GRADE OF SAME CURB: Beginning at the corner opposite the entrance to property belonging to Mrs. Battelle, at an elevation of 174.70 feet, thence ascending at the rate of 0.366 degrees to the western terminus of the street.

The elevation above mentioned refers to a datum which is 100 feet below the flagstone in position at the North East corner of the Iron Bridge across Esopus Creek.

Saugerties, June 4, 1898,

Theodore Paschke, Civil Engineer & Surveyor.

On motion, map and ordinance for Barclay street was adopted and ordered published in the minutes and posted as the law requires, which is as follows:

CLAY STREET BETWEEN CHURCH AND BURT STREETS

LINE OF CURB, WEST SIDE: Beginning at a point at the centre of Church street opposite the lands adjoining the Chapel and belonging to the Simmons Estate, and distant 7 feet 6 inches from the fence thereof, thence running in a southerly direction to a point at the Northerly side of Burt street and distant 7 feet 6 inches from the corner as it now stands.

GRADE WEST SIDE: Beginning at the intersection with the North curbline of Church street, at an elevation of 177.0 feet thence running in a southerly direction and descending at the rate of 0.52 per cent to the intersection with the North curb line of Burt street.

GRADE, EAST SIDE: Beginning at the South side of the junction formed by Valley and Church streets at an elevation of 176.4 feet, thence running in Southerly direction and ascending at the rate of 0.32 per cent, for a distance of 31 feet, thence descending at the rate of 0.6 percent to the intersection with the north curbline of Burt street.

The elevation above mentioned refer to a datum which is 100 feet below the flagstone in position at the N. E. Corner of the Iron Bridge across the Esopus Creek.

Saugerties, June 4, 1898,

Theodore Paschke, Civil Engineer & Surveyor.

On motion, it was ordered that all maps adopted at this meeting be accepted under the resolution of Mr. Cunyes at meeting under the date of April 23, 1898, and applying here in reference to change of Van Ness survey previously made.

On motion, the map for Hill street was adopted, and the ordinance conforming to same was ordered published in the minutes and posted according to law during the following week as same is not yet prepared.

Matter of repairs to crusher was left in the hands of the crusher committee.

Matter of smoke protector for fire department was referred to the firemanic committee and also the question of purchase of a new nozzle.

GENERAL FUND.

Bill of P. Cantine was referred to Finance Committee.

On motion it was ordered that the warrant of Henry Kipper be placed in the hands of the President to be held for five days as per contract before delivery.

Bill of Finger & Lewis was referred, also bill of L. H. Kleeber.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Kingston Freeman, printing ordered, $ 6.00
Wm. Tracy, mounting truck, 1.00
Fred. Grathwold, “ “ 1.00
S. W. Merclean, washing hose, assigned to Wm. Burhans, 1.50
Wm. Tracy, washing closet, 1.00
J. P. Sweeney watching fire, 1.50
“ “ watching truck at depot, 1.50

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Mike Clerkin, watching fire, 1.50
Jas. Russell, lock and hinges, .40
Saugerties Coal Co., 1.40
Jno. Maxwell, street lighting, 46.00
Chas. Capen, engineer steamer, janitor and labor, 14.00
Theo. Paschke, surveyor, 183.25

HEALTH FUND.
Alex. Lackey, sanitary inspector, $ 20.00
Jas. Crump, Commissioner Highways, 29.16
H. Kipper, stone, 239.03
do do, 8.05
William Doyle, labor, 21.38
Fred. Yanchke, “ 22.50
Thos. Field, “ 5.25
Jno. Johnson, “ 5.25
M. Lynch, “ 10.13
Jas. Lavey, “ 8.63
Wm. Yanchke, “ 3.75
Ed. Bates, “ 2.25
Jno. Dixon, “ 1.50
Jno. Simmons, “ .75
Ed. Wright, “ 1.50
P. Corcoran, “ 1.50
D. N. Finger, waste, 4.00
Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

3487. Ex-President John F. Schlosser. [illustration]
On motion, it was ordered that the Street Committee have tram stone taken to build a retaining wall for a four foot walk in Genther’s hollow and in front of Whitaker’s on lot Ulster Avenue. [sic]

On motion, ordered that East Bridge Street be finished, rolled and top dressed where necessary.

Stone Crusher Committee reported repairs to stack.

On motion, ordered that a road be opened from the crusher to the quarry belonging to the village, and on further motion that a survey be made to determine the line of the village property.

On motion, Willoughby Boothman was ordered to put in a round corner on his curb according to the survey on Russell and Partition streets.

On motion the map and ordinance for Clermont street was ordered adopted and posted according to law.

**ESTABLISHING LINES FOR CURBS AND GUTTERS ON CLERMONT STREET, BETWEEN WASHINGTON AVE. AND ITS EASTERN TERMINUS.**

**CURB LINE – BETWEEN CURBS:** - Beginning at a point at the easterly side of Washington avenue, and distant 22.5 ft. from the northerly house line of Clermont street, as it is now occupied, thence running in an easterly direction to a point midway between the division fence of Mrs. Rogers and H. L. Finger on the south side, thence continuing in the same straight line and direction to the center of a lane on the south side of property belonging to E. Finger, thence deflecting to the left, 3 degrees and 44 minutes to the road leading to Field’s landing, being the present easterly terminus of Clermont street.

**CURB LINES:** - Both Curb Lines on the north and south side of this part of Clermont street to run parallel to above described center line, and distant therefrom 12.5 ft. respectively, making the roadway between curb line of a uniform width of 25 ft.

**ELEVATION AND GRADE OF NORTH CURB.**

Beginning at the north west corner of Washington avenue, at an elevation of 111 ft., thence easterly 18 ft. ascending to an elevation of 112 ft., thence 37 feet ascending to an elevation of 114.5 ft., thence 50 ft. ascending to an elevation of 117.8 ft., thence 50 ft. ascending to an elevation of 119.0 ft., thence 50 ft., descending to an elevation of 118.3 ft., thence 33 ft. descending to an elevation of 114.5 ft., thence 150 ft. descending to an elevation of 106.2 ft., thence to the present easterly terminus of Clermont street.

**ELEVATION AND GRADE OF SOUTH CURB.**

Beginning at the south east corner of Washington avenue, at an elevation of 109 ft., thence easterly 18 ft., ascending to an elevation of 110.5 ft., thence 87 ft. ascending to an elevation of 113.7 ft., thence 40 ft. ascending to an elevation of 117.5 ft., thence 50 ft. ascending to an elevation of 118.25 ft., thence 50 ft. descending to an elevation of 117.6 ft., thence 50 ft., descending to an elevation of 116.3 ft., thence 40 ft., descending to an elevation of 114.0 ft. to the westerly side of a lane. Thence beginning at the easterly side of said lane, at an elevation of 113 ft. and running easterly for a distance of about 126 ft., descending to an elevation of 106.0 ft., being the present easterly terminus of Clermont street.

The elevation above mentioned refer to a datum which is 100 ft. below the Stone Base of Iron Railing of steps at the main entrance to Loerzel Bros. brewery, on Partition street.

Saugerties, June 4, 1898,

Theodore Paschke,

Civil Engineer & Surveyor.

On motion the following were appointed as special police for June 22d, and June 21st, if necessary.

Ward No. 1 – John Johnson, Andrew Keeler.
Ward No. 2 – James Jewell and Cole Lewis.
Ward No. 3 – Jno. Lowther, Wm. Stewart, Alex. Lackey.
Constables – Chas. Abeel, Michael Kennedy.
Chief of Police – D. E. Abeel.

All to be subject to the control of the Directors, and the chief to consult with the president in regard to any change that may be needed.
The extra police to be paid $2.00 per day. The constable to be paid same as last convention day, not to exceed $4.00 per day except the chief who is to be paid $5.00.
On motion licenses for selling souvenirs &c. was fixed at $3.00 per day and all other things which are permissible at $5.00 per day and gambling of all description to be prohibited and the clerk was directed to fill out 20 or more blank license forms for the Chief of police, part at $2.00 and part at $5.00 and charged to him and to be accounted for by him.
The following letter was ordered received and filed and entered on the minutes:

SAUGERTIES, May 10th, ’98.
Hon. Alfred P. Lasher, Pres. Board of Directors Village of Saugerties.
My Dear Sir: - In accordance with my statement to the Board, that I would pay the deficiency, when they decided they would not pay more than Eight Hundred Dollars for a new Hook and Ladder truck, unless the old truck was sold for an amount to make up the difference, and as the old truck has not been sold, I herewith enclose you my check for One Hundred Dollars, which makes up the deficiency. I remain,
Yours truly, Mart. Cantine.

On motion the President was empowered to settle for the new truck and issue a warrant at his discretion.
Communication from the local Fire Committee was received and ordered filed inviting the Directors and Clerk to participate in the parade as guests of local committee, and a vote of thanks ordered in return for same.
Bill of H. Kipper was ordered laid over till next meeting.
The following bills were ordered paid from Road Fund
Chas. D. Capen, labor, $ 3.00
Luke Mc Carthy, “ 9.00
Phil. Rilly, “ 9.00
John Johnson, “ 9.00
James Dillon, “ 6.75
John McCormick, “ .75
Mike Lynch, “ 6.75
James Donohue, “ 11.25
John Harmes, “ 9.00
Wm. Dixon, “ 9.00
John Johnson, “ 9.00
James Dumery, “ 9.00
Wm. Doyle, “ 105.95
Fred. Yanchke, “ 54.00
Chas. E. Cornwell, “ 20.25
L. H. Kleeber, Registration, 22.65
Jas. Russell, putty, .12
Wm. E. Person, care clock, 12.00
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 58.00
Henry T. Ennis, decorating Fire-Man's Hall, 20.00
H. K. Gore, decoration Empire Engine House, 5.00
Finger & Lewis, coal and lumber, 40.65
Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

3489. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY.
The DAILY TELEGRAPH and THE WEEKLY TELEGRAPH can be found for sale at the news stands of T. J. Barritt, W. E. Wolven and William P. Kemble.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, July 2nd 1898, with all directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Finance Committee recommended payment of bill of P. Cantine.

Street Committee reported progress on wall in Genthner hollow and board agreed to meet there on Monday next at 10 a. m. and look over the ground.

On motion, Mr. Kipper was ordered to quarry and crush 500 tons more of stone under the same terms and conditions of the contract just completed.

Mr. Russell and Mr. Coon, representing the Cemetery Association, asked for assistance to clean the cemetery such as had been given before by the directors and the matter was laid over until later.

Mr. Davis, representing Mr. James on East Bridge street, stated that he was willing to place curb and gutter as ordered by the board providing the village would cut down the bank in front of the barn and fixed a wall to keep the bank in place and also to build an entrance to the property from the roadway.

Matter of engineer for crusher, in Mr. Capen’s absence, was left in the hands of the crusher committee. Firemanic committee reported painting done to roof of belfry.

On motion, ordered that the bill of Mr. P. Cantine be paid as soon as sufficient funds are in hand for same.

Chief Abeel made his report, and presented a bill for the special police, which was ordered paid, and the thanks of the President were tendered to him for the efficient performances of his duties as chief.

On motion, an extension of 30 days was granted for sidewalk, curb and gutter on Ulster avenue, Clermont, Russell and East Bridge streets.

The following bills were ordered paid from General Fund:

Saug. Electric Light Co., $ 27.00
Wm. H. Eckert, Treas., salary, 50.00
P. Cantine, Attorney’s fees, 220.79
D. E. Abeel, self and special police, 49.00
John Maxwell, street lighting, 46.00
Henry Krantz, police, 26.00
Chas. Abeel, police, 26.00
Saug. Gas Co., 58.66
Jno. McDonough, painting, 2.50

HEALTH FUND.

Alex. Lackey, sanitary inspector, 4.50

ROAD FUND.

H. Kipper, stone, 375.96
P. Corcoran, labor, 13.80
C. E. Cornwell, labor, 9.00
N. Cunyes, labor, 2.40
Wm. Doyle, labor, 78.75
Fred. Yanchke, 47.25
William Dixon, labor, 15.00
J. Donahue, “ 15.75
John Johnson, “ 12.00
James Dumery, “ 15.00
Thos. Farrel, “ 9.00
Ben. Peters, "  9.00
John Harmes, "  6.00
Alex. Lackey, "  1.50
Jas. Dillon, "  7.50
Jas. Crump, Street Commissioner,  29.16

Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

3490. Knights of Pythias, the parting of Damon & Pythias, “Pythias, thy hand again! farewell” Hope Lodge, No. 243, K. of P. Pittsburg, PA. [picture of ribbon] [illustration]

3491. Crossed flags, Irish and American. [picture, the top holder of a ribbon]

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, July 16, 1898, with all directors but Mr. McNally present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
Richard Mac Mullen complained of Wm. Doyle blocking the sidewalk on Allen street with wagons and other obstacles opposite his property, and asked for relief, and Mr. Doyle was ordered notified to keep his wagons off the walk on Allen street.
On motion, the Water Commissioners were ordered to move the hydrant out to the edge of the curb on Russell street, now standing in the walk.
On motion, Mr. Finger was allowed to expend not to exceed two hundred dollars, to repair Clermont street under his direction.
On motion, bids were ordered asked to curb and gutter and lay sidewalk on Russell and Clermont street for those parties who have not complied with the order to curb, gutter and flag, and the parties to be notified to appear before the Board Aug. 6th 1898, and state their intentions.
This also to apply to all delinquents on Ulster Avenue, for laying sidewalk, which is to be good quality blue stone, to be laid of 4 foot flag, not less than 1 ½ inches thick, 18 inches from curb, ½ inch above the curb with a slope of ¼ inch to the foot laid in sand.
Bill of Daniel Lamb was referred.
Bills of Wm. H. Hommel and Saugerties Post were referred, also bill of S. L. Dawes.
On motion a warrant was ordered drawn and held for Mr. Kipper, for 500 tons of stone, not to be delivered to him until the full amount of stone is delivered.
Matter of sign for Postal Telegraph Co. was referred to the street committee, to have same erected under their direction, not to extend into the street.
On motion twenty dollars was allowed Mr. Kipper for what chips may accumulate at the quarry.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>M. M. Baker, Health Board,</td>
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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, August 6th, 1898, with directors Cunyes, Finger, Cornwell and Myer present.

On motion, Mr. Cunyes was asked to preside in the absence of the president and vice president.

Finance committee reported correct on bills of S. L. Dawes, Saugerties Post and Wm. H. Hommel.

Egbert Whittaker appeared and reported his work progressing on Ulster Avenue as ordered.

Sherwood Myer appeared and asked an extension of time, until the 1st of Sept., which was granted, to lay flag on Ulster Avenue.

Director Finger, special committee on Clermont street, reported progress.

On motion, P. Hennegan was granted an exemption certificate.

Bill of John Maxwell Sons was ordered referred, amount $10.27.

On motion, John McCullough was granted 30 days extension to lay flag on Ulster Avenue.

H. A. Ohley appeared and asked the street committee to investigate the street in front of his property on West Bridge street, in view of curbing, and report at next meeting which was ordered.

On motion, the contract to furnish and lay curb and gutter on the corner of Washington Avenue and Clermont street, for Mrs. Cain, was awarded to P. Corcoran for $35.00.

On motion, an extension until the 20th of August was granted to Jas. Paterson estate and John Taylor to lay curb and gutter and to Mrs. Anna Boyle for laying flag, all on Clermont street.

On motion Thos. Hurley was permitted to connect a pipe with the sewer near Lackey's to carry off water on his property at his own expense, and he to be responsible for all damages to pipe.

Mr. Finger was permitted, on motion, to spend one more day in repairing Clermont street, nearly finished, with the men and teams formerly employed.

Petition to repair Russell street was read and Street Commissioner was ordered to go on and repair same, which proposition was voted against by Mr. Cunyes on the ground of no funds on hand to do so at the present time.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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Board adjourned.  J. Dederick, Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held in their room Aug. 20th, 1898. Members present: President Lasher and Directors Cornwell, Myer, Cunyes, McNally and Finger.

The President read a communication from Jas. Dederick, Clerk, resigning as clerk of the village.

Motion made and seconded that his resignation be accepted.

Application from D. W. Maxwell was then read by the President and a motion made and carried that Director Cornwell cast for the Board one vote for D. W. Maxwell for clerk to fill vacancy for balance of year.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

The committee on streets reported that Commissioner Crump was working on the Dock road, and the Commissioner reported he could finish work on Dock with team one-half day and two or three men for a day.

President Lasher stated the reason why work had been ordered on Dock road, that said road was in bad condition and to save expense to the village it was necessary to do some work on it.
Director Finger reported that the curb and gutter had been set in front of Mrs. Cain’s property on Clermont street and it was necessary to put in a few loads of filling to hold curb and gutter in place. On motion the commissioner was ordered to put in same.

Crusher committee reported everything in good order.

Motion made and seconded that chairman of committee, McNally, be ordered to lay up the crushing and make necessary repairs. Motion carried.

Finance committee reported bill of John Maxwell Sons, amount $10.27, correct.

Motion made and seconded that Mr. Mason have permission to use the roller on road to his property. Roller to be returned in good condition. Carried.

On motion clerk was authorized to send bill to Mrs. D. Cain for thirty-five dollars for curb and gutter and labor putting in on property on Clermont street.

Clerk was ordered to notify John Taylor and Patterson estate to curb and gutter in front of their property on Clermont street before Sept. 3rd, and Mrs. Anna Boyle to lay sidewalk on Clermont street or Board would advertise for bids to do so.

On motion the communication from E. B. Codwise was received and placed on file.

Bills ordered paid

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Collector John Crowley appeared before the Board and asked for an extension of 30 days, which was granted.

On motion the commissioner was ordered to repair the holes on Russell street and on Washington avenue in front of residence of Samuel Truesdale, also West Bridge street and lower portion of McCarthy street.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Sept. 3rd, 1898. President Lasher presiding. All the Directors present. The minutes of the two previous meetings read for information. Communication read from J. F. McCullough in relation to laying sidewalk in front of his property on Ulster Avenue.

Motion made and carried the communication be received and placed on file and he be notified that work be commenced before expiration of time or the Board would take action.

Mr. Philip Smith appeared before the Board in relation to sidewalks on the east side of Elm street, stated some of the sidewalks were not on grade and in wet weather were dangerous.

Director Cornwell reported nothing could be done in regards curbing in front of property of H. A. Ohley, on West Bridge street, until filling was made. Director Finger reported Russell street was not in good condition.

Motion made and carried that residents of the village should see that there [sic] gutters are cleaned and grass cut away from the sidewalks, within two weeks, or the Commissioner would be ordered to do same at the expense of property owners.

On motion, director Myer was appointed committee of one with commissioner Crump to examine curb and gutter in front of property of F. T. Russell and Mrs. L. B. Adams on Livingston street.

Motion made and carried that W. Shultis, agent, Andrew Jacobs, J. W. Davis, Geo. Elmendorf and Dr. E. Brink be notified to raise their sidewalks on Elm street, to proper grade, within 30 days.

Motion made and carried that Michael Donlon and Trustees of German Lutheran Church be notified to lay flag in front of their property on Ulster avenue.

Motion made and carried that the President act with Commissioner Crump in regards to fixing bad places on roads with least expense, &c.

McNally of crusher committee reported progress.

Henry Kipper appeared before the board and stated he would furnish 3,900 tons of stone delivered at crusher at 48c. a ton, or on the street complete at 80c. a ton, and will wait until June, 1899, for pay. Motion made and seconded that the Board advertise for bids for stone to crush, parties to wait until June, 1899 for pay. The Board to have right to reject any or all bids. On call for yes and noes. The following was the vote. President Lasher, aye; Cornwell, aye; Myer, no; Cunyes, no; McNally, no; Finger, no. Total, ayes, 2; noes 4. Motion lost.

Bill of J. H. De Witt, $1.25 referred to Finance Committee.

Bill of Thos. Field, work on crusher, $12.00, referred to McNall, [sic] committe [sic] on crusher, and on his approval ordered paid.

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds were on hand to meet them:

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Jno. Johnson, 4 " " 4.50
Michael Lynch, 1½ “ “ 2.25
Wm. Lowther, 1 “ “ 1.50
Jas. Dillon, 1 “ “ 1.50
Thos. Field, work on crusher, 12.00

As complaints have been made of persons firing air guns and sling shots, in the streets, the clerk was ordered to call the guilty persons to attention to Sec. 5, Page 22, By-Laws of the Village.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

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When President McKinley called for volunteers at the opening of the war with Spain, thousands of men presented themselves in response to the call. Patriotism ran high, and as each company of men left their homes to fight for the weal of their country, realizing the sacrifice which they were compelled to make, the citizens everywhere gave them grand and fitting demonstrations of farewell. To-day Saugerties gave honor, homage and ovation to her volunteer fire department, every member of each company, as great a hero, as those who have gone to the front to face the bullets, for when the fire bell calls them to duty they respond at once. While our fire laddies are not subject to the bullets of an enemy, yet the jeopardize and imperil their lives for the sake of others, exemplifying at all time, while engaged in their duty at fires the lessons of altruism, sacrificing their lives to give succor in the time of need.

The occasion to day was the second annual inspection and parade of our department and every citizen had reason to be proud. Men stalwart and strong, brave and intrepid, fearless and courageous, young and old, paraded through our streets in showy uniforms and glittering helmets, drawing glistening apparatus, and viewed with envy to every onlooker. Headed by bands of music playing appropriate airs, and marching with exact precision and step, erect and commanding figure the companies presented an attractive appearance. Everybody smiled with complacent approval, even “old Sol” giving his note of approval by shining brightly and “old Boreas,” lending his presence to the occasion by gently zephyrs which were wafted through the air, making the march a delectation and pleasure. People everywhere greeted the firemen – and no finer volunteer department can be found anywhere in the State – with loud hurrahs and applause, and even “Old Glory” which was displayed prominently everywhere fluttered its folds in silent adoration while the fire laddies received the plaudits of the crowds with smiling countenances. The companies assembled on Partition street in front of Fireman’s Hall at 1:30 o’clock with their apparatus and were inspected by the Village Board of Directors and chief engineer Hassinger and his assistants Cantine and Dale and everything was found in slick shape.

The parade followed, the line forming on Partition street, the right resting on Lafayette, and the following was the formation:

Chief Engineer and Assistants,
Board of Directors in Carriages,
Williamson’s Cornet Band,
Exempt Firemen,
R. A. Snyder Hose Co.,
Empire Band,
Washington Hook & Ladder Co.,
Laflin Hose Co.,
Minnehaha Steamer.

The line of march was through the following streets:
Lafayette to Washington avenue, to Main, to A. P. Lasher's and countermarch, to Market to Ulster avenue, to Myer, to Livingston, to Second, to Main to West Bridge to Bridge, to Hill, to Theodore Place, to East Bridge, to Bridge, to McCarthy, to Partition, to Main, to Market, countermarch to Washington avenue, to Russell, to Partition, to Lafayette, to Market to Main to Partition where it was dismissed.

GATHERED FROM THE MARCH.

The Exempts with the old Empire hand engine reminded one of the days when we ran “wid de ol’ masheen.”

As usual Snyder Hose in their fawn colored uniforms drawing their beautiful silver plated carriage attracted much attention.

Laflin Hose in their cadet gray suits, soldierly bearing, were matchless in their execution of intricate manoeuvres while marching.

The cynosure of all eyes was that new truck of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. It’s a beauty without doubt.

In the ranks of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. was one of Col. Torey’s Rough Riders, Teddy De Nike, who holds membership in the company. He was attired in the Cavalry uniform of the U. S. A.


James C. Ewing of Yonkers, N. Y., attempted suicide in this village Tuesday afternoon by drinking two ounces of landanum. He bought the poison on Monday at Wardle’s Drug Store in Hudson claiming he wanted to use it as a relief for a tooth ache. He left Hudson and went to Catskill on the small steamer running from that place to Catskill. He walked from there here. He drank the poison in front of Howard Bogardus’ residence on Main Street about three o’clock in the afternoon. He was noticed to be acting as if he was sick by Mrs. John A. Snyder at about 5:30 o’clock who discovered him and remarked that he had taken something and seeing Adam Dedrick asked him to send for a doctor. Adams also saw him hanging over the fence of Mrs. John Gillespy corner of Main and 2nd streets and asked him what was the matter and he said he was sick. Adams then called Dr. Diedling who responded immediately. He examined him and said he had taken poison which he denied.

He was carried into the doctor’s office and laid upon the lounge, where he was questioned by him, but he could not find out anything from him. The doctor asked him if he had taken morphine or opium, and he said he had not. The doctor believing from his symptoms that he was suffering from poison, gave him an emetic which made him vomit. He gradually went into a state of collapse. The doctor asked him his name which he gave correct as James C. Ewing, but could not find out where he was from. He was asked why he had taken it, and he said he did not know. His condition became so alarming that a search of his clothing was made by the doctor, and in his vest pocket was found the following note, written on a piece of newspaper:

“My name is James C. Ewing. Send my body to Mr. Wm. Ewing, 87 Woodworth avenue, Yonkers, N. Y.”

The remaining articles found on his person was a silver watch, a new testament, a bunch of keys, a wallet with three shin-plasters of the denomination of 50 cents, 25 cents and 10 cents, and nine cents in money.

He wandered from home on August 1st and no trace of him could be found. He was out of his mind, several parties have been out searching for him or his body on several occasions in the woods across the river opposite Yonkers. He had been ill for three months past.

He was walked back and forth all night long and until 5 o’clock this morning in the yard adjoining the doctor’s office, and just before midnight was given an electric shock of 250 volts which considerable revived him, after which the walking process was again resumed with a man supporting him on either side.
The event created a great sensation and crowds of people gathered at the scene some of whom remained till long after midnight.
The bottle which had contained the poison, which held about two ounces and was thrown away by him, was found in the gutter near Mr. Bogardus’ residence where he had thrown it.
He was 23 years of age, and a machinist by occupation. He had visited in this town last spring, and made a number of acquaintances.
This morning his father and mother arrived from Yonkers with an early Central train and took him with them on the West Shore 11:19 A. M. train to Kingston Point, from which they returned to Yonkers with the day boat.
Dr. Diedling by his early diagnosis discovered that his condition was such that he had taken opium in some form and later symptoms confirmed him in that belief and he treated him accordingly. The doctor worked hard all night long with him and his efforts were finally crowned with success and the young man’s life was saved.

