

1290. If I Should Die

If I should die to-night
And you should come to my cold corpse and say,
Weeping and heartsick o'er my lifeless clay –
If I should die to-night,
And you should come in deepest grief and woe –
And say: "Here's that ten dollars that I owe,"
I might arise in my large white cravat
And say, "what's that?"

If I should die to-night
And you should come to my cold corpse and kneel,
Clasping my bier to show the grief you feel,
I say, if I should die to-night
And you should come to me, and there and then
Just even hint 'bout paying me that ten
I might arise the while,
But I'd drop dead again.

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1290a. New York American and Journal Sunday, April 15, 1906. Page 70.

A far-off consulate in China, the society centres in Paris, London and other great cities of Europe, as well as the principal cities of the United States will be shown to have furnished the background for the case which Mrs. Dudley will force to trial this week.

Mrs. Dudley's Suit to Stir Society in Three Continents

Mrs. Marie Dudley, the Philadelphia society woman, and wife of the millionaire clubman, Edward Dudley, who is suing Mrs. Elizabeth Battelle Vanderpoel, of Saugerties-on-Hudson, for the alienation of her husband's affections.

Will Call Witnesses from All Parts of the World to Describe Visits of Her Husband and Mrs. Vanderpoel. All the romantic tangles in the skein of the legal fight in which Mrs. Marie Dudley, the Philadelphia society woman, who is suing Mrs. Elizabeth Battelle Vanderpoel, of Saugerties-on-Hudson for the alienation of the affections of her husband, Edward Dudley, the millionaire lawyer and clubman, are at last to be told. This week, the trial of the case, which for four years has kept society's tongue wagging over alleged chapters, whose scenes are said to be laid in three continents, is to take place in Kingston. The evidence will call up scenes from all of the large cities of the world where Mr. Dudley and Mrs. Vanderpoel are said to have been received as social lions, and an Oriental tinge will be given to the evidence, when alleged incidents will be introduced tending to show how Dudley courted Mrs. Vanderpoel in the United States Consulate in Cheefoo, China. In fact, it is from that far-off country that Mrs. Dudley's lawyers will draw most of the picturesque material for their assault on the motives of Dudley and Mrs. Vanderpoel.

Deep interest is given to the suit by reason of the excellent family and social relations of all of the principals. Mrs. Vanderpoel's father was a wealthy merchant of Saugerties, and the money he left her suffices to land her high in the most exclusive social sets.

Shadowed Vanderpoel a Year.

Her husband, from whom she secured a divorce after employing detectives who shadowed him a year, was a grandson of Judge Vanderpoel, of Kinderhook, who as a Congressman gained the sobriquet of "the Kinderhook Roarer." Judge Vanderpoel was a personal friend of President Martin Van Buren. Mrs. Vanderpoel's father-in-law helped found the Holland Society. The trial of Mrs. Vanderpoel's accusations

against her husband was most sensational; and it is a strange fact that at that time both Vanderpoel and Dudley were members of the New York Yacht Club.

At first Vanderpoel denied all of his wife's allegations, but in the end he settled \$160,000 on her and shortly thereafter married Miss Sarah F. Skinner, of Boston.

According to the complaint in Mrs. Dudley's suit against Mrs. Vanderpoel, it must have been almost immediately after the latter secured her decree and financial settlement that she began to alienate Dudley's affections.

Case Goes Back Four Years.

In a general way Mrs. Dudley charges that ever since 1902 Mrs. Vanderpoel has been a shadow in her life. On the other hand, Mrs. Vanderpoel specifically denies every allegation that is made and Dudley has already denied the accusations relative to the trip to China. At the time the so-called Chefoo courtship was being carried on Dudley's brother was United States Consul in that city.

In all of the principal cities of England, France and other countries Mrs. Dudley says her husband travelled with Mrs. Vanderpoel. They were extensively entertained by the American colony in every city they visited, and the leaders of French society took them up. While in England they were introduced to many members of the nobility of that country, and they met many distinguished Americans who were visiting there.

Mrs. Dudley is to have some latitude in the matter of the kind of testimony she will have to introduce, and, instead of being confined to specific facts, she will be enabled on the ground of "relative testimony," to dwell all of these scenes to show that there was a "perfect understanding" between her husband and Mrs. Vanderpoel.

Will Cause Social Upheaval.

It has been intimated that the trial may be postponed until September to give both Mrs. Dudley and Mrs. Vanderpoel sufficient time in which to secure the presence in America of important witnesses who are now abroad. Included in this class of witnesses are many persons of prominence. One who is connected with the case says "The trial of the case will result in the social upheaval of Paris, London, New York, Philadelphia, Washington and the principal cities of the West."

Dudley it is said was acquainted with Mrs. Vanderpoel long before his wife became known to her, and the introduction of the two women occurred in New York at a social function given by a mutual friend. Trips to Manhattan Beach during the Summer months will probably be brought into the trial, and these, too, it is intimated, will be interesting, although not having the importance of the trip to China.

The one child of Elizabeth Battelle Vanderpoel resides with her. Dudley has claimed to be the child's guardian, and he has also claimed to be manager of Mrs. Vanderpoel's estate.

When Mrs. Vanderpoel divorced her husband he settled \$160,000 upon her. Of this \$135,000 was in cash and securities, and the remaining \$25,000 represented the value of his handsome Summer place, "Meadowside," at Saugerties.

Mrs. Vanderpoel has one sister, who resides at Washington. She is unmarried.

Mrs. Dudley's lawyers are Carroll Whitaker, of Saugerties, N. Y., and Battelle & Marshall and James W. Osborne, of New York. Mrs. Vanderpoel's counsel is William D. Brinnier of Kingston, N. Y. The lawyers have refused to discuss the suit. [illustration, Mrs. Dudley, from the Painting by Burroughs Torrey] [Husband was John A. Vanderpoel, ed.]

1291. New York American and Journal Sunday, April 15, 1906. Page 70. Virginia Now Has Highway Department.

Virginia is to have a State highway department. The bill, which has passed the Senate and will undoubtedly pass the lower house, provides for a State Highway Commissioner, to be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature, and an assistant, both of whom must be civil engineers.

And the commission, together with the professors of engineering in the University of Virginia, the Military Institute and the Polytechnic Institute, are to constitute the Highway Commission. Local authorities are to apply to the Commissioner when they desire permanent road improvement, and on his advice the work will be undertaken. The county is to supply necessary materials and tools, and the State will supply convict labor freed of cost to the locality. The first year will necessarily be largely devoted to preparation and organization, after which a liberal State aid measure is expected.

1291a. Addison B. Parker, Grand Patriarch, 1906 – 1907. [illustration]

1292. Officers 1905-1906

President – Stephen Preston, Jr. Secretary – Henry Buxbury Treasurer – Fred S. Bieber
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Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association

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Dutchess Co., Augustus Schmidt, Wappingers Falls
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Harry Hall, Catskill
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Delegate to N. Y. S. F. A. Convention: Nicholas Ehrbar, Mount Vernon. [illustration]

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1293. Hand dated N. Y. World, Oct 14, 1906. River Steamers Crash in Fog and Life is Lost. The Adirondack Rips Side Out of the Saratoga. Tears Away Staterooms, Throws Passengers into Panic. Boats Lowered and Men Saved From the Hudson. Saratoga Settles in Shallow Water – Adirondack Goes On to Destination.

The steamboat Adirondack, of the People's Line, and the Saratoga, of the Citizens' Line, collided at full speed in a heavy bank of fog in the channel off Red Hook Island, near Barrytown, ninety-nine miles from New York, at 1.30 o'clock yesterday morning.

There were 200 passengers aboard the Saratoga and 500 on the Adirondack. All were saved, though the force of the collision was so great as to tear the port side out of the Saratoga. Her port boiler went overboard, her smoke stack was broken in two and the guards were gouged out of the hull, leaving a hole twenty feet long and ten feet wide. The Saratoga settled in shallow water near Tivoli at 10 o'clock.

Both Boats Transfer Passengers.

The passengers of the Adirondack, to the number of 150, were transferred to the steamboat Onteora, running in her wake, although the Adirondack was but little injured. The passengers on the Saratoga were transferred to the City of Troy, only the crew remaining. The City of Troy was following a mile down-stream at the time of the collision, and the transfer of the 200 scared souls was made without incident.

Only the remarkable coolness displayed on all sides, by passengers and crews of both steamers, averted a panic, which undoubtedly would have resulted in the loss of many lives. At no time from the crash until the last passenger had been transferred from the Saratoga did the captains of either steamboat lose command of the situation, and this in spite of the fact that the collision hurled at least fifty passengers from their bunks, and the Saratoga was known to be in a sinking condition.

The Dead and Injured.

The dead and injured are:

Clarence Sherman, of Saratoga, an oiler on the Saratoga, was instantly killed by flying timber crushing him against one of the boat's boilers.

George L. Horton, of Troy, clerk of the Adirondack, is missing and was probably drowned.

F. W. Stern, of Brooklyn, slightly burned.

Joseph Earkins, of New York City, cut on leg.

J. K. Coleman, Marin, N. Y. shoulder burned.

Miss J. A. Kirkham, of Brooklyn, scalp wound.

Miss Martha Haskins, of Manchester, Vt., scalded hand.

M. Radlofs, oiler, foot cut.

Frank Flannigan, assistant freight clerk of Adirondack, severely burned on leg and arm.

John Landrigan, first mate on Adirondack, burned and foot cut.

With the exception of the last two all the injured were on the Saratoga.

Saratoga in Fog Bank.

Just before reaching Cruger's Island, which lies near the eastern shore of the Hudson, nine miles above Kingston, the Saratoga ran into a fog bank. Capt. George Brown, who had been at the wheel relieving the first pilot, had surrendered it to Second Pilot Ludwig. As the boat entered the fog Ludwig says he blew a long blast on the whistle as a signal to other craft. The boat was proceeding at reduced speed when the big hull of the Adirondack suddenly loomed out of the fog on the port side, and without warning the two boats came together.

The collision was accompanied by a crash that continued for several seconds as the iron prow of the Adirondack ploughed its way along the Saratoga's side. The People's line steamer had struck the Saratoga a diagonal blow, directly in front of the wheelhouse. The house was torn loose and the paddle-wheel broken. Directly behind the paddles on either side of the boat were the boilers. The Adirondack's prow ploughed into the port boiler and the entire main deck was shaved from the rest of the boat as clean as though cut with a knife.

On the second deck of the Saratoga, back of the boiler-room, are state-rooms. From the engine-room nearly to the stern the outer walls of these state-rooms were shorn off.

Boiler Knocked Into River.

When the Saratoga's boiler had been torn loose and dropped into the river, the weight of her starboard boiler caused her to list suddenly to that side and the who had scrambled of... [end of article]
[illustrations, The Adirondack After the Collision and Photo showing the Saratoga's Damaged Side.]

1294. Hand dated Post, Jan 8/08. Snyder Hose Co. Officers.

The annual meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. was held Tuesday evening. The following were selected to serve as officers for the ensuing year: Myron Bedell, president; Michael W. Fitzgerald, vice-president; Henry T. Keeney, foreman; Fred G. Lewis, first assistant; Charles H. Reinhard, second assistant; Clifford M. Abeel, secretary; William Ziegler, treasurer; Wallace F. Winchell, Irving Russell and Henry R. Cordes, trustees; Myron Bedell, delegate to state convention; Clayton Swart, alternate; Charles Reinhard, delegate to Hudson Valley convention; Gordon Myer, alternate. At the close of the election, a banquet was provided by the newly elected officials.

1295. Saugerties Post, Oct. 27, 1906. Engines of Ill-Fated Boat. Saratoga's Engines Were Taken From Boat That Sank With 11 Persons.

It is not generally known, but the engines of the Saratoga were at one time in the ill-fated Sunnyside which sank in a blinding snowstorm a few miles below where Saturday's accident occurred, on November 30, 1875. The Sunnyside went down the river just as the ice was forming. The sharp ice cut through her copper and also made a long gash in her hull, with the result that she sank. The engines were removed later and when the Saratoga was built they were placed in her. Eleven persons were drowned in the sinking of the Sunnyside.

Both the Saratoga and the Adirondack have figured in serious accidents before. In June 1898, the latter struck and sunk the little schooner Gamecock in the Hudson river. Two hundred passengers were on the big steamer at the time, and there was great confusion. James and Ebenezer Morgan of the Gamecock, were drowned.

August 16, 1900, the Adirondack got in the path of the German liner Koenigin Luise near pier No. 32 in the North river and narrowly escaped collision.

The Adirondack was built at the English yards in Greenpoint and was launched November 20, 1895. She is 400 feet long and cost more than \$750,000. She made her first trip to Albany June 29, 1896, with Capt. S. J. Rowe, formerly of the Drew, in command.

October 10, 1903, the Saratoga had part of her starboard side and guard rail torn away by running unto the Congress street bridge at Troy. The repairs cost \$15,000. June 21, 1891, the Saratoga ran into the yacht Harmoine, off Stony Point. March 23, 1906, the Saratoga, with the steamer C. W. Morse, ran aground on a sand bar. March 19, 1892, the Saratoga left New York for Albany on her first trip of the season and when near West Point her steering gear broke down. She drifted for some time and finally landed at Cold Springs.

1296. Saugerties Post, Dec. 20, 1906. Another Murder In Glasco Wednesday. John Sacco Shot in the Hollow on Washburn Bros. Farm and Killed Instantly.

Ulster county has another murder case. This time the scene of the crime is in this town.

The dead man is an Italian, who lived in Glasco. The place of the killing was about ¼ of a mile below where Fred Shaffer was murdered a few years ago.

The murderer is unknown and is still at large, although the sheriff and police are keeping a strict surveillance upon all the Italians of Glasco.

The dead man is John Sacco, married and the father of three children. His age was about 35 years. He was shot in the head near the ear five times, the bullets being of 32 calibre. The empty bullet shells lay along side of the body.

When found in the hollow below on a part of Washburn Bros. Co farm and adjacent to Robert Main's property at Porterville, he was lying on his face with his hands in his pocket, evidence that he was killed instantly and offered no resistance and that he was shot without any warning.

His body was found by his father-in-law, Thomas Domenico who with others had been searching for him. Sacco left his house 26 Mulberry street, Glasco, during Wednesday afternoon to go to Porterville with a sausage cutter. He expected to return immediately. Not returning his family became alarmed after night fall and fearing that he might have been hurt, began a search.

About 10:30 o'clock the dead body was discovered as mentioned above.

