but there came with him one of the best appearing companies in the parade, which would certainly have carried home the prize he it not been for a slight technicality which the judges were forced to recognize. Mr. Hassinger is not only a good fireman, but he is every inch a man, in all that implies.

1258. Saugerties Post, June 23, 1905. Gifts From Mr. Preston.

In the window of Ernest Hassinger's cigar store, Partition street, is displayed the bronze clock presented to Snyder Hose Co. by Stephen Preston, of Mount Vernon, the new president of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association. A pair of pretty cuff buttons, a gift to Mr. Hassinger from Mr. Preston, is also exhibited. The buttons are of gold with blue enamel in the form of a belt, inscribed "City of Mount Vernon."

1259. Saugerties Post, June 22, 1905. "Owned the City"

Ex-president of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association, Ernest Hassinger, just home from Mount Vernon, is bubbling over with praise for Mayor Brush, Chief Engineer Angevine, President Preston and the citizens for the king-like manner in which he was cared for during his stay in the convention city. Everything was carte blanche for Mr. Hassinger, and he avers it was the time of his life. He literally owned the city and we don't wonder that he is profuse in his commendation. The city officials showed him every possible courtesy and he is not loath to lose sight of their transcending kindness to him. His appreciation is manifest in the laudation which he has freely given them.

1260. For President – Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Stephen Preston, Jr. [illustration]

1261. Saugerties Post. June 26, 1905. Only a Technicality.

The Mount Vernon Leader says: Great credit is due the former president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, for his energetic and faithful work at all times in behalf of the association. The friends of the new president, Stephen Preston, Jr., owe Mr. Hassinger a debt of gratitude for his untiring and successful work for their candidate. Mr. Hassinger was not only on

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1262. Hand dated Post, April 9, 1907. Steamer Burned.

The steamer City of Troy, consort of the wrecked steamer Saratoga was entirely destroyed by fire while off Dobbs Ferry, Friday evening on her trip up. The fire originated in the cook's room. But few passengers were aboard and they were landed at Edwin Gould's private pier. A heavy cargo of freight, mostly dry goods and eight horses were burned with the vessel.

1263. Mount Vernon Leader, Edward W. Fiske, Editor.

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"A few trust magnates actually serving time in the penitentiary would do more to stop the present trend toward monopoly than any amount of publicity."

[Picture of Stephen Preston, Jr., President of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association]  
[illustration, see 1252] [same picture]

HUDSON VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

By a vote of 158 to 49, Stephen Preston, Jr., of this city was elected to the presidency of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association over his opponent, L. E. Lansing, of Poughkeepsie, at the annual convention of that association held in the City Opera House, Tuesday morning, this week.

When C. G. Coffin, of Catskill, placed Mr. Preston's name before the delegates, it was received with enthusiastic applause and a spectator could realize at once that it would be but futile for any contestant to enter the field against him. However, Mr. Lansing was nominated by an adherent, receiving on the poll, as stated, 49 votes. These were the only two names voted for, although the name of Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, the retiring president, was presented by an admirer. Mr. Hassinger modestly, but firmly, declined the honor, say that, in his opinion, a president of this association should not serve more than the one term of a year. In a large body, such as this, others should be given an opportunity to fill that office.

By nine o'clock Tuesday morning practically all the delegates to the convention from outside the city had arrived, and the streets in the central business portion of the city present quite a gay and animated appearance.

The First Regiment Band, some twenty odd in number, under the leadership of Professor Craig, marched to depot Place, about half-past nine o'clock in the morning, and after rendering several inspiring selections, repaired to the Opera House, where they played at intervals throughout the session of the convention. The decorations of the Opera House, both exterior and interior, on the occasion of the convention, were of a very handsome character. Inside, the national colors, bunting and evergreens, arranged most artistically, made the scene one of much beauty.

Committees from the local fire department escorted the visiting delegates to the convention hall.

The convention was somewhat late in assembling, it being almost an hour after the scheduled time for opening the convention, ten o'clock, before Rolland B. Archer, the foreman of Clinton Hook and Ladder

Company of this city, and who had been selected to serve as temporary chairman, called the convention to order.

The Rev. C. H. Tyndall, of the Dutch Reformed Church, was first introduced. In offering the prayer, he invoked the blessing of the Divine upon the men who, at the risk of their own lives, save the lives and property of their fellow citizens.

The address of welcome to the visiting firemen was delivered by Mayor Brush, who was next introduced by the chairman. In extending the freedom of the city to the visitors, the Mayor said he hoped that they would feel that they were being received cordially. "Here in Mount Vernon," he said, "we have great respect for the volunteer firemen. They are among the most loyal of all citizens. Speaking for myself, I shall always be in favor of a volunteer fire service for Mount Vernon."

President Archer next introduced Chief G. J. Angevine, who welcomed the visitors in behalf of the fire department. Mr. Angevine stated that he wished publicly to thank the Mayor of the city, it's Common Council, it's merchants and citizens, for the substantial financial support that they had given the fire department toward the work of carrying on this convention. They had, indeed, been most generous in their aid. In closing his remarks, the chief said that he hoped that this, the sixteenth annual convention of the association and the first had in Mount Vernon, would be pronounced by all the most successful ever held.

The retiring president, Ernest Hassinger, of Saugerties, was now introduced by Mr. Archer and from that time on until the close of the session, Mr. Hassinger had charge of the convention.

In behalf of the visitors, a delegate from Yonkers replied to the welcome extended by Mayor Brush and Chief Angevine. In a neat speech, he expressed thanks for the cordial reception extended them. The regular order of business followed.

Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw, the retiring secretary, stated to the convention that there were no contested seats. The roll call followed; with but few exceptions, all answered, when their names were called.

It was resolved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting of the association held at Saugerties last year, as the minutes appear in the printed pamphlets, which had been distributed throughout the auditorium.

Two or three of the delegates wanted them read, but they were voted down.

An address of congratulation was read by President Hassinger. He said the association deserved great commendation for the work done during the past year. Bills were all paid, nothing was owing, and there was a substantial balance to the credit of the association. The association is now composed of 135 companies, an increase of 39 over this time last year – a splendid showing, he thought. The speaker expressed deep appreciation for the work performed by his brother officers in the association and the great assistance they had rendered him.

The report of the executive committee, which had met the night previous, at fire headquarters, was submitted and accepted. Then followed the report of the auditing committee, in which it was stated that the accounts of the association had been carefully examined and found to be correct. This report was also adopted. Then followed the reports of the treasurer and secretary. The secretary's report stated that the largest increase in the membership of the association in any one year since its organization some sixteen years ago, was made during the last year. Mr. Weiant's report was an interesting one and well condensed. The secretary read a communication from the Independent Hose Company of this city in which an invitation was extended the visiting firemen to attend the picnic to be given by the "Independent" at the grounds on Fifth avenue and Eighth street Tuesday evening. It was moved to acknowledge same with thanks.

Mr. Hilton, a delegate from Haverstraw, who occupied a seat on the stage, and who took quite an active part in the proceedings of the morning, asked the permission of the chair to speak on a subject that he said touched him deeply and he thought also all of the members of the association as well. This was the

absence of two old familiar faces from this convention – faces that had been seen at these gatherings for years. Death had claimed both of these old members of the association, since the last convention. The speaker alluded to John N. Brook, of Kingston, and E. L. Meyer, of Saugerties. It was resolved that resolutions of sympathy be sent the respective families of these two deceased members by this association in convention assembled.

The subject of succession to the office of president, in the event of the death of that official, was discussed at some length. Many suggestions were made, but the one that met with the approval and will be acted on, was made by Captain W. H. Flandreau, of this city, that the vice-presidents of the association select one of their own number to succeed the president in the event of his demise.

Mr. Hilton now brought up the subject of the brevity of these conventions. He thought that in the place of extending into the second day only, the conventions should extend into the third day. More time should be given to the business end of the affair. The entire first day, Tuesday, morning and afternoon, should be given up to the transaction of business, the outing and parade to take up the next two days, or to be precise, to extend into the third day, Thursday. He thought too much business was crowded into a short space of time. There was some objection raised to Mr. Hilton's ideas, principally by Mr. Coffin, but a resolution to this effect was finally adopted.

Mr. Coffin's objections, it might be stated, were based on the grounds that it was too much time for the members of the association, many of whom were men who worked by the day, to give. Mr. Hilton's reply to this statement was that the rank and file of the members not delegates, need only be absent from home one day, the day of the parade.

The next annual convention of the association, that of 1906, will be held at Rensselaer. There being no other contestants, it was voted that the secretary cast one vote for Rensselaer, which was accordingly done.

The Mayor of Rensselaer sent a communication to the chairman of this convention, in which he extended a cordial invitation to this association to come to his city next year. Mr. Riley, the president of the Chamber of Commerce of Rensselaer, and who was present at the convention Tuesday, backed up the Mayor's invitation, as did also a delegate from that place.

Now ensued the nomination of officers to serve for the ensuing year. As stated, Mr. Coffin, of Catskill, placed in nomination for the office of president our fellow-townsmen, Stephen Preston, Jr. Mr. Coffin was himself the president of the association for two terms and its secretary for a period extending over several years.

In nominating Mr. Preston for this office, Mr. Coffin paid a high tribute to Mr. Preston as a hard worker for the good of the association. There had been dark days in the history of the association in the past, but Mr. Preston's advice and work, he said, had always succeeded in bringing "order out of chaos."

Not only had he worked hard and faithfully himself for the association, but he had made others "hustle" as well. The speaker said that the election of Mr. Preston would result in great good to the association. There were scores of delegates who arose to their feet to second Mr. Coffin's nomination of Mr. Preston. The ballot was then taken with the result, as stated at the beginning of this article.

Subsequently, the election of Mr. Preston was made unanimous.

The newly-elected president, when called upon by the delegates, in a happy vein accepted with grace the honor conferred upon him. John J. Bruce, of Yonkers, was unanimously elected to the office of secretary, and a unanimous vote for the re-election of Fred S. Bieber, of Poughkeepsie for treasurer, was cast.

The incoming president will appoint an executive committee, consisting of six members, and an auditing committee of three.

Each county representative in the association will elect its own vice-president – there are eleven counties represented in the association.

These elections are to be confirmed by the incoming executive. This is merely formal, however.

The convention closed about half-past one o'clock. Shortly thereafter, special trolley cars were taken for New Rochelle, where the steamer Richmond, one of the largest of the Starin fleet, conveyed the delegates and their hosts, the members of the local fire department, to Locust Grove, Long Island. There a delightful shore dinner was served.

The excursionists returned to Mount Vernon as they went, reaching here shortly before eight o'clock. Some of the visitors passed the evening at the "Clinton Carnival," others attending the Independent Hose Company picnic.