Shortly before twelve o’clock Saturday night the barn on Partition street belonging to the Gustave Peters estate was discovered to be on fire and an alarm was sounded which was quickly responded to by the fire department. Snyder Hose Co. attached a length of hose to the hydrant in front of Butzel’s store and when the water was turned on something was found to be wrong at the nozzle as the water would not flow. On removing it a stone was found lodged at the opening which had been forced through the hose from the hydrant where it had been lodged apparently by boys who have been in the habit of removing the hydrant caps and filling the opening with sand and stones.
In the meantime Laflin Hose arrived on the scene, and took water from a hydrant on Russell street, and stretching a line of hose through the garden of the Van Buskirk property soon had a stream on the fire. In the meantime the fire had gained such headway that it communicated to the barn of C. F. Suderley’s Sons, adjoining, which was also destroyed.
The bakery was badly scorched in the rear but was saved from taking fire by Washington Hook & Ladder Co. who by means of their water buckets and chemical fire extinguishers succeeded in keeping the flames under control until the nozzle on the Snyder Hose Company’s hose had been removed and cleared from the stone which had clogged it, when a stream of water was turned on which prevented any further danger in that direction. In the meantime Snyder Hose Co. had brought their reserve jumper into use and connected a line of hose to the hydrant in front of Preston’s store and soon after had another stream of water playing on the flames and the surrounding property.
At one time it looked as though a large fire would result but owing to the exertion of the firemen this was happily prevented. A strong wind was blowing from the north which carried flaming shingles and cinders a long distance, which alighting upon shingle roofs, threatened to fire them also.
Cinder was picked up as far away as the iron bridge. The roof of the residence of Willoughby G. Boothman and the California House was on fire at one time, but was extinguished with pails of water. The fire on the roof of the California House was reached by means of a long ladder which is kept at the Electric Light station.
When the fire was at its height [sic] it was feared the barn on the north belonging to the Henry Tepe estate would go, but by good work and the fact that the wind was blowing in the opposite direction it was kept from danger. This is the barn occupied by Doyle, the truckman, and in it was a number of horses and valuable wagons, trucks, carriages, etc. There were all removed to a place of safety.
The fire was drowned out about half an hour after midnight and chief Hassinger sent the companies home. A line of hose was left attached to the hydrant at Preston’s and Clarence Merritt and William Yonker of Laflin Hose, Fred. Grathwohl and James P. Sweeney of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Ford
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Myer and John M. Adams of Snyder Hose Co., were detailed to watch the ruins. During the night they found it necessary to turn the water on twice and at daylight the ruins had ceased to smoulder. Fred. Hildebrant first discovered the fire and sounded an alarm which was quickly taken up by others and in a remarkably short period of time the department was at work. Charles Reilley, who is employed by the Messrs. Suderleys and Chester E. Blackwell were first at the barn and succeeded in getting out the horses and one or two wagons, but all of the other contents, including five sleighs, a new baker wagon, two other wagons, hay, straw, oats, etc., were entirely consumed, the fire making such headway it was impossible to remove anything else.

The barn on the Peter's place, where the fire originated, was totally destroyed with its contents, consisting of a wine-making apparatus and several large wooden casks belonging to an Italian named Demaron, who keeps a small confectionery store in the building adjoining Holden's saloon. He had no insurance on the property destroyed, neither was there any insurance on the barn.

The Suderleys estimate their loss at about $1,000, on which there is no insurance. Mr. Suderley, Sr., informed a representative of THE TELEGRAPH, that there had been an insurance of $750 on this property at one time and when the insurance rates were raised some years ago he allowed it to elapse. When rates were reduced after the water works were purchased by the village an insurance of $500 was again placed upon the property, but about two years ago that also was allowed to elapse and it had not been reinsured since.

The origin of the fire is not known, but caused probably by carelessness of someone in dropping ashes from a pipe or a cigar in the wine-making room of the Peters barn, as there is where the fire was first discovered.

3499. Thomas Alva Edison, The Wizard of Electricity. [illustration]

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What memories cluster about the companionships of nearly two generations ago the then school children. How widely the survivors are scattered and how many have rendered up their last account and joined the great majority in the unknown beyond.

The following list of names of pupils who attended School District No. 10 in this village in the year beginning Nov. 26, 1838, and ending Dec. 31st, 1839, as then taught by the teacher, James H. Dikeman, will prove very interesting reading by all the survivors who see it.

The list is kindly loaned THE TELEGRAPH by Ezra Carnright of this village who unearthed it from among many other documents left by his father-in-law, the late John Maines. The list is as follows:

Capt. Newby S. Barritt has received the following letter from his son George, written at Dawson City, in the Klondike, under date of July 25th, 1898, which THE TELEGRAPH is permitted to publish.

DEAR FATHER – We have been in Dawson for nearly two months and I have not had a single letter still there is a mail from the outside every few days, I am sure there is mail here for me but the facilities for handing the P. O. business is conducted so poorly that at least one half of the letters that reach here are never delivered. When you write again have the letter registered and then I shall probably get it. I have just got back to Dawson from a long hard trip to the lower end of Dominion Creek, where a number of claims had been reserved for the crown. It has been contended by a prominent law firm that the Gold Commissioner had no right to withhold them from public entry, and we have staked the claims 52 in number.

These lawyers are going to fight it out in Ottawa; if they win they get half of each claim, if not they get nothing. The claims are valued from $10,000 to a hundred thousand each. I will make something out of it should they be successful. As soon as I get rested I am going out to prospect a claim on Eldorado that I have had recorded. It is what is known here as a hillside claim, some of which have turned out very rich. It adjoins No. 37 Eldorado, one of McDonald’s properties that turned out nearly $300,000 at the clean-up this spring, and if I can find the old channel the chances are that I will be well paid for my trouble of burning and sinking shafts.

More than half of the people who came in to Dawson this spring, have gone away, either down to American Territory, or back to the States, but I have been too long trying to get here to give up without giving it a good hard trial. I met Mr. Leak several days ago, and had quite a long talk with him. He did not bring in the pumping machinery he spoke about when in New York. He said it was not ready to come over the trail in time, and that he will not bring it in until next Spring. He is now in Circle City, but will be back in a couple of weeks. He said he would do what he could to get me located for the winter. I will see him when he returns. I have seen Seattle papers of July 9th, containing accounts of the naval engagements, and the United States seems to have been very successful. I hope the war will soon be over as it must occasion a terrible suspense and a great depression in business.

Four steamers have arrived at Dawson from St. Michael but they did not bring many passengers. There need be no fear of a shortage of provisions here this winter, as most of the people that have gone out have disposed of their out-fits here, and the trading companies are getting in big stocks by the steamers. At the present time provisions can be purchased here for less than it costs to bring them in over the trail. We have had some very warm weather this month, the thermometer registered 100 degs. for two days last week. I thought when I started this letter that I could get it away last night, but the steamer has been delayed and will not go until the 30th. To-day I received a copy of Vim, the paper that Uncle Leon is connected with, and a programme of the Firemen’s Convention from Aunt Alice. You can thank her for me, and tell her that I will write her if we ever get settled. It has been a case of upset ever since we left Skaguay but I hope to be in a cabin within the next few weeks, and then I shall feel more at home. The days are growing shorter quite rapidly; when we came here it was light for the whole twenty-four hours, and now it is dark from 11 p. m. to 1 p. m. There is considerable sickness here, principally a sort of summer complaint, caused I think by the bad sanitary conditions and poor water. I should like to
send some photographs of Dawson and the mines but I am afraid they will go astray or get broken, but I
will bring a good collection when I come home. Mr. Starkey is due here with his twin screw propeller,
but I cannot find anyone on the boats now here that has seen her, and unless she is very light draft he
will have to hurry as the Yukon is falling very rapidly.
Beef is still a dollar a pound. I was in hopes it would get lower as I should like to have it at least once a
week.
A number of chickens came in to-day, they sold at $15 apiece. There are about half a dozen cows in
town. Milk is $2 a quart.
The fare to Seattle by way of St. Michael is from $150 to $300, or up river and over Calton trail to tide
water $160. There are steamers all the way to Lake Bennett, they run from here to the Pink Rapids and
transfer to steamer that runs to the White Horse, and then take tram-way around to steamer for Lake
Bennett.
Hoping you are all well at home. I will close with love to all. From your son, George.


3503. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 12, 1898. – THE WORK OF KING FIRE - C. F. Suderley's Sons Barn Destroyed, Mrs. Gustav Peters Barn Destroyed and Roofs set on Fire by Flying Sparks.
The large barn and sheds of C. F. Suderley Sons, on Partition street, and the barn of Mrs. Gustav Peters
adjoining were totally destroyed by fire on Saturday evening, the origin being unknown. About a
quarter to twelve o'clock, the slumbers of our residents were disturbed by the cries of “fire!” “fire!”
which rent the air, and the brilliant illumination in the sky. The alarm was given by the fire bell and in a
few minutes, Snyder Hose and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. were on the scene, quickly followed by
Laflin Hose. Chief Hassinger and Assistant Chief Cantine were on hand and directed the work of the
firemen. A line of hose was stretched from the hydrant in front of Butzel’s but it was some time before
the water came. Another line was stretched from Preston’s hydrant, while Laflin Hose stretched one
from Russell street, and the three streams were being poured on the burning building, while
Washington Hook & Ladder Co. did effective work. When the fire was discovered it had been burning
some time and had gained considerable headway, but the prompt and efficient work of the firemen –
and we are proud of them – succeeding in saving the bake shop and barns adjoining. The fire was a
fierce one and the sparks flew around for a while and threatened dire devastation.
The fire started in the barn of Mrs. Peters. In the barn of Suderley’s were six horses, a cow, about two
ton of straw, several sets of harness, sleighs, wagons and ten bushels of oats. The horses and cow were
rescued and several wagons and some harness, but the sleighs, a new wagon and the straw and oats
were consumed. The loss is about $1500 there being no insurance on the barn or its contents. The loss
sustained by Mrs. Peters is about $400, the barn being not insured. In the barn were two stoves and
some other stuff which was destroyed.

THE OTHER FIRES.
No sooner had the Sudderly fire been brought under control, when the cry “there’s a fire downtown”
was echoed about. A detail of firemen was sent to the scene at once, the residence of Mrs. Nolan,
opposite the electric light station on Partition street, where the roof had became ignited from flying
sparks. When the firemen arrived, the blaze had been extinguished by Martin Baker with a few pails of
water.
A flying spark also started a fire on the roof of Willoughby Boothman’s house, corner of Russell and
Partition street, but it was put out by bystanders.

3504. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 12, 1898. – Where the Delay Came In.
The delay in getting water at the Sudderly fire Saturday evening was due to the fact that several stones
which had been dropped in the uncapped hydrant at Butzel’s, by boys it is supposed, had been forced
through the hose by the pressure of water and clogged the nozzle, preventing the water from going through. At the hydrant near Preston’s it was necessary to cut a grove [sic] in the telegraph pole in order to turn on the water.

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3505. New York Herald, Monday Sept 19, 1898. - MISS DAVIS DIES AT NARRAGANSETT. – Illness of the “Daughter of the Confederacy” Suddenly Took a Change for the Worse. – LOST STRENGTH RAPIDLY. – Death Came at Noon Sunday After a Night and Morning of Suffering. NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., Sunday – Miss Winnie Davis, daughter of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, widely known and beloved in the Southern States of the Union as the “Daughter of the Confederacy,” died at noon to-day at the Rockingham Hotel, to which place she came in the early part of the season. Miss Davis had been ill for several weeks, and a fortnight ago her ailment was diagnosed as malarial gastritis. Although her condition became very serious, frequent rallies gave renewed hope that she would ultimately recover. During the last week it was thought that her removal from the hotel would be possible in a few days. The hotel had been closed and Miss Davis and her attendants were practically alone in the house. A relapse in Miss Davis’ condition was noticed last night. This morning the physicians said that the end was not far off, and at noon she died. Mrs. Davis had watched unremittingly at her daughter’s bedside. Her physicians report that she is holding up with great calmness in her affliction, and no fears are at present entertained to her health succumbing to the strain.

3506. New York Herald, Monday Sept. 19, 1898. – Miss Davis was Born near the Close of the War, and Was with Her Father in Prison. RICHMOND, Va., Sunday – Miss Varina Anne Jefferson Davis – Miss “Winnie,” as she is the South – was born in the Executive Mansion of the Confederacy, in this city, in June, 1864, and when she was an infant she shared her father’s prison cell and was much petted by the officers at Fort Monroe. The first five years of her life were spent in England, but she came back to Memphis, Tenn., afterward. At a very early age she showed a taste for reading and her parents directed her mind with care. Her father was particularly fond of her precocity and loved to read aloud to her and listen to her wise comments. The South’s climate did not agree with the child, so she was sent to a boarding school at Carlshrue, Germany, where she became proficient in German and French. Later she went to Paris and studied music and drawing, progressing rapidly. At the age of seventeen, Miss Davis returned to her father’s quiet home, Beauvoir, Miss., and continued her studies under her father’s direction. She made her social debut in New Orleans soon after her return from Paris, as Queen of the Mardi Gras carnival. Shortly afterward she accompanied her father to a reception in Atlanta, Ga., where she was introduced by General John B. Gordon, as the “Daughter of the Confederacy,” a sobriquet by which she has been known by every ex-Confederate. The death of Miss Davis’ father on December 6, 1891, occurred when she was on a second visit to Paris, and the blow so shocked her that her life was despaired of. She returned to America, and soon afterward went with her mother to New York to live, where she could better pursue a literary career. She has written since “The Veiled Doctor” and “On Summer Seas,” two novels which had a wide circulation in the South. When she was taken ill recently she was engaged on another more pretentious literary work. Miss Davis has since her father’s death travelled extensively in Europe and Asia and became one of the most prominent women in the United States.
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ATLANTA, Ga., Sunday. – Miss Winnie Davis appeared in public for the last time, it is believed, in this city, July 21. The occasion was the parade of former Confederates, who held their annual reunion this year in Atlanta. Miss Davis was a guest of honor, and occupied a carriage with the widow of “Stonewall” Jackson and Miss Caro Lewis Gordon, a daughter of General Gordon. The procession started under an auspicious sky, but before proceeding far a heavy storm came up, and the rain, which fell in torrents, drenched the occupants of the carriage.

3508. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 26, 1898. - A HARMONIOUS PRIMARY. – That of the Democrats in the Court Room. - The Cox Delegates Win by 158 Majority – Other Delegates Elected to the County and Assembly Conventions.

With every available parcel of space congested with humanity, the court room in Russell Block was not a very desirable place to be in on Thursday evening. The atmosphere was intensely oppressive, and the fetid odor which was redolent throughout the room was anything but pleasant. The coming together of the primary of the Democratic electors of the three village wards, and the crowd not only packed the court room, but extended down the stairs to the street. It resembled a football team getting ready for a mass play. While it was expected that the affair would prove exciting and real warm, yet it was a very harmonious gathering, everything passing off as smoothly as though it had been greased and oiled. Everything was quiet and peaceable and not the slightest inkling of any discord was apparent. Frank Pidgeon and Chas. B. Cox, the candidates, worked indefatigably to win. At 8:30 o’clock the polls were opened and for one hour there was a steady stream of votes being poured in until the polls were declared closed. The total vote was 227, and Cox’s ticket won by 158 majority.

Chairman Ernest Hassinger, of the Democratic town committee, called the meeting to order and Henry A. Ohley nominated Supervisor Edmund M. Wilbur for chairman, and Mr. Wilbur was elected unanimously. Counselor M. F. Kenney was chosen secretary and Patrick Corcoran and Michael Fitzgerald tellers.

The contest was for delegates to the First Assembly District Convention which meets in Kingston on Sept. 8th.

The candidates for delegates favorable to Cox with the vote received were:

| Dist. No. 1 | Lewis H. Kleeber  | 190 |
| " " 2      | John Crowley    | 190 |
| " " 3      | James Sickles   | 190 |

For Pidgeon

| Dist. No. 1 | Irwin Ronk     | 32  |
| " " 2      | Rudger Suderley| 36  |
| " " 3      | Michael Sexton | 33  |

The delegate elected to the County Convention was Samuel Cohen and Frank Russell, Frank W. Loerzel and John McDonough were elected delegates to the First Assembly District Convention to be hereafter called.

A motion was made by Martin Sexton and seconded by Frank Pidgeon that a committee of five be appointed to draft a resolution, requesting that the town of Saugerties be allowed six delegates, one for each election district for the County Convention hereafter.

OTHER TOWN PRIMARIES

At the primary in District No. 4, Thomas Nolan was elected delegate to the Assembly Convention to be held in Kingston, September 8th. Michael Hackett was elected delegate to the County Convention and Edward Brown to the Assembly Convention to be called later.
In District No. 5, Daniel J. Burke was chosen delegate to the Assembly Convention at Kingston on September 8, Thomas Mooney to the County Convention and Benjamin Murray to the Assembly Convention to be called later.

In District No. 6, the delegate elected to the Assembly Convention at Kingston on September 8th, was Bartley Fitzpatrick, to the County Convention, William Craft to the Assembly Convention to be called later, Jacob France.

All the delegates chosen were favorable to Charles B. Cox as delegate to the state convention. Mr. Cox is favorable to Surrogate Betts as candidate for Supreme Court Judge.

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Upon alighting Mayor Lasher welcomed the distinguished guest to Saugerties on behalf of its people, and Commander Barritt welcomed him on behalf of the soldiers and sailors of the civil war, to which Lieut. French responded in a few well chosen words.

At this stage of the proceedings the noise and confusion was so great that it was impossible to hear anything that was said by persons standing more than five or six feet away. Mr. and Mrs. French were escorted to the piazza where their homecoming was heartily welcomed by those dear to them and after more cheering and noise the people dispersed and the demonstration was at an end.

The reception was a complete surprise to them, as they had no inkling of what was in store for them until upon arrival of their train at the depot. Lieut. French was dressed in the same brown uniform he wore while on service in the Santiago campaign.

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War between the United States and Spain began April 21, 1898, that date being named in an act of Congress passed on April 25, declaring that a state of war existed. Spain issued a declaration of war on April 24.

Hostilities ended with the signing of protocol by the Secretary of State for the United States, and M. Cambon, the French Ambassador, acting for Spain, on August 12, 1898. The war lasted 114 days. The principal events preceding and during the war, and the dates on which they occurred are as follows:

- February 15 – The United States battleship Maine was blown up in the harbor of Havana. According to the report of the Court of Inquiry appointed by the United States the explosion was due to an external mine.
- April 20 – President McKinley, authorized by Congress to intervene in Cuba, using the United States military and naval forces, sent an ultimatum to Spain. The Spanish Minister at once left Washington, and the next day the United States Minister left Madrid.
- April 22 – A proclamation was issued by the President, blockading the principal ports of Cuba.
- April 23 – President McKinley issued a call for 125,000 volunteers to serve for two years.
- April 27 – The batteries of Matazas, Cuba, were shelled by Admiral Sampson’s flagship, the New York, with the monitor Puritan and the cruiser Cincinnati.
- April 29 – The Spanish fleet, commanded by Admiral Cervera, consisting of the Cristobal Colon, the Almirante, Oquenda, the Maria Teresa and the Vizcaya, and the Furor, Terror and Pluton, left the Cape Verde Islands for Cuba.
- May 1 – Rear Admiral Dewey, commanding the United States Asiatic squadron, destroyed the entire Spanish fleet in the Philippines without losing a man.
- May 11 – The Wilmington, Winslow and Hudson engaged the Spanish batteries at Cardenas. Ensign Bagley and four of the Winslow’s crew were killed. Major General Wesley Merritt was ordered to the Philippines as military governor.
- May 12 – A United States fleet, commanded by Rear Admiral Sampson, bombarded the fortification of San Juan, Porto Rico.
- May 19 – Admiral Cervera’s fleet reached Santiago de Cuba, and a few days later were “bottled up” there by the “flying squadron” of Commodore Schley.
- May 25 – President McKinley called for 75,000 more volunteers. Twenty-five hundred United States troops sailed from San Francisco for Manila, several thousand more following later.
- May 31 – The Massachusetts, Iowa and New Orleans bombarded the fortifications at the mouth of Santiago Harbor. There were bombarded again several times after Admiral Sampson took command of the fleet.
- June 3 - Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson with seven men ran the collier Merrimac into Santiago Harbor and sank her in the channel, under the fire from the Spanish forts. Hobson and his men were taken prisoners.
- June 10 – Six hundred marines were landed at Calmanera, Guantanamo Bay, where sharp skirmishing continued for several days, several Americans being killed.
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June 12 – The Fifth Army Corps, commanded by Brigadier General Shafter, sailed from Tampa on twenty-nine transports for Santiago, arriving off there on June 20.

June 13 – President McKinley signed the War Revenue bill, providing for the raising of revenues by a stamp tax and providing for a popular bond loan.

June 17 – A Spanish fleet under Admiral Camara left Cadiz for the Philippines, but returned after passing through the Suez Canal.

June 22 – General Shafter’s troops disembarking at Baiquiri and Siboney near Santiago.

June 24 – Roosevelt’s Rough Riders were attacked while advancing toward Santiago: sixteen Americans were killed and forty more wounded before the Spaniards were repulsed.

July 1 – General Lawton took El Caney, near Santiago, and General Kent, commanding the First division of the Fifth Army Corps, which include the Second, Sixth, Ninth, Tenth, Thirteenth, Sixteenth and Twenty-fourth infantry, and the Seventy-first New York Volunteers, took San Juan hill after heavy fighting. Official report gave the American losses 231 killed and 1,364 wounded and missing.

July 3 – Admiral Cervera’s squadron made a dash out of Santiago Harbor and every vessel was sunk or disabled by the American fleet. General Shafter demanded the surrender of Santiago. The seizure of Guam, in the Ladrone Islands, by the Charleston was reported.

July 7 – President McKinley signed resolutions passed by the Senate annexing the Hawaiian Islands to the United States, and the Philadelphia was ordered to Honolulu to raise the American flag.

July 17 – General Toral, in command of the Spanish troops at Santiago, General Linarez being wounded, surrendered his forces and the eastern portion of the province of Santiago de Cuba to General Shafter.

July 20 – General Leonard R. Wood, formerly colonel of the First Volunteer cavalry, was appointed Military Governor of Santiago.

July 25 – United States troops, under General Nelson A. Miles, landed at Guanica, Porto Rico, the town having surrendered to the Gloucester after a few shots.

July 26 – Ponce, the second largest city in Porto Rico, surrendered to General Miles, and he was received by the residents with joyful acclamations. Capture of several other towns, with little or no fighting, followed.

July 30 – President McKinley’s statement of the terms on which he would agree to end the war was given to the French Ambassador. The President demanded the independence of Cuba, cession of Porto Rico and one of the Ladrones to the United States and the retention of Manila by the United States pending the final disposition of the Philippines by a joint commission.

July 31 – United States troops engaged the Spaniards at Malate, near Manila, in the Philippines, and repulsed them with some loss on both sides.

August 9 – The French Ambassador presented to President McKinley Spain’s reply, accepting his terms of peace.

August 12 – Protocols agreeing as to the preliminaries for a treaty of peace were signed by Secretary Day and the French Ambassador. United States military and naval commanders were ordered to cease hostilities. The blockages of Cuba, Porto Rico, and Manila were lifted and the war was ended.

3513. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 12, 1898. – AN AGED CITIZEN DEAD. Thomas J. Barritt Expires After a Week’s Illness. – Was One of the Leading Men of Our Community – First Chief Engineer of the Fire Department.

Death this morning removed our esteemed and upright citizen, Thomas J. Barritt, from this sphere to the sphere above, after an illness of one week, from an attack of prostatitis. Stricken on Sunday morning, Sept. 4th, with the disease, he was a sufferer from severe pain until an opening performed by Drs. Shrady and Montgomery gave him relief. His pain continued however, and it was necessary to perform an operation each day. On Saturday evening he was taken worse, and it was decided to perform an operation on Sunday morning and if possible get at the seat of the disease. This was done by Drs. Chambers, Stern and Van Hovenburg, of the Kingston City Hospital staff, Dr. Montgomery and Dr.
Shrady, of Bellevue hospital New York, and it was discovered that there were several tumors which produced the disease and that no relief could be given. About six o’clock Sunday evening Mr. Barritt fell asleep and remained in a coma until he passed away at ten minutes past eleven o’clock this morning. The deceased was a man of high moral principles, sterling integrity and strong character, honored and revered by all who fortunately possessed his friendship. As a citizen his influence in the community was felt, and his lose to us is great. Always firm in his dealings and conscientious in his methods he succeeded in building up a large and lucrative business which he had charge of up to his illness.

Mr. Barritt was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., November 15, 1818, and was the son of Thomas Barritt. Remaining with his parents until the autumn of 1832, he chose the vocation of a whaler and shipped on the bark “Vermont,” on a three years’ cruise. He continued in this business for fourteen years, mastering the duties aboard a ship from cabin boy to captain. During his career as a whaler he visited the Sandwich Islands (now Hawaii) and other places, and mastered several languages among which was the Kanaka language, which figured so prominently in the Andrew Kipp will contest. He sailed on the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans. In the year 1846 he decided to leave the pleasures of seafaring life, and in 1852 he came to Saugerties.

Leasing the building on the corner of Main and James streets, in which the store now is, he opened a stationery, book and newspaper business and by strict attention he accumulated a nice competence. In the village, he held the distinction of being the first chief engineer of the fire department, having been elected in 1855, and all the firemen of our village learned to respect him with a filial love. He was married twice. By his first wife he had three sons, Leon, the famous cartoonist, Eugene, the express agent, and Newby, superintendent of the Cornell Towing Co., and two daughters, Alice and Kate, the deceased wife of Supervisor Wilbur. By his second wife, one daughter, was born, Nina.

The entire community bows with grief at the loss sustained and sympathy is extended to the bereaved ones in their dark hour. The funeral will be held at the Congregational church Wednesday afternoon at two o’clock and the entire fire department will attend.

3514. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 14, 1898. – Funeral of Capt. Barritt. – Services at the Congregational Church – The Remains Escorted by the Fire Department to Their Final Resting Place. The remains enclosed in a casket covered with black cloth and a profusion of flowers was carried into the church by Charles Wilbur, Gaston Wilbur, A. Sidney Barritt, J. H. Murphy, Herford F. Coon and a Mr. Parrott of Marlborough, all young men and relatives, who acted as pall bearers, and deposited it upon the chancel. At the head of the casket stood an elegant set floral piece a gift of the fire department, representing a fireman’s trumpet and a star with the inscription, “Our First Chief, 1856. S. F. D.” At the foot was a huge and beautiful floral anchor inscribed “Father,” the gift of his children. Two trumpets draped in mourning were also placed upon the casket.

Rev. W. F. Stowe, pastor of the church, read the 15th chapter of the first Corinthians and offered prayer, after which Miss Grace Stowe sang very feelingly as a solo “Calvary” Miss Emma Quick presiding at the organ. During its rendition it was a touching sight to see strong men bow their heads and weep, so great was their grief at the loss of the dear father they had loved so well.

Mr. Stowe took for his text the 26th verse of the 5th chapter of Job: “Thou shalt come to thy grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season,” and preached a very sympathetic sermon full of love and feeling for the bereaved family and those who mourned. He paid a glowing tribute to his memory as a father, a man and a good citizen.

After the mourned had left the sanctuary the lid of the casket was removed and the congregation were permitted to gaze upon the well-known features for the last time, the firemen being given the first privilege, after which the casket was closed and removed to the hearse and escorted to the place of interment in the Main street cemetery.

Mr. Barritt was old in years, but there is as much that is beautiful in old age as in the flush of youth. His life was always an open one, it was lived in the sunshine and not in the shadows. His integrity of
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character was of the highest. His heart was always warm and sympathetic and his hands were first to help those who needed and were in want. In the family circle, in the sacred precincts of his home life, he was a loving father, a devoted husband and the recipient of love even as he loved. Now that he is gone and has passed forever into the shadows that lie beyond our vision, we bow in silent sympathy with those who loved and mourn him most.