A number of shots were heard fired Wednesday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock in the hollow, but as there is always more or less shooting by hunters in that vicinity nothing was thought of it.

It is now conjectured that Sacco was killed at this time by an ambuscader, presumable one of his countrymen, albeit it was hard to ascertain if he had had any trouble recently. When interrogated, the Italians were as usual very reticent about the matter. [illustration]

Coroner Cook arrived here this morning, and with Dr. Montgomery proceeded to make an investigation. The body was turned over to Keenan & Burhans, who removed it to Sacco's late home. Sacco was employed by Washburn Bros. Co.

The District Attorney's office was notified, and a vigorous investigation regarding the crime will be made.

THE MURDERER APPREHENDED.

Since the above was placed in type, the murderer of Sacco has been apprehended. The arrest was made by officers D. E. and C. E. Abeel about noon to-day, and they brought the prisoner to the lockup in this village.

The name of the murderer is Ric Antonio Albendo. He is 26 years of age and married. His wife is in Italy. From the story learned by our reporter, Sacco and Albendo were visiting a newly wedded Italian couple in Porterville. They were having a jollification. Later there was some words which developed into a quarrel.

Albendo then left the house, intent on getting square with Sacco, it is believed. He hid himself in the hollow.

When Sacco appeared, which was soon after, the shots were then fired which ended his life.

Albendo was found in his boarding house by Sacco's father-in-law and his brother. The police were then notified and the arrest made. Coroner Cook has the empty bullet shells and two revolvers which he found among Albendo's possessions.

A hearing was had before Coroner Cook in the court room, this afternoon, District Attorney Stephen being represented. W. D. Brinnier appeared for the prisoner. Albendo was held to await the action of the grand jury.

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1299. Find the Lost Cow. Puzzle No. 4, Series No. 1, Copyright 1906, by American Cigar Company. [illustration]

1300. Stephen Preston, Jr., President Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. [illustration]

1301. Henry Buxbury, Secretary Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. [illustration]

1302. Officers for 1905-1906

PRESIDENT

Stephen Preston, Jr. Mount Vernon

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Albany - James Bailey	Ravena
Columbia - Hiram Dingman	Philmont
Dutchess - Augustus Schmidt	Wappingers Falls
Greene - Charles W. Hitchcock	Athens
Orange - William J. Zillig	Newburgh

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Rensselaer – Albert Weinman	Rensselaer
Rockland – Edward F. Becraft	Hillburn
Saratoga – Harry E. Barton	Mechanicville
Sullivan – Charles H. Garrett	Liberty
Ulster – James McCardle	Kingston
Westchester – Thomas P. Brown	Peekskill

SECRETARY

Henry Buxbury	Hudson
TREASURER	
Fred S. Bieber	Poughkeepsie

1303. Vote for Ernest Hassinger for Town Clerk.

X For Town Clerk

Ernest Hassinger.

If you wish to vote for Ernest Hassinger for Town Clerk be sure and make a cross (X) in the square in front of his name. [illustration]

1304. Saugerties Post, Dec. 10, 1906. James Farrell Frozen To Death. He had been Missing From His Home Since Friday – Found Sunday Morning.

James Farrell, better known as "Badger," who has been missing from home since last Friday, was found dead in the woods on the Vanderpoel place in the rear of Trinity cemetery Sunday morning about 8:30 o'clock. He was found by John Whitaker and Norman Whitaker, who were searching for him. Farrell in all probability was frozen to death as his body was rigid when discovered. He was found near the foot of a tree in a reclining position, his face resting on one hand. As soon as the body was found the coroner was notified and Dr. Montgomery acting, gave permission to remove the same. Keenan & Burhans took charge and the body was conveyed to the deceased's home on the South Side. Farrell was in his 46th year and leaves a wife and eight children. The circumstances surrounding his disappearance as gleaned by our scribe are as follows:

Farrell with several others had been at Glasco on Friday loading boat for James T. Maxwell. They finished work about 4 o'clock and then visited a saloon. They drank freely and Farrell became intoxicated. When the start for home was made Thomas King was the only one with Farrell. The two came up through the woods, this being a shorter way. They reached Mynderse Schoonmaker's place on Barclay Heights and then Farrell would not go any farther. King having had difficulty in getting him that far as he wanted to lie down repeatedly all the way home. As Farrell was obdurate and refused to proceed, King told him to lie down there and he would go and get help to bring him home. King then came on to Gibson's cafe on the South Side and securing some men they started back. When they reached Schoonmaker's, Farrell was gone and they were unable to locate him.

They made a search but without success. Then they came back and visited his home. The family said he had not returned. As he did not appear at all Friday night the search was resumed on Saturday and no tidings of his whereabouts secured. Sunday morning the search was again taken up, with the result that he was found as adduced above

From where Farrell was found it is conjectured that becoming numb after King left him he got up and wandered across the Trinity ball team grounds and down to the place where he lay down and met his death. His face bore several scratches, believed to have been made by contact with the barb wire fence on the Schoonmaker place. As Friday was bitterly cold, the worst experienced thus far this season, Farrell undoubtedly perished that night, as the thermometers registered below zero. He was thinly clad, and having no protection met a sad and untimely end.

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The convention was called to order by President Ernest Hassinger of Saugerties.

Mr. Roland B. Archer: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I take pleasure in present to you Rev. Dr. C. H. Tyndall, who will ask Divine blessing upon the Convention.

Rev. Dr. Tyndall: -

Let us look to God in prayer. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we recognize Thee as our Father, our Creator our Benefactor and the Giver of every good gift, and as we come here to-day, we pray that Thou wilt manifest our cross to us and fill our hearts with thanksgiving for that which Thou hast given. We thank Thee for this godly land, for the sense of freedom, and for all of the many advantages that have been ours from childhood. We thank Thee for our fraternal associations, and we thank Thee especially our Father for the brave firemen in this land who are willing to sacrifice their lives for the good of their fel-

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-lows. We thank Thee for the Association and for all the good it has accomplished as an Association during the sixteen years of its existence. We thank Thee for the many brave men, for their noble duty in saving lives and property, and we pray Thy blessing to be upon those who have gone before, for the lives they have saved, the property and homes they have protected for their fellowmen, women and children. We ask Thee to be very near all of the members of this Association and help us, the people of this, our city, to extend to them a hearty welcome. We pray that they may realize that they have been in honorable service to their fellowmen, and that Thou will bless the President of this Association and all of those connected with him in the work of this convention, and, if it please Thee, that they may have a very delightful day to-day and also to-morrow and receive our thanks; we pray Thee for the good things Thou has in store for us, and may we trust Thee and our fellowmen all the days of our life and bring us finally to our eternal rest in the arms of our Gracious Lord, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

Mr. Roland B. Archer -

Gentlemen of the Convention: I now have the honor to present to you the Hon. Edward F. Brush, Mayor of the City of Pleasant Homes.

Mr. Edward F. Brush, Mount Vernon: -

Mr. President and Members of the H. V. V. F. Association: It gives me great pleasure, indeed, to welcome you to Mount Vernon, our city, and to desire and hope that nothing will occur to mar your pleasure during your stay. Of course, Mr. President, I feel some what a personal responsibility for bringing you here to this city. As you will perhaps remember, in Saugerties last year, Mr. Preston telegraphed me and asked if

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we could receive you, and I gladly told you yes. I hope you feel that we receive you heartily and most cordially, and that everything possible will be done for your enjoyment while you are with us.

(Applause.)

We all have a great regard for firemen, not only because they are brave men, fighting for our homes and the protection of our property, but for their self-sacrificing bravery in the saving of lives. Of course, that is true of all firemen, but the Volunteer Fire Department are the most loyal and patriotic citizens of any community. You can see why we have such a great regard for Volunteer Firemen, situated as we are on

the outskirts of a great city, feeling that danger threatens us all of the time, and I have always said that I want a Volunteer Fire Department here always. (Applause).

I simply say this to let you know how glad I am to have you here the great love I have for Volunteer Firemen, and to again extend the good will of the city and the good will and hearty welcome of all our citizens. (Applause).

Mr. Roland B. Archer: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: I have now the pleasure of presenting to you, Hon. Gilbert J. Angevine, Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department of Mt. Vernon:

Chief Angevine, Mr. Vernon: -

Members of the H. V. V. F. Association: it gives me much pleasure to address you at this, the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the H. V. V. F. A., and I trust I may be allowed to attend many more such meetings. Realizing the amount of business that has to be transacted, I will detain you but a few minutes. Nothing has been left undone by the people of Mount Vernon

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to further the enjoyment of to-day and to-morrow. Our Mayor and Common Council have been very generous, likewise the citizens of the town. In order that we may go on with our program to-day without any interruption, we are going to request the Convention to have but one session, and we are going to ask the delegates to remain in the Opera House until the session is concluded, as our arrangements are all made so that all of us will proceed on trolley cars to New Rochelle, and from thence by boat to our destination, so you see the necessity of remaining together in a body on the floor. I extend to you a most hearty welcome to our city, and I hope when you go away that you will say the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association held at Mount Vernon was the best and most successful that ever took place. (Applause.)

Mr. Roland B. Archer: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: The Convention is now in the hands of President Hassinger.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: - Mr. Coffin, will you please respond to the Mayor.

Mr. Charles G. Coffin, Catskill: -

Mr. Mayor, Chief Angevine and Gentlemen of the Convention: I think it may be truly said for the members and delegates of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, that your words of welcome and the hospitality that has been offered us already by Mount Vernon is most heartily appreciated. You do not want any speech at this time, you yourselves want your arrangements to go on, and I think it is safe to say that we appreciate your welcome, and that the only manner

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in which we can show how much we enjoy the hospitality you offer us is by demonstrating that you will make no mistake in asking us here again to entertain us. Again I thank you.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: I will now appoint as Committee on Credentials: John P. Powers, Andrew Funk and Dennis McLaughlin. Committee on Resolutions: Charles Higham, Joseph C. Hurley and Patrick Byron.

Secretary Weiant: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: In order that we may save all of the time possible and that we may hasten matters, I would suggest that we proceed along the lines of last year, that is, by the

calling of the roll thereby proving the work of the Secretary, and if the Committee is satisfied with this plan, I would suggest that we proceed along this course.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I second the motion.

President Hassinger : -

Gentlemen of the Convention: You have heard the motion, duly seconded, that the Secretary call the roll.

Motion carried.

Roll called.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: The next business

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in order is the reading of the minutes of the last Convention.

Delegate: - Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that the reading be dispensed with and that the minutes as printed and distributed be accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: In place of offering a formal address, I beg to present to the delegates and members of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, assembled in their Sixteenth Annual Convention, my greetings, my thanks and my congratulations. My greetings, because it is a pleasure to meet with you all once more, to see the smiling faces of the old friends, to received the cordial recognition of the men new to your ranks. My thanks, because of the many courtesies received by me during the year of my service as your presiding officer. My congratulations, because of the exceedingly satisfactory condition of our Association as may be noted from the official reports presented for your consideration. Our bills are paid, we have no debts, there is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer. Thirty-five new organizations have been added to our membership roll and the roster of the Association now comprises 133 companies, represented by 123 delegates, and 237 members. It is a record of which we may well be proud. And yet the pleasure to be gained from the present conditions is marred by the absence of those of the old members how have been called from us since we last met. We miss them and we mourn their loss. Their labors for the Association were as earnest as ours. Their interest in its welfare was evidenced by their enthusiasm and their presence.

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at our convention. May the infinite Judge of all grant to them His everlasting peace and joy. In closing, I beg to express my deep appreciation of the loyal service and cooperation of my fellow officers. To them and to all, for yourselves and the Association, I offer the toast of Rip Van Winkle – "Here's to your good health and your family's, and may they live long and prosper." (Applause).

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Next in order is the report of the Executive Committee.

Col. H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: When I have seen the report of the Secretary, I can then make the report for the Committee

Secretary Weiant: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I have the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting for you Colonel.

Col. H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I will allow the Secretary to read the report of the Executive Committee to the Chairman.

Secretary Weiant: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: The following resolution was adopted at the meeting of the Executive Committee last night:

The Executive Committee of your Association deems it inexpedient at the time to adopt an Association badge or button. This matter was referred to the Executive Committee at the Saugerties Convention.

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The following resolution was also adopted:

"Regarding succession to the Presidency, in the event of that official's death, we hereby authorize the Secretary to bring the matter to the attention of the Convention for the information of that body at that time. This resolution in regard to the succession to the Presidency, in the event of that official's death, is brought to your attention because at the present time our Constitution fails to cover such a situation. Under the proper head, it will be your privilege to express your opinion and act upon this matter."

Col. H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: It is necessary for us to find out the best way and means to adopt in regard to the succession to the Presidency in case he should die. According to our present custom, each county elects its Vice-President, and it is almost impossible to tell which one is entitled to the Presidency in case of death. It might be arranged that each could act in such capacity during the year until all had served, but another and better way would be for them to get together and draw lots as to who would be First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, etc. As it is now, when they come in to report, they are all Vice-Presidents, and no one is ahead of the other. That matter, however, can be considered later.

Delegate:-

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that this question be taken up later.

Motion seconded and carried.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Next in order is the report of the Auditing Committee.

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Mr. President and Members of the H. V. V. F. A.

Gentlemen: We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer and find same correct. James H. Haight, E. E. Schryver, A. M. Hitchcock. Committee. June 20, 1905.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: You have heard the report, what is your pleasure?

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that the report be received and accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: The report of the secretary is next in order.

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Annual Report of Charles A. Weiant, Secretary. From June 21, 1904, to June 21, 1905.

To the President, Delegates and Members of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association of the State of New York:

MOUNT VERNON, June 20, 1905.

Gentlemen: On February 20 last, your Secretary sent letters to some fifty manufacturers of firemanic apparatus, implements, uniforms, etc., with the object of arranging for an exhibit of their wares in this city, at this time. The replies thereto did not warrant the Secretary, because of his other duties, undertaking further soliciting alone, consequently the matter there rested for action of this convention. February last your Secretary sent letters to every company in the territory of our Association, not then on the roll, some four hundred in all aiming to secure them as members. The response thereto has been entirely satisfactory.

The Secretary has during the past year secured copies of proceedings of all the conventions of this Association, so that now there is at your disposal for reference at any time a complete record of this organization from its inception to the present time.

In connection with the proceedings of the Saugerties convention, there was printed for the first time a list of officers of the Association from its organization to date.

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One hundred and thirty-three organizations and 237 members have paid dues this year. This is an increase of 35 organizations over last year, 39 of which were not on the roll at the last convention, is the largest increase in any one year in the Association's history, and the number of companies is by far the largest ever reported at any Hudson Valley Convention.