1264. Saugerties Post, Sept. 27, 1906. Saugerties to Have New School Building. The Proposition Carried by a Large Majority at the School Meeting Wednesday Afternoon.

Saugerties is to have a splendid new school building for High school, grammar and grade work. This decision was arrived at Wednesday afternoon when in a special school meeting held in the opera house the proposition to build was carried by a large majority, almost 5 to 1. A new site was also selected, the Pidgeon property, by an almost unanimous vote.

The meeting was quite largely attended by both men and women. At the time specified the President of the Board of Education, R. B. Overbagh called the meeting to order and on motion Hon. Robert A. Snyder was chosen chairman. Mr. Snyder in a brief speech outlined the object of the meeting. The clerk of the district, J. William Lackey, then read the call and notice for the meeting. At its conclusion Myron Bedell offered a resolution that the Board of Education be authorized to build and equip a new school house to replace the present High school, Post street and Livingston street buildings at a cost not exceeding \$45,000 and to repair the Hill street building at a cost not to exceed \$2,297.

A. E. Hall representing the State Department of Education, spoke in favor of the resolution. Mr. Hall's talk was practically along the same line as that given by him at the meeting held in the opera house last June. W. L. Darbee then moved that a vote be taken on the resolution according to law by ayes and nays. Carroll Whitaker at this time made an extended speech in opposition to the resolution, referring to the present indebtedness of the corporation, etc. He was followed by Rev. H. C. Briggs, who made a vigorous speech in favor of the resolution.

The chairman then proceeded to have the vote taken, and named Myron Bedell and Joseph Keenan as tellers. The vote was being taken when Carroll Whitaker made a motion that the polls be kept open till 8 o'clock. Rev. David M. Hunter then rose on a point of order and asked if any motion could prevail while the vote was being taken, and the chairman decided that his point of order was correct, and no motion was allowed.

The vote was then taken and 95 were recorded in favor of the resolution and 21 against. The chairman then declared the resolution carried.

The question of a new site for the new building was next considered and Myron Bedell offered a resolution that the Pidgeon property, corner Main street and Washington avenue be chosen and that the Board of Education be instructed to purchase the same at a cost not exceeding \$10,000. A vote on the resolution resulted in 52 in favor and 1 against. The chairman declared the resolution carried.

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1265. The New Marriage

The Christian Church must soon reject the old Jewish marriage, which is a passion institution, and that of the fall of Eden. God never was pleased with this marriage, for it was when it was in full operation, that he swept the people away with the Deluge. Christ was not pleased with it, for he said, "if any man come to me, and hate not his father and mother and wife and children and brethren and sister, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple." Also, he that looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart." The apostle Paul did not favor this old Jewish marriage, for he said, "the time is short brethren, let those how have wives be as though they had

none." and also, "he who does not marry, does better." But notwithstanding all such protestations, the Christian Church has swallowed this camel of the Eden fall, while it has strained at the gnats of circumcision and the ceremonies and services of the Jewish synagogue. However, all will be changed now, for human nature in some places, is becoming too much Christianized to endure this Jewish passion marriage longer. Anyone who is impartial can see that it has been the cess-pool of the church in all ages, the worst thing in all Judaism, beginning with the first son of Adam, who was Cain, a murderer, down to the present when it is becoming so unpopular that old maid and bachelor clubs are being formed to keep people out of it. The truth is that the Christian Church in nineteen centuries behind the times on marriage, because of its having so clung to this old pet Jewish institution, for the New Testament marriage as taught by Christ and the Apostles is a love institution, making the life innocent and the kiss holy, and therefore is as different from the passion marriage of the Jews as day is from night. Christ said, "whosoever humbleth himself as a little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." Now a little child is the proudest being you ever saw only while sucking at its mother's breast, when as strangely as it may seem it appears to be ashamed. So man must go to the breast of woman the same as an infant before he can come to this sucking marriage, which is that of the Lamb. John says in Rev. 19:7, "let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him; for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready." It may be wondered, what benefit there can be from such an exercise? It eliminates the passion in both the man and the woman which has made the demand until now for the ancient Jewish marriage. Husbands need not leave their wives, but should turn their marriage into this holy and New Testament one, which will cause them to fulfil 1<sup>st</sup> John 3:9. The Apostle says, "when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away." The New Testament marriage, which is perfect, is now being practiced, so the imperfect Jewish marriage which is in part, must be done away.

As verity for the above, the promise which God made to Abraham, that he would give him Canaan, a land flowing with milk and honey, was never fulfilled to him according to Acts 7:5, "and he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on; yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as yet he had no child." Now however, it is evident that it will be fulfilled to the elect of God, the spiritual seed of Abraham, who discover the real land flowing with milk and honey, in the breast of innocent woman.

Mortimer Smith,  
The Practical Man,  
Nov. 14, 1903                      Saugerties, N. Y.

1266. "Duty Our Pride" A. M. Osborn Hose Company, No. 2. Catskill F. D.

*To the Friends of A. M. Osborn Hose Company:*

We are to have a Fair in the Nelida Theater during the week from Oct. 30th to Nov. 4th.

We earnestly ask your assistance to help make it a financial success and any donations, fancy articles, etc., will be sincerely appreciated.

Respectfully,

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Joseph B. Fee   | James Dunn      |
| John Lee        | P. D. Hitchcock |
| James Peyton    | Martin Mahar    |
| M. J. Glennon   | Joseph Hoy      |
| Edward Carroll  | John Gavigan    |
| Martin F. Smith | Abraham Joseph  |
| M. T. Foley     | Frank Foley     |
|                 | Committee       |

1267. Firemans Herald, March 7, 1908. To the Memory of C. W. Kruger.

Cut down in the strength of manhood,  
In a moment snatched away,  
Without a word of warning –  
Cold and lifeless there he lay.  
He was borne away by his comrades,  
But his pulse had ceased to beat  
As they sadly stood around him  
That hour in the crowded street.  
How much we owe those heroes  
Who, without a thought save one –  
To save the lives of others –  
Into such dangers run!  
There is one less dauntless hero  
In the firemen's ranks to-day –  
A true and noble spirit  
Has winged its flight away.  
He has gone from life forever;  
No more will he hear the bell;  
He will meet the Great Life Saver  
In the home where angels dwell.  
He will give our Charles this welcome;  
"Thou hast done well, my son;  
Enter into rest eternal,  
This is the Father's home."

J. C. C. Middletown, Conn., Feb. 26, 1908.

1268. Hand dated Post, May 7, 1907. They Mourn Death of Depeyster. Member of Famous Family Who Had Their Home at Tivoli is Dead.

John Watts de Peyster, well known hereabouts, having lived at his country home, "Rose Hill," near Tivoli, several months in each year, is dead in his New York home, No. 59 East Twenty-first street. Mr. De Peyster was a member of the old New York family of that name, a son of Frederick and Mary De Peyster. His ancestry could be clearly traced back more than six hundred years. Many of his ancestors were prominent soldiers and statesman of Flanders and Scotland. He was born in New York city March 9 1821, and received his early education from private tutors. Later he went to Columbia College, where, with his cousin, Philip Kearney, afterward the famous major-general, he became especially interested in reading military works.

He entered the New York State military service in 1846, was soon afterward commissioned a colonel and later was appointed brigadier-general, being the first officer of that grade to be commissioned by this State. In 1851 he was sent to Europe as the special military agent of the State, and with credentials from the federal government. As a result of his mission he made a full report on the organization of the foreign militia and the principal municipal military organizations of Europe, which was of great service in the organization of State troops in the Civil war.

In 1866 he was brevetted a major general of the State forces in consideration of unusual and valuable services prior to and in the Civil war. When war was threatened in 1861 he offered to President Lincoln three regiments, but conditions prevented the acceptance of his offer. His three sons however, fought through the war and were brevetted colonels for service before they had obtained their majority.



He early became known as an able and original writer on military matters, and later on historical and general subjects.

He completed a church and built a parish school at Altoona, Pa., in memory of his daughter Marie B. De Peyster; built an Episcopalian church at Nachitoches, La., and when it was partially destroyed in the civil war he rebuilt it.

He also built a home for consumptives and hospital for invalid children and furnished a home for girls, all in Dutchess county. In connection with the home for consumptives he later built a training school and gave three hundred acres of land for it. He built and equipped a Methodist church at Madalin, and also built and gave Madalin a fine building to be used as a firemen's hall and public meeting place.

The State of New York and New Jersey both thanked him through their respective Legislatures for portraits of military celebrities presented to them. He also built and equipped a fine library building for the Franklin and Marshall College, and donated property valued at 250,000 to the Leake and Watts Orphan Asylum at Yonkers, N. Y., an institution which was endowed by his grandfather. Only recently he had given to it his country seat, "Rose Hill," near Tivoli. The statue of St. Winifred on Promenade Hill in Hudson was a gift by him to the city of Hudson, and there is a bronze bust of the General in the City Hall there.

He was a member of the Royal Historical Society of Great Britian [*sic*], the Maatshappij der Nederlandsche Letterkunde of the Leyden, Holland; an Honorary Fellow of the Society of Letters, Science and Art, of London; the latter awarded him in 1891 a gold medal for literary and scientific attainments. He was also a member of the Century Club, the St. Nicholas Society and the Holland Society of New York city. [Society of Dutch Literature, ed.] [illustration]

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1269. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Dec 16, 1905. The Village Fathers Regular Session. Plenty of Business Transacted by the Guardians of the Village Affairs, Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> 1905.

Present – Directors Rowe, Mc Laughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street committee reported as follows: Two loads of screening to repair walk on East Bridge street; repaired road on Ripley street; drew one load of tile, and stored them in Mr. Vedder's barn; carted dirt from fountain on Ulster avenue; carted lumber to build shed for roller; the balance of the work was done on Allen and McDonald streets; repairing finished on roller and roller stored away on Main street. The matter of repairing the hose carriage of Laflin Hose Co. was referred to the Firemanic committee with power to act.

The Firemanic committee reported progress in the matter of lights for the room of Washington Hook & Ladder Co.

On motion, Clifford Abeel was continued as a member of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, and of the village fire department.

On motion the following bills were paid:

Kelly-Springfield Road Roller Co.