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3515. Ambassador Cambion Affixing His Signature to Peace Protocol in the Cabinet Rooms of the White House.
Washington, Aug. 12, Just after the signing of the protocol, President McKinley turned to Ambassador Cambion and said: “I am extremely pleased at the successful termination of our efforts for peace.” [illustration]

3516. HOSTILITIES ON LAND AND SEA FORMALLY SUSPENDED. By the President of the United States of America – A Proclamation.
WHEREAS, by a protocol concluded and signed August 12, 1898, by William R. Day, Secretary of the United States, and His Excellency Jules Cambion, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of France at Washington, respectively representing for this purpose the government of the United States and the government of Spain, the United States and Spain have formally agreed upon the terms on which negotiations for the establishment of peace between the two countries shall be undertaken; and
WHEREAS, it is in said protocol agreed that upon its conclusion and signature hostilities between the two countries shall be suspended, and that notice to that effect shall be given as soon as possible by each government to the commanders of its military and naval forces:
Now, therefore, I, William McKinley, President of the United States, do, in accordance with the stipulations of the protocol, declare and proclaim on the part of the United States a suspension of hostilities, and do hereby command that order be immediately given through the proper channels to the commanders of the military and naval forces of the United States to abstain from all acts inconsistent with this proclamation.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the City of Washington, this 12th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-third. WILLIAM MCKINLEY.
By the President; William R. Day, Secretary of State.

3517. R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1. Your organization is cordially invited to participate in the Labor Day Parade and Firemen’s Tournament to be held at Hoosick Falls, Monday, Sept. 2, (Labor Day). Please fill out enclosed blank and mail same soon as possible. General Committee. Wm. A. Cahill, Chairman. [invitation, white, black lettering]

3518. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 17, 1899. - Ernest Hassinger, manufacturer of FINE CIGARS, 124 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y. (Next Door to Brede’s Up Town Bakery,) Also dealer in Cigars, Snuff, Pipes and Smoker’s Articles.
Smoke Boquet De Habana 10 cent Cigars. Smoke Silver Lace, Pearl, Beauty and Our Pet 5 cent Cigars.

3519. In Memoriam Centennial Lodge, No. 100, Knights of Pythias, Altoona, PA. [picture of a ribbon]

This afternoon at 1 o’clock George W. Palmer, who has so successfully conducted the hotel in this village named after himself, turned over the landlordship to Mr. Edward Moran, who has secured a lease of the premises for a term of five years. Mr. Moran has purchased all of the furniture, bedding, stock of wines, liquors, cigars, etc., from Mr. Palmer, and the hotel will run right along without hitch or hindrance, as Mr. Moran retains all of the hired help employed by his predecessor. No doubt Mr. Moran will make an excellent landlord as he has had several years experience as a hotel man with the Eagle of Kingston, and with Vernon D. Lake at Woodstock. For the present the hotel will retain the name of The Palmer House, but later on will be changed to its original cognomen The Exchange.

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There are no doubt hundreds of firms who are seeking for a location for the manufacture of their different wares, owing to the increase of business throughout the country since the ending of the late war. Many manufacturers closed their doors and ceased operations until the crisis was over, and some are now hustling to make up for lost time, while others are seeking new locations where expenses are lower.
There are several manufacturing buildings now empty in our community that are adapted to the manufacture of good of most any nature. We can brag of the finest water privilege in the state, and the shipping facilities, either by boat or rail, cannot be excelled.
Our system of water works are begrudged us by nearly all the towns along the Hudson, the water being lead to the village from springs at the foot of the famous Catskills.
Seven religious denominations have beautiful edifices for worship, and all are in a flourishing condition. Our schools offer superior educational advantages, and are second to none in the state.
Saugerties to-day with its 4,000 souls, represents one of the leading villages along the Hudson river. Its location at the foot of the renowned Catskills, does not imply the sleepy nature of Rip Van Winkle, exists with its inhabitants. Instead, the people have a good supply of the “go-ahead” nature.
We have yet to find a village of its size that has more or prettier business houses then Saugerties. Large stores of modern structure, and fitted throughout in a manner to take the eye of any visitor. Our merchants offer goods at prices that are equal and often lower than those of large establishments in large cities.
Two elegant steamers, the Saugerties and Ulster leave here alternately every night for New York city, which offer as fine traveling and freight service as can be desired. The boats are elegantly furnished and are managed by courteous and obliging officers.
Saugerties is growing more popular every year as a summer resort. This summer we have had more tourists than ever before, and let us state here that there was never a better opening for a summer resort than this place offers.
People have opened their eyes and found that there was such a place as Saugerties on the map, and sought it out and found plenty of claims here that had never been staked out, and the rich supply of pleasure and comfort well paid them for their prospecting.
In this small space we can but give you a glimpse of our beautiful village and if you are a stranger to us we ask you to come and see the half we have not told. If your are seeking a location for a
manufacturing establishment, we can assure you a hearty welcome and a co-operation of our business men, and a visit to our place will give you an opportunity to witness with your own eyes the facilities for manufacture, and the home attractions we offer.

3524. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 27, 1898. – ACTRESS TAKES CREOSOTE. – Catherine Pollock Drank the Liquid. – May Have Quarreled – She Was With the Russell-De Angelis-Fox-Opera Co.
(New York Journal, Wednesday)
Catherine Pollock, who, as Kittie Gay, was a member of the Russell-De Angelis- Fox Opera Company, attempted suicide to-day at her home, No. 973 Amsterdam avenue. She drank nearly an ounce of creosote, and the physicians of the Manhattan Hospital say she will surely die.
Whether she was despondent over her health, of her stage prospects, of whether the quarrel a policeman overheard as she and a friend passed, caused her attempt upon her life, is not known.
Her mother, Mrs. Gay Martin, said to-day she could not imagine what led her daughter to the deed.
Catherine Pollock drank the creosote in the bathtub within an hour after she returned from a dance early this morning with James Fisk, a boarder in her mother’s house.
As they passed the corner of One Hundred and Seventh street and Amsterdam avenue Policeman Sheehan, of the West One Hundred street station, overheard Miss Pollock say to Fisk, “You must do it.” They appeared to be quarrelling.
About an hour later the man ran out of No. 973 Amsterdam avenue, almost bumped in to Sheehan and told him that a woman had tried to kill herself in the house.
Sheehan went there double quick and found Miss Pollock unconscious in the bathtub.
Mrs. Gay Martin was on the verge of hysteria. Four of her children have come to sudden deaths, within a year. She sent for Dr. Stegman, of No. 201 West One Hundred and Sixth street, but he could do nothing, so Miss Pollock was taken to Manhattan Hospital. She had been out of aneagement [sic] for four months, but is not in financial difficulties.
Mrs. Pollock’s mother said “My daughter’s husband is John T. Pollock. She has not lived with him for a long time.”
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Miss Pollock, better known at Kate Martin, is well known in Saugerties, having visited here many times. She is a daughter of Brazil R. Martin who formerly conducted the hotel at Lake Katrine, and is a niece of Mrs. Abram Turck, of this village.

3525. Albert Augustus Pope, Mfg. Columbia Bicycles and Automobiles. [illustration]

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3526. The Kingston Weekly Leader Kingston, NY. Saturday, Oct. 8. - STRONG TICKET NAMED – By the Ulster County Democrats on Wednesday – John G. Van Etten for County Judge, Eldorus Dayton for Surrogate, James Jenkins for District Attorney, Josiah J. Hasbrouck for County Treasurer – An Excellent Ticket in Which All Parts of the County Are Recognized.
The Democratic County Convention met at the Court House on Wednesday noon. The convention was called to order by Harry C. Smith, chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee, who named City Treasurer Morris Block for temporary chairman. He was escorted to the seat by Louis Westbrook of Rochester and Ralph Eaton of Wawarsing. Henry E. McKenzie of Esopus was made temporary secretary. On motion of Everett Fowler credential were presented by the delegates. There were no contests. The delegates were as follows.
Hardenbergh – Edgar A. Marks, Ransom Weaver, Burr W. Todd.
Hurley – Walter Butler, Peter Ostrander, John D. Deyo.
City of Kingston:
1st Ward - Gilead A. Smith.
2nd Ward – Michael Lawless.
3rd Ward – Michael B. Carey.
5th Ward – John Ryan.
6th Ward – Sam Wetterhahn.
7th Ward – Jacob Schatzle.
9th Ward – John Martin.
Marbletown – Patrick Mack, John D. Smith, De Witt Stokes.
New Paltz – Abram D. Brodhead, Peter McMullen, George E. Johnston.
Saugerties – Samuel Cohen, John Schoonmaker, Michael Hackett, Thomas Mooney.
Shawangunk – Peter Roosa, Michael Mulvahill, C. B. Martin.
Woodstock – Cyrus Russell, Adelbert Cooper, Cambridge Lasher.
Assembly rules were adopted on motion of W. L. Hoornbeek. The temporary organization was also made permanent on motion of W. L. Hoornbeek and adjournment was then taken until 2 o’clock on motion of Samuel Wetterhahn.

As court was in session the only room at the disposal of the convention in the afternoon was a small one in the upper story of the Court House, unfurnished, unventilated and in every way uncomfortable. In this emergency the County Executive Committee hired the Kingston Opera House for the use of the convention and as soon as the delegates could be notified the business was resumed there.

When the convention was called Michael Lawless presented the name of Charles Irwin.
Michael D. Carey of the Third Ward nominated John G. Van Etten.
James Jenkins representing the Seventh Ward seconded the nomination of Mr. Van Etten in an eloquent speech that was heartily applauded.

The informal ballot resulted: Van Etten, 67; Irwin 5.
Mr. Lawless asked leave to withdraw the name of Mr. Irwin and moved to make the nomination of Mr. Van Etten unanimous. The motion was adopted amid loud applause and cheers.

On the call of the roll for nominations for Surrogate John E. Kraft, speaking in behalf on one of the Hardenberg delegates, nominated John W. Searing. In his preliminary remarks he spoke of the favorable contrast between the Republican convention of Saturday and the Democratic convention, the “open-handed” manner of the former and the absence of bossism and bribery in the latter. The same differences exist between the state conventions of the respective parties.

Augustus H. Van Buren of the Eighth Ward said he agreed with Mr. Kraft in felling gratified that this convention is not an auction and the town of Denning owns itself. In seconding the nomination of Mr. Atkins, Mr. Van Buren praised the administration of Surrogate Betts and eulogized Mr. Atkins as a fit successor, a self made man, independent, industrious and capable. He had stood by the ticket in 1896,
when the Democratic newspaper organ was devoting itself to learned dissertation on how to keep pigs.
Everett Fowler, speaking for a Marlborough delegate, nominated Eldorus Dayton, making an earnest and eloquent plea for Mr. Dayton on the ground of location. In 1896 he was loyal and true. When neither of the other gentlemen could be secured as a campaign speaker Eldorus Dayton went upon the platform for the party.
S. G. Carpenter of Lloyd, in seconding the nomination of Mr. Dayton, spoke of his early struggles to obtain an education, trudging five miles to the school at New Paltz and back every day. He started in to study law without a dollar, earned his own way, graduated from the Albany Law School and has risen through his own exertions to his present position.
A ballot resulted: Atkins, 21; Dayton, 32, Searing, 17, Emanuel Metzger, 2.
There being no choice, a second ballot was taken, resulting: Atkins, 21, Dayton, 33, Searing, 18.
The third ballot resulted: Atkins, 19, Dayton, 39, Searing, 14.
John E. Kraft moved that the nomination of Mr. Dayton be made unanimous. A. H. Van Buren, at the request of Mr. Atkins, seconded the motion, which was carried amid loud applause.
On the roll being called for nominations for District Attorney, James Jenkins was named by a large number of delegates. No other names having been mentioned, the nomination of Mr. Jenkins was made by acclamation.
The roll was called for nominations for County Treasurer.
Everett Fowler nominated Dr. Jacob Chambers of this city.
Samuel Wetterhahn of the Sixth Ward nominated Andrew L. F. Deyo of Gardiner.
Abram D. Brodhead of New Paltz nominated Josiah J. Hasbrouck, of New Paltz.
A delegate from Rochester nominated Sylvester K. Hasbrouck.
James Jenkins seconded the nomination of Mr. Hasbrouck.
The famous Dan Splann of New Paltz made a speech that was drowned in cheers and laughter.
The first ballot resulted: Chambers, 3; Deyo, 6, J. J. Hasbrouck, 51, S. K. Hasbrouck, 12.
The nomination of Mr. Hasbrouck was made unanimous.
A resolution giving Saugerties six delegates, one from each election district in future conventions was read. A motion to lay it on the table was adopted.
On motion of Everett Fowler, the following delegates favorable to the nomination of Hon. Jacob Rice for Senator were elected by Acclamation: Ezra H. Fitch, William F. Rafferty, Richard Lenehan, Peter C. Black, Henry A. Ohley, Charles E. Cook, Andrew Upright, John House, Jacob France, Martin Snyder, F. Arthur Westbrook, George W. Lament.
On motion of Mr. Fowler, the following delegates to the Congressional Convention were elected by acclamation.
First District – William T. VanTassell, Hon. Henry McNamee, John L. McGrath, John S. Maxon, Dr. Jacob Chambers, Hon. Jacob D. Wurts, Ernest Hassinger, Howard Chipp and John Hauck,
On calling the roll for nominations for Coronor [sic] for the long term the names of Jacob Huben, Dr. W. B. Fuller, Webster Barnes, J. E. Diamond, Henry H. Hasse, Dr. J. J. Robinson, T. J. Fallon, A. M. Vallette and T. J. Murray were presented.
The first ballot resulted: Murray, 4; Vallette, 8; Diamond, 19; Fallon, 9; Robinson, 4; Barnes, 3, Huben, 8, Hasse, 1; Fuller, 16.
The second ballot resulted: Murray, 4; Valette, 1; Diamond, 18; Fallon, 7; Robinson, 2; Barnes, 6; Huben, 11, Fuller, 22.
On the third ballot Huben received 39 votes and was declared nominated.
The fourth ballot resulted: Diamond, 27; Fallon, 22; Barnes, 1; Fuller, 19.
Fifth ballot: Diamond, 24; Fallon, 16, Fuller 23.
Sixth ballot: Diamond, 22; Fallon 17; Fuller, 21. On motion it was decided that the one receiving the highest vote should be the other Coroner nominated for the long term. On the seventh ballot Dr. W. B. Fuller received 27 votes, J. E. Diamond 24 and T. J. Fallon 15. Dr. Fuller was declared the nominee. Candidates for the short term were T. J. Fallon, Dr. J. H. DeWitt, T. J. Murray, J. E. Diamond and Webster Barnes. The ballot resulted: T. F. Fallon, 25; Dr. J. H. DeWitt, 4; T. J. Murray, 15; J. E. Diamond, 15; Webster Barnes, 10; Mr. Fallon was declared elected. Chairman Block was empowered to name a committee to fill any vacancies which may occur. He named W. L. Hoornbeek, Louis Westbrook, M. A. Lawless, F. W. Lament, and J. C. Hurley. A resolution was offered to increase the number of delegates from the town of Rosendale to 5 instead of 3. The resolution was tabled. On motion of R. I. Garretson a vote of thanks was extended to Chairman Block and Secretary McKenzie. The convention then adjourned.

3527. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 3d, 1898. - The Exempt Firemen – Elect New Members and Pass Resolutions of Condolence. At the regular monthly meeting of the Exempt Fireman’s Association held Tuesday evening, No. 1st, John Pomfret was elected an active member and George F. Freligh and Elmer E. Walker honorary members. The following resolution of condolence was unanimously adopted: At a meeting of the Exempt Fireman’s Association of Saugerties, N. Y., held Tuesday evening, Nov. 1st, 1898, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: Resolved, That in view of the loss we have sustained by the decrease of our friend and associate, Thomas J. Barritt, and the heavier loss, sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him, therefore be it Resolved, That we tender to the widow of the deceased our sincere condolence and commend her in this affliction to “Him who doeth all things well.” We deeply deplore his loss and extend to his relatives our sympathy and recommend that a copy of these Resolutions be sent to the widow of the deceased. Edward Jernegan, Jeremiah Finger, J. P. Russell, Committee.

3528. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 28, 1898. - A Foreign Visitor – Likes Saugerties So Well He is Coming Back Again. Joseph B. Kleinhans, a German tourist, who is making a tour of this country arrived in Saugerties six weeks ago and secured board for a week at the residence of B. F. Crump on Barclay Heights. Instead of staying a week as first intended, he extended his stay five weeks longer. Mr. Kleinhans is a linguist of considerable ability, reading, writing and speaking four different languages with great fluency. He has left town for the West and after visiting Niagara Falls, the Yellowstone Park and San Francisco [sic] will leave that city for a tour of Mexico and South America and will return home by way of Italy and Switzerland. He said in conversation [sic] with a TELEGRAPH reporter that the scenery along the Hudson river through the Highlands, and in the vicinity of Saugerties and the Catskill mountains, compared favorably with any in the world with which he was familiar, and he has traveled extensively through Europe, Egypt, and Asia Minor, and said America lacked only an older civilization to surpass the scenery of the Rhine and the Alps. On leaving he said he intended to return to Saugerties about two years hence and would probably spend the summer and fall months here.

Laflin Hose Co. held their regular monthly meeting and election of officers on Monday evening. Wakely Porter and William Rowe were elected active members. William J. Gordon was re-elected for the third time, foreman of the company. Through his efforts the company has increased in membership greatly. The following were the officers elected:


Sunday evening the residence of Edward Waters, adjoining the Driving Park, was discovered to be on fire and an alarm was sounded, to which the firemen quickly responded. Snyder Hose Co. ran their apparatus as far as the hydrant on the corner of Washington avenue and Finger street, when they received word the fire was extinguished. Washington Hook & Ladder Co. and Laflin Hose Co. received the same word in Lafayette street. The building in which the fire originated is of frame and two stories high. It is owned by J. O. Beers, and was occupied by Edward Waters and family as a residence. Mrs. Waters, her sister and a little girl were seated at table on the first floor, and detected the smell of smoke. Running up stairs they discovered a bed standing near the chimney to be on fire, and at once raised an alarm. Neighbors came to the rescue and the fire was soon extinguished with pails of water. In the meantime, most of the household effects had been removed to the street. The bed was destroyed, as was also a writing desk and a trunk, containing family wearing apparel, while the siding and flooring was also badly burned. The fire originated from the chimney on the upper floor, where a stovepipe hole was the cause of the mischief. The hole was covered with an ordinary tin cover, usually employed for such purposes, but it did not fit very snugly, and the supposition is the wind, which at times blew pretty hard, had blown it out of place, and sparks had fallen on the bed, setting it on fire. The loss is slight and fully covered by insurance. First Assistant Engineer Martin Cantine had charge, chief Hassinger being out of town at the time.

The Phoenix hotel was the scene of a large gathering of our citizens Monday evening, who met for the purpose of greeting a hero of the late war, in fact to greet two of the survivors of the battles of El Caney, San Juan and the fall of Santiago, Lieut. French, of the regular army and H. G. Currie, of Co. I, 71st Vols. At about 9 o’clock the Lasher Republican gun squad, headed by Laflin Drum Corps, marched up Main street, to the corner of Market street, where they were met by the Democratic gun squad and J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R. who fell in line. The procession immediately headed for the Phoenix Hotel, where upon their arrival the members of the various organizations had the pleasure of meeting Lieut. French and private Currie. After a short social greeting the party was invited to the spacious dining room, where a sumptuous banquet, given by District Attorney Charles F. Cantine, a brother-in-law of Lieut. French, awaited the visitors.

Commander Eugene Barritt, of the J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R., presided, who called the assemblage together and asked the Post’s chaplain E. L. Quick to invoke the blessing of the Deity. An excellent repast had been prepared which was partaken by all present. The dining room had been prettily decorated with the Stars and Stripes, and at each plate was placed a napkin upon which was imprinted...
“Old Glory.” After the inner man had been well satisfied cigars were passed. Commander Barritt then asked the officer of the day to ascertain if any one was in waiting at the outer door. He replied that there was, and Past Commander J. Smith Elmendorf was introduced who delivered to the Commander a very large package and informed him it was for Lieut. French. Commander Barritt upon opening the package stated that the people of Saugerties desired to show their appreciation of the valiant service Lieut. French had rendered his country and presented him with a handsome sword, belt and spurs. Upon one side of the sword was etched the following inscription: “Lieut. George Edgar French, 4th U. S. Infantry, from his Saugerties friends,” while on the other side appeared, “Commemorating the campaign of Santiago De Cuba.” To say that Lieut. French was surprised is putting it mildly, but he readily recovered from his astonishment, and in well chosen words thanked the citizens for their handsome gift.

Cheers were given for both the Lieutenant and his noble wife, who has shown her heroism in nursing the sick and wounded in camp before her return to this village.

After the presentation Lieut. French gave a very interesting account of his experience in Cuba, which was listened to with rapt attention. The poor accommodations on the transports and the handling of the troops near Santiago, as well as the trick played on the Spaniards as to the landing place, was a most interesting character.

At the close of Lieut. French’s remarks District Attorney Charles F. Cantine made a very interesting address, which brought forth frequent and loud applause.

Besides the members of J. R. Tappan Post, Lasher and Democratic Gun Squads, there were present as invited guests, Lieut. French, District Attorney Cantine, Ex-Mayor Martin Cantine, William Doyle, J. W. Reinhard, John Adams and Irwin Ronk.


Never before in the history of our place did the sacred precincts of Judge Coon’s court room resound with such forensic ability as it did on Wednesday when Judge Adam H. Lasher, the well known farmer-lawyer succeeded in adding new laurels to his ability as an advocate in our local courts. Lawyers, such as Joseph Choate, Abe Hummel and even Dave Hill would have had to retire with envy at the manner in which Judge Lasher conducted his case.

It was a case replete with sensation and even that fellow who struts around and poses as a lawyer, E. Bert Whitaker, was abashed and deserted his client in the middle of the proceedings in order that he might get aid to help him out of his dilemma.

The case was that of Chris. Becker, of West Saugerties, against Ethan Yager, of the same place. Becker alleged that Yager had assaulted him, at least when he swore out the complaint a few week’s ago, there was evidence that he had been used pretty roughly by someone, on the back of his head there being a cut which had been sewed up, while his body bore bruises, the result of the beating he received. Yager when halled [sic] before the Judge also exhibited proof that Becker was not the only one, for there was a hole in his head from being hit by a stone, he claimed Becker had thrown.

The fracas began at the Democratic primary at Kleeber’s hotel, Centerville, a few weeks ago and Yager told Judge Coon at the first hearing that Becker had an antipathy against him for nearly twenty five years and at every opportunity tried to create a muss. Becker denied it and claimed he wanted protection. The case was adjourned at that time until the witnesses could be secured. Wednesday morning at ten o’clock the case was called. Becker appeared with shyster E. B. Whitaker, while Yates was represented by Judge Lasher. It was a great case. Thirteen witnesses were sworn on the part of both plaintiff and defendant and included Commissioner of Highways Carnright and James H. Carew, of this village who were operating the town stone crusher, near the place of battle. The evidence both pro and
con was almost the same as given at the first hearing, the statement of the plaintiff and defendant as to how the scrap originated being reiterated.

The examination of the witnesses by Judge Lasher produced much merriment, and the crowd was kept in good humor throughout the proceedings which lasted until four o’clock. Whitaker failed utterly in his efforts to examine the witnesses, and at the opening of the case was chuckling with glee at the thought of his easy victory, but me [sic] met a tartar when he touched up Judge Lasher. He found that stored away in the cranium of Lasher was a profound knowledge of the requisites essential in trying a case. The climax was reached when James H. Carew was being examined. He was a witness for Yager and his statement was so damaging to the plaintiff’s story that E. Bert grabbed his hat and jumping up left the court room, his client staring in amazement at the sudden move.

In a few minutes Coon after M. P. Kenney appeared and took hold of the case for Becker, Whitaker having secured him realizing that his knowledge of law would not fill a gill measure. Kenney conducted the case until its conclusion. Each witness was examined while all the others remained outside. After listening to all the evidence Judge Coon discharged Yager on the ground that the plaintiff was the aggressor. It was a great victory for Judge Lasher.


   Kingston, Oct. 4th

Nature smiled on the firemen to-day in the matter of sunshine and clear skies but gave them at the same time almost tropical temperature. The occasion was an inspection and parade. It could not be called “annual” because it has only occurred semi occasionally in the latter years. The parade made a grand and imposing appearance with its eleven companies in handsome uniforms, each company being headed by a first class band playing the latest airs, and drawing glistening parade and service carriages. The procession, which was formed at City Hall, was about a mile in length. The signal to start was given by the fire alarm and the people of the city and a multitude of people from the surrounding country gathered at points of vantage to see the parade. The formation of the procession was as follows:

   Chief of Police Hood.
   Platoon of Police.
   Chief Engineer Rafferty and Assistants.
   O’Shea, Murphy, Burhans, Adams.
   Schoffield’s Band, 20 pieces.
   Rescue H. & L. Co. No. 1, 70 men.
   Gartland’s Band, 20 pieces.
   Rapid Hose Co. No. 1, 45 men.
   Doring’s Band, 21 pieces.
   Cornell Hose Co. No. 2, 50 men.
   Peckham Band, 21 pieces.
   Weber Hose Co. No. 3, 35 men.
   Peabody’s Band, 20 pieces.
   Union Hose Co. No. 4, 45 men.
   Coffin’s Albany City Band, 25 pieces.
   J. N. Cordts Hose Co. No. 8, 335 men.
   Fishkill Matteawan Band, 26 pieces.
   Wiltwyck Hose and Truck Co. No. 1, 60 men.
   Whiteport Band, 21 pieces.
   Excelsior Hose Co. No. 4, 35 men.
   Rifton Band, 22 pieces.
Weiner Hose Co. No. 6, 60 men.
Twentieth Regiment Band, 22 pieces.
Clinton Hose Co. No. 7, 70 men.
High Falls Cornet Band.
Twaalfskill Hose Co. No. 5, 50 men.
Washington Steamer, No. 3.

The procession marched down Broadway to Delaware avenue to Hasbrouck avenue, to Strand, to junction of Strand and Ferry street, to Ferry street, to Hasbrouck avenue, to Stand to Broadway, to Abeel, to Wurts, to McEntee, to Broadway, to City Hall, where it was reviewed by the Mayor and Common Council. After leaving the City Hall the Western department took the right of the line and proceeded along Broadway to Albany avenue, to Pearl street, to Wall, to North Front, to Fair, to Main to Clinton avenue, to Albany avenue, to Smith avenue, where they countermarched to Broadway where the parade was dismissed. All along the line of march, residences and business places were decorated with flags and bunting and there was a general decoration in honor of the firemen. On Broadway and at the business centers up and down town the decorations were very pleasing and notable.
The new parade carriage of Wiltwyck Hose Co, attracted much attention, yet the parade carriage of Weiner Hose Co., was conceded by the people to be the finest in line.


Firemens night at St. Mary’s fair on Friday evening attracted a large crowd. The Glasco band with delegations from Laflin Hose, Washington Hook & Ladder and Snyder Hose were present and added to the enjoyment of the evening. The band gave a concert and dancing was the feature of the evening. Prof. Martin’s orchestra furnishing the music. The vivacious young ladies with their books [sic] were also a salient feature and purse strings yielded to the susceptible wiles of the fair maidens. The booths received a liberal share of patronage and everyone present seemed exceedingly happy.

James Williamson a friend of Father Murray came from his home in Stuyvesant on purpose to attend the fair. He paid all the expenses of the band and treated them to a supper at Slater’s cafe, forty being present. The following musicians of this village rendered their services: James and Charles Sickles, Frank Martin, George U. Peters, Benjamin Fellows, L. P. Hagadorn and Ernest Young. James Casey, Jr., won a set of silver spoons, donated by Ellen Tierney.