Your secretary has received dues from organizations and members, the sum of \$512.00, which has been turned over to Treasurer Bieber, whose receipts for same he holds.

Another pleasant report to make is that there is a city waiting to receive this Association with open arms in 1906. The City of Rensselaer, under the head of "designating place for next convention," will ask the privilege of entertaining you next year.

In concluding, I wish to acknowledge the support and assistance of my fellow officers and many of the members of this Association. I can see from the short time I have been in your service that with strong cooperation and with earnest personal effort, this Association shall not only have 133 companies, but it will be brought to 200. (Applause.)

I would ask that you gentlemen during the next year hustle. There are too many who go away from the Convention and do nothing but wait for the next year. If you all get together and push, we can accomplish something. "United we stand and divided we fall."

Most fraternally and sincerely yours, Charles A. Weiant, Secretary.

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President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: You have heard the report, gentlemen, what is your pleasure?

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move the report of the Secretary be received and accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: The next is the report of the Treasurer.

Mr. Fred S. Bieber, Poughkeepsie: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I cannot make my report until I receive what the Secretary has taken in and had turned over to him.

President Hassinger: -

Perhaps you will be able to make it later on.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Are there any communications?

Secretary reads: -

Independent Hose Company No. 2, 444 South Fifth Avenue. MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., June 14, 1905.

Hudson Valley Firemen's Association. Charles A. Weiant, Secretary.

Honorable Sirs: The Independent Hose Company of Mount Vernon, extends to you, each and every dele-

1319. Snyder Hose Co. Band Minstrels. Thursday and Friday Evening June 21 and 22nd. This ticket may be exchanged at Hommels Drug Store or at Box Office for admission ticket. Reserved seats 15 cts. extra. [illustration]

1320. Hand dated Post Jan 8/08. Tappan Post Officers.

J. R. Tappan Post, No. 215, G. A. R. held their annual election of officers, Tuesday evening, and the result follows: Commander, George E. Carnright; Senior Vice-Commander, William S. Swart; Junior Vice-Commander, George F. Freligh; Quartermaster, J. S. Elmendorf; Surgeon, John Simmons; Chaplain, E. L. Quick; Officer of the Day, A. A. Post; Officer of the Guard, Lyman Waters; Patriotic Instruction, E. L. Quick; Delegate State Encampment, J. S. Elmendorf; Alternate E. L. Quick.

13212. Saugerties Post, Dec 31, 1907. Odd Fellows Officers.

Confidence lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., on Monday evening, elected the following officers: Fred Grathwohl, Noble Grand; Thomas Sickles, Vice Grand; Jeremiah France, Secretary; Albert A. Teetsel, Financial secretary; James H. Carew, Treasurer; John Gordel, trustee. The installation will take place next Monday night.

1322. Saugerties Post, Dec 31, 1907. Presented With Regalia.

In Confidence lodge of Odd Fellows, Monday evening, previous to the conferring of degrees, Franklin Fuller, in a most appropriate speech presented to District Deputy Grand Master Albert A. Teetsel, a magnificent regalia, the gift of members of Thomas Wildey Encampment, Ulster and Confidence lodges. Mr. Teetsel accepted the gift in well chosen remarks. The regalia is a beautiful work of art, with silver trimmings and studded with many jewels.

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Delegate, an invitation to our picnic to be held Tuesday evening, June 20, 1905. Take Fifth Avenue cars direct to the grounds. Hope that you will honor us with your presence at this affair, we remain,

Yours Respectfully, Independent Hose Co. No. 2

A. C. Archer, Forman
Owen Shepard, Secretary.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: You have heard the reading of the communication, what is your pleasure?

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that a vote of thanks be extended to Independent Hose Company.

Motion seconded and carried.

Firemen's Association of the State of New York,
John P. Powers, Treasurer.

OSSINING, June 19, 1906

Mr. Charles A. Weiant, Secretary H. V. V. F. A.,
Haverstraw, N. Y. -

Dear Sir: Enclosed herewith I hand you my annual report for the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association Convention. This report shows the amount of tax received from each city, village and fire district in your Association as the case may be, who have paid tax which represents 10 per cent. of the 2 per cent. foreign insurance tax collected in the various places.

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Through your Convention I desire to thank the various treasurers in your Association for their excellent showing. With a few exceptions, every place in said Association shows an increase, and I am satisfied that where the falling off has taken place it is not due to any fault of the treasurers. However, I sincerely hope you will impress upon the various delegates present the importance of having a thorough canvass made in their respective places as there is always a great deal of leakage taking place, due to insurance being written outside of the locality in which the property is located. This class of insurance is extremely hard to locate and only a thorough canvass will discover it. Should there be any village or fire district within your Association that I do not report here, will you have the kindness to send me the name of the place, as I am particularly anxious to include every village in the State in my report.

I would appreciate it very much if you would call the attention of the delegates to the fact that I have been authorized by the State Association to receive subscriptions to the Endowment Fund for the benefit of the Firemen's Home. This fund was first established by a donation of \$100.00 from your Association last year, and through correspondence with the various companies and individual firemen, it has reached \$1,3000.00 and donations coming in daily. I would appreciate a subscription from you this year of any amount that you feel able to give. To your Association is due the credit of laying the foundation stone of this grand project.

Wishing you a successful Convention and with kind regards, believe me, Fraternaly yours, John P. Powers, Treasurer.

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President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: You have heard the reading of the communication, what is your pleasure?

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that we make a donation of \$150.00 to the State Firemen's Association.

Motion seconded and carried.

Col. H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I notice that we give \$100 annually from the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's funds. I will state to you that when we had our convention at Saugerties we had after paying all expenses the sum of \$100 left and we appropriated that to the State Firemen's Association, making \$200 coming from that little town of Saugerties for the endowment Fund.

(Applause).

President Hassinger:-

Gentlemen of the Convention: State Treasurer Powers would like to make a few remarks.

Mr. John P. Powers, Ossining: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:

I have in my possession a report from every town, city and fire district within the jurisdiction of this Association, but I prefer that you go on with your regular business and permit me to read it later, if you have time. You have a lot of business to perform before adjourning, but if you can spare the time, I should like the privilege.

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Mr. Thomas Timmons, Peekskill: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: If I am in order, I would move you that we donate \$100 to the State Home. We have some thirty odd members there, and if we could afford \$100 last year, we could afford it this year, and I move you that it be donated.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: Why would it not be better to fix a permanent amount to be donated by the Association, say \$50 a year, instead of \$100 one year and the next year nothing, or maybe \$25. Why not make it a permanent \$50.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: I would state that we have lots of money, and if we keep accumulating more money, there would always be a balance. I think we can do no better than give it to the Home.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: We are now working under the head of communications, would it not be better to attend to this matter under new business?

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I do not know as it comes exactly under this head, but I want to say a few words regarding one subject that is near to us all. We miss from our midst to-day the face of an old friend, one of the oldest and best members this Association ever had. It is fitting, in my opinion,

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that some official action should be taken by the Association to memorize that member, and to do so, I want to offer a motion that a committee of three be appointed to draft a set of resolutions covering the death of John N. Bruck, of Kingston, and another one covering the death of another friend - a life friend of the Association, Ernest L. Myers, of Saugerties. That they be engrossed and presented to the families of our friends, and to have the action spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting.

On motion, duly seconded, this was carried.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Is there any further business?

Secretary Weiant: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: This matter regarding the succession of the Presidency. The Constitution reads as follows: "Article 3, Sec. 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President from each county represented in the Association (who shall hold office in seniority of election)" As I understand it, when this Constitution was originally drafted, it was the custom of the Association to present before the Convention the name of the Vice-President in the same manner as it now presents the names of President, Secretary and Treasurer and the first man elected was the First Vice-President. But as we now elect by counties, there is no seniority of election, the names being presented to the Convention at the same time. One of the objects of this Executive Committee was to bring this to your attention for whatever action you might desire.

Col H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:

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I think the difficulty could be obviated (in case of the death of the President) by the Vice-Presidents getting together and deciding by ballot among themselves as to who should be elected.

President Hassinger: - That would be a good idea.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I would move you, Mr. Chairman, that we elect a First Vice President here to-day in this convention to act in the place of the President in case of his death.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: We have a Constitution, and as it does not provide for that, I think it is greatly out of order to proceed against the same. If you choose to change your Constitution all right. It can be referred to a committee for an amendment as to this situation. I tell you that while I agree with your sentiment that there should be a change, still so long as we have this Constitution, let us act in accordance with it until we formally change it.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I make a motion that a committee of three be appointed to formulate such an amendment and put it before the Convention.

Motion seconded and carried.

President Hassinger: -

I will appoint as such committee: W. H. Flandreau, Charles G. Coffin and Henry Krieger.

1329. 15th Annual Ball and Concert - H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, St. Mary's Hall Wednesday Evening, Nov. 27th 1907. Band Concert from 8 until 9:30. Music by Prof. Martin's Orchestra. Tickets 50 cts. [illustration]

1330. State Fire Chief's Convention - Binghamton, N. Y. Pass Bearer upon all of the Binghamton Railway Company, Wednesday and Thursday, June 12-13, 1907. Good only upon dates specified and for party to whom issued. Not good for transfer. [Signature illegible]- Gen. Mgr. - Chas. N. Hogg, Chief Engr. [illustration]

1331. Clam Bake - To The New York State Fire Chiefs' Association. June 12th, '07., 5:30 P. M. Not transferable. [sealed by the] Executive Committee. [illustration]

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Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: Would it not be well to give the Vice Presidents a little power and not be merely ornaments. The office does not amount to anything during the year. They have no power. I think it would be well to do away with the Executive Committee who are appointed, and make the Vice Presidents, President and Treasurer, Executive Committee of this Association, and empower them to act in such capacity every year.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I do not know why we should act differently from all other Associations. All of them have their President, Vice-President and Secretary and Treasurer, I think, and this is the first time I ever heard of any organization making their Vice-Presidents do executive Committee work.

Mr. Charles G. Coffin, Catskill: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: This is a country of new precedents. I think the suggestion a good one – that Vice-Presidents have some power. Let them have some power. We do not have to go by old precedents.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Anything further under new business.

Mr. Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I had in my mind at the last Convention, at Saugerties, a subject I had been studying for two years back as a member of the Membership Committee, that was

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brought to my notice at that time. Considerable discussion has been had amongst members on the same subject during the time between conventions, and that is this: Our conventions are entirely too short. We condense our business into too small compass of time. There is somewhat of a sentiment among a good many of the members that the convention, instead of occupying two days as is now (Tuesday and Wednesday) should occupy three days. That would give us a chance to do something in the line of benefitting our-selves in our work as Volunteer Firemen. As it is now, we meet, rush through our business, make our appropriations, rush the election of officers and get out for a good time. This is not the sole aim of this Association. It is not the idea of this Association to get its members together for a good time. There is something else intended, and that is that each one of us as firemen may learn something to advance his work as a fireman. We do not learn anything now except to enjoy ourselves. We have an order of business called Topics and Essays, and under that head something should be learned regarding our work to make it more effective, and that is my object in talking to you now. I want to suggest it to all of the members and delegates – think of it – bring it before the Convention for favorable consideration. Why should we not on the first day hold a meeting in the morning for the address of welcome, responses, etc., and ordinary business, taking the whole of the afternoon for the rest of our business. For Topics and Essays have a committee appointed. Have some of the people among us prepare essays during the year, then read them at the following convention and discuss them. Find the best way to hold a life line, the way to hold a hose – whether to throw a looking glass out of the window and carry a feather bed down stairs (laughter) or to carry a looking

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glass down stairs and throw a feather bed out of the window. These things can be discussed and each member learn something to his advantage. To place these before you, I would move you, gentlemen, that hereafter the Convention of this association occupy Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of the week in which the Convention is held; that the morning session be confined to address of welcome, ordinary business transactions, reports of committees, etc. and the afternoon session devoted to the rest of the business, election of officers, and discussion of Topics and Essays; some members to be appointed every year to formulate and bring before the Convention some essay prepared by himself.

Mr. Mardoff: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: The speaker suggested that, as an amendment to Mr. Hilton's motion, a committee be appointed; that such committee embody the purpose of the Association in the Constitution. He said: "It is the purpose of the Association to increase the membership of the H. V. V. F. A., and to further the sociability of its members." I also think the matter of a longer Convention should be duly discussed before action, but I will accept Mr. Hilton's motion, if this amendment is accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Charles G. Coffin, Catskill: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I do not want to be considered as objecting, nor do I doubt for one moment that Mr. Hilton had anything but the best of objects in his motion, but it covers a matter that is altogether too important to be handled by a committee in fifteen minutes session. I do not

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believe that any committee for the purpose of preparing an amendment to the Constitution of this Association, but what would do its full duty. I do feel, however, that if this Association is to claim a certain object – if it is to change its meeting from one to two days, it is a matter to be duly considered. I know that I represent a company, every man of which is working for his daily bread, and four or five who have to work on daily wages, and that it is with great effort that they attend the Conventions of the Association. The experience I have had in seven or eight years was not only difficulty in having me attend the convention, but to hold the membership, and when it come to coming with his company for two days, he finds the wages are too much to lose, and therefore, this should be considered very thoroughly before a decision is reached, and it seems to me that the question as to whether we wish to hold one or two days meeting should not be settled conclusively now, as it must be borne in mind that the same men will not be those who will act on the question next year. We should, therefore, not permit our original Constitution to be influenced by a snap judgment. It is undoubtedly a matter that should be discussed thoroughly and the report of the committee should be decided at another meeting.

Mr. Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: Mr. Coffin forgets one thing. There is no action taken by the separate companies of the Association because their delegate here to-day is given the power to act for his company. Now I am not going to uphold any snap judgment. You ought to discuss this thoroughly, but as far as increasing the time of the attendance of the company is concerned it does not amount to that

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(snapping his fingers). While one man attends for two days the rest of the company comes only to the parade. They lose no more time. The difference is this: If we have a separate day for a dinner or trip, as the case may be, we can enjoy it more by having it apart from convention day. You are not husting [*sic*]

for a train – its not a case of hurry up boys – got to get back again, or we have to get off, etc. There will be nothing in the way. It should simply be voted in the Convention, that is always required, and whatever action is taken should stand.