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| 3 gears and expressage,  | \$ 68.48 |      |
| Myer & Carnright, 14 bbls of wood,                               | 3.50     |      |
| John Lang, sharpening tools, &c.,                                |          | 3.00 |
| C. H. Vedder, salary, barn rent and supplies to Jan. 1, 1906,    | 36.05    |      |
| Wm. H. Eckert, salary as treasurer Jan. 1, 1905 to Jan. 1, 1906, | 150.00   |      |
| D. McLaughlin, inspector charter                                 |          |      |

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| election,  | 2.00         |
| J. T. Washburn, inspector charter election,                            | 2.00         |
| D. E. Abeel, inspector charter election,                               | 2.00         |
| C. E. Abeel, 6 months police duty,                                     | 75.00        |
| C. Whitaker, 6 months police duty,                                     | 75.00        |
| Telegraph Publishing Co., printing,                                    | 59.00        |
| F. M. Murphy, labor and material,                                      | 71.02        |
| W. A. Hanna, engineer steamer to Jan. 1, 1906,                         | 25.00        |
| J. G. Palmer, janitor, to Jan. 1, 1906,                                | 25.00        |
| W. W. Persons, care town clock to Jan. 1, 1906,                        | 32.00        |
| H. Gleisner, putting up booths,  | 2.00         |
| D. McLaughlin, work on fountain,                                       | 7.00         |
| D. McLaughlin payment advanced for removing building on Ripley street, | <u>30.00</u> |
|  | \$661.05     |

## HEALTH FUND.

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|---|-------------|
| J. H. DeWitt, M. D., salary as Health Officer to Jan. 1, 1906 and expenses, | \$ 96.67    |
| Alex. Lackey, 8 meetings Board of Health,                                   | 16.00       |
| Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector, to Jan. 1, 1906,                         | 25.00       |
| C. M. Wolven, 9 affidavits,   | 2.25        |
| J. S. Elmendorf, 14 meetings Board of Health,                               | 28.00       |
| Saugerties Post, advertising,   | <u>2.00</u> |
|   | \$169.92    |

## ROAD FUND.

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| Wm. Yanchke, team 8 ¼ days,      | \$ 37.12     |
| Andrew Keeler, labor 7 "         | 10.50        |
| Wm. Wright, " 7 "                | 10.50        |
| Wm. Dixon, " 7 "                 | 10.50        |
| F. Yanchke, " 6 ½ "              | 9.75         |
| P. Hughes, " 7 ½ "               | 10.87        |
| Everett Roosa, engineer, 6 days, | 15.00        |
| R. Casey, salary for Dec. 1905,  | <u>41.65</u> |
|                                  | \$145.89     |

Motion, That the President appoint a committee of three to confer with the Board of Water Commissioners. The President appointed as such committee Messrs. Ziegler, McLaughlin and Lewis. The Treasurer's report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Motion, That when the Board adjourns it be until Dec. 26, 1905.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1270. Saugerties Post, Jan 6, 1906. The New Common Council and Village Officers. The New Mayor and the Other Officers of Our Borough Chosen on Friday Evening.

The Board of Directors for the year 1906 met at the Director's room, Jan. 5, 1906, at 8 o'clock p. m. for organization.

Directors present – Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis.

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 Lewis.

The ballot resulted as follows: Rowe 4, Lewis 1, Ziegler 1.

The formal ballot resulted as follows: Rowe 5. Mr. Rowe was declared elected President of the Board for the year 1906, and upon taking the chair thanked the members of the board for the honor they had again conferred upon him.

The ballot for Vice-President resulted as follows: Washburn 5, Lewis 1, Ziegler 1.

On motion the election of Mr. Washburn as Vice-President was made unanimous.

The ballot for Clerk resulted as follows: C. H. Vedder, 6. The President declared C. H. Vedder elected clerk.

The ballot for Street Commissioner resulted as follows: Robert Casey, 6. The President declared Mr. Casey elected Street Commissioner.

On motion John G. Palmer was appointed janitor for the ensuing year.

On motion Wm. A. Hanna was appointed engineer of steamer for the coming year, at a salary of \$50.00 per year.

The ballot for a member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners resulted as follows: S. M. Gray, 6. The President declared S. M. Gray elected a member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for a period of three years from Jan. 1, 1906.

On motion, W. E. Persons was appointed to have care of the town clock for the coming year at a salary of \$50.00 per year.

The ballot for member of the Board of Health resulted as follows: Edward Rogers, 6. The President declared Edward Rogers elected a member of the Board of Health for three years from Jan. 1, 1906.

The ballot for member of the Board of Water Commissioner resulted as follows: George W. Washburn, 6. The President declared George W. Washburn elected a member of the Board of Water Commissioners for a period of three years from Jan. 1, 1906.

On motion Chas. E. Abeel and Chas. Whitaker were appointed village policemen and night watchmen at a salary of \$150.00 per year each, and David E. Abeel was appointed village policeman at a salary of \$150.00 per year.

On motion the following were appointed as officers of the village fire department for the year 1906.

Jonas Myer, chief engineer; R. B. Ballman, 1<sup>st</sup> asst. engineer; Fred Gratwhol, 2<sup>nd</sup> asst. engineer; Ernest Hassinger Sec. and treas.

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

After the Board had organized they convened in regular session.

Present – Directors Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding. Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

Motion, that a reward of \$25.00 be offered by the Board for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons damaging or destroying any of the street lights in the village limits. The same to be advertised in the Saugerties Post for a period of two weeks. Carried.

Motion, that the ordinance in regard to the cleaning of snow from the sidewalks be published, stating that the fine of \$2.00 in addition to the cost of removing the snow, for failing to comply with the ordinance will be collected without further notice. Carried.

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The street committee reported that a shed had been built and the steam roller had been stored therein. On motion, the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights          |                 |
| to Jan. 1 1906,                           | \$227.00        |
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co.              |                 |
| Coal and lumber,                          | 55.15           |
| Chas. E. Houghtaling, enumeration outfit, | 7.00            |
| John Crowley, Col. over deposit,          | 49.17           |
| " " " collecting                          |                 |
| poll and dog tax,                         | 10.75           |
| W. Gleisner, box on hose cart,            | 3.25            |
| Wm. Doyle, freight and cartage,           | 7.25            |
|   | <u>\$359.57</u> |

Motion, That the bill of the Saugerties Gas Co. for chandelier for Washington Hook & Ladder Co. room, \$9.21, be referred back to the Gas Co., stating that the same had never been ordered by the Board. Carried.

Motion, That the President be authorized to appoint three enumerators at a salary of \$15.00 each for taking of a village census, the complete return to be in the hands of the Clerk on or before Jan. 9, 1906. Carried.

The President appointed as such enumerators:

James Martin, Ward No. 1.

Thomas B. Belch, " " 2.

Geo. B. Trumbour, Ward No. 3.

Motion, That the clerk invite the members of the Board of Health, the Board of Sewer Commissioners and the Board of Water Commissioners to meet with the Board of Directors at their room in Firemen's Hall, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 9, 1906 at 7:30 o'clock. Carried.

Motions, That when the Board adjourns it be until Tuesday evening, Jan. 9, 1906 at 7:30 o'clock. Carried.

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

1271. Saugerties Post, Feb 3, 1906. The Village Board. The Business Transacted at Their Meeting Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Feb. 2nd, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Committee reported as follows: Six loads of ashes to repair sidewalk on Hill street; one load of crushed stone each on Hill and East Bridge streets; two loads of crushed stone on Market and Partition streets; two loads of ashes to repair Ferry street; drew hose carriage to shop to be repaired. The Firemanic Committee reported that they had had the hose carriage of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, repaired.

Motion, That a four-light chandelier be placed in the rooms of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. Carried.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND

|                                  |           |
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| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights |           |
| to Feb. 1, 1906,                 | \$ 227.00 |
| Saugerties Gas Light Co., lights |           |

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| for Jan., 1906,  | 1.90        |
| Daniel Lamb, supplies,   | 1.25        |
| N. R. Valkenburgh, building for<br>steam roller,                   | 10.16       |
| John J. Linson, legal services be-<br>fore State Water Commission, | 200.00      |
| Municipal Journal Pub. Co., sub-<br>scriptions,                    | <u>3.00</u> |
|  | \$ 443.31   |

## ROAD FUND

|                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 2 days,     | \$ 3.00      |
| F. Yanchke, team 2 1-4 days, | 10.12        |
| R. Casey, salary for Jan.    | <u>41.65</u> |
|                              | \$54.77      |

The bill of F. M. Murphy, amount \$2.15, was referred to the Finance committee.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1272. Seal of Amhurst. [illustration]

1273. Hand dated Post, Jan 20, 1906. Director's Meeting. Held in Their Rooms Friday Evening, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe, presiding.

Minutes read for information.

The finance committee reported progress.

The street committee reported as follows: Drawed hose cart from engine house to John Lang's shop; replaced three broken tram; filled up holes on Market street; filled up hole on Ulster avenue near fountain.

Motion that the Board of Directors accept the invitation of H.D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, and visit their rooms on Thursday evening, Jan. 25, 1906. Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

## GENERAL FUND.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| J. R. Martin, census enumerator,  | \$ 15.00    |
| Thos B. Belch, census enumerator,   | 15.00       |
| Geo. B. Trumpbour, census enumerator,                                       | 15.00       |
| John Maxwell's Sons, stone<br>for fountains,                                | 10.18       |
| J. R. Martin, 1 bbl. wood,  | .25         |
| L. H. Kleeber, acknowledge-<br>ments census enumerators,                    | 1.00        |
| Saugerties Gas Co. chandelier,<br>&c for room of Washington<br>H. & L. Co., | <u>9.31</u> |
|   | \$ 65.64    |

## HEALTH FUND.

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| Chas. McNally, 14 meetings<br>Board of Health, | \$28.00 |
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## ROAD FUND.

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Wm. Yanchke, team 1 day,  | \$ 4.50     |
| F. Yanchke, labor 1 day,  | 1.50        |
| Wm. Dixon, labor 2 days,  | 3.00        |
| P. Hughes, labor 3-4 day, | <u>1.12</u> |
|                           | \$10.12     |

Motion, That William D. Brinnier be appointed counsel for the village of Saugerties to attend to their legal business at a salary of \$100 per year from Jan. 1, 1906 to Jan. 1, 1907. Carried.

Motion, That the communication from the village of Hartford, N. Y., be layed on the table. Carried.

The clerk was directed to publish hearing of enumeration for Thursday evening, Jan. 25, 1906 at 7 o'clock.

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

1274. Saugerties Post, April 25, 1908, The Egg Throwing Case in Court. Police Justice Rowe Fines Young Ben. Rose.

Ben. Rose, a colored lad, was arrested this morning by Officer D. E. Abeel, charged with throwing eggs at Max Poellath, Tuesday evening, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Rose was arraigned before Police Justice Rowe and after examination by Byron L. Davis, attorney for Mr. Poellath, he pleaded guilty.

Later he said he did not intend to throw any eggs at Mr. Poellath but at his dog, and then on advice of some friends he withdrew the plea of guilty and changed it to not guilty. Robert E. Sternberg was then secured to act as Rose's attorney and the case proceeded.