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3536. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 17, 1898. - COLONEL ROOSEVELT SPEAKS. - Lieut. Gov. Woodruff Also Speaks – From a Platform of a Special Car at the West Shore Depot – A Large and Enthusiastic Crowd is Present.

Saugerties always bows in honor to a hero. To day her citizens tout ensemble paid hommage to the hero of San Juan Hill and Santiago, Col. Theodore Roosevelt, the republican nominee for Governor. Assembled at the depot when the special train on which Col. Roosevelt arrived, was about one thousand persons, amongst which was many of our pretty village young ladies. Every vantage point in order to get a glimpse of the Rough Rider was occupied, even a freight car being utilized by a group of “Young America.”
The reception and greeting must certainly have impressed Col. Roosevelt that the spirit of patriotism in Saugerties is burning with a radiant flame. The local leaders of the Republican party planned and had charge of the affair. The Glasco Cornet band had been engaged, and started from the Phoenix Hotel followed by a number of citizens and the Lasher Gun Squad, and they marched to the depot. In the parade were a large American and Cuban flag carried by Ben Merritt and Harry Jewett, two soldier boys.
As the special car of Col. Roosevelt approached the station the band tendered a selection and a volley from the cannon was fired. Woodruff, Col. John P. Clark, and several Rough Riders appeared on the rear platform of the car. A bugle call was sounded by a Rough Rider and Col. Clark introduced Mr. Roosevelt, saying that he had the pleasure of introducing the next Governor of New York State. A volley from the cannon was mingled with loud cheers as Col. Clark concluded.

ROOSEVELT’S SPEECH

Col. Roosevelt stepped forward amidst the waving of “Old Glory” and the cheers of the crowd. Shortly after he had begun to speak Mrs. William Germond stepped forward and presented him with a large bouquet of flowers. Mr. Roosevelt in his speech said: “My fellow citizens I have appreciated a few things in this canvas, as I have been greeted along the route, and it has emphasized to me an additional responsibility resting upon me (applause.) I realize that I have been nominated by the Republican party of this State for Governor, because my fellow Republicans wanted me to be. If elected by the people I shall hold myself accountable to the people and every citizen of this State will be given the respect and right that is due him. (We’ll give it to you shouted one of the crowd.) I realize the importance of the great office you would have me entrusted with. I thank you for your greeting and especially the lady who presented me with the handsome bouquet.”

As Col. Roosevelt finished speaking there was hearty cheering and the cannon boomed in loud tones.

WOODRUFF’S SPEECH

Colonel Roosevelt then introduced Lieutenant Governor Timothy L. Woodruff candidate for reelection and in introducing him, Roosevelt said he was the present and prospective Lieutenant Governor. Mr. Woodruff spoke as follows: “I cannot detain you long as we are behind time now, but it is very evident to me from the reception we received all along the route, that New York state is going to give a Republican majority on the eighth day of November, and it is very evident from the reception we received at Kingston and here that Old Ulster will be found in the Republican column.”

Loud cheering followed and the car started on to continue its journey. The crowd then retraced their steps homeward led by the band, while the cannon gave a parting salute.

3537. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 28, 1898. – POISONED HIMSELF. – Charles Quase Takes Arsenic With Suicidal intent. – The Poison Does its Fearful Work and the Victim Died. The community was shocked this morning to learn that Charles Quase, a prominent painter and house decorator of this village, had committed suicide during the night at his residence on Ulster avenue by swallowing a quantity of arsenic.

Thursday he was at work at his trade as usual and sometime during the evening purchased an ounce of arsenic at one of the village drug stores and took it home with him. After supper Mrs. Quase left him at home reading his daily paper and enjoying his beer, while she went to call upon a lady friend. On her return home shortly before eleven o’clock, she found him ill and evidently suffering much pain. He informed her he had taken arsenic and Dr. Montgomery was summoned who did everything possible to relieve him but without effect. About two o’clock this morning Dr. John H. Dewitt was also summoned and the two physicians worked with him all night. All their efforts to save his life, however, proved unavailing, and about 7:30 o’clock this morning he died.

Charles Quase was born in Mecklenburg, Germany, in April, 1840, and came to American while a young man and obtained employment at his trade in the city of New York. About the year 1866 he came to Saugerties and entered the employ of George Schmidt, who at that time was engaged in the house painting business. Mr. Quase some time in the early seventies married Mr. Schmidt’s eldest daughter, who survives him. They have children.

When Co. A of the 20th Regiment New York State Militia, was recruited by Colonel, then Capt. H. D. Laflin, Mr. Quase was one of the first men to enlist and was honorably discharged after serving his full term of enlistment – seven years.
He was also an exempt fireman serving his time in Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, and at the time of his death was a member of the Exempt Fireman’s Association. He was a member of Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows and of the Saugerties Maenner Quartette, having for the past twelve or fifteen years served in the office of secretary of the society.

His funeral will take place from the late residence on Ulster avenue Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock and will be under the auspices of Ulster Lodge. The Exempt Fireman’s Association will also attend in a body. The interment will be in the Lutheran cemetery on Ulster avenue.

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The adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening, Nov. 12th, with all the Directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Communications received from John H. Kemble, Dr. E. Brink and W. Klingberg.

The communication received from Mr. Kemble referred to Street Committee. The others ordered received and placed on file.

The special committee reported progress.

Conformation [sic] firemen elect: Barnett Hallenbeck was granted his papers as an active member of R. A. Snyder Hose Co.

Application for exemption certificate made by Chas. Snyder, formerly a member of Laflin Hose Co., was ordered returned and that it be proven that he had served his full term and that he was clear on the books of the company.

An exemption certificate was granted to Wm. V. Dixon, a members [sic] of Laflin Hose Co.

Finance Committee reported no funds on hand and they have not as yet met with the Treasurer.

Reported that the Treasurer has turned in his report. The collector reported that he has turned in to the Treasurer $11,606.98.

Street Commissioner reported that the sewer that was to be placed on Dock St., has been done.

Reported that the crosswalk in front of D. W. Maxwell’s residence on Main St., has been laid satisfactory to the street commissioner. Reported that water springs up in the road on Valley St., from some source. Reported that the Water Commissioners had been notified to repair leak on Barclay St., and that Valley St., is in very bad shape and needs repairs. Ordered repaired. Reported that Mr. Egbert Whittaker will allow the village to dump ashes, etc., against the retaining wall in his pasture lot on Ulster avenue.

Bids were ordered received for the furnishing and laying flag, according to specifications of the village, on front of the properties of John W. Davis and W. Porter on Ulster avenue. Ordered that bids be made and presented to Clerk on or before Saturday evening, Nov. 19th inst.

Motion made and seconded that the Board place before the tax payers of the village of Saugerties to be voted on at our next annual election, to raise $1000 to be expended on Ulster avenue next year.

Ordered that the Street Commissioner notify the Electric Light, Telephone [sic] and Telegraph Companies to paint their poles.

Firemanic committee reported progress.

Motion made and seconded that Mr. E. Comfort be appointed as janitor and engineer of steamer, for the balance of the unexpired term of Chas. Capen, deceased, at the same rate, $150 per year. Clerk was ordered to notify him of the same.

Miscellaneous committee reported that Surveyor Paschke had turned in the maps of the following streets: Russell street, Hill street, Clermont street, East Bridge street, Map of quarry; Ulster avenue, Church street, Barclay street, Van Ness maps, Book of streets, and also two deeds of the stone crusher property, and also his bill.

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds were on hand:

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

ROAD FUND.

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Minutes of the meeting was read and ordered approved.

John M. Adams, Clerk, Pro Tem.


The annual meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., held Thursday evening, will go down on record as one of the finest and most enjoyable meetings those crack-a-jack fire fighters have ever held. It was largely attended and proved a very pleasant and social affair. Surrogate Charles Davis, Ex Supervisor John D. Fratsher, Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger, Eugene Barritt and Dr. Fred D. Wygant were elected honorary members, and the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read, showing a very gratifying condition. Several eulogistic addresses concerning the retiring foreman, William Tracey, commending him for his faithful services were delivered and other interesting speeches were made. The election of officers passed off smoothly, there being only one contest, that for second assistant foreman. There were three aspirants for the office: William MacMullen, John McLaughlin and Charles Slater, and MacMullen won. The following were the officers elected:


After some other business had been disposed of, the company enjoyed their annual banquet, which was served by Ziegler in their rooms. The bill of fare consisted of delicious bivalves and other relishes, and it was immensely enjoyed. After the spread cigars were passed around and the evening whiled away in a delightful social chat. The company is in a prosperous condition and is a valuable adjunct to the village fire department.
3540. Campaign Executive Committee  
Harry C. Smith  A. W. Williams  Henry E. McKenzie  
Chairman  Treasurer  Secretary  
Ezra H. Fitch  COUNTY OF Ulster

Chairman
Jacob D. Wurts.  
Ira M. Black.  
S, E. D. Hornbeck.  
Morris Block.  
William D. Brinnier.  
James Mc Millin  
Chas. B. Cox.  
Jacob Chambers.  
John F. Gallagher.  
Luther Hasbrouck.  
John Hauck.  
Everett Fowler.  
Fred H. Smith.  
Edgar Snyder.  
Ex-Officio
Harry C. Smith.  
Henry E. McKenzie.  
A. W. Williams.  
Mr. Ernest Hassinger  
Kingston, N. Y., October 12th, 1898

Dear Sir:


3543. MISCELLANEOUS
To brighten oil cloths, dissolve half an ounce of beeswax in a saucer of turpentine; rub on, then dry with flannel.  
Window glass, lamps, marble and stone vases or mantels, are quickly cleaned if rubbed with salt slightly dampened. A teaspoonful of salt in a coal-oil lamp makes the wick burn brighter and gives a clearer light.  
Ink spots are removed from gingham by saturating them with sweet milk, then covering with salt. Salt and lemon juice will remove mildew. Soak brooms occasionally in hot salt water; they will be softer, less brittle and will wear longer.  
In the cleaning of a stove, if a little soap is used it will lighten the labor. Wet a flannel cloth and rub it over a piece of soap, then dip the cloth into the stove polish and rub over the stove; finish with a dry cloth or brush. It is said the polish will last much longer than if it was used without soap.
What is said to be an excellent furniture polish is made with equal quantities of vinegar, crude oil and alcohol. It should be shaken well, and used with linen, old silk or chamois. Its action is explained scientifically. The vinegar cuts the dirt in the woodwork, and the alcohol cuts the oil, forming an emulsion.

Instead of throwing away the wick of a lamp, that has got too short, fasten it to the new wick, which then can be made to do longer service. After lamps are filled and wicks trimmed, turn them down, thus preventing the oil from coming over the outside and causing the unpleasant odor of oil in the room.

Wash colored muslins in soapsuds. If black, add a little salt; if pink or green, add vinegar; for lilac, a few drops of ammonia, and saltpeter for blue. Rinse in cold water, and do not use the starch when it is in the least warm. Fine muslins are best ironed twice, in opposite directions; laces and embroideries by the thread of the material.

When flatirons become rough or soiled, place a little fine salt on a paper and rub them back and forth over it. Put a little beeswax between two pieces of cloth and keep near the ironing table. If the irons get coated with scorched starch, rubbing them over the cloth will usually remove it. When ironing starched goods, rub the irons over a bit of sandpaper before returning them to the stove.

Driving away mice from infected cellars is an easy matter when oil of turpentine is used. It seems that the little rodents have a very pronounced antipathy for the odor, and some woolen rags soaked in oil of turpentine and placed in front of the holes by which mice enter, will keep them away. If this experiment is repeated for several weeks, it will eventually keep the mice away entirely.

The only special care about washing a crash skirt is to see that the material is handled, as far as possible “on the straight” – that is with [article ends here]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Saugerties Gas Light Co., $ 58.66
John Maxwell, street lighting, 46.00
Herman Gleisner, plank, .50
$105.16

ROAD FUND.

James Crump, 1 month salary, $ 29.16
James Donahue, ¾ day labor, 1.13
Wm. Lowther, 1 ¾ " " 2.62
James Lavey, 1 " " 1.50
James Dillon, ½ " " .75
Wm. Doyle, team, 4.50
$ 39.66

On motion, Board adjourned to Wednesday evening, Oct. 5th, 1898.

Wednesday evening, Oct. 5th, '98.
Adjourned meeting of Board of Directors. Directors present, Cunyes, Cornwell, Myer and Lasher. President Lasher presiding.

Committee to wait on collector Crowley made report.

Property owners on old road to dock complained of overflow of water on account of tile being broken to drain. Complaint was referred to street committee.

Motion made and carried that V. S. Roosa and Chas. Abeel agent be notified to raise his sidewalk on Main street within 30 days of board would order same done.

J. T. Washburn on Main street was given permission to come out on curb line to make a straight line on Main street from Market to 2nd street. Motion made and carried that trustees of Congregational Church and W. H. Hommel agent for Fiero property be notified to reset their curb to line of Washburn property curb, also repair sidewalk within 30 days.

Motion made and carried that P. M. Gillespy be notified to reset curb and repair sidewalk on Partition street within 30 days. Curb to be on line with Van Buskirk Bros.

Street committee was empowered to put in tile or repair drain on old road to dock.

Petition for sidewalk on east side of Elm street was read. On motion, ordered that petition be received and filed and parties be notified to flag within 30 days.

On motion Board adjourned to Thursday evening, Oct. 6th 1898, at 7 p. m.

Thursday evening, Oct. 6th 1898,

Adjourned meeting of Board of Directors.

Directors present: Cunyes, Cornwell, Myer, Finger and Lasher. President Lasher presiding.

Collector Crowley was present and made report.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Oct. 15th 1898. Directors present, Cunyes, Cornwell, Finger and Lasher. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Committee from Laflin Hose appeared in relation to a new floor in their meeting room. Same was referred to Finance Committee.

Letter from V. S. Roosa was read. On motion was received and placed on file.

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On motion clerk was ordered to answer the letter and state that the law would not permit the Board to entertain any such proposal, and that the time would expire Nov. 2nd, and if not paid by that time the Board would take action.

On motion the report of Commissioner Crump in regards to cleaning gutters for property owners was received and clerk was ordered to render bills as follows:

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Motion made and carried M. E. Donlon, Agent, to be notified to remove sand in front of property of Miss Boyle on Washington Avenue.

Motion made and carried the Electric Light Co. to be notified to straighten their poles that are in use and remove the poles not in use within 30 days.

Finance Committee reported bill of Alex. Lackey, $8.00, correct.

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds were on hand.

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**HEALTH FUND.**

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On motion the street committee were to use their own judgment as to furnishing stone to finish wall on Ulster Avenue.

Motion made and carried that surveyor give Mr. P. Coleman grade on Ulster Avenue.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

3546. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 22, 1898. – GEORGE W. IRISH AT FIREMEN’S HOME. One of its Founders, He Now Finds a Refuge in Time of Necessity at the Institution. – Something of the Life History of One Who Has Been Prominent in Fire Service in the State:

Every fireman in New York State and elsewhere will be pained to read that ex-President of the State Association George W. Irish has been compelled to take up his home in the Firemen’s Home at Hudson, but the knowledge that he had such a refuge to go to when the necessity overtook him will relieve the
pain and anxiety to a great extent. No man connected with the fire service in this State has been a more conspicuous figure, or has held more important positions than has George W. Irish.

He was born in Nelson, Madison county, New York, in 1838, and after completing his education at Cazenovia seminary he went west as far as Iowa, and was for a time postmaster at Cedar Falls. In 1874 he returned to Cazenovia, and has ever since made his home there. The following year he was appointed doorkeeper of the Legislature and in 1876 he was appointed State census marshal.

Early in life Mr. Irish took an active interest in fire matters and was one of the organizers of Ledyard hose company of which he was foreman for seven years. He served two terms as president of the Madison County Firemen's association. For several years he was chairman of the executive committee of the state association and at the convention held in Troy, August 16 19, 1887, he was elected secretary to succeed Lewis Newgrass. At the next convention, held at Cortland, he was elected president, and the following year he was unanimously re-elected.

He took an active interest in organization of the Firemen's Home Association, and he was elected secretary, a position he filled until last year. He gave much time and attention to the building of the Home, where he is now comfortably domiciled, and where he will spend his last days, enjoying the rest he had so well earned.

The Firemen's Herald, speaking of the veteran says: “The Herald” has not always agreed with Mr. Irish, but it takes pleasure in testifying to the great amount of work he had done for the firemen, and extends to him the wish that his remaining years will be as full of peace and happiness and rest, as his earlier years were full of activity and usefulness. The firemen of New York State should all unite in contributing toward the comfort and pleasure to the man to whom they owe so much.

3547. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 19, 1898. – A SAD DROWNING ACCIDENT. – Two Young Men Drowned on Sunday Afternoon. – They were Skating on the Esopus at Mount Marion and Bystanders Let Them Drown Without Offering Help.

A very sad drowning casualty occurred on the Esopus creek at Mount Marion Sunday afternoon when two young men, John Dunn and James McCormick, gave up their lives in a watery grave. Both young men were seventeen years of age, bright and energetic and their terrible fate has caused a cloud of gloom to enshroud the hamlet in which they resided. Leaving home to enjoy an afternoon of sport, little did they think of what the future had in store for them, then in the spirit of health and happiness, now in the cold embrace of death. Both of the deceased young men in company with many others were out on the Esopus near Nott's farm where the creek divides, skating about and beaming with happiness. As they approached the turn, unconscious of any danger they both broke through the ice in about five feet of water, and according to an eye witness of the awful scene the crowd of skaters stood about as though they had been paralyzed with fear and for fifteen minutes the boys struggled about in the chilling water with no one to offer any help. Finally one man ran up to Nott’s farm to secure aid and a farm hand named Coons responded.

As he appeared, McCormick with great pluck cried out “go for John, I’ve got a good hold.” Coons – brave fellow that he was – immediately went to the rescue of Dunn, and in doing so, he broke through, and while floundering about in the water, before he could reach either of them both boys sank out of sight. Coons, in relating the sad affair, said that if the crowd had just took hold of hands they could have rescued both boys as the water was shallow and they were near the shore. Immediately after the accident a mantle of grief and sorrow fell upon the place and all left the ice and went to their homes. At this point where the accident occurred there is a swift undercurrent and the bodies drifted down the stream a little distance and were recovered this morning about eight o'clock by Frank Hill and Mr. Coons.

Coroner Montgomery was notified and soon arrived. He viewed the bodies and permitted them to be taken to their homes. Belch & Keenan, the undertakers, were also summoned and took charge of the remains.

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Both of the drowned young men were telegraph operators having learned the art at the West Shore station at Mt. Marion, during their spare moments and each one was proficient at the business. The boys were genial in their disposition and had many friends and the sympathy of the town is extended to the bereaved parents in this dark hour. An inquest will be held to-night or in the morning by Coroner Montgomery.

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Death is no respector of persons and while many homes in this place were being brightened and made happy by the Christmastide on Monday afternoon, the grim eyed monster entered the home of one of our prominent citizens and removed from it the father who for so many years had by his presence cast rays of light and happiness there. John F. Bruckner who for twenty seven years was a resident of this place, is not silent in the icy bonds of death and in the word of one of the poets we write with sorrow “another sturdy oak has fallen.” Only a few days ago, engaged in his duties, strong and well, he succumbed to the prevailing epidemic, La Grippe, and though medical attendance of the best kind was given him, pneumonia developed and all physical efforts were baffled and death ensued.

Mr. Bruckner was one of our representative citizens loved and esteemed by all who knew him. He was a man of sterling uprightness and probity of character and his demise at this particular time is sorrowing beyond depiction. The deceased was a citizen who was always respected and his influence in the community was considerable. He was known far and wide for his cheerful and liberal spirit and many a one can testify to his charitable deeds. In his home, where he was always to be found, when not engaged in business, there is a vacant chair that never can be filled. Devoted to his family he will be missed among them and the light that once irradiated the home has been extinguished forever.

Mr. Bruckner was in his fiftieth year, having been born in the town of Etzenreicht, Bavaria, Germany, June 6, 1849. When in his infancy his mother died and then he began to learn the lessons from the great teacher, Experience, in life’s school.

At the age of fourteen he learned the baker’s trade and on December 23, 1868, he landed in New York city and followed his vocation. In December 1871, he came to this village and entered the employ of Jacob Brede and in 1873 he became a member of the firm, and has been such up till his death, the firm being one of the leading business houses in the place.

The deceased was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. Brede on August 3, 1873, and seven children were born to them, two of which are dead. Mrs. Bruckner died in 1885, four daughters and one son are left to mourn the loss of their father.

Mr. Bruckner was of a social nature and genial in disposition. He was a member of R. A. Snyder Hose and two years ago they presented him with this uniform on his retirement from active service. He was also a member of Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F. who will have charge of the funeral services which will be held Wednesday afternoon at the German Lutheran church at two o’clock. [illustration]
LONGYEAR – At Phoenicia, Dec 14th, Rev. Henry C. Longyear, formerly pastor of the Baptist Church, of this village, aged 72 years, 5 months and 24 days.
ROOSA – In this village, Dec. 14th, Margaret Ellison, wife of Alfred Roosa, aged 56 years, 3 months and 25 days. Funeral from late residence on Livingston street, tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at 2:30 o’clock. Relatives and friend invited without further notice. Interment Main street cemetery.

Word was received at this office from Phoenicia this morning that the Rev. Henry C. Longyear had died at his residence at that place the evening before. When a good man dies the world misses him, and such was Mr. Longyear, beloved by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and five children, Jefferson, Christopher, Mrs. Geo. A. Griffis of this village, Mrs. Henry P. Vandeboart of Bearsville and Mrs. Riley Baldwin of Phoenicia. [picture printed here]

Henry Christopher Longyear, whose portrait appears above, was the youngest of a family of eleven children, and was born in the town of Shandaken, June 23d, 1826. Oct 15th, 1846, he was married to his present wife, then Miss Melissa Bishop. On June 23d 1849, he was baptized into the fellowship of the Woodstock Baptist Church.

A council which met with the Woodstock Church, May 30th, 1854, advised his ordination to the ministry, and the following day he was publicly set part to the work by appropriate services. For five year he was pastor of the Woodstock Church. In 1857 he became pastor of the Westkill Baptist Church, where he remained for seven years. From April, 1864, to May, 1867, he acted as Missionary of the Greene and Ulster Baptist Quarterly Conference, traveling through the two counties.
In May, 1867, he became pastor of the Baptist Church, in this village, continuing until January, 1886, a period of nearly nineteen years. His resignation was made necessary on account of physical disability, which incapacitated him for further service in the ministry, and he retired to his farm at Phoenicia, where he spent the remainder of his days in happy reflections consequent upon a well spent life.

As some one has beautifully said of another, the following lines apply equally to him in their appropriateness:
“Tearfully, tenderly yield him to slumber,
   Silently, lovingly, leave him to rest;
Manhood’s endeavor and cares that encumber,
   Earth takes them all to her pitiful breast.
Gather the lilies and garland the roses,
   Binding the words he will never repeat,
Glances of eyes closed in solemn repose,
   Sealed with sad kisses all hopeful and sweet.

Gather the roses and garland the lilies,
   Let your fond tribute in sympathy blend;
Shrine with all beautiful blooms of the valleys,
   One who has never deserted a friend;
Yet the beloved, in his greatness so tender,
   Needs not your tears in his curtainless bed;
Weep for the living who mourn their defender;
   Naught can avail for the passionless dead.

Tearfully, tenderly yield him to slumber,
   Silently, lovingly, leave him to rest;
While through the footfalls of years without number,
Memory blossoms in hearts he loved best;
Gather the lilies and garland the roses,
Wreathing a name that shall never grow dim;
Yield the strong soul from Death's holy reposes,
Unto the Merciful – leave it with Him." [illustration]

3550. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 22, 1898. – Death of Mrs. Turck. - Mother of Charles Lusk, of this Village, and Widely Known in Saugerties and Greene County.
Mrs. Harriet Turck, widow of the late Henry Turck, of this village, died this morning from an attack of the grip, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Edmund McC. Russell, in the city of New York, in the 81st year of her age.
Her remains will be brought here to-morrow and the funeral will take place from the residence of her son, Charles Lusk, on Washington avenue at 5 o'clock in the evening. Interment will be in the Catskill cemetery on the following day.
Mrs. Turck was formerly Miss Harriet Luddington and she was born at Cairo, Greene county, in the year 1818. She was twice married, her first husband was John Lusk of Catskill, who died in 1847. The fruit of this union was four children, two boys and two girls, viz: Charles, James, Ella and Isabel, of whom James and Isabel are dead. The living children are Charles Lusk, the tobacconist of this village, and Mrs. Ella Russell of New York city, widow of the late Edmund McC. Russell.
In 1853 she married Henry Turck, landlord of the Phoenix Hotel in this village, with whom she lived until his death on Jan. 5th, 1887, since which time she made her home principally with her daughter, Mrs. Russell. It was during Mrs. Turck’s management of the culinary department of the Phoenix which made the name of that hostelry famous as one of the best appointed and homelike hotels along the Hudson.

3551. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 11, 1899. - R. A. SNYDER HOSE BANQUET. – At Ziegler’s on Tuesday Evening. – As Usual a Large Success and a Large Number Present to Enjoy the Occasion.
The annual banquet of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. was held at Zieglers on Tuesday evening and was as usual a very successful affair. The banquets of the company are always looked forward to with much pleasure and the one Tuesday evening was no exception. Promptly at ten o’clock the firemen and their friends seated themselves and filled four large and capacious tables and from that time until midnight, merriment and gayety reigned supreme. The occasion was a joyous one indeed and everyone present entered into it with a spirit of good fellowship and sociability. The repast was an epicurean one, served in Mr. Ziegler’s matchless style, and was partaken of with a zest and relish which evinced conclusively that it was a delight and pleasure to be present. The tables were loaded with crisp turkey, delicious oysters, dulcet cranberry sauce, dressing and other viands which were prepared in a regal manner. Everything was ably managed and everyone was well pleased. Not only were their solids served, but liquids as well, and when each one had eaten his fill fragrant cigars were passed around and enjoyed, and the banquet will go on record as another of the social events of the company which weave a web of “esprit de corps” among the firemen. Those who were present and participated in the affair were: Dr. O’Dea, Frank Russell, C. H. Vedder, John Lang, Sr., C. B. Cox, S. Hallenbeck, Jr., H. S. Brownson, James Dederick, F. M. Murphy, D. N. Finger, Wm. Rifenberg, Chester Blackwell, Jr., Jacob Hardenburg, Dr. Stanwix, W. W. Reed, W. E. Simmons, J. M. Reed, E. C. Snyder, James Teller, W. G. Sickles, F. A. Jewett, William Mattes, L. B. Howard, Judge H. A. Ohley, H. B. Van Buskirk, Ernest Myer, D. E. Abeel, Gus Kehr, William Hanna, Bert Whitaker, M. M. Baker, C. Van Buskirk, Wm. V. Burhans, Chas. McCormick, John F. McKinney, Clyde Van Steenberg, Charles Clum, J. W. Frankel, Roy Turck, Al. Saam, John Hallenbeck, F. T. Lewis, Elmer Walker, J. D. Fratsher, E. J. Lewis, J. A. Snyder, P. H. Davis, Ford Myer, H. T. Kenney, John M. Adams, Barnett Hallenbeck, Benjamin Davis, T. B. Belch, Robert Ballman, W. L. Darbee, J. W. Lackey, Ernest Hassinger, F. L. Osterhoudt, Byron Hallenbeck, F. A. Yerger, William Ziegler and Alfred Nestlen.
At the Common Council meeting last Friday evening, the annual report of M. F. Rafferty, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, for the year 1898 was presented. It states that the number of fires during the year was considerably less than in the previous year; also that the losses have been very light. The total number of alarms sent in was 32, of which four should be considered false alarms. The record of fires with the losses as reported by the Insurance Companies are as follows:

January 1 – Fire in the apartments of John Quigley in the building owned by Bernard Culloton. No water turned on. Damage slight. Loss settled for $73.