Mr. Charles G. Coffin, Catskill: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: One other point. For instance, our Conventions have always been held on one day with a parade following on the next day. Now, if we radically change this order for a period amounting to three days, we will radically increase in expense and trouble to the place holding the Convention. One of the great difficulties the H. V. V. F.A. has found is the continual increase in the cost of entertaining its Conventions. I do not believe that we ought to take any action tending to increase the cost of the Convention. Rensselaer has formerly offered to entertain this Association next year. Now I do not think we should increase our meeting time to three days in which they have to care for us. I simply submit it for consideration.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: It seems to me that the discussion is not under the head of new business, and therefore is out of order.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: Anything further under the head of New Business?

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Mr. Mardoff: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: We elected a delegate to the State Convention every year and of course we pay his bills, but we never hear from him. We never know whether they do anything there or not, and I therefore move that the delegate we elect to the State Convention make a report in writing to the Secretary of this Association within two weeks after the actual meeting of the said convention. Said report to be included in the printed proceedings of this Convention.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I second the motion.

President Hassinger: -

Gentlemen of the Convention: if has been regularly moved and seconded that our delegate make a report in writing to the Secretary of this Association of the proceedings at the State Convention.

Motion carried.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that we elect Mr. Charles A. Weiant to represent the H. V. V. F. A. at the State Convention in Glens Falls, this August.

Mr. Charles A. Weiant, Haverstraw : -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I am very much obliged to the gentleman for the honor he wishes to confer upon me, but it has always been the custom to give that honor to the place where the Convention is held. I think Mr. Ehrbar of Mt. Vernon, is justly deserving of that honor.

1338. Delegate's Ticket. Grand Vaudeville Entertainment Under Auspices of The General Committee of the Fire Department, Ossining, N. Y. At Olive Opera House, Tuesday Evening, June 16th, 1908, at eight o'clock. In honor of the Delegates to the 1908 Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. [illustration]

1339. Delegates Ticket, Banquet under the auspices of The General Committee of the Fire Department, Ossining, N. Y., Robbins Opera House, Tuesday Afternoon, June 16th 1908, at half-past one o'clock. In honor of the Delegates to the 1908 Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. [illustration]

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Association, that I hold in my hand a description and brief history of the Volunteer Firemen's Home of the State of New York and a complete fire list of all the cities and towns within the jurisdiction of this Association. It is long and I think you would be just as well satisfied if I submitted it without reading.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that the list be referred to the Secretary to be published.

Motion seconded and carried.

(See list at end of these proceedings.)

Mr. Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: Your Committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of John N. Bruck, of Kingston, and Ernest Myer, of Saugerties, respectfully submit the following: Whereas, This Association has heard with deep regret and profound sorrow that death has removed another from the ranks of its honored members in the years gone by, in the person of Ernest Myer of Saugerties: therefore be it

Resolved, That we deeply mourn the loss of our esteemed friend and associate and tender our heartfelt sympathy to those bereft of a true counselor and sincere friend, and be it further

Resolved, That by the death of Ernest Myer this Association has suffered the loss of an honored and honorable citizen, and be it further

Resolved, That as an expression of our appreciation of his worth, these resolutions be entered in full on the minutes of this meeting and a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased.

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

Resolved, That by the death of John N. Bruck this Association has suffered the loss of a true friend and an honored and honorable member, and be it further

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of his worth by the adoption of this preamble and resolution, and that a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased, and that it be spread upon the minute book of this Association. Charles M. Hilton, Haverstraw. Joseph Hurley, Kingston. Patrick Byron, Troy. Committee.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: Before adjourning this Convention, we have another duty to perform and that is, we owe Chief Angevine and his able assistants a vote of thanks. It is my

pleasure to know Chief Angevine a number of years, and I do not know of any more self-sacrificing fireman than he. I therefore move that this Convention give Chief Angevine a rising vote of thanks. Motion seconded and carried.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:

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I move that this Convention extend a vote of thanks to the Mayor and citizens of Mount Vernon.

Motion seconded and carried.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that this Convention extend a vote of thanks to the President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Association for their able work.

Motion seconded and carried.

Delegate: -

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: I move that this Convention be adjourned.

Motions seconded and carried.

The Committee on Resolutions and Delegate to the State Firemen's Convention reported after Convention closed, therefore no action could be taken on the reports.

1344. Road to Phoenicia. [illustration]

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New York State Volunteer Firemen's Home - Hudson, N. Y.

The Firemen's Association of the State of New York held its first meeting in the City of Auburn, October 1st, 1872. The Association was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, May 7th, 1873. In 1875, it was instrumental in having the 2 per cent foreign insurance tax made a law, and from the date of organization until the present time it has been instrumental in passing every law on the statute books beneficial to the firemen.

At the Cortland Convention in August, 1888 the following preamble and resolutions were passed:

Whereas, The services rendered by the volunteer [companies] of the State of New York are at all times [dangerous] and involve risk of life, but are given freely [---] protection of life and property of their fellow [---] without compensation or reward: therefore.

Resolved, That the Firemen's Association of the State of New York take such action to provide a home for those who, by reason of adversity or force of circumstances, may become so situated that they are not able to provide for themselves:

Resolved, That the President of this Association appoint a committee of five members, whose duty it shall be to report to the next meeting of this Association a plan to carry out the intention expressed in the foregoing resolutions." [edge of paper worn away, best guess.]

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The following committee was appointed for the purpose named in the above resolution: George W. Anderson of Brooklyn; Charles S. Rogers, of Hudson; Charles A. Josephs, of Buffalo; Alexander Wiltse, of Catskill, and George W. Aldrich, of Rochester. In 1889, at Plattsburg, the committee reported to the convention in favor of the project, and instructions were given to the president, George W. Irish and George W. Anderson to carry the measure.

The State Association being restrained, under its charter, from engaging in a work of this character, specific articles of incorporation were filed, and the institution, under the name of the Volunteer Firemen's Home Association of the State of New York, was incorporated April 30, 1890, with the following Board of Trustees: George W. Anderson, Edward Wemple, John Courtney, O. S. Ingram, L. E. Griffith, James A. Taggart, George W. Irish, Charles S. Rogers, John W. Waydell, Edmund Stephenson, Elliott Danforth, Smith M. Weed, Roswell P. Flower, J. W. Vrooman, J. E. Eggleston.

On October 5, 1894, the Home was completed, and after having been properly furnished and equipped, on June 5, 1895, it was formally opened with appropriate ceremonies.

For a description, etc., of the Home, the following is taken from the last report of the Treasurer:

The site of the Home consists of 180 acres of land, near the city of Hudson. It is beautifully situated on the banks of the Hudson River, and from the windows and piazza can be seen a beautiful views of that magnificent river. From the East side of the home, a different but equally beautiful view meets the eye; the Berkshire hills of Massachusetts are only about twenty miles distant.

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The building is of brick, with granite trimmings and granite foundations. It is so constructed that it can be made larger as necessity demands. Its frontage is 120 feet, the depth on the north is 80 feet, and 40 feet on the south. There are three stories above the basement and a broad piazza across the front. The inside of the building is as homelike as practical as the outside is attractive. It is heated by steam and lighted by gas. The institution is a fitting refuge to those of our volunteer and veteran firemen who need the fraternal aid this provides for them. The grounds are tastefully laid out with shade trees, and flower beds make the entire premises attractive and pleasant. The management is vested in a Board of Trustees, elected by the Firemen's Association of the State of New York. This board consists of fifteen members. The meeting of the Board of Trustees is held every three months, and more often if necessary. The Home is directly in charge of a manager, selected by the Board of Trustees.

Applicants are admitted by vote of the Board of Trustees, after the application blank has been duly filled out and the rule strictly complied with. Before the applicant is formally admitted, he must undergo an examination by the Home physician, in compliance with the State Board of health and State Board of Charities. Persons suffering from tuberculosis or any pulmonary disease, or from epilepsy, cannot be admitted under any circumstances.

The total number in the Home on the 1st of July, 1902, was 55.

Following are the present officers of the Firemen's Home association:

President – Elias P. Mann, Troy.

Vice-President – Hon. John Courtney, Brooklyn.

Treasurer – Frank M. Baker, Owego.

1348. Battery and New York Harbor, C. Graham. [illustration]

1349. Big Trees of California, C. Graham. [illustration]

1350. John Anderson, Chicago American. [illustration]

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Secretary – John F. Schlosser, Fishkill Landing.

Superintendent of Home – W. J. Watson.

From 1890 until 1899 the title of the home was vested in the Board of Trustees. For several years previous to 1899 there was a great deal of agitation in conventions relative to the title. In 1899 at

Yonkers, the Board of Trustees of the Home by resolution assigned all their right, title and interest held by them in the name of the Volunteer Firemen's Home Association to the Firemen's Association of the State of New York. In 1900 an enabling act was passed by the Legislature, permitting the State Association to take title to the property. Since the passage of this act, the title to the property has been vested in the State Association and the Volunteer Firemen's Home Association was disbanded. In 1901 the 2 per cent. foreign insurance tax law was amended whereby every city, village and fire district in the State paid 10 per cent. of this amount to to the Treasurer of the State Association for the care and maintenance of the inmates of the Home. The revenue previous to 1901 for the care and maintenance of the inmates of the Home averaged about \$16,000 per year. Since 1901 it has averaged about \$43,000 a year. This amount, if we were sure of its continuation, would in time, by judicious investments

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 place the Home in a safe financial condition, but we are not sure of this money from year to year. There has not been a year for the past five years but what there have been bills introduced in the Legislature, if they became a law, would deprive us of our revenue for the support and maintenance of our disabled brothers. Even last year a bill was introduced in Congress to create an insurance bureau under the Commissioner of Commerce and Labor. The passage of this bill simply meant the first step towards Federal control of all insurance. This was not a new measure by any means, as the late Senator Platt, of Connecticut, was sponsor for a measure similar to this a few years ago, and it was only defeated by hard work and a great deal of expense by the State Association. Gentlemen, this is my reason for again appealing to you to-day for you to contribute your mite to the Endowment Fund so that we may, as soon as possible, place that Home on the Hudson, which is our Home, for who knows among us to-day, but at some time we will be glad to seek admission to that monument erected by the energetic work work of the firemen of the State of New York. Gentlemen, I thank you for this opportunity.
 Respectfully submitted, John P. Powers.

1353. Two cent Washington stamp. [illustration]

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 Hudson Valley Firemen's Association. Year Ending December 31, 1904.
 ALBANY COUNTY:

	Am't. 2 pct. tax				
ALBANY COUNTY:	Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Albany.....	94,151		\$496.35	\$519.25	\$22.90
Steamer Co. No. 1.					
Steamer Co. No. 2.					
Steamer Co. No. 3.					
Steamer Co. No. 4.					
Steamer Co. No. 5.					
Steamer Co. No. 6.					
Steamer Co. No. 7.					
Steamer Co. No. 8.					
Steamer Co. No. 9.					
Steamer Co. No. 10.					

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Truck Co. No. 1.				
Truck Co. No. 2.				
Truck Co. No. 3.				
Albany Protectives.				
Albany Vet. F. Ass'n.				
Altamont.....	689	77	77	
Altamont Hose Co.				
Coeymans	1,300	1 77	1 92	15
Hazelton H. & L. Co.				
Sherman Hose Co.				
Cohoes.....	23,400	105 33	134 27	28 94
Cascade Hose Co. No. 3				
Johnson Steamer Co. No. 1				
Mitchell H. & L. Co.				
Shover Hose Co. No. 2.				
Adams Steamer Co.				
Leversee Hose Co. No. 1.				
M'Cleary Steamer Co. No. 3.				
Green Island	4,770	24 33	25 36	1 03
Gilbert Hose Co.				
M'Gowan Hose Co.				

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	Am't. 2 pct. tax			
Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Ravena.....	1,112	2 82	2 86	94
Ravena Hose Co. No. 1.				
Rensselaerville	235			
Rensselaerville Fire Co.				
Voorheesville.....	554	1 68	1 79	11
Vooheesville Hose Co.				
Watervliet.....	14,721	61 71	52 06	9 63
M'Intyre Hose Co.				
Protection Hose Co.				
Kelly Hose Co.				
Oswald Hose Co.				
Gleason H. & L. Co.				

COLUMBIA COUNTY:

Chatham.....	2,100	10 48	8 20	2 18
Ocean Engine & Hose Co. No. 1.				
Hudson.....	10,290	48 78	46 29	2 09
Edmonds Hose Co. No. 1.				
Evans H. & L. Co. No. 3.				
Rogers Hose Co. No. 2.				
Washington Hose Co. No. 8.				
Hoysradt Hose Co. No. 8.				

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Phoenix Hose Co. No. 5. Kinderhook.....	913	2 97	2 42	55
Hook & Ladder Co. Palmer Engine & Hose Co. Philmont.....	1,964	5 87	6 15	28
Volunteer Hose Co. Valatie.....	1,300	4 51	3 93	58
Lafayette Engine Co. Lafayette Hose Co. Purcell Hose Co.				

DUTCHESS COUNTY:

Amenia.....	467	4 11	3 17	94
Hose & H. L. Co.				

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Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Fishkill.....	300	1 32	1 57	25
Eureka Fire Engine Co. Fishkill-on-Hudson.	3,600	14 83	14 69	14
Tompkins Hose Co. Hyde Park.....	2,873	3 82	3 34	48
Rescue H. & L. Co. Eagle Engine Co. Active Hose Co. Matteawan.....	5,817	18 69	19 13	53
Mase H. & L. Co. Bacon Engine Co. Millerton.....	802	8 53	9 68	1 15
Thompson H. & L. Co. Pawling.....	781	2 91	2 90	01
Union H. & L. Co. Liberty Hose Co. Pine Plains.....	563	46	83	37
Sadler H. & L. Co. Cole Hose Co. Hose Co. No. 1. Poughkeepsie.....	24,029	118 76	121 62	2 86
Phoenix Hose Co. No. 1. Lady Washington Hose Co. No. 3. Young America Hose Co. No. 6. Booth Hose co. No. 2. Niagara Steamer Co. Cataract Steamer Co. Associated Fire Dept. Crockett H. & L. Co.				

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Vet. Fire Ass'n.
 Red Hook.....857 3 75 4 32 57
 Armstrong H. & L. Co.
 Wilbur Hose Co.