The following witnesses were examined, all boys, Harold Hawxhurst, George Bridgeman, Albert Carnright, Harold Miller, Vincent McCabe, George Cox, John Taylor and Albert Peters. All testified that Rose had thrown the eggs at Mr. Poellath.

It developed on cross examination that McCabe and Taylor also had eggs, but the testimony given showed that they did not throw any at Mr. Poellath, but had thrown them at a dog.

After the evidence had been all submitted, judge Rowe found young Rose guilty of the charge and fined him five dollars which was paid, and Rose was discharged.

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1275. Saugerties Post, Dec. 6, 1905. Our School Buildings; What is Said of Them. The Second Letter from the State Department in the Matter – New Building Recommended.

The following letter read at the meeting of the Board of Education, Tuesday evening, indicates that something will soon have to be done to our school buildings. This is the second letter received from the state department in the matter:

*Albany, N. Y. Nov. 16, 1906.*

*Mr. J. W. Lackey, Clerk Board of Education, Saugerties, N. Y.:*

Dear Sir: Permit me to call the attention of your Board of Education to the following comments from the report of the inspector of buildings, A. Edson Hall on the school buildings of your district:

Livingston Street Building.

1st grade: - 667 square ft. of floor surface; registration 49, air space for 44; 64 square feet of window surface – amount required 156 square feet.

2nd grade: - 667 square feet floor surface; registration 41, air space for 44; 68 square ft. of window surface – amount required 156 square ft. The pupils in the 2nd grade have to pass through the 1st grade room. The first and second grade cloak room, which is also used for a hall, is 10 2/3 ft. by 17 ft; no way of heating the hall or cloak room.

3rd grade: - 390 square ft. of floor surface; registration 29, air space 26; 80 square ft. of window surface – amount required 80 square ft.; cloak room 3½ x 5 ft.. used by boys and girls.

Second 3rd grade: - 460 square ft. of floor surface; registration 38, air space for 30; 80 square ft. of window surface – amount required 91 square ft.; cloak room 3½ x 5 ft. used by boys and girls.

4th grade: - This room is on the second floor; 667 square ft. of floor surface; registration 44, air space 41; window surface 72 square ft. The light enters the room over pupils' right shoulder and from the rear.

5th grade: - Room on second floor; 667 square ft. of floor space; registration 44, air space for 40; window surface 72 square ft. – amount required 156 square ft. There are no cloak rooms for the 4th or 5th grades. The wraps are hung in the rooms. The 5th grade pupils pass through the 4th grade room to go down stairs. The stairs are 12 ft. high in a space of 14 ft. and the door from the 4th grade room opens directly on to the first step of said stairs.

The building is heated by hot water; no system of ventilation; outside toilet closets.

#### Post Street Building

Two grades occupy this building, 6th and 7th.

6th grade: - 857 square ft. of floor surface; registration 49; air space 50; window surface 65 square ft. – amount required 171 square ft. The windows are 3 ft. from ceiling.

7th grade: - 857 square ft. of floor surface; registration 49; air space for 50; window surface 65 square ft. – amount required 171 square ft. The windows are 3 ft. from ceiling.

This building is heated by stove; no system of ventilation, outside toilet rooms. The building is wholly unfit for school purposes and not worth repairing or remodeling.

#### Hill Street Building

1st and 2nd grade room: 418 sq. ft. of floor surface; registration 51, air space for 28; 83 sq. ft. of window surface – amount required 83 sq. ft

3rd and 4th grade rooms O. K.

4th and 5th grade room: The floor space and registration O. K.; air space O. K., 79 sq. ft of window surface – amount required 140 sq. ft. There is no heat in the cloak rooms; no system of ventilation. This building could be remodeled and repaired to meet the requirements of the State Law.

#### High School Building

748 sq. ft floor surface; registration 47; air space for 50; window surface is satisfactory; hall and cloak room 5x15 ft.; library 14x16 ft., is also used for recitation room; laboratory 23x20 ft. in which are the laboratory tables. Some of the classes number 30 pupils; recitation room 15x20½ ft. The high school room has been painted and a new floor laid, which makes it quite a pleasant room.

8th grade room: registration 42, air for 42. The light enters the room over the pupils' left shoulder and the rear.

I would recommend that one new building be erected large enough to accommodate the pupils now registered in the high school building and the Livingston St. and the Post St. buildings; that the present site of the high school building be enlarged; that the Hill St. school building be repaired and remodeled to be used for primary classes.

The facts herein presented clearly show that it is the duty of your district to take immediate steps to provide better school accommodations for the pupils residing therein. The fact that the children are required to attend upon instruction under the laws of the State, whether they choose to or not clearly makes it the first duty, one of fundamental importance, to see that commodious comfortable and sanitary accommodations are provided for their use.

While your district should be given reasonable time to bring about needed improvements, it will be necessary to make all reasonable haste to remedy the serious conditions referred to in Mr. Hall's report. Your district must not expect to have your school maintain its standing with this Department unless definite steps to remedy the situation are taken before another school year.

Please keep me advised regarding the progress made. Yours respectfully, Frank H. Wood, Chief, Inspections Division.

1276. Saugerties Post, June 7, 1906. The New School House Question Discussion. The Meeting Held in the Opera House on Wednesday Evening – The Talks.

About seventy-five persons attended the meeting held in the opera house Wednesday evening to discuss the new school house question which is perturbing the minds of our citizens and taxpayers. A few ladies were included in the number.

John A. Snyder, president of the Board of Education, presided, and introduced the speaker, A. Edson Hall inspector of school buildings, etc. representing the state education department.

At the outset of his address Mr. Hall said that the Board of Education were in no way responsible for the meeting, but the state education department had its inspectors who look after school buildings, courses of study, etc., prescribed by law and it is the duty of the commissioner of education to see that the law is enforced. It was imposed on the commissioner to have the law enforced. Mr. Hall also stated that it was no such thing that this district was being made a target at this time, but that the question was being discussed all over the state and that the people are willing to comply with the requirements. Only in a few cases does the state department resort to extreme measures and he said I believe it will not happen here. There ought not to be a vote against it as it is in the interest of the boys and girls.

There ought not to be any question as to the buildings. There is no desire to be harsh and I wish the reports on the building could be the same as that on the work. Mr. Hall then read from reports dating from 1904 regarding the unsatisfactory condition of the buildings and suggested the erection of one building to house the three uptown schools. In all the buildings there is less than half the amount of air space, and no ventilation. Livingston street school building could be remodeled to meet the requirements at a cost of \$5000 to \$8000. Post street school was so bad that the English language could not be emphatic enough to describe it. There was no parallel case in the state.

It is useless to remodel it. It would be advisable to repair Hill street school for the accommodation of the smaller children of the South Side. The High school has floor space enough except in laboratory and class rooms, but no ventilation etc. One building on the site of the present High school would suffice for the three uptown schools, and make work, supervision and expense easier. The district is larger than the village and I congratulate the taxpayers that they have one of the lowest tax rates in the state for Union Free School district. The average is over 10 mills, here it is only 6 mills.

The conditions here are most unfavorable and the officials would be justified in condemning the buildings. The question is often asked, "what right has the state to come in and dictate?" The answer is that the state is a partner of this, furnishing money to the amount of \$2,000 to run the schools, therefore the state has a right to come in. Two thousand dollars placed by itself would pay the bonds and interests. The same amount raised by tax would meet the interest and bond and the district would have a modern up-to-date building. The money would be well invested.

Mr. Hall also gave the names of several towns and villages where new buildings are being erected in compliance with the state departments requirements.

The meeting was then thrown open for discussion. In response to a question of Robert A. Snyder, Mr. Hall gave the details of the law under which the state department is acting. The law was passed three years ago giving the Commissioner of Education power to enforce it. It requires that every child shall have 15 square feet of floor space and 30 cubic feet of fresh air every minute. Last year the Board of Regents passed a resolution that no school receive a non-resident tuition unless the requirements are complied with.

This district was not placed on the list, but later it was in hope that requirements would be met. If they are not, it will be taken off this year.

Replying to Carroll Whitaker's question Mr. Hall said that there were 12,000 districts in the state and that thus far six that he knew of had come up to requirements and all would have to before September 1st. He also said that if he couldn't convince any one of the unsatisfactory condition of our buildings he



would resign his position in fifteen minutes. The valuation of the district warrants a new building. He belived [*sic*] the schools came first and that conditions wouldn't be any better in 5 or 10 years. We need not make the first bond payable till ten years. Something ought to be done for the boys and girls. Dewitt Van Buren asked if requirements were not met would the state withdraw the public money. Mr. Hall answered yes.

John Crowley asked if the present buildings could not be repaired and why the estimate was so high. Mr. Hall said the buildings could be repaired but steel girders, a new lighting, ventilating and heating system at Livingston street would make it cost that and it would be wise to build one building.

In reply to E. J. Lewis' question as to the plans, whether for a new building or repairs, Mr. Hall said the state department must approve them before work begins. No building, if cost was \$200 could be erected without the state's approval. He also told of a district that refused to accept the state's plan and build on their own, the result being another building had to be put up. Two sets of plans must be had, one for the department, one for the district.

At the close of this discussion, Robert A. Snyder, by request, offered a resolution empowering the Board of Education to call a special meeting in the future at which time the proposition to raise \$50,000 to build a new school building be submitted to the voters of the district.

After the resolution had been seconded, Carroll Whitaker asked permission to speak and said that the people wanted a new building but that this was not the time for it. He was surprised that the Post street building had not been condemned.

As to the boys and girls, the village now had a bonded indebtedness of \$190,000 and this would be left to the boys and girls to pay for. A state board had granted New York city the right to take the water from the Esopus creek and serious condition faces us with a possible depreciation of real estate. It is not a favorable prospect for the boys and girls, who need food for their stomachs as well as food for their brains. The state give us \$2,000, the district raises \$9,000 therefore the state is only a sixth partner, while this district has fix sixths interest. No village is more progressive than ours. Everything the people have asked for has been voted. In organizing the Union Free School system, the expense was increased from \$5,000 to \$10,000. A system of water works, free text books and sewerage has also been voted. The state is unfair towards us. Other places sewer in the river; here we were not allowed to but compelled to build plants to purify sewage before it emptied into streams. The people have got to draw the line somewhere and they draw it on this question. The people are opposed to it. \$50,000 would not give us much of a building at the price of material now. Mr. Whitaker also referred to the building he and others attended school in and in speaking of Robert A. Snyder as one, said he considered him the ablest product or them. The people are laboring under the tax question and if the state wants to use its club there was only one remedy to go back to the old system which was as satisfactory as the present one, although he wasn't sure it could be done. In closing Mr. Whitaker said that some of the Board of Education had called the state department's attention to the buildings and that he did not believe they were a unit in favoring a new building.