January 3 – Building of F. Hallett was destroyed. Loss settled for $1,973.54.


January 21 – Tenement house of Mrs. Augustus Schoonmaker on fire in rear room. No water turned on. Loss settled for $23.58.


February 14, 6:10 A. M. – Barn of Mrs. Reuben Reil on German street burned together with contents. Loss settled for $300.

March 11 – Building of George Hutton, occupied by A. Myer as a cigar store. Building and stock badly damaged. Loss settled, on building, $235.20; on stock and fixtures, $148.50.


April 6 – Fire in residence of J. E. Diamond. No water turned on. Loss settled for $60.

May 2 – Gasolene stove in house of Mrs. Seymour exploded. No water used. Little damage done. No insurance.

May 4 – Barn of Mr. Grimes on Post street destroyed, together with its contents. Loss settled for $200.

May 12 – Roof of Mrs. Murphy’s livery stable on fire. No water used. Slight damage. No insurance.

June 8 – Barn of Dr. Murphy destroyed; also house of Mrs. Nock slightly damaged. House owned by Mr. Gage damaged a little. Total losses settled for $475.

July 5 – Solomon’s clothing store on West Strand. Stock destroyed. Building only damaged on ground floor. Losses settled on building, $400; on stock and fixtures, $3,150.

July 5 3:20 P. M. False alarm sent in for brush fire in Ludlum’s woods.

July 12 – Fire in Feineson’s clothing store. Stock badly and building slightly damaged. Losses settled for building $446.25; stock, $1,565.

July 12 – Fire in house owned by Colonial Railroad, occupied by James O’Brien. House badly damaged. No insurance on house or furniture.

August 21 – House owned by Schoonmaker estate, and occupied by –onen, [ink missing] shoemaker, on fire. Slight damage to house. Furniture considerably damaged. No water used. Chemical extinguishers used and they worked good. Losses settled, on furniture, $139.40; on house $45.80.


August 22, 9:40 P. M. – Bale of hay on fire in Stephan’s store. No other damage. A false alarm.

August 24 – House owned by Hugh Moran on fire. Not much damage done. No loss reported.

October 5 – Barn owned by Michael Walch destroyed. Loss settled for $155.

October 6 – Chimney on house owned by Peter Measter had the cap stone blown off by gas that generated in chimney. No fire. False alarm.
October 17 - Oil stove exploded in house of Edward Geldhart. Stove carried out before any damage was done.

October 19 – Fire alarm caused to ring by electric light wires falling across it.


November 15 – Small fire in house occupied by James McManus. Little damage done. No loss reported.

November 25 – Building owned by Mrs. Michael Meagher and occupied as a candy store by Harvey Decker. Building and stock destroyed. Losses settled on building, $208; on stock and fixtures $355.

December 9 – House of Emory Merrihew on Tubby street destroyed. Losses settled, on house, $1,016; on furniture, $500.

December 20 – Jorgensen’s art gallery on fire. Building owned by Hutton estate, all destroyed. Adjoining building slightly damaged. Dr. Buckley’s loss settled for $192.50; Weber’s meat market for $14; building, $625; Jorgensen’s loss and P. J. Leuffgen’s loss not settled yet.

December 26 – Hauck’s baker shop destroyed. Building owned by Mrs. Reuben Rail. Losses not settled.

The report also contains an inventory of all the city’s property in the various engine houses and gives the condition of the building and apparatus and states what repairs are needed. It also gives the number of feet of hose on hand and its condition as follows: First class hose, 4,500 feet; second class, 1,850 feet; poorer, 100 feet; total 6,450 feet. The worn out hose has been taken to the City Hall for the use of the street force.

In referring to the fire alarm system the Chief recommends that an ordinance be passed prohibiting the repeating of alarms, as it frequently taken for the second alarm and causes unnecessary expense and confusion.


The meeting of Saugerties Lodge Ancient Order United Workmen was graced by the presence of Past Grand Master Workmen W. J. Donnel, of Dunkirk, N. Y., Grand Deputy G. J. Adams of Albany, and Deputy Master Workman Andrew Rockefellow, of Tivoli on Tuesday evening, and proved interesting indeed.

The invitation of Laurel Lodge, Catskill, to visit their next Thursday evening was accepted and about twenty members will go up.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

Past Master Workman, W. G. Sickles; Master Workman, H. W. Walker; Foreman, A. M. Kearney; Overseer, James Teller; Recorder, Harry S. Brownson; Financier, N. Van Steenberg; Rep. to Grand Lodge, Wm. G. Sickles; Alternate, Harry W. Walker; Trustee, 3 years, Dr. R. F. Diedling.

The installation will be held in January, and will probably be a public one. Addresses were delivered by Grand Deputy Adams and Past Master Donnel. Mr. Donnel’s address was an able and comprehensive one, giving a complete statement of the strength and stability of the order, its great relief fund, separate state beneficiary jurisdiction, and low rate assessment plan. He spoke of its marvelous growth and that it stands to-day the pioneer fraternal organization in the land. He closed his address by complimenting Saugerties Lodge on its rapid growth, personnel and bustling proclivities.

3554. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 13, 1899. – A LONG LITIGATION ENDED. - Court of Appeals Decides the Mattes-Frankel Suit. – In Favor of Mrs. Frankel – The Case Tried in Three Courts and Won Every Time by Mrs. Frankel and Now Ended.

After being in the courts for nearly ten years, the famous right of way case of Philip Mattes against Mrs. C. P. Frankel and her son-in-law, Joseph Swartz, has come to an end, the last phase in the action being
the decision handed down this week by the court of appeals, affirming the orders of the lower courts with costs. This case attracted considerable attention owing to the points of law involved – that is, whether a verbal agreement made by party is as binding as a written one, and the decision of the court is that a verbal agreement is equally as binding as a written one. The history of this case which has been tried in three courts is as follows: On March 14th 1889, Philip Mattes conveyed to Mrs. Frankel and Mr. Swartz, the property on Partition street, now occupied by Mrs. Frankel adjoining his property. In the rear of the property was a barn which Mrs. Frankel intended to use for keeping her horse used in delivering goods. It was necessary in order to reach the barn to cross Mattes’ property and also to go through an alley owned by Mattes and Mrs. Genthner. At the time of the purchase no record was made in the deed of allowing Mrs. Frankel and Mr. Swartz the right of way to cross the property but in the presence of Isaac Lazarus who negotiated the sale, Mr. Swartz and subsequently Henry Lynk, Mr. Mattes stated while in the yard one day that this was the right of way and that Mrs. Frankel and Mr. Swartz could use it. Nothing occurred to cause trouble between the parties until in September, 1889, when Mr. Mattes locked up the gate and prevented Mrs. Frankel from getting in or out the yard. Mrs. Frankel then retained attorney Carrol Whitaker and commenced an action against Mr. Mattes for persecution, claiming damages at $1,000, she having suffered many inconveniences on the part of Mr. Mattes previous to his locking up the gate. Upon the advice of counsel, Mr. Swartz broke the lock on the gate. Mattes then endeavored to keep out Mrs. Frankel by building a high board fence, although he had been notified not to obstruct the roadway. The fence was completed sufficiently to block the right away [sic] and Mr. Swartz, on advice of counsel, smashed the fence into pieces.

Mattes then brought an action against Mrs. Frankel and Mr. Swartz claiming damages at $400. The case was tried before Judge Clearwater and a jury at Kingston in May, 1890, Hon. Charles Davis and Hon. Peter Cantine appearing for the plaintiff and Carrol Whitaker for the defendants.

It required two days to hear the evidence and nearly forty witnesses were sworn. The jury brought in a verdict of no cause of action in favor of the defendants, believing the testimony given by Messrs. Swartz, Lazarus and Lynk concerning what Mattes said relative to the right of way true. The case was then appealed to the Appellate Division and argued by Counselors Cantine for the plaintiff and Whitaker for the defendant and the court unanimously affirmed the decision of the County Court. Another appeal was taken, to the Court of Appeals the highest tribunal in the state and after being on the calendar a number of years it was reached last December and argued by the same attorneys and the court at its sitting Wednesday morning handed down a decision affirming with costs the order of the Appellate Court, thus bringing an end to the case.


The annual meeting and election of officers in Snyder Hose Co. was held Tuesday evening. Benjamin F. Davis was elected an active member and James T. Maxwell, W. A. Baker, Edward Lynk, Jr., Dr. George B. Stanwix, J. W. Frankel, Dr. C. T. Montgomery, William G. Morgan, Newby S. Barritt, Eugene Barritt, S. M. Gray, J. H. Murphy, F. L. Osterhoudt, B. Taylor Harris, Albert Carnright, H. D. Laflin, F. W. Loerzel, F. M. Van Deusen, Frank Scism, F. N. Moulton, F. S. Dickinson, M. P. Rourke, Albert Rowe, Frank Russell and W. L. Darbee were elected honorary members. The company also decided to hire Gartland’s band of Albany, twenty-five pieces, for the parade at Po’keepsie in June. The following officers were elected. Ernest Myer, President; Herbert Van Buskirk, Vice-President; Irwin Ronk, Foreman; Robert B. Ballman, 1st Ass’t Foreman; Fred D. Wygant, 2d Ass’t Foreman; John M. Adams, Secretary; William Ziegler, Treasurer; Jacob Bruckner, Charles Wilbur, John A. Snyder, Trustees; Ernst Myer, Rep. State F. A.; Robert B. Ballman, Alternate; James Teller, Rep. H. R. V. F. A.; Alfred Saam, Alternate; Jas. Teller, 2nd Asst. Chief Engineer; Ernest Hassinger, Janitor.

The annual banquet will be held at Ziegler’s cafe next Tuesday evening.

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EXEMPT FIREMEN.
The Exempt Firemen’s Association held their annual election Tuesday evening. The following were the officers elected: Denis McLaughlin, Foreman; J. W. Reinhard, First Asst. Foreman; D. N. Finger, Second Asst. Foreman; Jerry Finger, Secretary; J. P. Russell, Treasurer; John Lang, Sr., Rep. to State Ass’n; Edward Jernegan, Alternate; F. L. Osterhoudt, Rep. H. R. V. V. F. A.; John G. Palmer, Alternate.
work, and when he died, January 3, 1851, it was found that he had left his mark ineffaceably upon the place and its people.

The village government is composed of Norman Cunyes and James D. Myer of the First ward, Edson Finger and Alfred P. Lasher of the Second ward, and Charles E. Cornwell and Charles McNally of the Third ward. Alfred P. Lasher is the mayor (president) of the village and David W. Maxwell, clerk; John Crowley, collector; William H. Eckert, Treasurer; John W. Shultis, Jeremiah P. Russell and Richard S. Gibson, assessors; James Crump, superintendent of streets; Ernest Hassinger, chief engineer of the fire department; Martine D. Cantine, first assistant chief, and Frank J. Dale, second assistant chief.

3558. Special Edition - Fireman’s Hall.
This building stands on Partition street just north of Main. It is two stories and a half high with a tower. It is built of brick and was erected in 1873. On the lower floor is stored the apparatus of R. A. Snyder Hose Company and Washington Hook and Ladder Company. The village lockup is also on this floor. On the upper floor there are four large rooms. Snyder Hose Company and Washington Hook and Ladder Company each have one while on large room is used for the Board of Director’s meeting room. [ill [illustration]

3559. Special Edition - The Fire Department.
The village of Saugerties occupies an enviable position among the villages of the state, in the matter of a volunteer fire department. It is doubtful if it can be excelled. The leading men of the village are the backbone of it and whenever duty calls them, “there they are.” Four companies compose the department and the apparatus included four hose jumpers, a Rumsey hook and ladder truck, a steamer and two thousand feet of hose. The companies are all handsomely uniformed, and whenever they appear on parade, favorable comment is always heard on all sides. The names of the companies with their location and color of uniforms and officers are
R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, Fireman’s Hall, Partition street.  Fawn uniforms  John A. Snyder, foreman; Irwin Ronk, first assistant foreman; Robert Ballman, second assistant foreman; Ernest Hassinger, secretary; William Zeigler, treasurer.
H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, Engine House, Theodore Place. Cadet grey uniform. William J. Gordon, foreman; Jonas Myer, first assistant foreman; Thomas Bradley, second assistant foreman; John McCormick, Jr., secretary; George H. Reynolds, treasurer.
Washington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Fireman’s Hall, Partition street. Dark blue uniform. William Tracey, foreman; Fred Gradwhol, first assistant foreman; Patrick Doyle, second assistant foreman; James P. Sweeney, secretary, Isaac Lazarus, treasurer.
Exempt Firemen’s Police Patrol, Fireman’s Hall, Partition street. Bottle green uniform. John Lang, Sr., foreman; Dennis McLaughlin, first assistant foreman; J. W. Reinhard, second assistant foreman; J. P. Russell, secretary and treasurer.

3560. Special Edition - The Public Schools.
The Saugerties public schools were established in 1893, as a Union Free School District, by the consolidation of the Common School Districts, Nos. 10, 15 and 21, and were chartered by the Regents of the university of the state of New York in 1896 as Saugerties High School.
The people of the village feel justly proud of what has been accomplished during the past five years by the present system of schools. The change has been gradual but constantly for the better. Under the management of a most efficient board of education the character of the school has been changed from that of a common district school to that of a union free school supplemented by a high school. In June, 1897, the first class was graduated from the high school. This class consisted of five young men and one
young lady. Three of the young men and the young lady are now continuing their studies further at college. In June, 1898, the second class was graduated. This class contained two young men and six young ladies. Of this class five entered college in September, and two entered upon a course of study at one of the Normal schools of this state. Four general courses of study have been adopted, which give opportunity for broad and thorough training for either business of college preparatory education. The schools are well equipped with all necessary apparatus and each is provided with a library for supplemental reading and study. The high school library is particularly excellent, containing about fifteen hundred volumes adapted to the special needs of a high school. In addition to this there has been established indirectly under the control of the board of education, a public library as compete and efficient as can be found in any town of the size of Saugerties. 

Friends of public education are always welcome at any of the schools, and are urged to visit them and see the character of the work which is being done. 

The board of education is composed of Louis J. Butzel, Peter Canner, Martin Cantine, T. B. Cornwell, W. L. Darbee, John C. Davis, S. M. Gray, A. P. Lasher and E. J. Lewis, and the officers are: Peter Canner, president; J. W. Lackey, clerk; Ira Lewis, treasurer; C. E. Abeel, collector. The faculty of the schools is Fred N. Moulton, principal and superintendent; Eva E. Briggs, preceptress; M. Corrine Lewis, Josephine E. Keeney, Mable W. Voorhees, Kate R. Bishop, Anna F. Maltby, Emma M. Bolton, Daisy Lee Smallman, Louise H. Base, Mary E. Lindberg, M. Louise Russell, Ruth Fordham, Ida A. Willard and Nelly A. Reed, teachers.

3561. Special Edition - The Village Societies.

In this village there are several organizations, composed of the prominent citizens of the town banded together for social and fraternal purposes. The names of the societies are their meeting nights are:
Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M., every Wednesday evening, Russell block.
Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., every Monday evening. Whittaker building.

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Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F., every Thursday evening, Brede building.
North American Lodge, No. 115, K. of P., every Tuesday evening, Lazarus building.
Saugerties Lodge, No. 373, Ancient Order United Workmen, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, Whittaker building, Main street.
Saugerties Council, No. 1,365, Royal Arcanum, the second and fourth Friday of each month, Whittaker building.
J. R. Tappen Post, No. 215, G. A. R., first and third Tuesday evenings in each moth, Russell block.
Woman’s Relief Corps, No. 171, G. A. R., first and third Tuesday afternoons in each mother, Russell block.
Cigarmakers’ Union, No. 84, first Monday of every month, Lorezel’s Hall.

3562. Special Edition - The Village Churches.

Saugerties has reason to feel grateful for her churches, seven in number. Each one is admirably situated and the pastors are all men of much intellectual force and learning. The churches with their pastors are:
Baptist, Partition Street, one block north of Main, Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, pastor.
Congregational, corner Main and First streets. Rev. Wilbur F. Stowe, pastor.
Methodist Episcopal, Washington avenue, opposite Russell street, Rev. George H. Smith, pastor.
Reformed, Main street, near John. Rev. Denis Wortman, D. D., pastor.
Trinity Episcopal, Church street, Barclay Heights. Rev. Thomas Cole, pastor.
The First National Bank of Saugerties was incorporated first as a state bank under the title of the Bank of Ulster, in the year 1852, and was changed to the national banking system in 1863, under the name of the First National Bank of Saugerties, and has occupied an important position in the development of the industrial and mercantile resources of this section, for it is the policy of the officers of this bank to treat its customers as liberally as is consistent with the maintenance of strictly legitimate methods, thereby promoting the growth of the business of this section by the assistance and accommodation rendered to the merchants and manufacturers, and we might add that much of the usefulness of the institution is due to the perfect familiarity of its officers and directors with local conditions, for the management includes some of the active manufacturers and merchants doing business in this vicinity. It is obvious that such men are peculiarly well qualified to direct an enterprise, having chiefly to do with local and suburban industrial and mercantile establishments. The bank enjoys very favorable relations with other financial institutions throughout the country and is prepared to offer a prompt and satisfactory service in connection with the collection of drafts and indeed, in connection with all other duties incidental to a general banking business. The accounts of firms, individuals and corporations are received on the most favorable terms and all business intrusted to the institution is assured prompt and painstaking attention. The bank has a capital stock of $200,000, a surplus fund of $40,000, and undivided profits of $7,500. Its financial condition is excellent in every respect and reflects much credit on its officers and directors both past and present. Hon. Robert A. Snyder is president of the institution; William H. Eckert, cashier; James T. Maxwell, vice-president; John A. Snyder, teller; John Hallenbeck, bookkeeper. The board of directors is composed of Hon. Robert A. Snyder, James T. Maxwell, Jacob Van Gelder, Daniel Lamb, Fred M. Wells, Stephen Cordes, George Seamon, W. H. Eckert, Uriah Van Etten, George W. Washburn, Orville L. Carn, Henry L. Finger, P. M. Gillespy.

Dealer in beef, mutton, veal, lamb, poultry and game in season, corner of Main and Partition streets, Saugerties. Some few business men succeed by catering especially to one class of trade, but invariably the only way to obtain a large and permanent patronage is to spare no pains to satisfy the purchasing public in general, and it is just this policy intelligently and completely carried out which commends the enterprise conducted by Mr. Rowe to the residents of Saugerties and vicinity, and which has resulted in building up an extensive patronage. The business was started in 1884 by Albert Rowe, who was succeeded by his son Frank in 1895. This market has always been conducted in an able and business-like manner. The premises are 70 x 30 feet in dimensions, and the stock consists of all kinds of meat, poultry and game in season, which is always sold at lowest prices. This extensive business requires the services of three men and the constant use of three wagons to deliver to customers their daily orders. All goods warranted to give satisfaction.

The necessity of a reliable express-man in a community of this size is very obvious. So much depends on the rapidity with which goods are delivered to a designated point and the care that must be taken in handling them that not everyone can be trusted to do this work. Mr. Doyle opened a fish and vegetable business in 1872, and engaged in his present business in 1874, with one wagon. By strict attention to the requirements of his customers he has built up an immense business, requiring 23 horses and 30 wagons to take care of it. No one is better or more favorably known in this village and vicinity and his motto is “Always on Time.” All kinds of trucking promptly attended to.
Among those who have reared and brought up among the picturesque environments of Saugerties, there is none who has succeeded in making such rapid strides in business than Alfred P. Lasher. Born in Coxsackie July 9, 1855, a son of John E. and Katharine Elizabeth Lasher he came with them to this village when but a lad. After attending the village schools, he subsequently finished his education at Glens Falls and Hudson, completing the courses in both schools.
At the age of eighteen years he entered the employ of Burhans & Brainard, the stone dealers, as a clerk, and later he became shipping clerk for John Maxwell at Malden, a position which he held for two years. In 1881 he formed a partnership with his father under the name of John E. Lasher & Son, and they began furnishing all the leading railroads of the country with pine ties, the firm being the first ones to introduce southern ties in the northern states. The firm continued until 1891, when the senior partner withdrew and his son assumed complete control, and has continued the business ever since. Mr. Lasher has attained considerable prominence in the affairs of the village, having served as a director for four years, and at present he is president of the village. He is also a member of the Board of Education, having held every office within their gift. He served his time in the fire department in R. A. Snyder Hose company, and is now a member of the Exempt Fireman’s Association. He is a 32nd degree Mason and is a member of the Mecca Temple Shrine of New York city.
He was united in marriage to Mary M. Gillespy on June 12, 1883, and three children were born to bless the union, two dying in infancy, while one, Jessie, is about ten years old. Mr. Lasher lives in a handsome residence on Main street, overlooking the noble Catskills. He is in excellent health and has every prospect of living a long and prosperous life.

3567. Special Edition - Board of Village Directors Alfred P. Lasher bottom row center, the rest of the men not identified, but known to be Norman Cunyes, James D. Myer, Edson Finger, Charles E. Cornwell and Charles McNally. [illustration]

3568. Special Edition - Reed & Reed.
No town along the Hudson from New York to Albany is better supplied with mercantile establishments than Saugerties, and chief among these is the large department dry goods house of Reed & Reed. This business was started eleven years ago in a very humble way, but by strict business integrity it has grown, until today it occupies the larger building at 98 and 100 Partition street, having a floor space of 40x90 feet with a large basement.
The business was purchased three years ago from J. W. Tompkins by E. C. and J. M. Reed. With Messrs. Reed & Reed at the helm business has increased very rapidly, necessitating an enlargement of the floor space, until their store contains one of the largest and finest stocks of dry goods, silks, millinery and carpets along the Hudson valley. This house had become famous for its low prices on merchandise and it is a well known fact that dry goods are sold cheaper in Saugerties than any other Hudson valley town.
The chief attraction of the “big store.” as it is called, is its dress goods, silk, millinery, cloak and carpet departments. Ten salesmen and salesladies are employed, which gives excellent service to all. If there are any who have never visited this establishment we would advise that they improved the opportunity and see for themselves the many attractions of the “New York Store,” Reed & Reed, proprietors.

3569. Jacob Henry Schiff, Banker Financier, Philanthropist. [illustration]

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3570. Baptist Church.
The accompanying cut gives an idea of the new edifice of the First Baptist Church. The building is in the Romanesque style of architecture with a frontage of fifty feet on Partition street and a depth of ninety-two feet. The exterior is of red brick with blue stone trimmings and dark slate roof. Two entrances to
the building, one under the tower on the southeastern corner and one on the northwestern corner, lead into the edifice. The main auditorium has a seating capacity of four hundred; and by the use of the Sunday school room at the opposite end from the pulpit, connected with the auditorium by sliding doors, seating comfortably one hundred persons, and by the use of chairs in the isles, fully six hundred persons can easily be accommodated. The floor of the auditorium has a slope toward the pulpit of twenty degrees, and the pews are arranged in semi-circular form. Immediately above and back of the pulpit is the choir gallery, with place for a grand pipe organ, and a large chorus of singers. Behind the pulpit, and under the choir gallery, opened by sliding doors, which are kept closed except when in use, is the baptistry. A most beautiful effect is secured by the interior’s being painted to resemble a river scene, so that when the ordinance is being administered, it has the appearance of being done in an open stream.

In the rear of the baptistery there are dressing rooms, on one side several for men, and on the other several for women. The ceiling of the auditorium is in the double dome style, about thirty-one feet in height, finished in plaster, and tastefully decorated in water colors.

In the front part of the building and over the Sunday school room, is a class room, a prayer meeting room or ladies’ parlor, and a room for the use of the pastor or the trustees. The wood work and ceiling in all the rooms is finished in light color, this giving to the entire interior a very bright and cheerful appearance. With very little expense the basement of the building can be utilized for kitchen, toilet or other purposes as may be desired. The building is heated by steam, and great care has been taken as to the ventilation. On the whole it is a most convenient and beautiful edifice, an ornament to the village, and a pride to the denomination. The pastor is the Rev. Frederick W. Hatch, a pulpit orator of exceptional ability.

The auditorium was opened for the first service February, 1891. Dr. Bridgeman of New York, and in his boyhood a child of the church, preaching the dedicatory sermon. This was a great and glad day for the church.

The building, including furniture, etc., cost $16,173.47. Of this amount the church has raised and paid $9,173.47 leaving a debt in the form of a mortgage, on the property of $7,000 which matured June 1, 1896. This has since been paid and the church is now free from the encumbrance. The church is in a live and progressive condition, being united and every department is doing its share toward uplifting the cause of Christianity. About 135 members are on the roll, and they are loyal to their cause. The Sunday School and Young People’s Society of Christian Endeavor is in a flourishing condition, and the attendance at all the church services is large. A notable feature of this church is its long pastorates. The Rev. H. C. Longyear was pastor nineteen years, the Rev. F. H. Gates nearly seven. The present pastor began his labors in June. This church has a record that it might well be proud of. From it there have gone forth the Rev. Dr. Bridgeman, the Rev. J. L. Williams, the Rev. James Mitchell, the Rev. Augustus Relyea, Stella Relyea a missionary in China, the Rev. Lester Leggett, and several others. This church is the only Baptist church between Catskill and Kingston. [illustration]

St. Mary’s Church stands on a hill overlooking the Hudson, and its grand spire may be seen for miles up and down the river. At its foot is the quaint old-fashioned village, while an unobstructed view is presented of the Catskill Mountain, with the two larger hotels in clear relief.

The first church was built in 1833, but many improvements by successive pastors, especially by the Rev. Michael Powers and the Rev. D. P. O’Flynn, have made of it quite a modern looking building with little traces of its antiquity. This is ever truer of the beautiful interior. The adjoining graveyard, however, tells its story of those who more than sixty years ago, were here laid to rest. The church’s archives present us with names of pastors already familiar to us, the Rev. Miles Maxwell and the Rev. John Smith, and forerunner of all the pastor of the Hudson River Valley, as he was called, the Rev. Philip O’Reilly.
In 1844 the Know-Nothings made an attempt which was partly successful to burn the church. In 1852 the long pastorate of Rev. Michael Powers began, to end only in 1878. The venerable priest is still living, resting after his years of toil at Wappinger’s Falls. Besides the addition to the church already referred to as made by Father O’Flynn, the same energetic pastor build a parochial school and rectory which together with St. Mary’s Hall erected by the present pastor, the Rev. M. J. Murray, gives to the Catholics of Saugerties, within a radius of little more than three hundred yards, all that can contribute to their spiritual welfare from the cradle to the grave. For beauty of situation, for completeness of details, for its venerable age, St. Mary’s Saugerties, stands out conspicuous among all the parishes along the river, and fitly marks and crowns the end of the Archdiocese of New York, as seen from the Hudson.