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		Am't. 2 pct. tax		
Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Rhinebeck.....	1,494	6 73	6 95	22
Kipp Hose Co. No. 1. Sayre Steamer Co. No. 1 Pocohantas Engine Co. No. 2. Relief Engine Co. Associated Fire S Dept.				
Staatsburgh.....	497	2 40	1 76	64
Staatsburgh Fire Dept. Tivoli.....	1,153	95	2 20	1 25
Ormsby Engine Co. No. 1. DePeyster Hose Co. No. 1. DePeyster Engine Co. No. 1. DePeyster H. & L. Co.				
Wappingers Falls.....	3,504	8 31	9 69	1 58
Garner Fire Engine Co. Johnson Engine Co.				
GREENE County:				
Athens.....	2,171	4 81	5 01	17
Morton Steamer Co. Mackowomuc Engine Co. Rescue H. & L. Co.				
Cairo.....	600	30	17	13
Porter Engine Co. Hose Co. No. 1. Hose Co. No. 2.				
Catskill.....	5,484	22 61	19 50	3 11
Citizen's Hose Co. Osborne Hose Co. Wiley Hose Co. Wilson Steamer Co.				
Coxsackie.....	3,000	14 18	16 08	1 60
Scott H. & L. Co. No. 1. Coxsackie Hose Co. No. 3. Hamilton Steamer Co. No. 2. Morgan Hose Co. Veteran F. Ass'n. Board of Fire Wardens.				

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1358. Clam Bake of the H. V. V. F. Association At the Fair Grounds, Hudson, N. Y., Wednesday June 16th, 1909. at 2:00 P. M. No. _____ Admit one. [illustration]

1359. Hudson N. Y., 1909. This is to certify that Mr. _____ is a member in good standing of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association and entitled to all privileges of such membership at its Twentieth Annual Convention at HUDSON, N. Y., June 15, 16, 17, 1909. Henry Buxbury, Secretary. You present this ticket in order to get reduced railroad fare. [illustration]

1360. Saugerties Post, Jan. 19, 1910. A Painful Injury.

Charles Mc Cormick of upper Partition street, suffered a very painful injury, Tuesday evening that will confine him to his home for several weeks. Mr. Mc Cormick was bowling on Ziegler's alleys when the accident happened and was in the act of throwing the ball, when he slipped and fell to the floor, breaking his left thigh. He was taken to his home and Dr. Diedling set the broken limb.

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	Population	1903.	Am't. 2 pct. tax 1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Greenville					
Phoenix Hose Co.					
Hunter.....	431	2 24	1 21		93
Hunter Hose Co.					
New Baltimore.....	999	1 51	2 20		69
Cornell H. & L. Co.					
Tannersville.....	593	6 22	8 78		2 56
Frommer Hose Co. No. 1.					
ORANGE COUNTY:					
Central Valley.....			2 10	1 99	11
Central Valley Fire Co.					
Chester.....	1,250	1 87	2 93	1 06	
Walton Hose Co. No. 1.					
Cromwell.....	1,800	2 54	2 27		37
Canterbury Fire Co.					
Hose Co.					
Cornwall-on-Hudson...	800	7 06	8 69		1 54
Storm King Co. No.1.					
Florida.....	600		1 43		
Highland Engine & Hose Co.					
Goshen.....	2,826	10 48	12 58	2 09	
Cataract Engine Co.					
Dielman Hose Co.					
Elliot H. & L. Co.					
Highland Falls.....	2,272				
Goodsell Hose Co.					
Bald Rock Hose Co.					
Bald Rock H. & L. Co.					

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Middletown.....	14,522	68 98	66 36	2 62
Monhagen Hose Co. No. 1.				
Eagle Hose Co. No. 2.				
Mc Quoid Engine Co. No. 3.				
Phoenix Engine Co. No. 4.				

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Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Ontario Hose Co. No. 5.				
Wallkill Engine Co. No. 6.				
Excelsior H. & L. Co. No. 1.				
Monroe.....	796	3 03	3 80	77
Mombasha Fire Co.				
Montgomery.....	973	2 24	2 28	04
Wallkill Engine & Hose Co.				
Fleet H. & L. Co.				
Newburgh.....	24,943	13396	13111	285
Chapman Engine Co. No. 1.				
Leinard Engine Co. No. 2.				
Highland Engine Co. No. 3.				
Washington Engine Co. No. 4.				
Ringold Hose Co. No. 1.				
Lawson Hose Co. No. 5.				
Washington Chemical Co.				
Brewster H. & L. Co. No. 1.				
Columbia Hose Co. No. 2.				
Port Jervis.....	9385	4394	4275	18
Neversink Hose Co. No. 1.				
Delaware Hose Co. No. 2.				
Fowler Hose Co. No. 3.				
Port Jarvis Hose Co. No. 4.				
Excelsior Hose Co. No. 5.				
Tri-States Hose Co. No. 6.				
Magomomuck H. & L. Co.				
Tuxedo Park.....	1,250	1561	26623	102
Tuxedo Fire Dept.				
Unionville.....	454	74	105	31
Hose Co. No. 1.				
Walden.....	3,147	995	1423	428
Orange Hose Co. No. 1.				
Rock Hill Hose Co. No. 2.				
Enterprise Steamer Co. No. 2.				
Fearless H. & L. Co. No. 1.				

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Population	1903.	Am't. 2 pct. tax 1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Warwick.....	1735	774	811	37
Excelsior Hose Co. No. 1.				
Raymond Hose Co. No. 2.				
Goodwill H. & L Co. No. 1.				
Washingtonville.....	667	272	247	25
Washingtonville Fire Co. No. 1.				

PUTNAM COUNTY

Brewsters.....	1,192	900	935	35
Tonetta H. & L. Co.				
Brewsters Engine Co.				
Borden Hose Co.				
Protection Fire Co. No. 1.				
Cold Springs.....	2,067	738	740	02
Cold Spring Fire Co. No. 1.				

RENSSELAER COUNTY

Averill Park.....	463	118	140	22
Averill Park & Sand Lake Fire Co. No. 1.				
Castleton.....	1,214	364	429	55
Wheeler Hose Co.				
Citizens Hose Co.				
Harder Engine Co.				
Hoosick Falls.....	5,671	1816	1924	108
Parsons Steamer Co. No. 1.				
Miller Hose Co. No. 1.				
Howe Hose Co. No. 3.				
Fourth Ward Hose Co. No. 4.				
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.				
Rensselaer.....	7,466	2034	2385	351
Ring Engine Co. No. 1.				
Mink Steamer Co. No. 2.				
Hart Hose Co. No.3.				
Hill H. & L. Co. No. 4.				
Belbringer Steamer Co.				
Claxton Steamer Co.				
Bailey H. & L. Co.				
Citizens Hose Co.				
Dearstyne Hose Co.				

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Schaghticoke.....	1,061	4 18	1 19	1 01

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Washington Engine Co. Troy.....	60,650	488 61	544 86	56 25
Bussey Steamer Co.				
Hope Steamer Co.				
Ranken Steamer Co.				
Beman Park Hose Co.				
Stanton Steamer Co.				
Read Steamer Co.				
Farnham Steamer Co.				
Eddy Steamer Co.				
Twining Steamer Co. No. 12.				
Osgood Steamer Co.				
Trojan H. & L. Co.				
Mason Hose Co. No. 10.				
Washington Vol. Steamer Co.				

RENSELAER COUNTY

West Sand Lake.....	300	1 47	52	95
West Sand Lake Fire Co.				
Nassau.....	418	78	1 66	88
Nassau Hose Co. No. 1.				

ROCKLAND COUNTY

Congers.....	463	1 17	1 38	21
Alert H. & L. Co.				
Garnerville.....	600	1 69	2 49	80
Johnson Steamer Co.				
Haverstraw.....	5,935	14 18	21 11	6 93
Cosgriff Hose Co.				
Rescue H. & L. Co. No. 1.				
Triumph Hose Co. No. 1.				
Warren Hose Co. No. 2.				
Relief Hose Co. No 2.				
Lady Nora Hose Co. No. 5.				
Hillburn.....	824	1 10	1 18	08
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.				
Hose Co. No. 1.				

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Monsey.....	210	2 22	1 37		95	Brewer
Fire Engine Co. No. 1.						
Nanuet.....	679	97	2 29	1 32		
Nanuet Fire Engine Co.						
New City.....	407	1 03	86		17	
New City Fire Engine Co. No. 1.						

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Nyack.....	4,275	36 15	37 10	95	
Orangetown Steamer Co. No. 1.					
Mazeppa Steamer Co. No. 2.					
Jackson Steamer Co. No. 3.					
Jackson Hose Co. No. 3.					
Highland Hose Co.					
Chelsea H. & L. Co.					
Empire H. & L. Co.					
Pearl River.....	1,200		2 57		
Pearl River H. & L. Co.					
Piermont.....	1,153	10 96	3 13		
Engine Co. No. 1.					
Empire Steam Fire Co.					
Rockland Lake.....	523	97	35		68
Knickerbocker Engine Co. No. 1.					
Spring Valley.....	1,698	7 27	7 81		58
S. P. Fire Co.					
Columbia Engine C. No. 1.					
Hook & Ladder Co.					
Stony Point.....	591	2 44	2 88		44
Wayne Hose Co. No. 1.					
Suffern.....	1,619	5 96	8 05		2 09
Suffern H. & L. Co. No. 1.					
Suffern Hose Co. No. 1.					
SARATOGA COUNTY					
Ballston Spa.....	3,923	32 27	29 20		3 07
Eagle Hose Co.					
Union Hose Co.					
Lee H. & L. Co.					

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Corinth.....	2,200	7 04	7 50	46	
Elixman Hose Co. No. 1.					
Curtis Hose Co. No. 2.					
Mechanicville.....	4,692	26 52	26 62		10
Short H. & L. Co. No. 1.					
Strang Hose Co. No. 3.					
Ladow Steamer & Hose Co.					
Neilson Hose Co. No. 4.					
Northside.....	1,800	10 26	10 66		40
Peck Hose Co. No. 1.					
Round Lake.....	361	4 22	3 40		82
Round Lake Hose Co.					
Saratoga.....	12,490	145 40	150 46		5 06
Saratoga Fire Department.					

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Schuylerville.....	1,601	7 32	7 96	64
Schuylerville Steamer Co.				
Schuylerville Hose Co.				
South Glens Falls.....	2,025	1 46	3 36	1 90
Glen Hose Co. No. 1.				
White Hose Co. No. 2.				
Stillwater.....	1,007	5 00	4 65	95
Newland Hose Co.				
Wood Steamer Co.				
Sullivan Supply Co.				
Victory Mills.....	175			
Nevins Fire Co. No. 1.				
Engine Co.				
Waterford.....	3,146	22 74	23 45	71
Knickerbocker Steamer Co.				
Hose Co. No. 2.				
Hose Co. No. 3.				

1367. This Ticket Entitles the holder to One Grand Stand at or near the curbstone along Pennsylvania Avenue, between the Capitol and the White House Thursday, March 4, 1909 Where, if he be tall enough, he can see the Inaugural Procession of William H. Taft. Don't Turn This Over.
T R 23 Row, Front if vacant. Group Pick it Carefully. [illustration]

1368. Entertainment at the Hudson Theatre, Wednesday Evening, June 16, '09 Delegate H. V.V. F. Convention. Admit one. [illustration]

1369. Johnson, Pitcher, Washington A. L. [illustration]

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		1903.	1904.	Incr'se Decr'se
ULSTER COUNTY				
Ellenville.....	3,000	15.90	19 64	3 74
Pioneer Engine Co.				
Kimble Hose Co.				
Scoresby Hose & H. & L. Co.				
Terwilliger Hose Co.				
Glasco.....	1,260	3 12	3 81	69
Mulford Engine Co. No. 1.				
Highland.....	1,263	2 20	2 17	
Highland Hose Co.				
Kingston.....	24,525	156 62	157 94	1 31
Rapid Hose Co. No. 1.				
Rescue H. & L. Co.				
Cornell Hose Co.				
Weber Hose Co.				

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Union Hose Co.				
Cordts Hose Co.				
Weiner Hose Co.				
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Wiltwyck Hose Co.				
Clinton Hose Co.				
Moore Hose Co.				
Twaffsville Hose Co.				
Dep't Fund Ass'n.				
Exempt Firemen's Ass'n.				
Vet. Vol F. Ass'n.				
Marlboro.....	700	2 19	1 29	90
Hose Co. No. 1.				
Napanoch.....	506	2 90	3 39	49
Hornbuch H. & L. Co.				
New Paltz.....	1,022	4 16	4 39	23
Ulster H. & L. Co.				
Star Hose Co.				
Pine Hill.....	425	3 40	3 79	39
Hook & Ladder Co.				
Morton Hose Co.				

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	Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Port Ewen.....	1,698	63	39		24
Hook & Ladder Co.					
Rosendale.....	1,840	3 71	2 50		1 21
Active Hose Co. No. 1.					
Saugerties.....	3,697	19 05	17 91		1 14
Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.					
Lafin Hose Co. No. 2.					
Washington H. & L. Co. No. 1.					
Exempt Firemen's Ass'n.					
Connelly.....	862		2 50		
Hasbrouck Engine Co.					

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Cambridge.....	1,578	10 53	10 60	97	
Stafford Hose Co. No. 1.					
Roach Hose Co. No. 2					
Thurber Hose Co. No. 3					
Gray Engine Co.					
McMurray H. & L. Co.					
Fort Edward.....	3,800	17 01	16 45		56
Saterlee Hose Co. No. 2.					
Durkee Hose Co. No. 3.					

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Bibbey Hose Co. No. 4. Fire Council					
Granville.....	2,700	13 43	15 64	2 22	
Henry Hose Co. Buckley Hose Co.					
Greenwich.....	3,115	13 77	12 71		1 06
Rough and Ready Engine Co. Union Engine Co. Sylvia H. & L. Co.					
Salem.....	1,391	6 29	7 03	1 28	
Steamer Co. Union Engine Co. Hook & Ladder Co. Marion Hose Co. Union Hose Co.					

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	Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Sandy Hill.....	4,473	31 00	35 32	4 32	
Paris Hose Co. No. 1. Wait Hose Co. No. 2. Union Hose Co. No. 3.					
Whitehall.....	4,377	15 37	15 10		27
Doren Hose Co. No. 1. Citizens' Hose Co. No. 4. Burleigh Hose Co. No. 7. Mahan Hose Co. No. 2. Torrent Hose Co. No. 5. Picor Steamer & H. & L. Co.					
WESTCHESTER COUNTY:					
Ardsley.....	404	70	51		19
Ardsley Hose Co. Bedford Station.....	800		4 22	4 68	46
Bedford Fire Co. Briar Cliff Manor.....	159		5 56	11 19	5 63
Steamer Co. No. 1. Bronxville.....	400	7 07	5 36		1 71
Bronxville Hose Co. Croton Falls.....	425	79	87	08	
Croton Falls Fire Co. Croton-on-Hudson.....	1,533		04		
Washington Engine Co. Chemical Engine Co. Columbia H. & L. Co. Dobbs Ferry.....	2,900		5.88	10 88	5 04

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Livingston Hose Co.
 Ogden Hose Co.
 Resolute H. & L. Co.
 Chauncey Hose Co.
 Harrison..... 1,108 1 45 5 75 4 29
 Harrison Fire Co.