Mr. Hall replied to Mr. Whitaker's statement relative to the Board of Education calling the attention of the department to the buildings and denied it, saying it was no such a thing, that other inspectors beside himself had been here several times and they had been lenient in hops that some action would be taken by the people. Mr. Hall said he did not come here with a club and had tried to be fair in presenting the matter.

He also said that nearly every place he goes to, and he is out every night, the same questions are put up. The water tax question he knew would take care of itself and then gave the names of Greenwich, Catskill, Mechanicsville, Albion, Wayland, Canandaigua, Perry and other places, where sewer, fire houses and water bonds covered them, yet they voted to have new buildings.

Mr. Hall said that the people of the district had too much pride to return to the old system. It was good, but it does not compare with the present, nor will it with the future. He also remarked that out in the

country some farmer's barns are better equipped than your buildings. He said he was going to say they think more of their cattle than you do of the children, but he wouldn't believe that, only it was carelessness and thoughtlessness.

Mr. Whitaker then offered an amendment to Mr. Snyder's resolution saying that the people would surely vote down the new school house proposition, and then they would not have anything. He thought there ought to be a proposition submitted regarding repairs and erecting a new building in place of the one at Post street.

After some exchanging of warm sallies, E. J. Lewis offered the following resolution, which was carried: Resolved, That the Board of Education be requested to call a special school meeting in due time to allow the voters of the district an opportunity to vote on the following propositions:

1<sup>st</sup>. To raise money to erect a new building to take the place of the three present school buildings, namely: High School, Post St. and Livingston St. and repair Hill St. building.

2<sup>nd</sup>. To raise money to erect a new building to take the place of the present Post St. building, and repair the three other buildings, namely: High School, Livingston St. and Post St.

3<sup>rd</sup>. To raise money to repair the four present buildings, namely: High School, Post St., Livingston St. and Hill St.

The Board to secure an estimated cost on each of the above propositions. Such figures to be given to the voters at time of voting on propositions.

The meeting then adjourned.

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1277. Hand dated May 22, 1906. The City's Great Scheme for Increasing Water.

Following the announcement that the State Board had granted formal permission to New York to extend its water system to the Catskill shed the city board announced that actual work on the new \$161,000,000 system will begin almost immediately.

Fifteen thousand men, it was announced at the office of the city Board at Broadway and Duane street, will be at work before the end of the year probably twice as many men will be employed along the ninety-six miles of the proposed aqueduct.

The first step to be taken by the city board will be the creation of a land bureau to buy for the city 18,000 acres of land necessary for the improvement. Of this land 10,000 acres will be required for the site of the Ashokan reservoir alone. The other seven reservoirs will cover 8,000 more acres, while the remaining 2,000 acres will be needed for the headquarters of the engineers and working forces along the line of the work.

The members of the city commission who will manage this work are: J. Edward Simmons, President; Charles A. Shaw and Charles N. Chadwick, Commissioners, and Thomas Hassett, Secretary. Already the commission has 300 engineers in the field. The preliminary surveys, as well as the soundings for the reservoirs, have already been completed. Little work remains to be done before the city will be ready to advertise for bidders. The contracts are to be divided into five sections for the line of the aqueduct. They will invite the greatest contractors in the country, and it is expected there will be lively competition. The biggest engineering job is the construction of the aqueduct under the Hudson river at New Hamburg. An opening wide enough to drive two trains through abreast will have to be made. The nature of the rock and soil under the bed of the river is such that the job will be difficult and delicate. The contract which will call for the greatest financial outlay is the construction of the great reservoir at Ashokan. This will be one of the largest reservoirs in the world and will hold enough water to flood the entire Esopus valley. It will consume many years in building.

It is this reservoir which will completely submerge the sites of nine villages, with a total population of considerably more than 5,000 people, and will obliterate nineteen miles of the Delaware and Ulster Railroad track. This track will be removed several miles out of the area of the reservoir. A new rail road

for this distance will have to be built, and the entire cost including the new right of way and other damages will have to be borne by the city.

The largest of the village which will be wiped out to make way for the big reservoir is Shokan, which has a population of 1,000 persons. The city will have to acquire the entire village and surroundings, either by purchase or condemnation, and it is for this purpose that the new land bureau is to be formed. Of the other villages several have a population of more than 500.

A curious feature of the law permitting the city to go into this watershed is that it permits every person who may lose a job or suffer other damages through the improvement to collect damages from the city. From the preliminary survey, which has been carried on several months, the route has been divided into five divisions. First, headquarters at White Plains, Merritt M. Smith in charge; second, headquarters at Peekskill, William E. Swift in charge; third headquarters in Poughkeepsie, Robert Ridgeway in charge; fourth, headquarters at Kingston, Carleton E. Davis in charge; fifth, headquarters at Brown Station. The last division covers the work of surveying and sounding the site of the new reservoir.

As soon as actual work of construction begins mounted police will be employed to patrol the various divisions, to both keep order and see that the camps are kept in sanitary condition.

The local board will at once increase the present force of about 400 engineers... [bottom of column, worn away.]

1278. The Times Union, Wednesday June 20, 1906. Group Picture of the Delegates to the Firemen's Convention, Now in Session at Rensselaer. Photo by Obenaus. [illustration]

Firemen's Big Feast at Forbes' Carnival Day of The Great Convention At Rensselaer – Brilliant Parade To-Night.

To-day's great feature of the Firemen's convention in Rensselaer will be the carnival parade to-night, which will pass over the following route:

Partition and Third streets, to Fowler street, to Fifth street, to Central avenue, to Fourth street, to Washington avenue, to Third street, to Catherine street, to First street, to Partition street, to Broadway to Washington avenue, countermarch on Broadway south to Aiken avenue to Columbia street, to Washington street, to Second avenue to East street to Partition street and dismiss.

It was Carnival day for the delegates attending the seventeenth annual convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, in Rensselaer and with a rousing old-fashioned Rhode Island clambake, carefully prepared and delightfully served at Forbes' manor grounds this afternoon, the visitors began to appreciate to the full extend the hospitality of the people of this good old town.

The serious business of the convention has been transacted. Fred S. Bieber of Poughkeepsie, for five years treasurer of the organization, has been honored by being elevated to the post of president of the association, Stephen Preston, Jr., making good his ante-election pledges and refusing to run again, inasmuch as the office did not come to him voluntarily. Poughkeepsie has been designated as the place for the eighteenth convention and good will and harmony now reigns supreme, everything now tending to the festive and gay side of the convention session. Of course the clambake this afternoon is by some considered the acme of hospitality, but the real feature of the carnival will be this evening when the grand carnival parade will take place. Then will grotesque and novel bands of fillibusters revel through the streets, followed by stately, beautiful and imposing floats, not to forget the more humorous floats that are to be entered in anticipation of the prizes that have been offered by the committee in charge of the arrangements for the parade.

The climax of the convention, however, will be reached to-morrow afternoon when the grand firemen's parade will take place. Upwards of seventy visiting companies from the eleven counties constituting the association will take part in the march and between twenty and thirty thousand visitors are expected to be welcomed within the portals of old Rensselaer. Excursions galore from Hudson, Saugerties, Catskill

and other down-the-river places will be had to Rensselaer, and the streets through which the parade will pass will be densely crowded.

#### At Forbes' Manor

'Neath the fragrant pines and the stately elms of Forbes' manor grounds, the clambake was held this afternoon. The delegates escorted by members of the firemen's association gathered at the corner of Partition street and Broadway at noon, after the concluding session of the convention and marched to the grounds where had been prepared a most sumptuous repast. An experienced and competent clambaker had charge of the feast which proved to be most delicious. Here is the menu: Clam chowder, chicken fricassee on toast, New England style; steam clams with bouillon, little necks on half shell, Philadelphia broiled chicken, baked bluefish, broiled lobsters, steamed chickens, baked sweet and Irish potatoes, new sweet corn, ham sandwiches, watermelon, drinks, new celery, ice cold lobsters, cigars and cigarettes.

Firemen never felt more regal than did the Hudson Valley delegates when they concluded the repast. They felt they were well repaid for their long journeys to Rensselaer to be present at this royal feast, and very naturally at the conclusion of it all there was a flow of soul, \*\*\* and many of the more prominent members and guests made impromptu speeches.

#### The Carnival Parade

Grand Marshal George Bussey, of the carnival parade, said to-day that it would be impossible to prepare the formation of the carnival parade. He had received thus far only a comparatively small number of entries but he knew that there would be in the line a score of floats, as many more organizations had not as yet notified either Secretary Fowler or himself. Because of the prizes offered for the most handsome and the most humorous floats there was considerable secrecy necessary in order that ideas would not be purloined. He believed the parade would be a success in every respect. The delegates to the convention would also take part and would be escorted by the members of the Firemen's Association.

Evidences of preparation for to-night's parade were everywhere to be seen this morning. Householders, who had failed to decorate yesterday did so to-day and to-night the streets through which the parade will pass will be illuminated to such an extent that the decoration under Mattie Heeran's auspices will seem small in comparison. There being no politics in this celebration, all citizens are joining in the celebration and taking a personal pride in the success of the festivities. The assignment of various organizations and floats will take place at seven o'clock and will be made by Grand Marshal Bussey, assisted by his aides. In the first division the filibusters, sprites and novel masked bands will be assigned, while in the second division there will be the artistic floats and in the third division the purely business floats. Albany and Rensselaer business men will be represented with floats.

The organizations and persons who will have floats in the procession are as follows: Minnesella Council No. 103, Degree of Pocahontas Indian float; Rensselaer Country club, Japanese float; Hill Hook and Ladder company, Howard Hose company, A. E. Bonsacker, Farmers and Mechanic's Lodge No. 157, I. O. O. F., W. J. La Grange, National Protective Legion No. 879, float with the degree team aboard; Knights of the Maccabees, Capital City division, uniformed company as escort; Helmes' Brothers, Albany; James Guilfoil, two floats; Plantz Brothers, William Scriven, Kingman's laundry; Order of the Orient, group on float; Pine Bush Loft of Haymakers.

The parade will start at 8:30 o'clock prompt and five strokes will be sounded on the fire alarm bells to indicate that the parade has begun to move.

Among the first five companies that will arrive in Rensselaer to attend to-morrow's parade will be the Mt. Vernon Steamer Company No. 1, of which former President Stephen Preston, Jr., is a member. The company, it is expected, will arrive this evening and will make its headquarters at the house of the J. N. Ring Steamer company on Second avenue. Accommodations for five horses, a steamer and a hose cart have been arranged for.