3572. Special Edition - J. B. Sheffield.
As the traveler enters the Esopus creek, his attention is at once attracted by the extensive groups of brick building situated on the dock. They are the Sheffield Paper Mills, and stand on the site of the original paper mill built in 1828 by Henry Barclay, who was alive, at that early date, to the great national advantages of the site, both in regard to the splendid water power and its location in tide water. The plant consists of two practically separate mills, designated as No. 1 and No. 2. No. 1 mill is fitted for manufacturing paper from rags, and contains beside the rag department, six washing and beating engines, a Jordan engine and an 80-1 inch Fourdrinier paper machine; also ruling, folding and stamping machines, trimming knives, etc., for making up pads and ruled and folded goods. No. 2 mill contains four beating engines one Jordan engine and an 80-inch Fourdrinier machine, also two super-calendars, 28 and 34 inches respectively. Each mill has a capacity of five tons of paper a day, and they have turned out many different grades, from express wrapping paper to a loft-dried animal sized rag paper. The plant is operated by water power, excepting the two paper machines, which are run by steam. This water power is supplied by a substantial dam across the Esopus creek, which is illustrated above under a head ranging from 28 to 40 feet. The dam also furnishes an abundant supply of clear wash-water, which passes through a mechanical filter before being delivered to the mills. The plant can be operated by steam, for which purpose ample power is supplied by six boilers and numerous steam engines. The mills are massively built of brick and are of ‘mill construction.’ The various departments are large, with high ceilings, giving plenty of light and air. A dynamo supplies electric light throughout the whole plant. Fire protection is furnished by a complete system of automatic sprinklers and hydrants and is rendered more effective by a 750 gallon steam fire pump.
Owing to their favorable location on tide-water, the Sheffield Mills enjoy remarkable shipping facilities. Coal and other supplies can be brought direct to the mill dock, at which there is a depth of ten feet of water. The boats of the Saugerties Steamboat Company furnish a daily freight service to and from New York, and the boats of the Albany, Troy, Newburgh and Philadelphia lines and the West Shore railroad give freight connections to all points at rates which for cheapness cannot be excelled. The mills are not being operated at present and could be purchased or rented for a term of years on very reasonable terms. Any inquiries should be addressed to Mr. J. B. Sheffield, Saugerties, N. Y., who will gladly give all desired information. [illustration]

3573. Special Edition - First Congregational Church.
The First Congregational Church of Ulster in Saugerties, N. Y., was organized May 16 and recognized by council just one month later, June 16, 1853. It was the first Congregational Church to be organized in Ulster county, and the second between the cities of New York and Albany. It was “to be a beacon of light of Gospel liberty, of fraternal equality, and of unsectarian love.” The records tell us that at the time when the church was recognized by council, the Rev. Ray Palmer, D. D., preached the sermon in the M. E. Church, the Rev. R. S. Storrs, D. D., gave the right hand of fellowship, and Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, the Moderator, read the confession of faith and offered the
constituting prayer. Immediately steps were taken towards the erection of the Congregational Church edifice, and the corner stone was laid that year. The first pastor, the Rev. S. B. Goodenow, was unanimously called to take charge of the parish May 20, 1855, and was publicly installed October 16, the Rev. Ray Palmer, D. D., preaching the sermon. The new church edifice was dedicated the same day, the dedicatory sermon being delivered by the Rev. J. P. Thomas, D. D., pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle, New York City. The Rev. Mr. Goodenow remained as pastor until 1858, when he was succeeded by the Rev. L. C. Lockwood, 1858-59.

The following persons have been pastors or supplies since then: The Rev. Edward A. Collier, 1860-61; the Rev. George H. Coffey, 1861-65; the Rev. George W. Fisher, 1865-68; the Rev. George W. Martin, 1868-69; the Rev. Joseph Danielson, 1869-77; the Rev. John M. Wolcott, 1877-80; the Rev. Frank C. Scoville, 1880-85; the Rev. Hiram L. Hoyt, 1885-87; the Rev. Robert W. Sharpe, 1887-89; the Rev. J. H. LaGrange, 1889-92; the Rev Wilbur Fiske Stowe, the present pastor, who began his work in 1892, and in about three weeks begins his seventh year. The church was organized with a membership of thirty-three. Today there are upwards of two hundred communicants. About ninety have joined on confession of faith and by letter during the present pastorate.

The church edifice is located in one of the most beautiful parts of the village. It is on the corner of Main and First streets, and fronts on Bridge street, a beautiful thoroughfare, adorned on each side by maples. The church is built of brick and is valued at about eighteen thousand dollars. In the rear is a fine chapel with an entrance on First street. The main auditorium, which will seat about six hundred people, is one of the most attractive along the river. In 1893 and ’94 extensive repairs were made to the interior of the church edifice. Through the efforts of the Young People’s Society of Christian Endeavor, beautiful cathedral glass windows were put in at a cost of three hundred dollars. Early the next year, through the efforts of the members of the church, the walls were beautifully frescoed. There is a charming blending of colors and the design is most artistic. A large two manual pipe organ was also erected in the church at this time. It has 22 registers, and 972 pipes. It is placed back of the pulpit, so that the choir faces the audience and they can better lead the congregation in their praises to Almighty God.

While Congregationalism is weak in this part of the country, the ground having been pre-empted by the Reformed Dutch and the Presbyterian, yet it is making a slow and healthy progress. There are two distinguishing characteristics of Congregationalism: its regard for education and its missionary zeal. The New England colleges were early all founded by Congregationalists. They have also planted them liberally throughout the west. Masters of arts in all departments of literature have been given to the country by this denomination. Congregationalists have also stood at the front, along with other denominations in their support of home and foreign missions. Realizing the importance of Christ’s words, “Thou shalt love they neighbor as thyself,” and that the word “neighbor” includes “every man living,” they have given nobly for the spread of the gospel. “Congregationalism recognizes all evangelical bodies as part of the great Church of Christ. It has aimed to live in peace and sympathy with them, co-operating so far as possible in all good works.”

Methodism began in this locality through the visits of the early itinerant preachers, whose circuit reached all the way from New York city to Canada. Elijah Wolsey, one of Freeborn Gorritsen’s assistants, is known to have preached in a dwelling house one mile west of Asbury in 1793. Speaking of his circuit he said: “I met with hard fare and many trials. The country is thinly inhabited. In some places there were not regular roads. We followed marked trees for eight or nine miles together. Provisions were scarce and of the homeliest kind. In some instances our greatest luxury were roasted potatoes.” He was a very genial and earnest preacher and crowds flocked to hear him. Among those converted under this good man’s preaching, Mrs. Christina Russell remembered whole families, among them were the Carnwrights, the Morris’ and Mr. Trumpbour and his three daughters. The following spring John
Crawford came on the circuit. He was ordained by Bishop Asbury in 1791-2 and his ordination papers are still preserved. He married Miss Trumpbour of this locality.

Mr. Crawford first preached in Saugerties in a barn owned by Mr. De Witt, which stood on the site of the Exchange Hotel. Subsequently services were held in private houses. Zebulon Hibbard’s was one of these, which stood near the iron bridge. Then the church moved to the school house, which still stands on Partition street. For several years the Dutch Reformed Church, the Roman Catholic and the Methodists used this building in common and it is said in perfect concord.

In 1825 we find the Kingston circuit was traveled over every six weeks by two men. One F. W. Smith, who lived in Kingston, and the other David Lewis, lived in Saugerties in a small house opposite the old Baptist Church. Next on the circuit came Ira Ferris and D. J. Wright. It was during Mr. Wright’s stay here that the Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal Church of Saugerties was organized on the 25th of February, 1828. The first trustees were Henry Bogardus, John Eldridge, and Zebulon Hibbard. On March 19, 1828, lots were secured of Robert Livingston and Henry Barclay, corner of Church street and Washington avenue, where the church and parsonage now stand. In the spring of 1829 S. L. Stillman and D. Marshall came to this circuit. The first edifice was dedicated in May, 1829.

The following are the names of the preachers since the church was erected: S. L. Stillman, 1828-29; 1830, F. W. Smith and John C. Tackerbery; 1831, Tackerbury and David Poor, assistant; in 1832, David Poor and D. D. Ostrander were on this circuit; in 1833 there were six classes, the leaders were C. Wallace, H. Bogardus, C. Trumpbour, D. Shaffer, J. H. Dickman and H. Holmes. It was this year that the charge was set off from the Kingston circuit and Daniel Holmes, a single man, was sent as the first pastor of the new church. In 1834, Cyrus Foos, father of Bishop Foos; in 1835, Elijah Crawford, brother of the late M. D. C. Crawford, was stationed here and David Webster, as junior preacher. They remained two years.
The Women’s Foreign Missionary Society number 100. Last year they gave the largest collection in the Kingston District, $64. There is a resident membership of three hundred. The church has been recently improved and beautified. This church while conservative of the good things in the past, is active and aggressive in every department of church work. [illustration] [n. b. The ordination papers of John Crawford are still preserved, 2014, ak]

3575. Special Edition - Merritt Block, Main Street. [illustration]

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Two stories entitled San Benito’s Downfall and Loveday. [fiction]

Nominated for justice of the supreme court in a Democratic district and, as was to be expected, was defeated. He has been a director of the village, United States loan commissioner, and has been elected as delegate to all the leading political conventions. For two years he was corporation counsel of the village. He was married to Sarah A. Starin, December 29, 1857, and three sons and a daughter were born to them. Charles F. Cantine is district attorney of Ulster county, Martin is ex-mayor of the village, Delancy is a farmer in Minnesota and Lydia is the wife of Lieutenant G. E. French of the Fourth Infantry U. S. A. Mr. Cantine is an excellent mentor and public spirited citizen. Mr. Cantine is a Mason, being a member of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M. He is a man of sterling integrity and an influential resident. [illustration]

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3577. Officers of Snyder Hose Company, Irwin Ronk, 1st Ass’t Foreman, John A. Snyder, Foreman, Robert Ballman, 2nd Ass’t Foreman. [illustration]

3578. Special Edition - Seamon Block. Main street. [illustration]
3579. Special Edition - Famous Drill Team of Laflin Hose Co. At Saratoga. [illustration]
3580. Special Edition - Brede Block Partition Street. [illustration]

3581. Saugerties and New York Steamboat Co.
One of the potent factors which have contributed to the advantages of this village is the above company, who without doubt, deserve the patronage and position they enjoy. They have not only given this town a lower freight rate (the lowest of any place on the Hudson) but have combined with it an express service to New York city, that is, goods delivered to this company before 6 p. m., are in New York market before 7 o’clock the following morning. The two magnificent and palatial steamers, the “Saugerties” and “Ulster” have been newly furnished throughout, are heated by steam, electric lighted and supplied with mountain water, making them the finest passenger steamers plying the Hudson. Persons desiring to go to New York can take a boat daily at 6 p.m. except Saturday, and after a good night’s rest, find themselves in New York, not tired from a tedious journey, but refreshed for a day of sight-seeing or business. This line is largely used by visitors to the Catskills, as during July and August, this company runs its boats from New York Saturdays at 1 p. m., arriving here about 8 p.m. allowing persons desiring to spend Sunday in the Catskills a full night and day and bringing them back to New York in time for business Monday morning. This company is composed of our salient citizens, Hon. Robert A. Snyder, James T. Maxwell, Henry L. Finger and William Maxwell. These men are too well known for further mention. Connection is made at Rhinecliff with all points of the Philadelphia, Reading and New England Railroad. The boats land at Tivoli, Barrytown, Ulster Landing and Rhinebeck. The
steamer Saugerties is in charge of Captain W. L. Finger and the Ulster is in charge of Captain William J. Snyder.  [illustration]

Those who have had long experiences in the shoe business say that no two persons wear shoes out exactly alike, as each individual has his distinctive style of walk, as he has of speech or penmanship, or of general manner. Now, granting this to be true, it is not surprising that a dealer finds it necessary to carry a large and varied stock in order to satisfy all his patrons, for as each has his own style of walk, so each would naturally have peculiar ideas as to the qualities he wants to combine in a shoe. It is by no means that every dealer appreciates this fact, but evidently Mr. Overbagh is one of them, for his assortment of footwear is so extensive and so skillfully chosen that all tastes and prices can be suited from it. In addition to a large stock of up-to-date footwear, you can suit yourself in hats, neck-wear and gloves at prices that cannot be beat in this vicinity.

Dealers in coal and lumber and building material of all kinds, have three different yards in this village. The importance of being able to obtain building material in quantities to suit at short notice and at lowest market rates, is obsolete for demonstration and it follows that the enterprise conducted by the firm of Finger & Lewis is of great benefit to the public in general and to residents of Saugerties in particular. They deal very extensively in building material and the service offered by them is unsurpassed as regards promptness, reliability and economy. Mr. Lewis, the remaining member of the firm. (Mr. Finger having died on October 11, 1897) was born in Woodstock, this county, and began teaching school in 1862. He gave that up in 1867 to accept a position as bookkeeper for J. P. Russell, in the old Russell block. In 1873 his love for school teaching returned and he resumed the vocation, remaining in it until he bought out an interest in the present firm in 1884. He is a man now 52 years of age, and no one is better known in this village or whose opinion is more sought after. In mentioning the concern we must not fail to state that the coal business carried on by this firm is almost as large as any in the county and is attended to with the same care and precision as is the other branches of this business.

3584. Special Edition - Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co.
Dealers in coal and lumber, yard and office on Partition street. Branch yards near West Shore depot and the dock near gas works; also office and yard at Tannersville, known at the Tannersville Lumber and Coal Company. No one at all acquainted with the facts would for one instant think of denying the right of this firm to be accorded a leading position amongst the representative business houses of this section, for not only do they deal very extensively in such indispensable commodities as coal and lumber, but the establishment is the largest of its kind in town and offers superior inducements to draw trade from all the country adjacent. This business was first started by Mr. Simmons, Mr. Crump and Mr. Overbaugh. Mr. Crump has retired leaving Mr. Simmons and Mr. Overbaugh as proprietors. From six to ten men are constantly employed.

3585. Special Edition - Jewett the Jeweler.
Personal adornment is one of the attractive features of very man and woman, and great care must be exercised in the selection of jewels that will befit them. In the choice of places to secure such gems, we cannot recommend any better place that the store of Jewett the jeweler, on Main street. Mr. Jewett by promptness accuracy and honest dealing, has inculcated himself into the hearts of the people and has succeeded in building up the finest jewelry trade in town. His store is stocked with the choicest of watches, clocks, diamonds, silverware and novelties, and those in search of these goods always wend their way to Jewett’s, for there they get their money’s worth and bona fide goods.
Jewett the jeweler is recognized everywhere throughout the town as a business man who is ever on the qui vive to cater to the wants of all who favor him with their patronage. Sporting goods, shot guns, shells, powder, shot, musical instruments, strings and other novelties in this line can also be secured at Jewett’s. His line of Catskill mountain souvenirs attract a large sale. Mr. Jewett and his son Frank are always urbane in their manner and their business methods have won them legions of friends. It is at Jewett’s that you get full value for your money every time.

Photographer, dealer in picture frames and art materials, Ground floor studio, Porter block.
Probably in no branch of the arts have more improvements been made during the recent years than the art of photography, and the avidity with which inventions of later days have been sought after by the profession, is a convincing proof of the spirit of progression which has been a distinguishing feature of those interested in this most fascinating of all arts. E. L. Cooper has had more than thirty years experience in the business. He is a native of Wayne county, this state, and is well known in Saugerties for his admirable work, having been established here the past four years. Mr. Cooper is a landscape photographer, making a specialty of views of residences, landscapes, etc. The views for this paper were furnished by him. Besides being a photographer, he carries a large variety of frames and mouldings and also deals in artists materials. He has recently established, in connection with the photograph business, a millinery and his show window displays the latest creations in headwear.

Few men among the citizens of Saugerties occupy a more conspicuous position or is more universally esteemed for good fellowship and sterling integrity, than Col. H. Dwight Laflin. He was born in Blandford, Mass., February 12, 1830, his parents being Luther and Almira Laflin, who like all the residents of the old bay state, were patriotic to the letter. At the age of seven years, Col. Laflin came with his parents, to Saugerties. He attended the public schools of the village and later his education was augmented by a course of study in the Boston Latin School and at Plainfield, Mass. Gymnasium. Having the inherent desire for a military spirit, he entered into the athletics and drills with much animation and enthusiasm.
He returned to Saugerties in 1860, and at once began making his prestige felt in the business interests of the place. That he was more than successful, is attested by the fact that he was elected one of the village directors, and subsequently by his popularity, he was chosen president of the village. In the fire department of the village he was also prominent, being the chief engineer for two years.
Col. Laflin has not only succeeded in impressing his name indelibly on the hearts of the people of Saugerties but throughout the state of New York and Pennsylvania. In the latter state the people have honored him by naming a town after him.
The Colonel’s military career began in St. Louis, when he affiliated himself with the St. Louis Grays. Afterwards in Chicago, he became a member of the Chicago Light Guard, then in command of Gen. George B. McClelland. He was also a member of the famous Ellsworth Zouaves, whose record as a drill company was never excelled. Colonel Laflin was a personal friend of Colonel Ellsworth, and was chosen second officer of the command. He was also a member of Gen. T. B. Gates’ staff.
Perhaps the greatest pride of the Colonel’s life is the Laflin Hose Company, who under his discipline have arisen from raw recruits to the champion drilled firemen’s company in the state. At various places under the personal command of Col. Laflin, have the company triumphed, winning large sums of money. Originally Col. Laflin was a democrat, but is now one of the most ardent of Republicans. It was his privilege to assist in firing the first gun from the top of the Tremont House in Chicago when Abraham Lincoln was nominated for the presidency. He was he Republican candidate for assemblyman in 1863, but was defeated by 158 majority, although it is still maintained that his opponent’s election was illegal.
The Colonel was married to Josephine Barker of Hyde Park, September 7, 1853, and the fruit of their union was a daughter, who died at the age of ten years. His marital relations have been most happy ones. Though he is going down the declivity of life, yet he is as vigorous and erect as he was twenty years ago.

Bottlers of all kinds of mineral waters, sodas, sarsaparilla, ginger ale, birch beer, lemon sour, etc.
The enormous growth of the bottling industry in late years is one of the most significant “signs of the times,” for it clearly shows the tendency of the people to soft beverages. A concern whose business it is to supply the people of this vicinity with this line of goods is Spatz Bros., whose office and works are on the corner of Cross street and Ulster avenue, Saugerties. Spatz Bros., make is a rule to keep pace with the growing industry and have equipped their establishment with extraordinary facilities to do so. They manufacture all their own extracts from the oils, roots and herbs, and use only mountain water, thereby insuring cleanliness and purity in all their products.
Their works are fitted with all the latest appliances in machinery and they also have the latest patents in bottle stoppers. Besides carrying on a large business in the above line Spatz Bros. have added to their business the manufacturing of flavoring extracts for pastry, ice cream, jellies, etc. These extracts have proven satisfactory wherever used and can be obtained from any grocer. They can be told by their labels, as all the goods bear the firm’s name.

Valley Farm Dairy is one of the new business enterprises of our village, due to the practical insight of our townsman, Frank Pidgeon, who foresaw the necessity of providing the people of Saugerties with a milk free from all impurity. In order to do this Mr. Pidgeon invested a large sum of money in equipping a dairy, and a visit to it will convince you that it is up-do-date. In it are every known modern appliance, consisting of a Cooley creamer, aerating machine, bottle washing machine, cream separator and other machines used in the dairying business.
The herd of cattle is composed of Holstein-Friesan stock and is headed by the famous bull, Clothilde 5, Sir Netherland, and includes Clothilde Carlotta, Rosa Clothilde, Clothilde Countess, Mantel 5 lady and Clothilde Daisy, all thoroughbreds, and many others. The herd is fed none but the choicest fodder and roots raised on Mr. Pidgeon’s extensive farm and which he prepares and stores in is large silos and root cellars. The barns in which the cattle are housed are five in number and cover two and a half acres of ground, the yards being paved with brick. Each barn is kept clean and well ventilated. They are lighted by electricity and are models of neatness. One of the features of Valley Farm Dairy is the way in which the milk is freed from all impurity and placed in air-tight bottles. This is done by the aerating process, and the milk is delivered in a regular cosmopolitan style. Users of milk appreciate Mr. Pidgeon’s efforts and patronize him liberally.
Mr. Pidgeon is also a contractor and dock builder. His reputation as such is of the highest and he can justly claim the title of being one off the most extensive in the business. His outfit consists of five pile drivers, for building docks, steam drills, and submarine drills for under water work, horses and other appurtenances necessary in the contractor’s business. Mr. Pidgeon’s specialty is the building of abutments, viaduct approaches, piers, pavements and dock building. Everywhere Mr. Pidgeon has done jobs there has never been any dissatisfaction apparent. The best evidence that he is an honest, reliable and painstaking contractor is a statement which appeared in the Rensselaer Star-Eagle of recent issue, which referred to the paving job done in that city as the finest in the history of that municipality and the state.
Mr. Pidgeon has also done considerable work for the United States government along the coast. He has done much work in various cities throughout the state, and for private parties on the coast. He built all
the trestles and foundation work for the West Shore railroad from Kingston to Milton and also much of the trestle and foundation in the Newburgh division of the same road.

No man comes into closer contact with his fellow men than the family physician, and to none do we go more quickly for help and sympathy in our joys and sorrows. The mission of a physician is one of the noblest that a man can undertake, and that it should be adopted by many of the highest intellects and strongest natures is not surprising. The name which opens this article is that of a man who fills all of the requirements.

Dr. Montgomery is the son of Dr. J. E. Montgomery, and he was born in Greene county, N. Y., in 1849. During his early years he attended local schools. At fifteen, took position as clerk in a store. He held this position four years. When he returned to Woodstock, this county, and commenced the study of medicine with his father. He taught school in Woodstock to earn the money which took him through the Albany Medical College. He was graduated with honor in 1875.

His examinations and college records were so satisfactory, that he was appointed house physician to the Albany City Hospital, which position he occupied one year. He then located in Glasco, Ulster county, and has remained there ever since.

Dr. Montgomery is a man of wonderful strength of constitution and mental vigor. He has no fads or hobbies in the practice of medicine, and has never gone into the specialty business, unless now days the general practice of medicine may be termed a specialty, on account of being so rarely met with. The doctor’s practice is enormous and covers a radius of many miles. He is in the carriage from twelve to fifteen hours each day, and it takes from eight to ten horses to do the driving.

Dr. Montgomery has taken high rank in his profession in this section, and has enjoyed a varied and valuable experience. In this sphere of usefulness and science Dr. Montgomery has indicated the possession of marked professional ability and has ever maintained the respect of his fellow members of the profession.

At the bedside ever kind and sympathetic, with ready assistance upon the appeal of the sick and suffering, the doctor has created lasting friends from the ranks of all classes, rich and poor alike, deserving the well-earned praise that the citizens universally give him throughout the county. Dr. Montgomery’s residence is in Glasco, but he has a large and handsome office in the Van Buskirk building on Partition street in this village. Dr. Montgomery is the Republican candidate for coroner in Ulster county at the coming election. [Illustration]

Known as the SAUGERTIES BARGAIN STORE, is one of the attractive establishments in town. Mention should be made of the firm of which B. L. and W. C. Emerick are the proprietors, under the firm name of Emerick Bros. This business was founded in 1888 in a small way, but by prudent management the firm has built up a business which required more space. About five years ago they moved into the present building at 199 Main street, which gives them over 50,000 square feet of floor space.
The stock comprises a complete line of groceries, provisions, crockery, lamps, china, glass, tin, woodenware, bric-a-brac, etc. It requires the services of four competent assistants to wait upon the trade and it is the pride of this firm to promptly and accurately fill all orders. Both members of this firm are Saugerties boys and take a pride in advancing their native village. Messrs. Emerick Bros. call their store the “Saugerties Bargain Store,” and their prices give them to right to use the name.

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3592. Partition Street, Looking South. [Illustration]
Attorney at law. No one in this village can boast of more service to his native place than Mr. Benjamin M. Coon, attorney at law. He is the son of Abram and Eliza (Myer) Coon, and was born in this village, was educated in the public schools and academy here and Fort Plain Seminary, studied law with Hon. Peter Cantine and Albany Law School. He has served the village in the following capacities: Trustee of School District No. 10, assessor, Village clerk, corporation counsel, director and president of the village. He has been justice of the peace for 24 years and police justice since 1891, both of which positions he still holds. Public approval has stamped all his administration of offices a success. In politics he has always s been a Republican. Mr. Coon is married, his wife being Mary L., youngest daughter of the late Col. Samuel M. Post. [illustration]

The livery establishment of L. Depuy Davis on Partition street is a model one in every respect, for Mr. Davis is always on the alert to please his patrons. In his stable are none but the finest equines and carriages and his turnouts are always admired and show the care and expense that is necessary in such a business. Mr. Davis enjoys an extensive patronage, for the people of this village appreciate the efforts he makes to please them. In connection with his livery is an up-to-date omnibus line, which meets every boat and train. No where in this state is there any finer busses than those used by Mr. Davis, and the general traveling public always look for Davis. Mr. Davis is a good citizen and deserves the patronage which he has.

Realizing that there was a need of having a daily paper in Saugerties, Edward Jernegan and the late Isaac Rosepaugh embarked in the newspaper business in 1877 and began publishing the Evening Post, the first issue of the sheet being on February 21st, 1877, and the size 8x12 of four pages. During the summer of 1877 Jernegan purchased the interest of Rosepaugh and assumed complete control, increasing the size of the paper to 14x16, with four columns to a page, and in 1880 the paper was enlarged to its present size, 21x30, with six columns to a page. In 1882 Arthur L. Hale, purchased a half interest in the paper and in 1890 sold his interest to Irwin Ronk. The firm continued to publish the Daily Post and in 1891 a weekly paper was also added. In April, 1896, Irwin Ronk purchased Edward Jernegan’s interest and later Mr. Ronk sold a half interest to James R. Wood of Kingston, and the firm of Ronk & Wood publish both papers. The Post is the best advertising medium along the river, having a large circulation. It is a paper that is read in nearly every home in town and is recognized as a staple family paper, giving all the local and telegraphic news of the day. A large and extensive job plant is connected with the office and the product of this department ranks with the leading establishments in the state. The presses of The Post are operated by steam power and the entire plant is up-to-date in every way. The editorial department is in charge of J. W. Frankel and a competent force of ubiquitous reporters gather the news, among which is Charles T. Sickles. The job department and business management of the paper is in charge of James R. Wood, who is a printer of long experience. The composing force of The Post consists of Jonas Myer, Frank A. Kane, Wilford Ball and Charles Crum. The Daily Post is only ten cents a week delivered by carrier. The Weekly Post is $1.50 a year in advance.