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Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Hastings-on-Hudson.....	2,002	16 47	20 21	3 74
Protection Hose Co. No. 1.				
Uniontown Hose Co. No. 2.				
Irvington.....	3,231	7 41	17 34	9 93
Fire Ass'n Hose Co.				
Katonah.....	652	2 19	3 10	99
Larchmont.....	945	9 19	9 92	73
Larchmont Hose Co.				
Hook & Ladder Co.				
Engine Co.				
Mamaroneck.....	4,722	15 44	20 97	5 53
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.				
Volunteer Engine Co.				
Fire Patrol No. 1.				
Columbia Hose Co.				
Mamaroneck Eng. & Hose Co.				
Mount Kisco.....	1,346	4 76	5 16	40
Malone H. & L. Co.				
Mutual Engine Co.				
Eagle Eng. & Hose Co.				
Mount Vernon.....	21,228	63 47	66 40	2 93
Engine Co. No. 3.				
Independent Hose Co.				
Clinton Hose Co.				
Protective Hose Co.				
Washington Hose Co.				
Niagara Hose Co.				
Central Hose Co.				
Protective Hose Co.				
Washington Hose Co.				
Niagara Hose Co.				
Central Hose Co.				
Columbia Hose Co.				
Clinton H. & L. Co.				
Fire Patrol				
New Rochelle.....	14,720	49 81	64 08	14 37
Enterprise H. & L. Co.				

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Union Fire Co.
 Chemical Engine Co.
 Relief Engine Co.
 Hugenot Engine Co.

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	Population	Am't. 2 pct. tax		Incr'se	Decr'se
		1903.	1904.		
No. Tarrytown	4,241	6 29	8 80	1 28	
Rescue Hose Co. No. 1.					
Union Hose Co. No. 2					
Pocantico H. & L. Co.					
Columbia Hose Co.					
Conqueror H. & L. Co.					
Rescue H. & L. Co.					
Ossining.....	7,929	23 40	29 86	6 46	
Ossining Hose Co. No. 1.					
Cataract Hose Co. No. 2.					
Protection Hose Co. No. 3.					
Monitor Hose Co. No. 4.					
Holla Hose Co. No. 5.					
Steamer Co. No. 1.					
Senate H. & L. Co. No. 1					
Washington H. & L. Co. No. 3.					
Peekskill.....	10,353	71 80	40 97	30 92	
Columbia Engine Co.					
Hose Co. No. 1.					
Washington Engine Co. No. 2.					
Centennial Hose Co. No. 4.					
Hook & Ladder Co.					
Columbia Hose Co.					
Peekskill Fire Dept.					
Cortland H. & L. Co.					
Department Trustees.					
Pelham.....	369	2 39	1 90	49	
Relief H. & L. Co.					
Liberty Hose Co.					
Pelham Manor.....	361		1 01		
Hose Co. No. 1.					
Hose Co. No. 2.					
Hose Co. No. 3.					
H. & L. Co. No. 1.					
Pleasantville.....	1,204	4 15	5 26	1 11	
Pioneer H. & L. Co.					
Pioneer Engine Co.					

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Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Portchester.....	7,440	44 13	45 33	1 20
Reliance Engine Co. No. 1.				
Mellor Engine Co. No. 1.				
Fire Patrol.				
Fire Police Co.				
Putnam Engine Co. No. 2.				
Hook & L. Co. No. 1.				
Rye.....	1,062	9 40	11 05	1 65
Engine & Hose Co. No. 1.				
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.				
Scarsdale.....	350	4 97	2 39	2 58
Scarsdale Fire Co.				
Tarrytown.....	4,770	24 06	25 44	1 38
Riverside Hose Co.				
Hope Hose Co. No. 1.				
Phoenix Hose Co. No. 2.				
Irving Hose Co. No. 3.				
Jackson Engine Co. No. 1.				
Conqueror H. & L. Co.				
Rescue H. & L. Co.				
Fire Patrol.				
Tuckahoe.....	1,800			
Rescue H. & L. Co.				
Waverly Engine Co.				
Tuckahoe Hose Co.				
Bronxville Hose Co.				
White Plains.....	7,899	35 23	39 26	3 94
Hope Engine Co. No. 1.				
East Side Hose Co. No. 3.				
Independent Engine Co. No. 2.				
Union H. & L. Co.				
Fire Patrol.				
Yonkers.....	47,931	155 08	180 90	25 82
Protection Engine Co. No. 1.				
Hudson Hose Co. No. 1.				
City Hose Co. No. 3.				
Irving Hose Co. No. 5.				
Avalanche Hose Co. No. 7.				
Lowerre Hose Co.				

1376. No. 897 – Clam Bake To the Delegates and Members of the State Firemen's Association. At Lookout farm, Wednesday, August the 18th, 1909, 3 o'clock P. M. [illustration]

1377. Social Dance. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, Columbus Hall, Saugerties, N. Y. Wednesday, Aug. 4th. '09.

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Tickets 25 cts. [illustration]

1378. Saugerties Post, May 17, 1910. Death of Mrs. Bidwell.

Mrs. George A. Bidwell, whose illness has been mentioned heretofore, died at her home in Pittsfield, Mass., on Monday, her death being caused by a stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Bidwell was a daughter of the late Captain James Sickles of this village. The funeral and interment will be held Thursday afternoon.

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Population	1903.	1904.	Incr'se	Decr'se
Nepara Park Hose Co. No. 11.				
Columbia H. & L. No. 2.				
Mountaineer Engine Co. No. 2.				
Lady Washington Hose Co., No. 2.				
Palisade Hose Co. No. 4.				
Houston Hose co. No. 6.				
Schededale Hose Co. No. 6.				
Sherwood Park Hose Co. No. 10.				
Sherman Park.....	760	85	84	01
Sherman Park Fire Dep't.				
Valhalla.....	360	2 21	1 30	91
Valhalla Fire Co.				
SULLIVAN COUNTY.				
Jeffersonville.....	432	54	1 81	1 27
Protection Hose Co. No. 1.				
Liberty.....	1,760	18 18	1928	1 15
Hallock Hose Co. No. 1.				
Liberty Hose Co. No. 2.				
Ontario Hose Co. No. 3.				
Livingston Manor.....	740	3 91	2 97	04
Manor Hose Co. No. 1.				
Monticello.....	1, 160	13 39	13 80	41
Neptune Hose Co.				
Mountain Hose Co.				
H. & L. Co.				
Narrowsburg.....	387	2 16	2 25	09
Cataract Engine Co.				
Alert Hose Co.				
Tristan H. & L. Co.				
Roscoe.....	743	2 26	3 33	1 07
Call Department.				
Wurtsboro.....	450	1 19	1 36	17
H. & L. Co. No. 1.				
Hose Co. No. 1.				
Number of towns and Cities.....	165			

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Number of Fire Companies.....479

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RECAPITULATION

Am't 2 pct tax

	1903	1904	Incr'se	Decr'se	
Albany	\$694 76	\$738 28	\$43 52		
Columbia	72 21	67 09			5 12
Dutchess	195 48	201 85		6 27	
Greene	51 77	52 95	1 18		
Orange	312 97	329 59	16 62		
Putnam	6 38	16 75	37		
Rensselaer	538 36	601 01		62 65	
Rockland	86 17	93 07		6 90	
Saratoga	262 23	266 66		4 43	
Sullivan	40 68	44 80	4 12		
Ulster	213 89	219 72	5 83		
Washington	107 49	112 85		5 36	
Westchester	<u>579 78</u>	<u>49 72</u>		<u>60 94</u>	
Total		\$3,172 17	\$3,385 34	\$218 29	\$5.12
Increase for 1904		213.17			
Number of Towns and Cities		165			
Number of Fire Companies		479			
Total Amount of 2 per cent. tax collected by the entire department.....			\$33,853 40		

1381. Esopus, Near Mt. Pleasant. [illustration]

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HUDSON V. V. FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

ROLL CALL, 1905

ORGANIZATIONS

Athens, Rescue Hook and Ladder	F. W. Titus
Athens, Morton Steamer	James Holmes
Altamont, Altamont Hose	
Briarcliff, Manor, Briarcliff Steamer	D. B. Mc Keel
Catskill, Citizens Hose	Charles Brandow
Catskill, Osborn Hose	Michael Sullivan
Catskill, Wilson Fire	Frank Knoll, Jr.
Catskill, Wiley Hose	George Swartwout
Croton-on-Hudson, Washington Engine	Frank Decker
Croton-on-Hudson, Columbia Hook and Ladder	John Pettit
Croton-on-Hudson, Chemical Engine	Frank Ray
Central Valley, Central Valley Fire Dept.	Chas. J. Ford
Coxsackie, Hamilton Steamer	John Longthon
Coxsackie, Scott Hook and Ladder	James D. Mackey

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Cornwall-on-Hudson, Storm King Engine	Harvey A. Call
Castleton, Seth Wheeler Hose	
Dunwoodie, Harry Howard Hose	Paul C. Borth
Dobbs Ferry, Livingston Hose	P. J. Gillespie
Ellenville, Kimble Hose	Joseph Keip
Ellenville, Pioneer Engine	
Ellenville, Scoresby Hose and H. & L.	C. G. A. Fischer
Greene County Firemen's Association	M. Lackey, Jr.
Glasco, Mulford Engine	John Arold
Hudson, Hoysradt Hose	Pelaques Schulze
Hudson, C. H. Evans Hook and Ladder	John J. Fardy
Hudson, Washington Hose	Frank Dwyer
Hudson, Phoenix Hose	Wm. H. Smith
Hudson, Edmonds Hose	John Horan
Haverstraw, Cosgriff Hose	Val Rembe, Jr.
Haverstraw, Relief Hose	Wm. Nixon
Haverstraw, Rescue H. & L.	Thomas J. Lynch
Highland, Highland Hose	John J. Clearwater

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Hunter, Hunter Hose	
Harrison, Harrison Fire	John Shore
Hillburn H. & L. Co.	Edward F. Becraft
Hillburn, Hose Co. No. 1	Thomas F. Keane
Kingston, Clinton Hose	Frank J. Quigley
Kingston, Cordts Hose	John N. Cordts
Kingston, Dept. Fund Ass'n	S. B. Hull
Kingston, Excelsior Hose	James V. Simpson
Kingston, Exempt Firemen's Ass'n	James McCardle
Kingston, Moore Hose	John McLaughlin
Kingston, Rescue Hook and Ladder	Joseph Glennon
Kingston, Twaafskill Hose	George Leippert
Kingston, Veteran Vol. Firemen's Ass'n	John Horvers
Kingston, Wiltwyck Hose and Truck	C. Roscoe Banta
Kingston, Weber Hose	James Brown
Kingston, Weiner Hose	Casper Michael
Kingston, Rapid Hose	Richard K. Fox
Katonah, Katonah Fire Dept	Charles M. Clark
Kinderhook, Palmer Engine and Hose	Charles W. Reynolds
Liberty, Hallock Hose	Charles H. Garrett
Liberty, Liberty Hose and Truck	Theo. M. Millspaugh
Mount Vernon, Clinton Hook and Ladder	Wm. M. Ruschaupt
Mount Vernon, Columbia Hose	James McElroy
Mount Vernon, Central Hose	James D. Falley
Mount Vernon, Chief's and Foremen's Asso	Nicholas Elhrbar
Mount Vernon, Engine Co. No. 3	R. H. Rudd
Mount Vernon, Exempt Firemen's Benevolent Ass'n	Wm. J. Collins

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Mount Vernon, Fire Patrol	Charles H. Blase
Mount Vernon, Independent Hose	James Packman
Mount Vernon, Protection Engine Co.	Albert Wruffenhoefer
Mount Vernon, The Firemen's Benevolent Fund Assn	E. D. W. Heinson
Mt. Vernon, Washington Engine	Leonard F. Sternhagen
Mount Vernon, Niagara Hose	Thomas Connolly
Mamaroneck, Hook and Ladder No. 1	J. H. McArdle
Mamaroneck, Columbia Hose	Chauncey Haviland
Mechanicville, Strange Hose	N. P. Wendell
Mechanicville, Howland Chemical Engine	Floyd Carr
Montgomery, Wallkill Hose	
New Baltimore, Cornell Hook and Ladder	
New Rochelle, Huguenot Engine	
New City, New city Fire Engine	Charles Eberling
Nanuet, Nanuet Fire	Louis Rufner

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Naples Park, Nepera Hose	Henry Brandt, Sr.
North Tarrytown, Rescue Hose	Charles A. Minnerly
New Paltz, Ulster Hook and Ladder	Martin Nilen
Newburgh, Lawson Hose	Wm. G. Zillig
Ossining, Cataract Hose	Charles H. Reynolds
Ossining, Senate Hook and Ladder	James T. Rollins
Poughkeepsie, Booth Hose	Sherman Van Nostrand
Poughkeepsie, Davy Crockett H. & L.	M. T. Baumbusch
Poughkeepsie, Lady Washington Hose Co.	Jas. P. Hillery
Poughkeepsie, Niagara Steamer	Wm. Board
Poughkeepsie, Phoenix Hose	Otto Faust
Poughkeepsie, Veteran Firemen's Ass'n	George E. Dean
Poughkeepsie, Young American Hose	A. M. Osborn
Peekskill, Columbian Engine	W. H. Griffin
Philmont, Philmont Vol. Fire	Hiram Dingman
Pelham, Liberty Hose	Wm. G. Vaughan
Rensselaer, Bailey Hook and Ladder	Edward Hudson
Rensselaer, Bellinger Steamer	Wm. W. Wright
Rensselaer, Citizen's Hose	W. E. Benson
Rensselaer, Hill Hook and Ladder	George D. Bussey
Rensselaer, Howland Hose	Alfred E. Cole
Rhinebeck, Kip Hose	M. H. Traver
Rhinebeck, Pocahontas Engine and Truck	
Rockland Lake, Knickerbocker Engine	R. H. Brinkerhoff
Rosendale, Active Hose	Herman DuBois
Ravena, Ravena Hose	
Red Hook, Chanler Hook and Ladder	Leonard Mattice
Saugerties, Washington Hook & Ladder	Henry Schneider
Saugerties, Exempt Firemen's Ass'n	Daniel N. Finger
Saugerties, Laflin Hose	Burton Lasher