There is considerable interest in the great prize hosecart, costing \$10,000, belonging to the Citizens' Hose company of Catskill, a picture of which was published in the Times-Union last evening. The company is expected to arrive to-morrow morning and the prize cart will be on exhibition prior to the parade at the house of the Citizens' Hose company, on Broadway, at the foot of Fowler avenue. Of considerable interest was the large picture of the original Ocean Hose company, which is on exhibition at Hickey & Connolly's newsroom on Broadway. Rensselaer Simeon Diamond, long one of Rensselaer's prominent residents, was foreman of the company. The picture is owned by Engineer Lawrence Connolly, of Rensselaer, and survived the fire that destroyed the company's house. It is one of the most interesting souvenirs of early Rensselaer fire fighters in existence, a picture of all the charter members of Ocean Hose company, taken in 1860. This was the first fire company ever organized in Rensselaer and was supported by the old Western railroad, now the Boston & Albany. The following are the names of the charter members: C. Teeling, A. Herbert, J. Chamberlain, G. T. Diamond, B. Evans, Jr., Joseph Brown, F. Lavery, H. Hughes, S. Diamond, B. Terra, J. Gardmere, T. Claxton, C. Pulver, M. McGraw, L. Burns, T. Sherwood, J. Primmier, P. Lambert, J. Heppinstall, P. Pearl, R. Sherwood, P. Adams, J. Provo, F. Krause, J. Lozier, P. Murphy, C. Smith, C. Derome, D. Greegs, B. Ostrander, R. Carson, D. Kennedy, L. Connolly, D. Pulver, D. Moore, T. Maloy, J. Cahill, J. Lannigan, H. Cavanaugh, M. Sherwood, E. Flannigan, J. Freer, Joseph Dunn, James Reilly, Joseph Murphy, Joseph Conroy, F. Claflin, John Ford, P. Monest, J. J. Burke, G. Plass, R. Mitchell, J. Rappelyea, J. Eagan, J. J. Wing, J. McCormick, William J. Adams, A. Bissonett, S. Webster, S. Bootman, F. Rockefeller, H. Cananaugh, C. Vennard, E. Garrity, J. Gaynor, J. J. Sullivan, C. Stellar, D. Stellar, Sylvester J. Delahey, Sr., J. Groat, F. Smith and J. McCarthy.

#### The Oldest Delegate.

Perhaps one of the oldest delegates – not in spirit, but in length of membership this association – is Colonel H. D. Laflin, of Saugerties. Colonel Laflin was a member of the Tri-County Firemen's association, from which the present association sprung, and has been regular in attendance at all of the conventions held by the Hudson Valley association. He takes an interest in its deliberation and none of the delegates is more active. He is a member of the firm of Laflin and Rand, powder manufacturers at Saugerties, and is a member of the local fire department.

Another of the old time delegates who has been to all the conventions and thinks the reception accorded by Rensselaer and her citizens to be first class in every respect, is George H. Scott, of Coxsackie.

Secretary Henry Buxbury, of Hudson has been a fireman ever since he has been able to run with the machine. He has held offices in the local fire companies for many years and has long been a member of the association and a delegate to their annual conventions. Buxbury is what is known as a "joiner." He is an officer of the Hudson Elks, also of the Masons, the Eagles, the firemen's association, and of several social organizations in his home city. He is an indefatigable worker and how he keeps the affairs of the various organizations of which he is an official separate and straight is a mystery to most of his friends. Fire Chief Thomas Kemmy is justly proud of his new rig which he has not yet used to respond to fire. His wagon is a light vehicle, well adapted to quickly responding to fire alarms, and is neatly painted and striped, with the inscription, "Chief, Rensselaer Fire Department" on each side.

Samuel Fowler, of the Rensselaer Firemen's association is one of the busy firemen on the local committee who are having hard work and little pleasure out of the convention proceedings and festivities. Every delegate has had to report personally to him, register on a coupon and obtain in return a badge issued by the local firemen's association, and a ticket for the clambake that was held this afternoon. Aside from this he has been handling the return blanks for the firemen's parade to be held to-morrow afternoon, and the carnival parade which will be the feature of this evening.

The Hudson Valley Firemen's association was formed in 1890 and since then the list of places where the conventions have been held and the various presidents of the association are as follows: Coxsackie,

George H. Scott; Kingston, Charles G. Coffin; Hudson, Tjerck J. Rifenbary; Catskill, Charles G. Coffin; Saugerties, Henry A. Ohley; Hudson, Henry A. Ohley; Coxsackie, Henry A. Ohley; Kingston and Newburgh, George Wachmyer; Saugerties and Poughkeepsie, Jonathan Deyo; Peekskill and Kingston, Joseph C. Hurley; Catskill and Haverstraw, James A. Goldsmith; Saugerties, Ernest Hassinger; Mt. Vernon, Stephen Preston Jr.

It has been planned originally to have an excursion by trolley for the delegates to Electric Park but the committee of arrangements decided that the firemen would be better pleased to be entertained in the convention city proper, for they had already many of them, traveled long distances to reach Rensselaer. Because of this fact the committee made plans for the big clambake which the fiemen [sic] are enjoying this afternoon at Forbes' manor grounds.

Stephen Preston, Jr., of Mt. Vernon, the retiring president of the association, made more friends yesterday by his generous retirement in favor of President Beiber. Prior to Preston's election the presidents of the Hudson Valley association were in the habit of serving two terms, presumably on the theory that the more experienced a man is the better it is for the association. Preston's friends, however, made a pledge last year when he was elected that he would serve for one term only and would not seek re-election. Preston did not seek a second term, though he was in a receptive mood, but he made good his ante-election pledges by promptly withdrawing from the field when Mr. Beiber's name was proposed.

The Rensselaer Firemen's association is composed of leading representatives of the various fire companies of this city. The arrangements for the present convention were made by this association. The names of the members follow: Matthew A. Heeran, Harry Wiltse, John W. Wickens, Geo. Roberts, James Clark, John F. Kapp, Frank Wilson, George D. Bussey, Joseph Zepf, Fred Clark, E. L. Smith, Geo. Cummings, T. Sprong, G. S. Worden, J. Hutchinson, William Wright, Chas. Mason, D. West, James Hudson, Al. Johns, Samuel A. Fowler, Nathan Babcock, Harvey Younghans, W. Hart, S. Grainer, Wm. Benson, Alfred Weinmann, James Hart, Chas. Brooksby, L. Palmer and W. Benson.

The officers of the association are: President, John Kapp; one vice-president for each company; secretary Samuel A. Fowler; treasurer, W. E. Benson, financial secretary, Wm. Wright. Vice-presidents: Jas. Hart, Al. Johns, Theo. Sprong, Frank Wilson, Wm. Hart, Harry Wiltse.

Grand marshal of Firemen's parade, George S. Worden; grand marshal of the carnival parade, George Bussey; executive committee; Nathan Babcock, chairman; Chas. Brookby, William Wright, Geo. Bussey, Theo. Sprong, Matthew A. Heeran; printing committee: Wm. Hart, chairman; L. Palmer, A. Johns, Geo. Cummings, Jos. Zepf, J. W. Wickens; finance committee: Ed. Smith, chairman; C. Brooksby, J. Hudson, F. Clark, George Roberts; Badge committee: George Cummings, chairman; A. Weinmann, Geo. West, Geo. Bussey, Stephen Grainor, James Clark.

#### BUSINESS SESSION TO-DAY.

##### Committee Named to Investigate Legislative Opposition.

It was close upon 11 o'clock this morning before the business session was called to order in the Select Knights' Hall. The feature of the session was the appointment of a committee to investigate and discover who opposed the interests of the association in the legislature at the last session. Messrs. Jenkins, Denfield and Nyland were named by the president. The committee was empowered to prepare a report and send it to the legislators in question, and to the firemanic associations in the county or counties where the offenders resided with instructions to use their influence to oppose their re-election. The annual report of the Treasurer John P. Powers, of the State association, was received. The report showed the amount of tax for each city, village and fire district in the territory of the association, derived from the foreign insurance tax. The report reads in part: "As you are aware the chief source of revenue is derived from the 10 per cent., of the 2 per cent. foreign insurance tax, but there is an effort to do away with such tax and the likelihood is that such effort will prevail. No better evidence could be given than the action of the state legislature refusing to pass the bill compelling 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 per cent. tax, so it behooves us to be up and doing and not let out unfortunate brothers suffer for any act that will deprive them from their well-earned rest."

"The capacity of the Home (Hudson Firemen's) is being doubled, consequently our expenses will increase in proportion.

"The fund (endowment) now amounts to \$3,500, 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. The presentation of this report, together with the suggestion made in yesterday morning's session regarding legislative opposition, was the chief cause of the committee of investigation named above, being appointed.

A communication was received from Hope Fire Engine Co. No. 7, of Troy, to attend the anniversary field day and picnic to occur at Rensselaer park, August 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Afternoon Session.

The session yesterday afternoon was occupied chiefly with the reports of standing and special committees, and the secretary and treasurer, the annual address of the President and the election of officers. The following officers were elected: President, Fred S. Bieber, of Poughkeepsie; first vice president, Alfred Weinan of Rensselaer; second vice president, John T. Wagner, Mount Vernon; secretary Henry Buxbury, Hudson; treasurer, John T. O'Shea, Kingston; honorary vice presidents, Ulster Co., Lewis Koltz, Kingston; Dutchess co., Geo. Nagengast, Poughkeepsie, Orange Co., Frank Hartley, Alden; Saratoga Co, George Connelly, Mechanicville; Albany Co., W. L. Schoonmaker, Ravena; Rockland Co., Lewis F. Henbi, Haverstraw; Rensselaer Co., John F. Knapp, Troy; Columbia Co., Henry Dingham, Philmont; Green Co., Chas. W. Hitchcock, Athens; Westchester Co., W. Frank Decker, Croton.

In his address President Preston referred to the growth of the association the past year, during which many new companies have been added to the association, and thanked the officers and members for the support given him during his term.

The feature of the report of the executive committee was an amendment to the constitution providing for the election of two vice presidents, in addition to the honorary ones from each county. All officers should be elected by ballot in convention, except the honorary vice presidents, one from each county, who should be chosen by a majority vote of delegates from the respective counties.

The report of Secretary Henry Buxbury showed that fifteen new companies had been added since the last meeting and that the association now comprised 154 companies, with a total of 237 members. Mr. Buxbury suggested that a day be set apart when the association and State organization could unite in celebrating; and that the association name a day when the graves of deceased members could be decorated.

Mr. John F. Powers, treasure of the State association, made an address in which he recommended that an endowment fund be started for the Firemen's Home at Hudson. The report of treasurer Fred S. Bieber of Poughkeepsie showed a balance of \$242.34. J. Frank Chase, chairman of the law committee of the State association, gave an address in which he reviewed the efforts made by the association against adverse legislation. It was decided to hold the next convention in Poughkeepsie.