3596. Special Edition - The Dif.
This cut aptly sets forth the way in which some people believe the size of Saugerties is and also the real size. The reader can readily glean how conveniently Saugerties is located to reach the Catskills. Saugerties is without doubt, the shortest route to the Catskills. [illustration]
3597. Special Edition - As We Are, via Kingston, NY 137 Miles, Saugerties, NY 114 miles, Catskill, NY 127 miles. [map of roadways and railroad from the Hudson river to Hunter and Cairo and with Kingston at the south. [illustration]

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3598. Edmund M. Wilbur.
Among the men who have reached a high standing in the political and business interests of our town and county none are better known that Edmund M. Wilbur. Born in this town on February 18, 1855 he has by individual effort succeeded in advancing himself to a leading position in our community. Mr. Wilbur’s education was secured in our village schools and academy and together with his intense love for literature which he read assiduously, he fitted himself for the future that was before him. In 1875 he began to enter the business world securing a position as a bookkeeper with the firm of Whitaker & Finger, remaining with them three years. After resigning his position with the above firm, he entered the employ of Myer & Lockwood for one year. The next two years he was with F. T. Russell. After serving as bookkeeper for two years for Jerry Finger, he established himself in the grocery and crockery business in the store at 96 Partition street, in December, 1879. This he continued for thirteen years, at which time he received the appointment of postmaster under the Cleveland administration during 1893. In this office he proved his high probity and gave to the village and town excellent service. For many years Mr. Wilbur has been connected with the Democratic party and he has labored indefatigably at all times for the success of the party. As a reward for this fealty, he has been nominated for several offices and has the proud record of having never been beaten. In 1878 he was elected town clerk and since then has been elected supervisor several times, holding the position at present, having carried this town by a large majority at the last election. He has been assessor and president of the board of education. In the board of supervisors he has served on important committees. Socially he is affiliated with the Confidence Lodge, I. O. O. F., and North American Lodge, Knights of Pythias. He is also a member of Congregational Church. He has been married twice, his first wife being a daughter of the late T. J. Barritt. Two sons were born to them. His second wife was Mary F. Smith of Washington, D. C. A son and daughter is the fruit of the union. Mr. Wilbur is now the Democratic candidate for member of assembly in the First district. He is very popular and in all his work has been very conscientious and painstaking citizen. [illustration]

In these days the young man is to be seen manifesting a deep interest in all affairs – business and political – and it is right that he should, for in later years he will be compelled to shoulder a portion of the responsibility that today rests on others. Henry A. Ohley is a young man, one of the youngest business men in our town, and he owes his success to the effort which he has put forth, and today he enjoys a standing in our community which one might envy. He was born in Caledonia, Livingston county, June 5, 1856, and came to this village with his parents. Attending the public and night schools until he was fifteen years old; he received a fair education, but this did not satisfy him and in order to broaden his intellectual ability he read a great deal and kept himself posted on current events. Mr. Ohley learned the cigar makers trade with Moses Krohn and subsequently opened a business for himself in 1875. He has continued the manufacture of cigars since and is store is now located in the Brede block, Partition street, where he sells at wholesale and retail all things that pertain to the weed-user’s art. In the firemanic affairs of our village he is a conspicuous figure, having been a charter member of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, having previously been a member of the Rough and Ready Hose Company. He has been chief engineer of the department two years and for three years he was president of the Hudson River Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association. In the social affairs he has been equally prominent, holding membership in Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F., Thomas Wildey Encampment, I. O. O. F., Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M. and Saugerties Council Royal Arcanum. In the Masonic lodge he is recording
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secretary. He holds the same position in the Royal Arcanum. In the Odd Fellows and Encampment he has held the highest office, Noble grand and chief patriarch. He has been the district deputy grand master of Odd Fellows and the district deputy grand patriarch of the Encampment for this district. He is a vestryman of Trinity Church. Mr. Ohley has always been a sterling Democrat, actively engaged at all times to further the interests of his party. At the last town election he was elected justice of the peace over the most popular man in town. He is married and has a family of eight children. He is a useful resident of our village. [illustration]

Clothing, Merchant Tailor and Gents’ Outfitter, 100 and 102 Partition street. It is not our purpose in compiling this work to assume a partisan attitude in advocating the claims of any dealer, but it is a fact with which many are acquainted, that certain houses excel in special lines of trade, and we feel justified in calling attention to this establishment in particular. Mr. Lazarus believes in selling goods entirely on their merits, and those purchasing from him may depend on getting just what they pay for. Beside carrying a large and well selected line of the above goods, Mr. Lazarus carries as fine a stock of ladies; and gents’ foot-wear as can be found in this county. [illustration]

Daniel is the leading bottler of beers in this town. His stock of beers, ales and porter is made of the purest malt and hops and the large trade that he has is presumptive evidence that the people appreciate good things. Mr. Curley’s trade is not confined to this village alone, but extends all throughout the town, and several wagons are constantly employed in delivering the goods. Not only does he deal in beers, but he is also the agent for several brands of whiskey. Quinn & Nolan’s ales and Beverwyck Brewing Company’s beers of Albany are the most extensively handled by Mr. Curley. In connection with his bottling business, Mr. Curley deals in groceries and carries a choice stock. His son Peter proves an able assistant in the large business and they are regarded as among the leading men in our place. Daniel Curley has been honored by the citizens of our village and has represented the second ward in the Board of Directors with great credit.

It is absolutely imperative that in order to win popular favor and attract attention you must have wearing apparel that is right up to the minute and in your search for a store that carries such a line of goods – clothing, hats, caps and gent’s furnishings – you will find that the firm of John D. Fratsher & Co. are the ones who can all [sic] your every want. A carefully selected stock of clothing made from the best cloths and woolens and in the latest style, hats and caps that are stunning without question, furnishings that dazzle your optics, is the sight that greets your eye when you enter their establishment. Messrs. Fratscher and Rightmyer, of the firm, with their clerks, are always eager to give you every possible attention and a purchase at this store once means that you will surely return. The prices and the quality of the goods sold here are the inducements which attract the buyer and every article they sell is their best advertisement. If you doubt the verity of this article just make a visit there, for they invite inspection and urge comparison.

The old adage “Old men for counsel and young men for war,” is true in every sense, but then there is a necessity of having young men for counsel as well as war. The young man of today is rapidly climbing to the apex, and one of those who favor Saugerties with his residence is M. F. Kenney, attorney and counselor-at-law. Mr. Kenney is what may be termed a self-made man, having been the architect as well as the builder of his own fortunes. With limited means at his command, he has broken down the barriers that have confronted him, and today, through his own endeavor, is one of the leading members
of the bar, not only in this town but in Ulster county. He was born in this village April 23, 1866. Until the age of fourteen he attended the local schools, acquiring an education. He then entered the employ of the Ulster Iron Works, remaining with the firm until he was sixteen years old, during which time he utilized his spare moments in private study. By this means he cultivated and widened his education. Shortly after he left the iron works he had charge of the boy’s department in St. Mary’s school and taught for three years. At the age of eighteen he entered to law office of Senator Charles Davis and began the study of law. A year later he was offered the principalship of the Port Ewen school, which he accepted, continuing his legal studies while teaching. After teaching for a year he entered the Albany Law School and graduated with honor from the institution and he was admitted to practice at the age of 22 years. He returned to this village and opened an office, which he has continued ever since. Politically he is a Democrat, and is one of the party leaders. He has attended several of the leading conventions of his party and his advice is always sought after. Mr. Kenney practices in all courts and has handled several important cases. He is a charter member of Saugerties Lodge, No. 373, Ancient Order United Workmen. He is married and has two children.

The subject of this sketch, John D. Fratsher, is one of our prominent business men, the senior member of the clothing firm of John D. Fratsher & Co. Mr. Fratsher is one of the younger men of our town who has made himself and who is recognized as a man of broad mind and much knowledge. He was born in this village November 16, 1863. In his early life he was employed by the Ulster Iron Works and Cross Blank Book Company as bookkeeper and later with J. L. Butzel’s Sons in the same capacity. Mr. Fratsher is a Republican in politics and has been elected supervisor of this town four times, and has been elected chairman of the board of supervisors three times. He is the youngest man ever elected to this office. For several years he was a page and also clerk in the assembly. He is a man of sound judgment and strong character. He is an able parliamentarian and is well versed in the topics of the day. Mr. Fratsher is a member of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M., also a member of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, and has held the officer of secretary in the company. He married Jessie F. Myer, a daughter of the late Abram J. Myer.

Joseph W. Frankel holds the position as editor of the Saugerties Daily Post. Mr. Frankel was born in Saugerties on February 24, 1876, a son of Philip and Charlotte Frankel. He obtained his education by attending the village schools until he was ten years of age, when by the death of his father he was compelled to abandon his studies, much to his regret, in order to assist his mother in business. He continued assisting his mother until he was seventeen years old, and during the time he embraced every opportunity to enhance his education, attending school sometimes twice a week and also by reading the newspapers and other literature. Being naturally gifted and having a very retentive memory, he never let anything that he learned slip from his grasp, and for a long time he was known as a “Walking Encyclopedia” and “Bureau of Information,” titles which he had been given by his legion of friends. It was through this that he began contributing small articles to the Post, and entered the field of journalism. For a time he was a reporter on the paper and when there was a change in the ownership in 1896, he was offered the position of editor, which he accepted and holds at present. He is a member of Washington Hook and Ladder Company and a charter member of Saugerties Lodge, No. 373, Ancient Order United Workmen. He is not only well known in Saugerties, but has a large circle of friends in the surrounding towns and cities.

Will S. Manning, the jeweler and watchmaker on Main street, is one of the leading business men of our town. He has a very fine stock of everything in the jewelry line and all patrons of Mr. Manning know
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him as a man of sterling character and uprightness. He is an expert at the trade of watch-making and is always kept busy making repairs to time-pieces. Mr. Manning is also an oculist of much ability and in his stock he carries a line of optical goods. Mr. Manning was born in Newark Valley, Tioga county, forty-nine years ago. When quite young he went to Binghamton and learned the jeweler's trade with Evans & Manning and remained with the firm fifteen years. In 1879 he came to this village and opened a jewelry store in the building he now occupies on Main street. His wife was formerly Margaret A. Rose of Binghamton. Mr. Manning is a member of Confidence Lodge, I. O. O. F., having held the office of Noble Grand in the same. He is also a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association. He is always ready to assist in promoting the weal of the place. His mother is still living on the old homestead, being over 90 years of age.

One of the oldest business houses that has attained a reputation for legitimate dealing in this town is the shoe house of John C. Davis & Co., on the corner of Partition and Main streets. For more than a score of years Davis’ shoes have been a guarantee of durability. The business was established in 1846 by John W. Davis, father of the present proprietor, under the firm name of John W. Davis & Son. The firm continued until 1873, when the son took hold of the business. After continuing the business alone for several years, Mr. Davis sold to William V. Burhans an interest in the firm. Mr. Burhans retired from the firm when he was appointed postmaster. Mr. Davis is a man who attends strictly to business, giving all his clientele satisfaction. His aim is always to please and in his stock you will find none but the best boots, shoes and rubber goods

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the market affords. Two floors are devoted to his stock and the assortment offered is complete in every detail. When in need of footwear you will not go amiss by patronizing John C. Davis & Co. Two salesman are employed to attend to the busy trade that Mr. Davis has. Remember that you can get bargains at this store.

3608. Special Edition - The Esopus Creek.
The great Architect of the universe when he created this fair land was lavish in his effort to make our beautiful village abound in beautiful scenery. Winding his way through the center of our town is the placid and serene Esopus, which finds its mouth at the noble Hudson. A sail on this creek is one that gives you genuine pleasure and complacency and especially so when you happen to have one of John Knight’s fleet of sail boats. Each one is equipped with all appliances for comfort and ease, and as you glide over its calm bosom you imagine you are in a haven of bliss and delight.

If you want to make a man happy given him all he wants to eat; and if you want to enjoy yourself as though you were in your own home you should go to Yerger’s Market street hotel. This place was opened many years ago by Lewis Yerger, and by his direct endeavor to give you your money’s worth, he built up a nice trade and became generally known throughout the town for his good fellowship. He won many friends, especially in the fire department and for five years was chief engineer. Since Mr. Yerger’s death, which occurred a few years ago, his widow and son Frank have conducted the hotel and business has increased considerably and the house is gaining in popularity every day. The bar is stocked with a choice line of liquors, wines and cigars. Brynie Myer is in charge of the cafe, and the patrons of this place are many. When looking for a good meal be sure and go to Yerger’s. [illustration]

3610. Special Edition - Main Street, looking east. [illustration]
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3618. Too Many Changes.
“It’s hard to tell just what to do,” said the man who was sitting on the back porch in his shirt sleeves.
“Yet one ought to get a start with such brilliant prospects opening up all over the world,” remarked the
next door neighbor, who was mending a hole in the fence.
“Yes. But supposing I had gone to the Klondike? I’d be so far away now that I couldn’t go and help
develop Cuba. And if I go to Cuba I’ll miss a chance to go when the next rich territory opens up. There
no use of trying to deny it. This is a hard life.”
And then he tilted his chair back against the wall and went to sleep. – Boston Transcript.

3619. Special Edition - A Quiet Game.
Klondike Bride – And do you think I am worth my weight in gold, love?
Klondike Bridegroom – Worth your weight in gold, pet? Why, blame my eyes, if I don’t think you’re
worth your weight in canned goods! – Puck.

Mrs. Malone (at the window, watching a funeral procession pass) – Bad luck we’re hovin’! Moike has
drove thot hearse for foive years with niver a chance to droive it fur his own wife. - Judge

Paoli, the Musician. [Fiction]

To those who have lived in our vicinage, our subject needs no introduction. Born among us, he has
grown up with us and now is classified with the younger men of our village who have braved the
sunshine of prosperity and the dark clouds of adversity. He is one in whom there is the sterling qualities
of progressive manhood. He is known as a persistent and ceaseless worker and his standing in the
community is not one that has been bequeathed to him, but one that has been earned by unremitting
toil. He is a son of Alderman Charles E. Cornwell and breathed the first inspiration of life in this place.
His education was obtained in the village schools. He entered his uncle’s grocery store when quite young
and there learned the practical management of the business, which has served him greatly in his
present business, which is one of the reliable grocery houses in the place. Mr. Cornwell has been
identified in all movements that tend to advance the interests of our village. He has represented the
second ward in the Board of Directors, has been president of the Board of Education and is now a
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member of the same, is a member of Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, North American Lodge Knights of Pythias and R. A. Snyder Hose Company. In his grocery business he has had much success and his motto is “The best for the money.”

3622. Special Edition - Dr. Fred D. Wygant.
Dr. Fred D. Wygant is a graduate of the New York College of Dentistry of the Class of ’95. He is a popular young man and has a large circle of friends. “Doc” is a member of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, having held the office of vice-president in the company. He is also a charter member and trustee of Saugerties Lodge, Ancient Order United Workmen. [illustration]

3623. Special Edition - Dr. Rudolph F. Diedling.
Saugerties possesses and excellent corps of physicians and Dr. Rudolph F. Diedling is recognized as one of the brightest young men among them. Dr. Diedling has constructed and moulded for himself the reputation he has to-day, by untiring effort, and his record is one that he might well be proud of. He was born in Catskill and obtained his education by attending the schools of the village, graduating with high honors from the Catskill Free Academy in 1893, being the class orator. He entered the medical department of Union University after his graduation at Catskill and after completing a course in medicine and surgery, graduated in 1896, with the honor of class poet. In the same year he took the competitive civil service examination and passed a very high examination and was appointed resident physician and surgeon of the New York State Reformatory at Elmira, where he remained for two years, having to care for 1,600 prisoners. He resigned his post in June and about July 1st came to this village and opened an office in the Washburn building on Main street, formerly occupied by Dr. S. L. Dawes. Although Dr. Diedling has been here but a short time, yet he has succeeded in building up a lucrative practice and many important cases have come under his care and through his skillful endeavors have been cured. He is a member of the Saugerties Council, Royal Arcanum and Saugerties Lodge, Ancient Order United Workmen, and is one of the organizers and trustees of the latter lodge. Dr. Diedling is a genial, affable and whole-souled fellow and will reach the pinnacle of fame at some future day.

The subject of this article is well known not only in Saugerties, but throughout the Hudson Valley. Ernest Hassinger was born in New York, January 27, 1852. He came to this village when a lad and has resided here ever since. His vocation is a cigar maker. He is an enthusiastic fireman, having joined Rough and Ready Hose (now R. A. Snyder Hose Co.) in 1869. He as always identified himself with work of the fire department and now holds the position as chief engineer and treasurer of the village department. He is a member of Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Saugerties Council, Royal Arcanum, having held the office of noble grand in the I. O. O. F. and regent in the Royal Arcanum, the highest officer in the above orders. He has also been chief patriarch of Thomas Wildey encampment, I. O. O. F. He is a member of the State Firemen’s and Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, the Saugerties Bicycle Club and Esopus Bathing Club. He has one of the finest collections of firemanic badges in the state. [illustration]

Perhaps no man in the Town of Saugerties has more extensive business interests than Hon. Robert A. Snyder, a man who by dint of shrewd business sagacity and indefatigable labor has succeeded in climbing the ladder of success and now occupies a salient position in the business affairs of the village. Mr. Snyder was born in Poughkeepsie, May 18, 1836. His parents were Robert A. and Sophia Snyder. In 1836 they came to Saugerties. When but an infant, he was deprived of the counsel and instruction of his father, who had been suddenly summoned up higher by the Almighty. He obtained his education in the public schools of the village, the advantages offered being very meagre. However, he managed by
diligent application to his studies, to fit himself for the future that was before him. He was a lover of boating and when he was eleven years old he was a cabin boy on a barge that plied between Tivoli and New York. At this time, no railroads had been constructed and Mr. Snyder had the delightful pleasure as he calls it, of seeing the first locomotive on the New York Central railroad enter Tivoli.

At various time later in his life, he occupied various positions on steamboats on the Hudson river, Long Island Sound and also the Erie canal. Being of an economical nature, he accumulated quite a sum of money from his earnings, and later he returned to Saugerties, where he purchased a boat. With this he did a

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freighting business. Success crowned his efforts in this direction and later he secured control of the ferry and franchise between Saugerties and Tivoli, which he still owns, acting as the captain and pilot for five years.

Mr. Snyder is president of the Saugerties Steamboat Company, and is its largest stockholder. He is also president of the Saugerties Manufacturing Company, having been elected to take the office at the organization of the company in 1888. For ten years he has been president of the First National Bank of this village. He is a Republican in politics and has had, as in everything else, remarkable success in this line. He has been supervisor of the town three terms, also collector, and represented the First Assembly district of Ulster county in the State Legislature twice. He was elected sheriff of Ulster county in 1879. He was chosen postmaster of the assembly in 1878. In 1884 he was elected financial clerk of the assembly. He is now the Republican candidate for member of assembly in this district.

He was married to Jane S. Morgan in 1853. One son and two daughters were born to bless their home. Mr. Snyder is highly esteemed and has been honored by the members of the fire department when Rough and Ready Engine Company in 1876 changed their name to that of R. A. Snyder Hose Company. In 1882, the company was reorganized and today is one of the finest appearing fire companies in the state, and the crack company of the Saugerties department. He is a member of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M. [illustration]

3626. Special Edition - The Board of Trade.
The village Board of Trade offers extraordinary inducements to manufacturers who are looking for a location. Saugerties has many advantages, such as excellent water power, and easy shipping facilities. Those who are about to change their location would do well to visit our town and look it over. We feel satisfied that you will be convinced of its adaptability to almost every need. A more healthy and cheap place to live in than Saugerties, cannot be found. Martin Cantine is President and Irwin Ronk Secretary of the Board of Trade.

The above name has become a house-hold one in this village and vicinity, for in it there is considerable meaning to those who desire to purchase hardware, stoves, etc. This business is an old established one and it is to Lamb’s the people go when in need of anything in the stove or hardware line. Mr. Lamb, with his son, are very courteous business men and their success can only be attributed to the personal interest that they evince in each of the patrons. “Good goods sold cheap” is the motto of the concern and no mistake is ever made when purchases are made here. Mr. Lamb has also a tinning and plumbing establishment in connection with his other line and promptness and excellent work are the features here. Mr. Lamb employs none but competent mechanics to do his work, and therefore has built up a reputation second to none. Go to Lamb’s when in need of hardware, stoves or anything in the tinning or plumbing line.

In presenting this sketch we wish to speak of a young man who has been successful beyond measure, one whose residence amongst us has been only a few years, yet he has been prominently identified with everything pertaining to the prosperity of the place. Irwin Ronk is a young man, having moved to this village from Kingston twelve years ago. He was born in the town of Esopus, this county. Mr. Ronk is a senior member of the firm of Ronk & Wood, publishers and proprietors of the Saugerties Post. He is well known throughout the state as a printer, having been connected with some of the leading newspapers. He is manager of the Hudson River Telephone Company in this village and Catskill and is a member of the board of managers of the company. Socially he is connected with Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M., holding the office of steward in the same, a member of North American Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and R. A. Snyder Hose Company, in the latter organization he is first assistant foreman. In 1896 he was the Democratic candidate for Member of Assembly in this district. He has been Village Clerk and is Secretary of the Board of Trade. He is well known all along the Hudson River. He is also a member of Saugerties Lodge Ancient Order United Workmen.

This hotel is conducted by George W. Palmer, a hotel man of much experience, and he knows the wants of every one of his guests. His cuisine is one of the finest along the river and prompt and courteous treatment is given to all. Mr. Palmer is a very popular landlord and his sociability is the chief contributor toward his success. He is a man who knows every detail about the business, and the commercial men feel right at home with Palmer. Mr. Palmer is assisted by two clerks, Harry Schutt and Edward Lynk, Jr., two jolly good fellows. [illustration]

A few years ago a young man from just across the Connecticut, who was attending the village academy, before sadly infected with the notion that all the maidens were in love with him. While in this state of mind it fell to his lot one evening to see Miss H. safely to her father’s domicile. On arriving at the door, she innocently enough remarked that she would be pleased to see him again. Here was an occasion for the exercise of Jonathan’s courage and moral principle. Expanding himself to his tallest height, with a graceful but determined inclination of the head, he replied:

“I should be happy, miss, to call as a friend, but not as a feller!”

A sixteenth century traveler visited a French monastery, where he was shown what was asserted to be the skull of John the Baptist. With some surprise, the traveler said:

“Why, the monks of --- monastery showed me the skull of John the Baptist yesterday.”

“True,” said the exhibitor, not a whit disturbed; “but those monks only possess the skull of the saint when he was a young man, while ours is his skull when he was well advanced in age and wisdom.”

Another of Saugerties business men who have climbed the ladder of success is Samuel M. Gray, the wholesale and retail dealer in flour and feed at the West Shore depot. In his early years he was a farmer boy, following the plow and doing other work incidentally connected with a farm, and it is with much pride we speak of him as a “laborer who was worthy of his hire.” Mr. Gray was born in our town, and when but a babe removed with his parents to Olive. Here it was he attended the district school and secured an idea of education. Leaving school at an early age, he commenced buying butter in Greene and Ulster counties. Later in the year of 1876 he opened a grocery store in Quarryville in this town. This he continued for nine years, and here it was, in this little country store, that he conceived the idea of opening a store in Saugerties, and also it was here that he amassed a competence. After opening the
store at Saugerties he still retained the store at Quarryville, but subsequently disposed of it to his brother John. In 1886 he moved with his family to this village and ever since he has resided here. His business has grown to be the most extensive in the place and carload after carload of flour, feed and grain is unloaded at the depot, for him every day. Several wagons are kept busy delivering orders and the trade is well supplied. Mr. Gray is a member of the Board of Education, and always manifests an active interest in the affairs of the village. [illustration]

“Just look at that conceited ass!”
“How do you know he is a conceited ass?”
‘He has better clothes than I have.” Chicago Journal.
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Mr. Skribbens (to new boy) – I suppose you understand what your duties are here?
New Boy – Sure. The super said that all I had to do was to hustle when [ends here]

Here is the story of a man who mortgaged his farm to buy his wife a pair of diamond earrings. The wife took in washing to pay the interest on the mortgage, yet during the first job she lost one of the ‘sparks’ in the suds, whereupon she tried to hang herself in the barn, but the rope broke and she fell upon a Jersey cow worth $150 and broke its back. He husband then undertook to shoot the cow to end its misery, but the gun burst, and destroyed his eyes and his wife ran away with a lightning rod peddler. The mortgage is still there.

Charles Sickles, the subject of the sketch, was born in this village December 25, 1874. He attended the public schools of the place where he received his education. Mr. Sickles is a versatile young man and excellent musician. He is also a singer of much ability, possessing a basso voice, and has sung for several years in the Episcopal and Baptist churches. He is a member of the Royal Arcanum orchestra and the Saugerties band, in which he plays the cornet. He is also a newspaper man, holding the position as reporter on the Post. He is a good news gatherer and is very handy with the most powerful of all weapons, the pen. [illustration]

This well known hostelry is one of the leading hotels in our village. Abram Turck, who grew up in the business, is proprietor. It is modern in many ways, equipped with electric lights, electric bells, hot and cold baths, etc. Mr. Turck and his genial son Roy look after the comfort of their guests and a fine trade has been built up. This hotel is the home of many of our prominent men, for they realize that there they get all the comforts of home. The table at the Phoenix is always supplied with the best the market produces. Mr. Turck and Roy are two enterprising hotel men. [illustration]

3637. Special Edition - One Good Result.
“The war has developed John’s memory wonderfully.”
“In what way? “
“He can sing four lines of ‘The Star Spangled Banner’ almost correctly.”- Cleveland Leader.

One of the important features of every municipality is the spirit of progression and enterprise which animates its citizens. In presenting this sketch, we refer to Martin D. Cantine, one of the most public-
spirited men of our village, and we are sure that his name is recorded over against the “city gates” as such. Although young in years, he has caused himself to become a potent factor in the upbuilding of our community and his motto is “Saugerties first, other places afterwards.” This he has always exemplified, for in every good work his hand and his purse have contributed largely to bringing the matter to a success. He is a son of the Hon. Peter Cantine and was born in this village January 22, 1866, and has always resided here. He received his education in the public school of New York city and this village. At the age of seventeen years he entered the employ of J. B. Sheffield & Son, and by close attention to his duties he gradually rose to positions of importance and trust with the firm. Having accumulated a snug sum from his labors, in company with his brother, he purchased the Allston Adams plant of Albany and after remaining there a short time, removed the plant to this place. Mr. Cantine has been honored many times by our citizens having served several terms as director and for two years he was mayor (president) of the village, have being the youngest man ever holding this office. As mayor he was a model executive officer and the interest of our place was carefully guarded. In the fire department he has also been honored. At present he is first assistant chief engineer and in 1889 he will become chief engineer. He is president of the Board of Trade and is also a member of the Board of Education. He is married and has two children, and resides on Washington avenue. Mr. Cantine is a member of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M. [illustration]

Manufacturers of Surface Coated Papers and Card Board, stand as the first of Saugerties’ manufacturing concerns, for it is the particular pride of this concern to “keep going,” and by its persistent policy has leaped to the front rank of competing concerns throughout the country.
In 1888 Martin Cantine and Charles F. Cantine purchased the Allston Adams Card Company at Albany, N. Y., and were located there about a year, but as Mr. Cantine is for Saugerties first, and other places second, the plant was moved to Saugerties in 1889, in a building about one-half the size of its present structure and its growing business. (see engraving of the Martin Cantine Company factory) has demanded the present building, which give the concern 25,000 feet of floor space, which in all probability will soon be increased. Thirty-five skilled workmen are employed and over a car load of goods are shipped each day from this factory and sent to all parts of the United States and Europe to jobbers and lithographers. The president is Charles F. Cantine, Martin Cantine is treasurer and James Dederick is secretary. All of them are Saugerties boys and our people feel proud of the progress made by them. [illustration]

3640. John Wanamaker, Merchant, Ex-U. S. Postmaster-General. [illustration]

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3641. Wm. Collins Whitney, Capitalist, lawyer, Ex-Sec U. S. Navy. [illustration]

3642. T. P. Fiske, President. F. B. Fiske, Vice-President and Treasurer. G.C. Field, Secretary.
MEMORANDUM.
To Mr. Ernest Hassinger
Saugerties,
N. Y.