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Saugerties, Snyder Hose
Suffern, Suffern Hook and Ladder
Suffern, Volunteer Hose
South Rondout, Hasbrouck Engine
South Glens Falls, White Hose
Stony Point, Wayne Hose
Tivoli, DePeyster Hose
Tivoli, DePeyster Hook and Ladder
Troy, Hope Steamer
Tivoli, Ormsbee Engine
Troy, Osgood Steamer
Tuckahoe, Tuckahoe Hose
Tarrytown, Riverside Hose

Wm. Keenan
Charles L. Sproule
Cornelius H. Pulis
Wendel Sherer
George B. Wicks
Brewster A. Leet
Louis C. Moore
Romer Rockefeller
Charles Fettig
Charles B. Sickler/s
Philip J. Reilly
Benjamin B. Riley
Frank Knowlden

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Valhalla, Valhalla Fire
Walden, Enterprise Steamer
Walden, Fearless Hook and Ladder
Walden, Orange Hose
White Plains, Fire Patrol
White Plains, Hope Engine
White Plains, Union Hook and Ladder
White Plains, Independent Engine
Wappingers Falls, Garner Engine
Wappingers Falls, Johnson Engine
West Coxsackie, Coxsackie Hose
Yonkers, Hope Hook and Ladder
Yonkers, Hudson Hose
Yonkers, Houston Hose
Yonkers, Mountaineer Engine
Yonkers, City Hose

Isaac Demarest
Frank Hargley
John Cunningham

Thomas J. Birmingham
Harry Cleary
John R. Sweeney
Michael Drulan
Augustus Schmidt
Joseph Manning
Wm. J. Brandow
A. J. Tompkins
John A. McLain
John J. Bruce
George Van Wart
Thomas J. Callan

MEMBERS 1905

[these are listed in the program with surname first]

Denton C. Anderson
Wilson H. G. Applegate
James Anderson
Samuel J. Adams
Gilbert J. Angevine
Fred S. Bieber
Patrick Byron
Ernest L. Brundage
Frederick Bowne
James Brennan
Samuel M. Best
Robert B. Ballman
John Bright

Poughkeepsie, 329 Main St.
Rhinebeck
Ossining
Saugerties
Mount Vernon
Poughkeepsie
Troy
North Tarrytown, Box 123
Poughkeepsie, 318 Main St.
Kingston, 18 Hurley Ave
Hudson
Saugerties
Poughkeepsie, 465 Bridge St.

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Thomas P. Brown	Peekskill, care "Blade"
Wm. H. Benson, Jr.	Haverstraw
Edward C. Buchenau	New City
Harry E. Barton	Mechanicville
Henry Buxbury	Hudson
Patrick Blake	Kingston, 159 Greenhill Ave.
Milton Blinkie	Croton-on-Hudson
Edwin L. Boice	Tivoli
Charles H. Buckley	Mount Vernon
Jerome Bailey	Ravena
William H. Benham	Mechanicville

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 1387. Striped Hyena. [illustration]
 1388. Hartebeest. [illustration]

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Lewis Brown	Kingston
Walter J. Bronsveld	Cornwall-on-Hudson
William C. Brady	Athens
Alfred H. Boldtman	New York, 929 Sixth Ave.
Martin Cantine	Saugerties
Charles G. Coffin	Catskill, 147 Broad St.
Lawrence W. Clark*	New York
Zobles T. Carter	Catskill
Edward O. Caldwell	Poughkeepsie, 172 Main St.
John J. Cuneo	Kingston
William Cohen	Kingston, North Front St.
Thomas E. Carroll	Kingston, 440 Washington Ave.
Rodney A. Chipp	Kingston, 753 Broadway
Fred N. Chamberlain	Poughkeepsie, 10 Allen Place
Edwin A. Carter	Philmont
James T. Carey	Troy, 361 Third St.
Walter S. Crook	Kingston
Edward H. Craft	Walden
George W. Conley	Mechanicville
S. Girard Canfield, Jr.	Kingston
William A. Dederick	Kingston
David T. Denfield	Peekskill
Anson Dolen	Tarrytown
Edgar H. Davis	Hudson, 11 North Sixth St.
Wallace A. Dawson	Hudson
Michael J. Donohue	Kingston, North & Delaware Ave.
Michael J. Dunne	Kingston
Homer A. Davis	Kingston
Patrick H. Dalton	Yonkers, 66 Riverdale Ave.

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Joseph De Noyelles	New City
H. H. Esterbrook *	New York, Care Firemen's Herald
H. Watson Elliott	Kingston, Down St.
Wm. H. Frank	Poughkeepsie, 11 Tulip St.
Isaac Fonda	Catskill
Wm. P. S. Fancher	Coxsackie
Wm. Fronefield	Poughkeepsie, Arlington Sta.
James Fitzpatrick	Peekskill
Charles Frieze	Kingston, 37 Ann St., Rondout
Andrew Funk	Hudson, 28 South Front St.
James V. Field	Kingston
Anson J. Fowler	Walden
Oscar Fishang	Kingston
W. H. Flandreau	Mount Vernon

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James A. Goldsmith	Haverstraw
John H. Greene	Kingston, 20 Gill St., Rondout
Charles J. Gassen	Liberty, Lennon House
John B. Glennon	Kingston, 116 Abeel St.
Ernest J. Guylee	Poughkeepsie, 66 South Clover St.
George B. Grossman	Hudson, 504 Diamond St.
Burdette Greene	Hunter
James H. Haight	Peekskill
Henry R. Hinman	Catskill
Albert A. Henkel	Kingston, 37 E. Strand, Rondout
Charles M. Hilton	Haverstraw
Fred Hoffman	Tivoli
A. M. Hitchcock	Mount Vernon, 14 E. Third St.
Dudley C. Hasbrouck	Peekskill, Union Stove Works
Charles Higham	Middletown
J. Thomas Henderson	Catskill
Richard Hallenbeck	Hudson
P. DeWitt Hitchcock	Catskill
Harry Hall	Catskill
Roscoe C. Hallock	Coxsackie
Ernest Hassinger	Saugerties
E. A. Howland	New York, 82 Wall St.
Joseph C. Hurley	Kingston
Frank Hasselman, Jr.	Catskill
John W. Hawes	Peekskill
William Harp	Hudson
Chris. C. Hickey	Kingston
Edward M. Hogan	Suffern
Peter J. Hoey	Kingston, 119 First Ave.
Michael J. Hanna	Walden
George Horstmann	Mount Vernon

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Christ Huberts	Saugerties
Edwin C. Hallenbeck	Coxsackie
William A. Hanson	White Plains, 27 Washington Ave.
Charles W. Hitchcock	Athens
William Hansmann	Poughkeepsie
Frank Hoffman	Poughkeepsie
Abraham Joseph	Catskill
Angus T. Joy	Yonkers, 72 Ash St.
Gilbert Johnson	Suffern, 141 Ward St. Paterson, N. J.
Garrett Jones	North Tarrytown, P. O. Box 296
Henry Krieger	Poughkeepsie, 121 Main St.
William C. Kyer	South Rondout
Lewis Kolts	Kingston, 44 Ann St.
William H. Kolts	Kingston, 77 Foxall Ave.

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Joseph Keegan	Kingston 30 Pierpont St., Rondout
George C. Kirchner	Kingston
George Kiemmer	Hudson
James Kelley	Kingston, 140 Murray St., Rondout
Alfred M. Keene	Yonkers, 67 North Broadway
James H. Y. Kidd	Newburgh
Christian Kuhl	South Rondout
Lewis Kaplan	Kingston, P. O. Box 296
Peter Lemmersdorf	Kingston
Ira P. Lowe	Kingston
Isaac S. Lawrence	Yonkers
Frank J. LeFevre	New Paltz
William Lang	Croton-on-Hudson
U. Grant Lucas	Poughkeepsie, 136 Broadway
Edward J. Lewis	Saugerties
W. H. Lockwood	Mount Vernon
Wilson Miller	Valatie
Hiram R. Miller	Kingston, 698 Broadway
Andrew W. Moore	Poughkeepsie, 157 Main St.
William S. Manning	Saugerties
John T. Meder	Kingston, 583 Broadway
Hugh Murphy	Poughkeepsie
George Maar	Poughkeepsie, 10 Washington St.
Charles Myers	Croton-on-Hudson, P. O. Box 261
Allen S. Mead	Peekskill, Municipal Building
Michael F. Murphy	Kingston, 46 Tompkins St.
Peter Messing	Kingston
Benjamin L. Morand	Croton-on-Hudson
Hiram W. Myers	Poughkeepsie, P. O. Box 106
Albyn C. Mitchell	Newburgh, 116 Liberty St.
Frederick Mayer	Kingston

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Frank Murray	Croton-on-Hudson
George Mardorf	Haverstraw
Frank V. Martin	Saugerties
Edward J. McKee	White Plains
Martin Mayer	Kingston
Charles A. Minnerley	North Tarrytown
John McVey	Kingston
Charles McDonald	South Rondout, P. O. Connelly, N. Y.
William McElrath	Kingston, Wilber and Greenhill Aves.
Milton McGibbon	Liberty
Dennis McLaughlin	Saugerties
Irving L. Nestell	Kingston, 69 Prospect St.
George W. Newkirk	Kingston, P. O. Box 803
George Nagengast	Poughkeepsie

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James B. Osborn	Poughkeepsie
Henry A. Ohley	Saugerties
Joseph Obert	Catskill
John L. O'Shea	Kingston, 66 North Front St.
John O'Donnell	Poughkeepsie
Thomas F. O'Bierne	White Plains
Jacob C. Port	Kingston 101 Hone St.
William H. Penny	Kingston, 48 Abruyn St., Rondout, N. Y.
James W. Price	Hillburn
Joseph L. Plough	Kingston, General Delivery
Abram F. Plass	Kingston, 88 Cedar St.
Albert W. Pierce	West Coxsackie
William H. Pratt	Kingston
Henry R. Porter	Suffern
John P. Powers	Ossining
Stephen Preston, Jr.	Mount Vernon, 58 South Fourth Ave.
Augustus Roe	Kingston, 13 James St.
Hubert C. Rush	Kingston, 50 Wall St.
Louis F. Rembe	Haverstraw
Fred B. Smith	Newburgh
Frank Sutton	Catskill
Edgar E. Schryver	Kingston
Charles L. G. Saxe	New York, 309 W. 55 th St.
John L. Strubel	Kingston
George H. Scott	Coxsackie
J. Charles Snyder	Kingston
John Sheridan	Kingston, 5 West Strand
Fred W. Sudheimer	Kingston
O. Frank Schuler	Kingston
Edward C. Snyder	Saugerties
Rudolph J. Stahl	Catskill

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William P. Sherman	Wappingers Falls, Box 188
A. J. Schmidt	Spring Valley
Ernest W. Steltz	Mount Vernon, 28 N. Bond St.
William E. Slater	Poughkeepsie, 48 S. Bridge St.
Earl Scullen	Mount Vernon, 416 S. 6 th Ave.
Charles K. Searlls	Mount Vernon, 2 Park Ave.
Thomas Sutton	Kingston
Charles S. Sloat	Haverstraw
George Schick	Kingston, Abeel St.
James Teller	Saugerties
Edgar F. Thompson	Kingston, 32 Lindsley Ave., Rondout.
Thomas Timmons	Peekskill, 110 So. Division St.

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William Townsend	West Coxsackie
Lewis A. Thomas	Poughkeepsie, Grand Street
Hiram Turner	Haverstraw
Joseph Thomas	Poughkeepsie, 88 Jefferson Street
Joseph L. Tubby	Kingston
Thomas Tierney	Haverstraw
Frank V. Underhill	Saugerties
William C. Van Anden	Kingston, Washington Ave.
William T. Van Load	Athens
Herbert C. Van Buskirk	Saugerties
George Van Wart	Yonkers
Dudley Van Duzer	Newburgh
Fred J. Walter	Kingston, 115 Spring St.
William F. Walter	Kingston
Charles F. Walter	Kingston
Howard Wilcox	Catskill
Theodore Weber	Kingston
Charles S. Wallace	Newburgh
Howard C. Wilbur	Catskill
James R. Wood	Kingston, 132 Foxall Ave.
George Wachmeyer	Kingston, 32 Strand, Rondout
John Worf	Kingston, Rondout
Fred D. Wygant	Saugerties
Frederick S. Weber	So. Rondout, P. O. Connelly, N. Y.
Charles A. Weiant	Haverstraw
Charles Wilbur	Saugerties
T. J. Wicks	Haverstraw
Albert E. Woodard	Mount Vernon
Albert Weinmann	Rensselaer
Edward J. Wolff	Poughkeepsie, 295 Main St.
George H. Welfing	Rensselaer, 850 Broadway
Frank E. Wiley	Suffern
Howard Weist	Kingston

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William Ziegler
 Herman M. Zipfel
 * Honorary Member.

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 Kingston, Eigel Hotel [sic]

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Convention Year	Where Held	President	Secretary	Treasurer
Formed. 1890	Coxsackie	George H. Scott	F. A. Hallenbeck	Robert Selden
1. 1890	Kingston	Charles G. Coffin	F. A. Hallenbeck	Tjerck J. Rifenburg
2. 1891	Hudson	Tjerck J. Rifenburg	C. J. Brown	William C. Brady
3. 1892	Catskill	Charles G. Coffin	C. J. Brown	George Wachmeyer, Jr.
4. 1893	Saugerties	*Daniel W. Bugel	Harry M. C. Vedder	George Wachmeyer, Jr.
5. 1894	Hudson	Henry A. Ohley	Harry M. C. Vedder	George Wachmeyer, Jr.
6. 1895	Coxsackie	Henry A. Ohley	Charles L. McArthur	Eugene Wolf
7. 1896	Kingston	George Wachmeyer	Charles L. McArthur	Eugene Wolf
8. 1897	Newburgh	George Wachmeyer	Charles G. Coffin	Edgar H. Davis
9. 1898	Saugerties	Jonathan Deyo	Charles G. Coffin	Edgar H. Davis
10. 1899	Poughkeepsie	Jonathan Deyo	Charles G. Coffin	Charles L. Quackenbush
11. 1900	Peekskill	Joseph C. Hurley	Charles G. Coffin	Ernest Hassinger
12. 1901	Kingston	Joseph C. Hurley	Charles G. Coffin	Ernest Hassinger
13. 1902	Catskill	James A. Goldsmith	Charles G. Coffin	Fred S. Bieber
14. 1903	Haverstraw	James A. Goldsmith	Charles G. Coffin	Fred S. Bieber
15. 1904	Saugerties	Ernest Hassinger	Charles A. Weiant	Fred S. Bieber
16. 1905	Mt. Vernon	Stephen Preston, Jr.	Henry Buxbury	Fred S. Bieber

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

1395. Leopard. [illustration]

1396. Saugerties Post, Dec 12, 1908. Arcanum Officers.

At the annual election of Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, held Friday evening, the following officers were chosen for the next year: Regent R. S. Bennett; vice-regent, W. J. Knight; orator, Geo. B. Trumbour; collector, Ernest Hassinger; secretary, Chas. Clum; Treasurer, C. W. Quick, chaplain, G. S. Rosepough, guide, W. W. Whitaker; warden, John Lang; sentry, Wm. Ribsman; representative, Wm. Burhans; alternate C. W. Quick; trustee, John A. Snyder; past regent, Wm. V. Burhans.