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1279. Saugerties Post, Feb 17, 1906. The Director's Proceedings. The Meeting of the Village Board Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors, held Friday evening, Feb. 16, 1906.

Present – Directors – Rowe, Mc Laughlin, Ziegler and Lewis. President Rowe presiding

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A petition from twenty-four residents of Partition and Montgomery Streets requesting that an arc light be placed at the intersection of the above named street was read. The President referred the matter to the Street Committee for investigation.

Motion, That twenty badges be procured for Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Carried.

The Finance Committee reported the bill of F. M. Murphy correct.

The Street Commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned snow from catch basins. Cleaned snow from sidewalk on East Bridge street; two loads of crushed stone to Wieber & Watson; cleaned snow from sidewalks corner of Lafayette Street and Washington avenue, property of Edward Stanton; cut out cradle holes on Partition street.

Motion, That a bill for 75¢, and also \$2.00 fine, per charter be sent to Edward Stanton for shoveling snow from sidewalk in front of his property on Washington avenue and Lafayette street. Carried.

On motion, Exempt Firemen's certificates were ordered granted to Patrick Bradley and Daniel Dorian, of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid.

GENERAL FUND.

F. M. Murphy, repairing hose,

&c. \$ 2.15

Wm. V. McCormick, washing

hose, 6.00

\$ 8.15

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Dixon, labor 1 ½ days,

\$ 2.25

HEALTH FUND.

C. M. Wolven, vital statistics,

\$11.75

Motion, that a bill for \$6.00 for washing hose, be sent to Wieber & Watson. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1280. Saugerties Post, Mar. 2, 1906. A New Alderman Has Been Selected. William V. Burhans is Now a Member of the Village Legislature – Other Matters.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, March 2nd, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump and Ziegler. President Rowe, presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A number of bids for a complete stone crushing plant were received. Action was deferred.

The street commissioner reported as follows: Purchased two plank from the Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., to repair fence on Hill street; shoveled snow from sidewalks on Ulster avenue, on Feb 17, 1906, property of John C. Davis, time 1½ hours; shoveled snow from sidewalks on Ulster avenue on Feb. 17, 1906, property of Charles Davis, time one hour; opened sewer on South Partition street; opened sewer on West Bridge street; drew one load of ashes on Underwood street; cleaned out catch basin on Underwood street.

Motion that a bill, including fine of \$2.00 for shoveling snow from the sidewalks in front of the property on Ulster avenue, be sent to John C. Davis and to Charles Davis. Carried.

Motion, that Mr. Shader, Mr. Mitchell and the Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., be notified that as the sewers are now ready for use they must discontinue running water into the streets. Carried.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights

to March 1, 1906, \$227.00



Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Saugerties Gas Co., lights for February,                              | 1.53         |
| C. H. Vedder, extra work in enumeration and collection of back taxes, | 25.00        |
| Eckert & Snyder, insurance premium on crusher plant,                  | <u>12.00</u> |
|   | \$265.52     |

ROAD FUND.

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| F. Yanchke, labor 2 fays,      | \$ 3.00      |
| R. Casey, salary for February, | <u>41.65</u> |
|                                | \$ 44.65     |

E. J. Lewis tendered his resignation as a Village Director. On motion the resignation was accepted. Motion, that Mr. William V. Burhans be appointed a Director from Ward No. 3, to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. E. J. Lewis. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1281. Saugerties Post, Mar. 17, 1906. The Village Solons. Business of the Meeting Held Friday Evening. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Motion, That the board of Water Commissioners be granted an extension of time in which to make their annual requisition. Carried.

The Street Committee reported that the fountain on Ulster avenue had been broken.

The President referred the matter of changing the light on Montgomery street to the Street Committee with the power to act.

On motion certificates of membership in Washington Hook & Ladder Co. were ordered granted to John Cook, Jesse Freese and John Lowther.

On motion a certificate of membership in H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2 was ordered granted to Fred Carle.

On motion the action of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2 in expelling Lewis Sorge for non-payment of dues was approved by the Board.

On motion an exempt Fireman's certificate was ordered granted to Perry Underhill of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., coal and lumber,                    | \$ 37.08     |
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., electric fixtures, etc.,                | 7.80         |
| James Teller, supplies,   | 2.50         |
| C. H. Vedder, supplies,   | 3.25         |
| W. E. Persons, salary Jan., Feb., March and repairing town clock, | 15.00        |
| J. G. Palmer, 3 months salary,                                    | 24.00        |
| C. Van Buskirk, teams to fires, etc.,                             | <u>32.00</u> |
|   | \$ 121.63    |

HEALTH FUND.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Luther Emerick, Vital Statistics, \$ 8.25

W. F. Winchell, two inspections

of plumbing, 4.00

\$12.25

On motion the annual report of the Board of Water Commissioners was received and placed on file.

Motion, that Ernest Hassinger be appointed fire warden from Ward No. 3. Carried.

Motion, that when the Board adjourns it be until Wednesday evening, March 21, 1906, at 8 o'clock.

Carried

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Board adjourned.

1282. Saugerties Post, Mar. 22, 1906. A New Crusher Plant Ordered Purchased. The Acme Road Machine Company Gets the Contract From the Village Board.

Adjourned regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Wednesday evening, March 21, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The following bids for an engine, boiler and crusher plant and also a road machine were considered by the Board. Prices f. o. b. cars at Saugerties, N. Y.

Julia School & Co., engine,

boiler and crusher plant, \$1860.00

Engine, boiler, crushing plant

and road machine, \$2080.00

Acme Road Machinery Co.,

engine, boiler and crusher

plant, \$1658.00

Engine, boiler, crushing plant

and road machine, \$1858.00

On motion, Resolved, That as the Acme Road Machine Co. are the lowest bidder according to the specifications, the President of the Board be, and hereby is, empowered to make a contract with them for an engine, boiler and crusher plant, and also a road machine for a net price of \$1,858, f. o. b. cars, Saugerties, N. Y. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Motion, That the communication from Mrs. Eva L. Simmons be received and placed on file, and she be informed that the water running across the dock referred to, is the drainage from the hills nearby and that the water was formerly carried across the said dock by an open drain which has since been replaced by the owners of the property and should be kept in repair by them. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

1283. Saugerties Post, April 7, 1906. The Doings of The Common Council. The Meeting Held Friday Evening and the Matters of Business Before the Directors.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held last Friday evening, April 6<sup>th</sup> 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The street commissioner reported as follows: Shoveled snow from sidewalks, property of Edward Stanton, corner of Lafayette street and Washington avenue, time three hours; cleaned walks on East Bridge St.; cleaned snow from all catch basins; two loads of stone for patching; cleaned part of Partition street, purchased, on order from the president, 8 ½ pounds of steel, for making drills, 14 pounds of

dynamite and three shovels from Daniel Lamb & Son; purchased 100 feet of fuse; four loads of chips to repair Ferry street; balance of work at quarry getting out stone.

Motion, That Daniel Lamb be notified to lay sidewalk in front of his property on the South Side of Livingston street, and that Moses Schoenfeld be notified to lay sidewalk in front of his property on Cross street; and that the agent of the Sullivan property be notified to lay sidewalk in front of the Sullivan property on Clermont street. Carried.

The matter of the increase in rate of insurance on Fireman's Hall was referred to the firemanic committee with power to act.

On motion Milton J. Hill was confirmed as a member of the R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1.

On motion Charles Wilbur of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, was granted an exempt fireman's certificate.

On motion the following bills ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights   |             |
| to April 1, 1906,                  | \$227.00    |
| C. H. Vedder, salary and barn      |             |
| rent to April 1, 1906,             | 31.00       |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas for March, | 4.37        |
| Patrick Doyle, watching Cantine    |             |
| fire,                              | 2.00        |
| Patrick Bradley, watching Cantine  |             |
| fire,                              | 2.00        |
| Wm. V. McCormick, washing hose,    | 2.00        |
| Wm. Kenney, " "                    | 2.00        |
| John E. McCormick " "              | <u>2.00</u> |
|                                    | \$ 272.97   |

ROAD FUND.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 10 ¼ days, | \$ 15.37     |
| F. Yanchke, " 6 ½ "         | 9.75         |
| P. Hughes, " 8 "            | 13.75        |
| J. Newbury, " 7 ¼ "         | 12.68        |
| A. Newbury, " 7 ¼ "         | 14.50        |
| F. Yanchke, team 2 ½ days,  | 11.25        |
| R. Casey, salary for March, | <u>41.65</u> |
|                             | \$ 118.95    |

HEALTH FUND.

J. H. De Witt, M. D., salary to  
April 1, 1906, \$ 50.00

Minutes read and approved.

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

1284. Saugerties Post, April 21, 1906. The Common Council Hold Regular Meeting. The Matters of Municipal Interest Transacted on Friday Evening by Them.

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

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The following communication was received from the Board of Water Commissioners:

To the Honorable, the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y.:

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Gentlemen: - We would recommend that the sum of eighteen hundred and ninety-eight dollars be included in your Annual budget for the purpose of meeting the semi-annual interest on twenty-four bonds of one thousand dollars each, Series No. 3, issued September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901. Interest due and payable March 3<sup>rd</sup> and September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1906, respectively amounting to \$ 828.00  
The interest on two bonds, One Thousand Dollars each, Series No. 3, Section No. 2. Interest due and payable May 9<sup>th</sup> and November 9<sup>th</sup>, 1906, 70.00  
And to provide for the payment of Bond No. 5, Series No. 3, growing due and payable September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1906, 1000.00  
\$ 1898.00

Very respectfully submitted,  
H. C. Bogardus, Sec.

The matter was referred to the finance committee.

The street commissioner reported as follows: Two loads of chips on Mill street; six loads of chips on Mill street; five loads of chips on Ferry street; two loads of chips on Russell street; one load of chips on Ulster avenue; three loads of ashes on Underwood street; two plank from Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., to repair fence on Hill street; scraped the following streets: Partition to Russell, West Bridge to Main, Main to Cedar, Market to Ulster avenue to Elizabeth, McDonald to Bridge; laid water pipe to crusher; one box of dynamite, six feet of steel and 250 feet of fuse.

Motion, That the Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., Henry Shader and John Mitchell be notified to cease running water into MacDonald street and Edward Dillion be notified to cease running water into Underwood street within ten days of the notice, under a penalty of not less than \$3.00 and not more than \$10.00 per day thereafter, as provided by the Village Charter. Carried.