1397. Ernest Hassinger, Dealer in Fine Souvenir Post Cards also Manfr. and dealer in Fine Cigars, Tobacco, Pipes, Etc. Orders Taken for Rubber Stamps, and all kinds of Ink, Etc. 84 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Adopted at Newburgh, 1897

CONSTITUTION

Section 1. – This organization shall be known as "The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II. – MEMBERSHIP AND DUES.

Section 1. This Association shall be composed of those organizations and persons who are, on the 15th day of June, 1897, members in good standing of the Tri-County firemen's association, and such other associates as may from time to time be duly elected to membership by the respective volunteer fire companies located in the territory of the Association, and in addition thereto the chief engineer of any Volunteer Fire Department in said territory, one delegate from each Board of Trustees of any such Volunteer Fire Department, and one delegate from each association of exempt firemen in said territory whose membership is entirely composed of those who have been active members of the Volunteer Fire Department in said territory.

Sec. 2. Each organization shall be entitled to one delegate each year; and each organization shall furnish credentials, signed by the presiding officer and secretary, that the delegate has been duly selected to represent the organization; that he is and has been an active member in such organization for at least six months previous to such election.

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Sec. 3. An initiation fee of \$2 shall be paid by each organization of chief engineer upon joining this Association, which amount shall cover the annual dues of that year.

Sec. 4. The annual dues shall be \$2 for each organization and \$1 for each member; and each organization and member, once admitted, may retain membership in this Association, as provided by this Constitution and By-Laws, so long as their annual dues are paid. The annual dues shall be paid by or before the Tuesday preceding the holding of the annual convention. All members failing to comply with this section shall be dropped from the roll of membership, and shall be reinstated only upon a new application, or the payment of all arrearages of dues to the time of such reinstatement.

ARTICLE III. – OFFICERS, TERMS OF OFFICE, AND HOW ELECTED

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

Sec. 2. The President, Secretary and Treasurer.

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shall be ex-officio members of the Executive Committee, and the President and Secretary shall be ex-officio Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of such Committee.

ARTICLE IV. - DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over all meetings, regular or special, of the Association or Executive Committee, sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer duly granted, and call special meetings at the request of a majority of the Executive Committee, [sic] or when he deems a call of the Association necessary, at such time and place as he or the Executive Committee shall select. In the absence of the President at any meeting the senior Vice-President shall assume such duties as may be required of the President. In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, by death, resignation or otherwise, the senior Vice-President shall become President and shall continue as such until a successor has been chosen by the Association.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all proceedings of the Association and of the Executive Committee, to receive and answer all communications relating to the Association, to collect all money due to the Association and render a monthly report of the same to the Treasurer, paying over to the Treasurer the amount received during the month (for which payment he shall take a receipt from the Treasurer), keep correct accounts of his financial transactions, and countersign all orders upon the Treasurer, after approval by the Auditing Committee; make full reports at the annual meetings of the Association as to membership, and perform such other duties or make such reports as may be required of him by the President or Executive Committee; to issue to each and every or-

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ganization paying annual dues a printed card or certificate, showing that the possessor thereof is entitled to a badge and such other privileges as may be presented by the Citizen's Committee where conventions are held, and upon the surrender of said card or certificate to the local committee in some room apart from the Convention Hall, the badge shall be delivered without a roll call. Not later than the Tuesday preceding the convention the Secretary shall procure printed lists of all the delegates and members who are by the terms of the Constitution and By-Laws entitled to a seat in the Convention, and shall cause such lists to be placed in the delegates' seats prior to the opening of the convention. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President. He shall receive the sum of \$100 per year for the faithful performance of his duties.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all money belonging to the Association from the Secretary, giving a receipt to the Secretary for the same; keep full and correct accounts, pay all bills upon the order of the President and Secretary, countersigned by the President and approved by a majority of the Auditing Committee; and, from time to time, make such reports as the President or Executive Committee shall require. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President.

Sec. 4. It shall be duty of the Executive Committee to transact all business of the Association during the interval between meetings, and to fill all vacancies in office, except that of President wherever such oc

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cur. The Executive Committee shall have power to call special meetings of the Association, to appoint a sub-committee on Transportation and Railroad Rates, to examine books and papers of all officers of the Association, and, after being heard, to suspend any officer of the Association for malfeasance or misfeasance in office; to make a draft upon the Treasurer for a sufficient amount for the running expenses of the Secretary, to change the time and place of the annual meeting, when this may be necessary, and shall have authority to decide the territory to be covered by the Association.

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

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

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

and necessary expenses of the Secretary incurred for this Association; and the Secretary shall account for the same as required under Section 2 of Article IV.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS.

Section 1. – The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday in June, in each year, at 10 a. m., at such place as a majority of the

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members present at the preceding annual meeting shall have designated; provided, however, that it shall not be held in one county more often than [*sic*] once in three years, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee.

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

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

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

Sec. 5. All officers and members of committees attending committee or annual meetings shall be reimbursed for railroad fares and other legitimate expenses to and from the place of such meeting, upon presentation of such account to the Auditing Committee; provided that the account for such expenses receive the approval of the Auditing Committee.

ARTICLE VI. - Amendments, Alterations and Revisions

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

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

1404. Porcupine. [illustration]

1405. African Wild Ass. [illustration]

1406. Wildebeest. [illustration]

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BY-LAWS

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

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

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

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2. Address of Welcome.
3. Response by the President.
4. Appointment of Committee on Credentials.
5. Adjournment.

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2. Roll Call.
3. Reading of the Minutes of Last Convention.
4. Annual Address of the President.
5. Report of Executive Committee.
6. Report of Auditing Committee.
7. Report of Special Committees.
8. Report of Secretary.
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10. Reading of Communications.
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12. New Business.
13. Designation of Place to Hold Next Convention.
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1412. Saugerties Post, June 29, 1906. The Judges Selected.

The judges selected to award the prizes for the celebration next Monday, are: Mayor Rowe, Ernest Hassinger, Henry Dickhaut, E. M. Wilbur and Peter Canner. The prizes will be for the best decorated float, the most comical individual and the most comical company in line. Second and third prizes to the most comical individual will also be given.

1413. Turkish Trophies, Why Pay More? 10 for 10¢. [illustration]

1414. Addax. [illustration]

1415. Post, June 8, 1907. The Birth of the American Flag.

An Address to the American People by the G.A. R. in its Behalf.

Next Friday will be the one hundred thirtieth anniversary of the birth of the Flag of the United States. The flag was designed for a nation of thirteen colonies, stretched like a belt along the Atlantic coast, made up of less than three millions of people without common traditions or language; drawn together only by common danger from the savages within, and oppression without, which threatened their existence and liberties. That flag now waves over a nation, extending from the Gulf of Mexico to the Lakes; from the Atlantic to beyond the Pacific Sea; and inhabited by nearly ninety millions of people, who speak a common language.

Our flag is now – in form – the oldest flag of civilized nations. The resolution by Congress for the adoption of the Stars and Stripes on June 14, 1777, was as follows: "Resolved that the Flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.

The design of the flag is credited to George Washington, and in part was taken from his family coat of arms. Such is the origin of a flag dedicated to the proposition that "all men are born free and equal." Let us honor the natal day of our national flag – displaying it from our public buildings, schools and homes in recognition of this memorable day.

The men of the Grand Army of the Republic, who preserved the nation in the greatest war of modern times and made vital the Declaration of our fathers, call upon all who live under the flag to recognize this day in patriotic observances in schools and on the Sunday preceding, in churches. To this end we suggest that the Governor of every state by proclamation announce the day and promote its recognition; that the press scatter this call – as seeds of patriotism – broadcast over the land. Such recognition will nourish the greatness of our nation, inculcate noble citizenship, the principles of civil liberty, and be an object lesson to the new generations that have come on the stage since the Civil War.

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1416. Reception Under the Auspices of the Commercial Travelers' Anti-Trust League. Hon. William J. Bryan, Madison Square Garden Thursday, August 30, '06 6 P. M. General Admission Main Entrance Madison Avenue. [illustration]

1417. The Armory at Catskill, N. Y. [illustration]

1418. Six men in a boat. [illustration]

1419. Catskill Creek, Catskill, N. Y. [illustration]

1420. Haines Falls, N. Y. Catskills. Copyright 1905 by Jno. W. Rusk. [illustration]

1421. Riverside Cottage, New Paltz, N. Y. [illustration]

1422. Lookout Farm, Carl H. P. Kohl, Prop., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [illustration]

1423. Morgan House, Carl H. F. Kohl, Prop., Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [illustration]

1424. Fire Scene, New York. 20th Century No. 12 Fireman's (Acetyline) Hand Lantern. The light penetrates smoke and is not put out by smoke. Read testimonial letters for Chiefs. Oil Tanned Chamois Warrented Washable. Flexible Back, Washing- Cleansing-Polishing. For general uses of sponges and chamois for most uses better than either at a small fraction of the cost. See special circular. 20th Century Mfg. Co. 19 Warren St. N. Y. [illustration]

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1425. Kingston Leader, Oct 12, 1906. Webster Endorsed. Democrats United on First Assembly District Candidate. Political Skies Cleared. Thursday's Convention Action Assures Harmony – Eloquent Speech by Counselor Deyo – Detailed Story of the Proceedings – Delegates in Attendance.

The First Assembly District Convention of Democrats, representing the interests that prevailed at Buffalo, was called to order by James V. Gilmore in the Supervisors' room at the Court House on Thursday noon. In a short speech Mr. Gilmore alluded to the Democratic party, saying that he had always been a Democrat and intended to remain one until Divine Providence removed him from this earth. "At the present time," said Mr. Gilmore, "I am working for the best interests of the party and I hope and pray I may have the pleasure of seeing the self-made man, William Randolph Hearst, elected Governor of the State of New York." Mr. Gilmore's remarks were greeted with applause.

On motion of Frank P. Quigley, James Penny was elected temporary secretary.

Alfred Garrison, John O'Shea and John Noble were appointed a committee on credentials, on motion of Thomas Ward.

The committee later reported the following roll of delegates, which was accepted:

First Ward – John L. O'Shea, Charles D. Deyo.

Second Ward – Unrepresented.

Third Ward- Alfred B. Garrison, Bernard Murray.
Fourth Ward – John Noble, John Schroeder.
Fifth Ward – Frank P. Quigley, James C. Penny.
Sixth Ward – Thomas Ward, Peter Carney, Sr.
Seventh Ward – J. Henry Radenburgh, Harvey J. Smith.
Eighth Ward – David Well, Charles Steger [print faded, could be Stiger]
Ninth Ward – John Noonan, Henry Thomas.
Tenth Ward – Unrepresented.
Eleventh Ward – Unrepresented.
Twelfth Ward – Unrepresented.
Saugerties – F. U. Underhill, James V. Gilmore, W. J. Kelly.
Hurley – Unrepresented.
Kingston (town) - Unrepresented.
Shandaken - Unrepresented.
Ulster - Unrepresented.
Woodstock - Unrepresented.

John O'Shea was made permanent chairman on motion of John Schroeder. James Penny, on motion of Chas. D. Deyo, was elected permanent secretary.

When the nominations were called Charles D. Deyo, representing the First Ward, made a nominating speech as delegate. In referring to the previous convention, Mr. Deyo said that the delegates assembled at the convention today were working for the best interests of the Democratic party; that although conventions purporting to be for the same purpose for which this convention had been called, had been held, yet the delegates to the convention today entertained an honest belief and conviction that this convention was composed of eligible delegates, duly named, who had nothing else but the welfare and best interests of the Democratic party at heart, of not only Ulster county, but of the State of New York. Mr. Deyo said that about three weeks ago there was held a convention composed of delegates who at that time believed they were right; believed that they had been legally named by the Democratic electors of the First Assembly District of Ulster county, and that the convention named delegates, who they knew would espouse the cause of the only man who could lead the Democratic party of the State of New York to victory; that subsequent events had shown and completely proved that the sense and unanimous opinion of that convention were eminently right. The delegates to the convention stood for what they thought was right, and the greatest Gubernatorial convention that has ever been held in New York State emphatically endorsed their opinion. Therefore, this convention today, composed of men whose greatest thought is for the welfare of the Democratic party, wanted to nominate a man in whom every Democrat had trust and confidence, and in order to follow out the policy of this convention to strengthen the ticket in every way possible, he was pleased, as a delegate of the First Ward of the City of Kingston to place before the convention then name of a man for whom he could vouch; a man who has been in public life for some years, and whose integrity, ability and honesty could never be question, Grove Webster, Jr., and that he knew that with such a man on the ticket, headed by the peerless William R. Hearst, the success of Democracy would be assured, and that he was pleased to name him in a convention representing beyond peradventure a triumphant cause and party.

Mr. Deyo's remarks were frequently interrupted by applause.

Then a motion prevailed that the secretary cast the unanimous ballot of the convention for the nomination of Grove Webster, Jr., for Assembly in the First District.

Thomas Ward and Frank P. Quigley were appointed a committee to escort Mr. Webster before the convention.

The nominee's appearance was the signal for long and vociferous applause. When quiet had been restored, Mr. Webster thanked the convention for the honor, saying that he would do all in his power for the success of the whole Democratic ticket.

John N. Clare, Frank B. Underhill and Fred S. Baker were appointed a committee to call future conventions.

Under section 66 of the Election law to fill vacancies, Charles D. Deyo, John Schroeder and Alfred Garrison were appointed.

The convention then adjourned.