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Motion, That Daniel Lamb as agent for the Nelson Myer property on the south side of Livingston street, and Moses Schoenfeld on Cross street, and the agent of the Sullivan property on Clermont street and Charles Davis on Ulster avenue, be notified to lay a flag sidewalk in front of the property awarded by them, or for which they may be agent, as stated above, within 20 days from the date of the notice, and upon failing to do so the Board of Directors will have their Street Commissioner do it at their expense. Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Finger & Lewis, coal, cement, &c            | \$ 34.25    |
| Hudson River Telephone Co.,<br>telephoning, | .85         |
| M. Fitzgerald, washing hose,                | 2.00        |
| John Palmer, " "                            | <u>2.00</u> |
|   | \$39.10     |

HEALTH FUND.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| W. F. Winchell, four plumbing<br>inspections, | \$ 8.00 |
|---|---------|

ROAD FUND.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 8 ½ days, | \$ 12.75 |
| P. Hughes, " 10 ½ "        | 18.12    |
| J. Newbery, " 10 "         | 17.50    |
| A. Newbery, " 10 "         | 20.00    |
| E. Roosa, " 6 ½ "          | 13.00    |

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|--------------------------|--------------|
| F. Yanchke, " 8 ¼ "      | 12.75        |
| J. Healey, " 5 "         | 7.50         |
| T. Riley, " 8 ½ "        | 14.50        |
| Wm. Doyle, team 14 days, | 63.00        |
| F. Yanchke, " 8 ½ days,  | <u>42.75</u> |
| \$ 221.87                |              |

Minutes read and approved.

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

1285. Saugerties Post, May 19, 1906. The Proceedings of the Common Council. The Village Board Hold Their Regular Business Meeting on Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, May 18, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Commissioner reported as follows: Drew two loads of sand for the crusher; replaced three broken tram on Mynderse street; six loads of chips on East Bridge street; purchased two loads of stone from William Mullen; drew stone to crusher; purchased thirty-two hundred pounds of soft coal from Finger & Lewis; laid a double crosswalk on the end of Main street, joining Partition street; filled in sewer; one board for crosswalk from Herman Gleisner; drew thirteen loads of crushed stone from crusher for patching; purchased two cases of dynamite, one barrow and ten pounds of nails from D. Lamb & Son. The Crusher Committee reported that the foundation for the crusher had been built.

Motion, That the President be empowered to request the Hudson River Telephone Co. to place telephones in the public buildings of the village free of charge. Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

## GENERAL FUND.

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| C. G. Braxmar Co., 20 fireman's  |             |
| badges,                          | \$ 15.25    |
| Peter Canner, overhauling steam  |             |
| roller,                          | 61.16       |
| Hudson River Telephone Co.,      |             |
| telephoning,                     | 1.00        |
| D. E. Abeel, salary as policeman |             |
| to May 15, 1906,                 | 75.00       |
| Daniel Lamb, oil, &c,            | <u>1.41</u> |
| \$ 153.82                        |             |

## HEALTH FUND.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| W. F. Winchell, 16 plumbing in- |          |
| sections,                       | \$ 32.00 |

## ROAD FUND.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Wm. Dixon, labor 9 days,    | \$ 13.50     |
| F. Yanchke, labor 11½ days, | 17.25        |
| A. Newberry, labor 11 days, | 22.00        |
| J. Newberry, labor 11 days, | 19.25        |
| P. Hughes, labor 11, days,  | 21.25        |
| P. Stone, labor 11 days,    | 18.75        |
| P. Riley, labor 11 days,    | 22.00        |
| E. Roosa, labor 8 ½ days,   | 21.25        |
| Wm. Yanchke, team 9 days,   | <u>40.50</u> |

\$195.75

Minutes read and approved.

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

1286. Saugerties Post, June 2, 1906. The Work of Our Village Solons. The Proceedings of the Regular Business Meeting Held on Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, June 1, 1906.

Present – Directors Rowe, McLaughlin, Crump, Ziegler and Burhans. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

The Street Commissioner reported as follows: Cleaned out all catch basins; repaired drinking fountain, drew thirty loads of crushed stone for patching, rest of work was done at crusher; purchase one box of dynamite.

The Clerk reported having received \$170.63 in back corporation taxes for 1905, and had also received from the Supervisor of the Town of Saugerties \$50.98, for five days use of steam roller.

Motion, that Mrs. E. P. Simmons be notified that her property at the corner of Ripley and Bridge streets was in a dangerous condition, and notify her to take steps to protect the area way, and to protect property referred to from danger from fire. Carried.

On motion the following bills were orders paid:

GENERAL FUND.

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights

for May, \$227.60

Saugerties Gas Co., gas for May, 2.47

\$230.07

ROAD FUND.

F. Yanchke, labor 10 days, \$ 17.50

Wm. Dixon, labor 5 days, 8.75

John Newberry, labor 10 days, 17.50

A. Newberry, labor 11 days, 22.00

P. Hughes, labor 11 days, 22.00

T. Riley, labor 11 days, 1.75

E. Roosa, labor 7 days, 17.50

Wm. Yanchke, team 9 days, 41.50

Wm. Doyle, team 3 ½ days, 15.75

R. Casey, salary for May, 41.65

Daniel Lamb & Son, supplies, 45.28

\$173.18

HEALTH FUND.

J. W. DeWitt, M. D., two months

salary as Health Officer, \$33.33

Geo. Hassinger, burying a pig, 3.00

Minutes read and approved.

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

1287. Saugerties Post, Jan. 15, 1908. Arcanum Installation.

District Deputy Grand Regent, Ernest Hassinger, of the Royal Arcanum, installed the officers of Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Friday evening as follows: W. V. Burhans, Regent; R. S. Bennett, Vice-Regent; Robert Webber, Past Regent; George B. Trumpbour, Orator; Charles Clum Secretary; Ernest

Hassinger, Collector; C. W. Quick, Treasurer; George S. Rosepagh, Chaplain; W. W. Whitaker, guide; John Lang, Sr., Warden; William Ribsamen, Sentry; Wm. H. Helm, Trustee; Robert Webber, Representative; Ernest Hassinger, Alternate.

1288. Hand dated, N. Y. World, May 19, 1906. State Board Awards City Catskill Water. All Sources Excepting Schoharie Shed, Which Were Sought for \$162,000,000 Scheme Are Now Open for Use. Dutchess and Suffolk Needed for Emergency. Commission Says Prohibitive Laws Should be Repealed – Danger by Drought.

Albany, May 13 – The State Water Supply Commission to-day formally declared New York City's rights to obtain a water supply in the Catskill Mountains, which it says, will furnish a supply adequate to its needs when the population has grown to more than twice the present size. This decision deals a final death blow to the Ramapo robbery, but leaves to the city the alternative of paying \$162,000,000 (present estimate) for such relief.

New York City applied for the right to use the four sources of supply of the Catskill watershed, namely, the Esopus River and tributaries, the Roudout [*sic*] River and tributaries; the headwaters of the Catskill Creek and distributaries and the Schoharie watershed.

By to-day's decision the city is given with some modifications, the right to use the three first named sources of the Catskill watershed. It is prohibited from using the Schoharie watershed because of the failure of the New York City officials to give the public notice required by the statute in the counties of Montgomery and Schenectady.

The Catskill watershed, the board says, will give New York an additional water supply of 500,000,000 gallons daily. Its present supply is about 380,000,000 gallons. At the rate the city is growing it will require each year an increase of about 15,000,000 gallons.

#### Largest Reservoir in World.

The decision also gives the city authority to construct the proposed Ashokan reservoir or storage dam, which will be the largest work of its kind in the world. It will have a holding capacity of 170,000,000,000 gallons and a flow line 600 feet about tide-water and high enough above the surface of the ground at that point to flood the entire Esopus Valley from mountain to mountain.

The giant storage dam will back up the water seventeen miles, submerging a total of 10,120 acres and wiping out villages and farms. it will involve [*sic*] the destruction of homes, business places, churches, schools, cemeteries, railroad stations and all the activities within the territory affected. Hundreds of people will be driven elsewhere, and for all this New York City must pay indirect as well as direct damage. It is stipulated that before the city takes possession of any of the lands necessary for the execution of its plans it shall pay to each owner a sum equal to one-half the assessed value as it appears on the town assessment roll of 1905. It is also provided that the owner of any established business which is decreased in value by the building of the new water supply shall have a right to recover damages suffered.

#### Damages for Lost Jobs.

The decision also contains this novel provision: that any person employed for six months prior to Jan. 1, 1906, by an established business or manufacturing plant, and who loses his employment by reason of the destruction of his employer's business place, shall have a claim against New York City for a sum equal to the wages paid him for the six months immediately preceding Jan. 1, 1906.

The villages or municipalities within the watershed to be used may at any time take water from any reservoir or aqueduct constructed upon paying New York for the water consumed.

Before reaching its decision the commission passed upon three questions:

First, as to the public necessity of adding to New York City's water supply.

Second, whether the plans proposed by the city were just and equitable to other municipalities of the State.

Third, whether they made fair provision for the payment of damages direct and indirect.

In discussing the first question the commission says the population of the city is increasing at the rate of 3 per cent. a year and "that all the available sources of water within easy reach of the city of New York are nearly exhausted, and each borough is in immediate need of an additional supply."

It urges the New York city officials to have the prohibitive statutes and other legal complications which now prevent the use of the watershed of Dutchess and Suffolk counties removed at the earliest possible date, so that they can be available should the city be compelled to enlarge its present supply before the Catskill watershed can be made available.

Famine in Dry Years.

The commission states that if a series of dry years should be experienced New York City, with only its present system to depend upon, would be in danger of a disastrous water famine.

The commission states that it considered all of the other sources of supply suggested, namely the Great Lakes, the Adirondack region and the Hudson River. The enormous expenses which the first two would involve made them impracticable, in the opinion of the commission, and the Hudson River was disposed of on the ground that the waters were polluted and even when filtered were not safe. As to the Catskill watershed the commission says:

"The fact that the water of the Catskill mountains is very soft is a strong argument in its favor. There is an essential difference between a soft and a hard water which appeals strongly to all who use it for domestic or manufacturing purposes.

"Another strong argument in favor of the Catskill watershed is the fact that the water can be delivered by gravity to the Hillview reservoir, and from there distributed under high pressure to the city without the additional cost of maintaining a pumping plant. This mountain region is not liable ever to become a manufacturing district or the centre of a large resident population and is, therefore, peculiarly adapted for a permanent watershed."

1289. Kingston Leader, Oct 18, 1906. Democratic Line Officers. Men Who Manage Party Affairs for Ulster County.

The complete membership of the Ulster County Democratic organization is as follows: William D. Brinnier, chairman; C. Gordon Reel, secretary; James Jenkins, treasurer.

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