From Fiske Brothers Refining Co.
59 Water Street.
Telephone. 14 Broad
New York.
Factory, Newark, N. J. [letterhead]

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3643. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 7, 1898. - The Void Ballots. – From the Sixth Ward in this Town before the Canvassers. (Kingston Leader)
The Board of Canvassers met on Tuesday morning at 11 o’clock to examine the returns from certain election districts in this city and one district in the town of Saugerties in obedience to the mandamus of Judge Chester on petition of A. T. Clearwater who alleged the existence of certain protested ballots counted for Mr. Betts and others declared void by the inspectors which should have been counted for Clearwater for Justice of the Supreme Court. But upon compliance with the directions of the court it was found that the whole matter was a figment of imagination and that no such ballots ever existed. The sixth district of Saugerties was next examined in which it was claimed that Clearwater was entitled to eight ballots which had been counted for no one, three of which had been marked for identification. The examination showed that 30 ballots had been rejected and they were rolled in a bundle the outer ballot bearing this endorsement.

“Void ballots.

George K. Crawford
Stephen E. Fiero
Harry Wells
Stephen F. Barker,
Inspectors,

No marks for identification were found nor was it found possible to determine the three claimed in the petition. The examination showed that of the 30 rejected ballots 10 might have been counted for Mr. Betts and 10 for Mr. Clearwater.


At the regular communication of Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., held in their lodge rooms, Russell Block, Wednesday evening, Jan. 4th, the elective and appointive officers for the year 1899 were duly installed into their respective chairs by Past Master William G. Morgan, who, upon request, came from his Poughkeepsie home to perform that important function.

Following are the officers who were installed: William G. Sickles, Worshipful Master; S. Yates Knight, Senior warden; Frank Russell, Junior Warden; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Jeremiah P. Russell, Treasurer; Charles Clum, Chaplain; Col. H. D. Laflin, Marshal; Edward Jernegan, Senior Deacon; Byron Hallenbeck, Junior Deacon; John Seamon, Senior Master of Ceremonies; John Lang, Junior Master of Ceremonies; Edward J. Lewis, Irwin Ronk, Stewards; Fred T. Russell, Organist; John K. Robinson, Tiler.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies, the retiring Master, William Ziegler, was presented with an elegant Past Master’s apron as the gift of the brethren of the Lodge as a slight testimonial of their appreciation for the faithful manner in which he had conducted the affairs of the Lodge for the past four years in which he had served as Master, and as an acknowledgement of the faithfulness and impartiality with which he had ruled and governed the Lodge during his administration.

Past Master Morgan made the presentation speech which was a complete surprise on the part of the recipient, who was so overcome at this unexpected gift upon the part of his brethren that he could hardly find words to express himself in tendering his thanks.

The event was noteworthy in the history of the Lodge and stands so recorded upon the minutes.


At the First National, the following Directors were chosen: Robert A. Snyder, James T. Maxwell, Wm. H. Eckert, Jacob Van Gelder, Geo. Seamon, Peter M. Gillespy, Henry L. Finger, Frederick M. Wells, Daniel Lamb, Orville L. Carn, Stephen Cordes, George W. Washburn, Uriah Van Etten.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, the following officers were chosen: Robert A. Snyder, president; James T. Maxwell, vice-president; William H. Eckert, cashier; John A. Snyder, paying teller; John Hallenbeck, bookkeeper.

A dividend of three per cent. from the earnings of the past six months was declared payable to the stockholders on demand.

At the Saugerties the following Directors were chosen: Albert Carnright, Geo. W. Elting, Egbert Whittaker, Wellington Porter, Charles Davis, James O. Beers, John W. Shults.


At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, the following officers were chosen: Albert Carnright, president; Geo. W. Elting, vice-president; Charles B. Cox, cashier, Harry T. Keeney, paying teller.

A dividend of two and a half per cent from the earning of the past six months was declared payable to the stockholders on demand.

Laflin Hose Elects New Officers

At the regular monthly meeting of Laflin Hose Co. No. 2 held in the company’s house on Theodore Place, Monday evening, Jan. 9th, Jonas Myer was elected Foreman to succeed William J. Gordon, who resigned the office on account of removing from the village. George H. Reynolds was chosen delegate to the State Fireman’s Convention and John Rovegno alternate. Michael F. Sexton was chosen delegate to the Hudson Valley Volunteer Fireman’s Convention and James Gilmore alternate. The following gentlemen all members of Niagara Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2, of Poughkeepsie, were elected honorary members: Lewis E. Smith, George Nagengast, Henry F. Parker, Jerome E. Veach and Fred. C. Sleight.

Fire Department Officers.

At a conference of the committees appointed by the several companies composing the fire department to nominate candidates for officers of the department for the ensuing year held at Fireman’s Hall, Monday evening, Jan. 9th, the following were nominated for confirmation by the village Board of Directors: Martin Cantine, Chief Engineer; Frank J. Dale, First Assistant; James Teller, Second Assistant; Ernest Hassinger, Treasurer. The companies represented were Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 and Laflin Hose Co. No. 2.


The following officers have been elected in St. Mary’s Commandery, No. 145, Knights of St. John: Spiritual advisor, Rev. John J. McCabe; president, Wm. F. Keenan; 1st vice president, Michael Fitzgerald; 3rd vice-president, Harry Murphy; recording and corresponding secretary, John S. McCarthy; financial secretary, Joseph Rovegno; treasurer John Crowley; captain John E. McCormick; 1st lieut. Wm. R. Johnson; 2nd lieut., Wm. J. Gordon; trustees, Geo. M. Connolly, Geo. Gordon.

3647. George W. Irish.

Every fireman in New York State and elsewhere will be pained to read that ex-President of the State Association George W. Irish has been compelled to take up his home in the Firemen’s Home at Hudson, but the knowledge that he had such a refuge to go to when the necessity overtook him, will relieve the pain and anxiety to a great extent. No man connected with the fire service in this State has been a more conspicuous figure, or has held more important positions than has G. W. Irish. He was born in Nelson, Madison county, New York in 1838, and after completing his education at Cazenovia Seminary he went west as far as Iowa, and was a for a time postmaster at Cedar Falls. In 1874 he returned to Cazenovia, and has ever since made his home there. The following year he was appointed head doorkeeper of the legislature, and in 1876 he was appointed State census marshal.

Early in life Mr. Irish took an active interest in fire matters, and was one of the organizers of Ledyard Hose Company of which he was foreman for seven years. He served two terms as president of the
Madison County Firemen’s Association. For several years he was chairman of the executive committee of the State Association and at the convention held in Troy, August 16-19, 1887, he was elected secretary to succeed Lewis Newgrass. At the next convention, held at Cortland, he was elected president, and the following year he was unanimously re-elected.

He took an active interest in the organization of the Firemen’s Home Association, and was elected secretary, a position he filled until last year. He gave much time and attention to the building of the Home, where he is now comfortably domiciled and where he will spend his last days, enjoying the rest he has so well earned.

The Herald has not always agreed with Mr. Irish, but it takes pleasure in testifying to the great amount of work he has done for the firemen, and extends to him the wish that his remaining ears will be as full of peace and happiness and rest as his earlier years were full of activity and usefulness. The firemen of New York state should all unite in contributing toward the comfort and pleasure of the man to whom they owe so much.


At the regular meeting of Thomas Wildey Encampment I. O. O. F., Friday evening, the officers for the coming term were installed by District Deputy Grand Patriarch Ernest Myer assisted by the following staff: W. A. Bear, Grand High Priest; E. Hassinger, Grand Senior Warden; H. A. Ohley, Grand Junior Warden; William Comfort, Grand Scribe; W. E. Wolven, Grand Financial Scribe; C. H. Vedder, Grand Treasurer; John Seamon, Inside Sentinel.

The following officers were then installed: J. H. Hommel, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; S. F. Barker, Senior Warden; Robert Espey, Junior Warden; Robert [sic] Webber, Rec. Scribe; Ezra Carnright, Fin. Scribe; Henry A. Ohley, Treasurer; Wm. MacMullen, Inside Sentinel; H. A. Ohley, Guide, Robt. Webber, 1st Watch; S. F. Barker, 2d Watch; W. E. Wolven, 3d Watch; E. Paradise, 4th Watch; John Lang, Sr., 1st Guard Tent; H. Gleisner, 2d Guard Tent.


Several of the village societies held their election of officers on Tuesday, and some made their nominations. Following are the societies that did so:

WOMAN’S RELIEF CORPS.

At a meeting of the woman’s Relief Corps No. 171, of J. R. Tappan Post G. A. R., held on Tuesday afternoon, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Eleanor Barritt, President; Mrs. Annie M. Maxwell, Senior V. Pres.; Mrs. Addie E. Van Gelder, Junior V. Pres.; Miss Katherine Turck, Secretary; Mrs. Aida A. Wolven, Treasurer; Mrs. Charlotte Teetsel, Chaplain; Mrs. Helen Simmons, Conductor.

R. A. SNYDER HOSE CO.

At the regular monthly meeting of R. A. Snyder Hos co., Tuesday evening, Dr. C. T. Montgomery, Frank Scism, M. F. Kenney and J. W. Frankel were proposed as honorary members, and Irwin Ronk, Robert Ballman and Dr. Fred D. Wygant were appointed as the committee to meet with the other committees to nominate officers of the fire department. The following nominations for officers were also made: Ernest Myer, President; Herbert Van Buskirk, Vice-President; Irwin Ronk, Foreman; Robert B. Ballman, 1st Ass’t Foreman; Fred D. Wygant, 2d Ass’t Foreman; John M. Adams, Secretary; William Ziegler, Treasurer; Jacob Bruckner, Charles Wilbur, John A. Snyder, Trustees; Ernest Myer, Rep. State F. A.; Robert B.

After the business session, a delightful repast we served by the banquet committee, which consisted of frankfurters and sauerkraut (a la Hassinger) and other refreshments. The members then indulged in social intercourse and a very enjoyable evening was had by all present.

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NORTH AMERICAN LODGE, K. P.

At the election of officers of North American Lodge, K. P., Tuesday evening the following were chosen:

- Byron Teetsell, C. C.;
- Peter Valk, V. C.;
- Edgar Myer, M. of F.;
- Brace Van Loan, M. of E.;
- Albert Shears, K. of R. & S.;
- C. E. Hamlin, Prelate;
- Dwight L. Martin, M. of W.;
- Andrew Simmons, M. of A.;
- Lewis H. Kleeber, Trustee;
- L. H. Kleeber, Representative;
- Benjamin M. Gillespy, Alternate.

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J. R. TAPPAN POST, G. A. R.

Major Martin Snyder, of Kingston, assistant inspector of G. A. R. Posts of the State, paid an official visit to J. R. Tappan Post, No. 215, G. A. R. at their meeting Tuesday evening. The following officers were elected:

- Eugene Barritt, Commander;
- Abram Turck, S. V. Com.;
- Jeremiah Teetsel, J. V. Com;
- E. L. Quick, Chaplain;
- Gilbert Dederick, Surgeon;
- A. A. Post, Officer of the Day;
- D. Y. Smith, Sergeant Major;
- C. F. Van Keuren, S. Sergt.;
- C. F. Quick, A. Turck, J. Teetsel, Trustees;
- Col. J. L. DePeyster, Delegate to Dept. Encampment;
- E. L. Quick, Alternate to Dept. Encampment.

3650. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 10, 1899. – Confidence Lodge Installs. – The Officers for the Ensuing Term Inducted Into Office in Due Form.

At the regular meeting of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., held in their lodge rooms, Whittaker building, Monday evening, Jan. 9th the following officers for the ensuing term were duly installed by District Deputy Grand Marshal W. I. Staples of Kingston, assisted by the following staff: M. M. Schoenfeld, Grand Marshal; Charles Lamb, Grand Warden; U. E. Winans, Grand Recording Secretary;

- Winslow D. Van Etten, Grand Financial Secretary;
- James H. Hommel, Grand Treasurer;
- Jeremiah France, Grand Inside Guardian.

Following is a list of the officers installed:

- Byron Teetsel, Noble Grand;
- William B. Field, Right Supporter Noble Grand;
- Winslow D. Van Etten, Left Supporter Noble Grand; Franklin Fuller, Vice Grand;
- Charles Teetsel, Right Supporter Vice Grand;
- Jeremiah France, Left Supporter Vice Grand; Isaac N. Griffis, Warden;
- George Rosepaugh, Conductor;
- Norman Cunyes, Recording Secretary; William E. Wolven, Permanent Secretary;
- James Simmons, Right Scene Supporter; John Hotaling, Left Scene Supporter;
- Charles Clum, Chaplain; James H. Jewett, Inside Guardian.

3651. The Maenner Quartette Elects Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Saugerties Maenner Quartette held in their rooms in the Savings Bank building, Monday evening, Jan. 9th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Theodore Kistner, President; Antone Spatz, Vice-President; Henry Schneider, Secretary; John Lang, Treasurer; George K. Peters, Color Bearer; Herman Gleisner, Maitre de Plasire. [no date or newspaper]

3652. Matthew Stanley Quay, U. S. Senator from Pennsylvania. [illustration]


The annual banquet of the Board of Directors, held Saturday evening at the Phoenix hotel, was a very pleasant and enjoyable affair. The spread was a sumptuous one and as served in an excellent style. Turkey, roast beef, etc. were the viands which graced the table and ample justice was done to it by all and those who participated had a very social time. After all had eaten to their heart’s desire, cigars
were passed around and the good cheer which prevailed was enhanced. Speech making was then indulged in and the festivities of the evening concluded about midnight. Following were those present: Mayor Alfred P. Lasher, Alderman Charles McNally, C. E. Cornwell, James D. Myer, Edson Finger and Norman Cunyes, Street Commissioner James Crump, Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger, Clerk David W. Maxwell, Senator Charles Davis, Alderman-elect William E. Van Buskirk and J. W. Frankel of The Post.

3654. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1898. – One Million Miles. – Performance of the Steamer City of Kingston.

The old steamship City of Kingston, years ago known in these waters, has just been laid up at Tacoma to be reengined. In removing her old engines some one set to work figuring how many miles they have driven the vessel since she touched the waters. In round numbers she is said to have gone 1,000,000 miles, one-half of which were measured in the waters of the Hudson river and the other half in the Puget Sound. This would mean nearly 43 trips around the globe.

The boilers were of the Scotch marine type. They will do service in a sawmill after removal from the vessel. The City of Kingston was built by Harlan & Hollingsworth Company in 1884. She went to the Puget Sound in 1890 and since then has been running on the Tacoma and Victoria route, and so regularly has she traversed the course day in and day out, through winter and summer, that she has been dubbed the “Puget Sound ferryboat.”

The City of Kingston formerly belonged to the Kingston and New York night line and was sold to her present owners about eight years ago and was taken to Puget Sound by way of the Straits of Magellan making the whole length of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans in order to make her destination.

3655. Post, Jan 21, 1908. [hand dated] - Lutheran Church Officers.

The following officers were elected for the term of one year at the annual meeting of the Board of trustees of the Lutheran church, Monday evening: Recording secretary, Adam H. Knaust, financial secretary, John Dietrich, Sr.; treasurer, Jacob Bruckner. Finance committee: Arthur Petschke, Henry Hinsch, and the two secretaries, ex officio. Building committee: Herman Gleisner, Henry Hinsch. Ushers: Henry Hinsch, Herman Gleisner.


At the annual meeting of Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum held in their lodge rooms in the Whittaker building on Main street, Friday evening, Dec. 23d, the following officers were elected: Elisha Paradise, Regent; Charles E. Abeel, Vice-Regent; C. Westbrook Quick, Past Regent; Ernest Hassinger, Orator; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; W. H. Rifenberg, Collector; Charles Clum, Treasurer; Jacob H. France, Chaplain; Alexander Snyder, Guide; W. D. Edwards, Warden; Leonard B. Howard, Trustee for three yrs.

3657. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 30, 1898. – A Complimentary Supper. – Tendered the Republican Party Leaders by John Cusack, of Fish Creek.

John Cusack, of Fish Creek, the Republican leader in the sixth district, tendered a complimentary turkey supper to a number of his political friends and the leaders of the party in this village at his residence on Thursday evening. A delightful supper was served and oratory flowed in a humorous vein after satiating the inner man. Those present from this village were, Surrogate Charles Davis, Mayor Alfred P. Lasher, Ex-Mayor Martin Cantine, Ex-Supervisor John D. Fratsher, John C. Davis, B. Taylor Harris, E. J. Lewis and Postmaster William V. Burhans.

Saugerties Lodge Ancient Order United Workmen, held their regular meeting on Tuesday evening, and the officers for the ensuing year were installed by Grand Deputy Master Workman G. J. Adams, of Albany, assisted by Grand Guide Andrew Rockefellow and Grand Past Master Workmen Morris M. Schoenfeld. The following officers were installed: Past Master Workman, Wm. G. Sickles; Master Workman, Harry W. Walker; Foreman, A. M. Kearney; Overseer, James Teller; Recorder, H. S. Brownson; Financier, N. Van Steenberg; Receiver, Gus Kehr; Guide, J. W. Frankel; Inside Watchman, John G. Palmer; Outside Watchman, John Pulver.

At the next meeting of the lodge they expect to initiate fifteen candidates.
Bills ordered paid as soon as funds are on hand:
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, $ 58.66
Finger and Lewis, coal and lumber, 53.96
Jas. Russell, tile, &c., 18.32
Henry Krantz, police, 26.00
Chas. E. Abeel, “ 26.00
$182.94

Bills of L. D. Davis and Alex. Lackey referred to Finance Committee.
Communication from Laflin Hose Co., extending thanks for the kindness shown to company. On motion
same was received and placed on file.
Certificates of membership of Laflin Hose Co. were granted to Charles Riley, Richard Powers, Frank
Underhill, Wm. Rowe, Merritt Whitaker, Martin Bradley, Patrick McLoughlin and Chas. Holsapple.
Motion made and carried that the clerk have notices of sales of lands for non-payment of taxes on
VanSantford Roosa published and notify agent and owner according to law.
Clerk reported that S. J. Adams had paid $30 license.
On motion Board adjourned.  D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

Special Meetings Held. – Action Taken Whereby the Water Bonds Due Will be Paid.
Special meeting of the board of Directors held Saturday, Dec. 24, 1898. Directors present, Cunyes,
Finger, Lasher, McNally and Myer. President Lasher presiding.
Motion that when the Board adjourns it adjourn to meet Friday, Dec. 30, 1898, 8 p. m., carried.
Motion made and carried that a committee of three be appointed from the Board to meet with the
Water Commissioners to confer with President of Saugerties Savings Bank.
President appointed Messrs. Cunyes, Finger and McNally. On motion President Lasher was added to the
committee.
On motion Board adjourned.
Adjourned meeting. Directors present, Cunyes, Finger, Lasher and McNally. President Lasher presiding.

The committee reported they had conferred with officers of Saving Bank and satisfactory arrangement has been made by which the payment of the water bonds falling due Jan. 1, 1899, had been deferred. On motion the report of the committee was accepted.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

3661. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 9, 1899. – A REVOLT IN THE BOARD. – Mr. Cunyes Objects to Mayor Gibson’s – Appointing the Standing Committees of the Board and Wanted to Know Where he Gets His Authority.

“Reform and Revolt’ promise to be the general slogan of the Board of Alderman during this year and many exciting sessions will undoubtedly be held. At the first meeting Saturday evening, a clash between Mayor Gibson and Alderman Cunyes was narrowly averted when Mr. Cunyes openly rebelled against the Mayor’s appointment of the standing committees. Mr. Cunyes wanted to know where the Mayor got his right to assume entire power of the Board, substantiating his statement, by the charter which says only a finance committee should be named. Alderman McNally joined Mr. Cunyes in saying that committees were not right and much evil work resulted therefrom.

The Mayor wanted to know if Mr. Cunyes wanted to get in a wrangle and why exceptions had been taken to the committees this year, as it had not been done last year. Mr. Cunyes replied by saying because something had been done last year that should be no precedent to follow. Mayor Gibson rejoined by saying if the Board wanted to override his appointment of the committees alright and then asked Mr. Cunyes if he took exception to it, and Mr. Cunyes replied rather strongly: “Yes I do and I intend to make a motion to that effect before the meeting adjourns.” Mr. Cunyes must have forgotten it later for he did not make the motion. Mr. McNally recited that final chapter in the matter by saying the Board should appoint the committees and all business should be considered by the Board and not by one or two. Another feature of the evening was the adoption of a resolution introduced by Mr. Gibson which required a statement of the village financial condition to be presented to the board by the finance committee at the next meeting. The very embodiment of the resolution reflected the handiwork of a certain village lawyer and before it was adopted a general discussion occurred. Mr. McNally wanted to know why such a statement was required as the minutes are published and everyone can read them. Mr. Cunyes wanted to know who signed the resolution as it required twenty five names for to have a resolution presented. Mr. Gibson then stated he would father the resolution. The era of “Reform” began with the reduction of the insurance on the crusher property from $1000 to $600.

The committees appointed by Mayor Gibson are:

Finance – Van Buskirk, Finger, Cunyes.
Streets, Sidewalks, Crosswalks, Lamps, Finger, McNally, Truesdale.
Stone Crusher, McNally, Van Buskirk, Finger.
Health Affairs – Truesdale, McNally, Van Buskirk.
Charter and Legal Matters – Mc Nally, Finger, Truesdale.

On motion of Mr. Finger a certificate of membership in Snyder Hose Co. was granted Benjamin F. Davis.
On motion of Mr. Finger, George B. Snyder and Frank H. Quick were expelled from Washington Hook & Ladder Co. for non-payment of fines and dues.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid.

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Bills of W. Doyle for 60 cents and the Saugerties Electric Light Co. for $27 were referred to the finance committee.

On motion of Mr. McNally the insurance policy of $1000 on the crusher property was reduced to $600, $200 on building and $400 on machinery and the clerk ordered to have the same attended to. On motion of Mr. Cunyes, the clerk was directed to notify delinquent taxpayers that if they did not pay up before January 21st, their property would be advertised for sale.

The following resolution was adopted on motion of Mr. Van Buskirk.

RESOLVED, That the finance committee be, and is hereby directed to report to this Board at its next regular meeting the true condition of the finances of this village, said report to be in writing, containing a statement of all claims remaining unpaid against such village, the amount of interest if any paid on same, the amount of bonded indebtedness, including the water bond, Ulster avenue improvements bonds, the bonds issued to pay village indebtedness together with rate of interest paid, time when said bonds become due, under what laws issued, and amount of sinking fund, if any belongs to each issue.

The following bills were ordered paid when funds were on hand:

W. H. Eckert, salary and sundries, $100.86
J. Crump, salary, 29.16
J. Lavey, labor, .60
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 58.66
L. D. Davis, horse hire, 21.00

After approving the minutes the Board adjourned.


The Esopus Bathing club appreciative of the kindness Jerry Finger has shown them in allowing them the use of his land for their club house presented him through President William G. Sickles with a beautiful gold headed cane, the presentation address being made by C. C. James at Mr. Finger’s residence on Jane street Saturday night.

Byron Hallenbeck, who has also favored the club with many acts of kindness was presented with a fine meerschaum gold mounted pipe. Mr. James also presented this gift in a short speech at Mr. Hallenbeck’s residence on Ulster avenue.


At the regular meeting of Saugerties Council, Royal Arcanum, on Friday evening, District Deputy Grand Regent Joseph W. Reinhard, assisted by Grand Guide Alexander Snyder installed the following officers for the ensuing year: Elisha Paradise, Regent; Charles E. Abeel, Vice Regent; C. W. Quick, Past Regent; Ernest Hassinger, Orator; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Wm. H. Rifenberg, Collector; Charles Clum, Treasurer; J. H. France, Chaplain; Alexander Snyder, Guide; W. D. Edwards, Warden; E. P. Simmons, Sentry; L. B. Howard, Trustee, 3 years. Ernest Hassinger was elected representative to Grand Council and C. W. Quick, alternate.

3664. Conundrums.

Which are the two smallest insects mention in the Scripture? The widow’s mite and the wicked flee.

How is it that Methuselah was the oldest man, when he died before his father? His father was translated.

Why are sinners like corn and potatoes? Because they have eyes, yet see not, and ears, yet hear not.

Why are Cashmere shawls like deaf persons? Because we cannot make them here (hear).

When a boy falls into the water, what is the first thing he does? He gets wet.
Why is a New York milkman like the fish that swallowed Jonah? Because he finds a profit (prophet) in the water.

What did Adam and Eve do when they were expelled from Eden? The raised Cain.

Why is a conundrum like a monkey? Because it is far-fetched and full of nonsense.

Why is a horse half way through a gateway like a cent? Because it is head on one side and tail on the other.

What is the difference between a young girl and an old hat? Merely a difference of time – one has feeling and the other has felt.

What grows the less tired the more it works? A carriage-wheel.

How does a pitcher of water differ from a man throwing his wife over a bridge? One is water in the pitcher, and the other is pitch her into the water.

Why is a watch-dog larger at night than he is in the morning? Because he is let out at night, and taken in in the morning.

What is the difference between a cashier and a schoolmaster? One tills the mind, while the other minds the till.

Why are stout gentlemen prone to melancholy? Because they are men of size. (sighs)

Why is a melancholy young lady the pleasantest of all companions? Because she is always a-musing.

Why was Herodias’ daughter the fastest girl mentioned in the New Testament? Because she got a-head of John the Baptist on a charger.

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3665. The Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 3, 1899. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – The Village Board of Directors Organizes for the New Year. – Richard S. Gibson Chosen President, Charles McNally Vice-President and D. W. Maxwell Clerk – The Telegraph Designated as the Official Village Paper. The new Board of Village Directors assembled in the room at Fireman’s Hall Monday, Jan. 2d for organization. The Board was called to order by Clerk Maxwell, and the official oath of office was administered to Samuel Truesdale, William E. Van Buskirk and Richard S. Gibson, the new incoming members, by Justice of the Peace, Henry A. Ohley.

A long and tedious session then began, owing to the inability of the Board to choose a president, the ballot continuing without result up to 12:30 o’clock, at which time 62 ineffectual ballots had been recorded, and the Board took a recess until 2 P. M. at which time it reassembled and balloting continued until the 75th ballot was reached before a choice was made which finally resulted in Director Gibson being chosen as president of the village.

At the morning meeting the clerk on calling the Board to order appointed directors Gibson and Van Buskirk as tellers and the Board proceeded to an informal ballot for president which resulted as follows: Edson Finger, 3; Norman Cunyes, 2; Samuel Truesdale, 1.

The Board then took a formal ballot which resulted: Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale, 1.

It requiring a majority over all to elect no choice was made and the balloting was resumed until 75 ballots had been taken before a choice was made. The succeeding ballots resulted as follows; Second. Finger 3, McNally 1, Cunyes 1, Blank 1.

Third. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, McNally 1.

Fourth. Finger 3, Cunyes 1, McNally 1, Gibson 1.

Fifth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, McNally 1.

Sixth. Finger 3, Van Buskirk 2, Cunyes 1

Seventh. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.

Eighth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, McNally 1.

Ninth. Finger 2, Cunyes 1, McNally 1, Truesdale 1.

Tenth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.

Twelfth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson 1.
Fourteenth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson 1.
Fifteenth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Blank 1.
Seventeenth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, McNally 1.
On motion The Board took a recess for ten minutes.
Nineteenth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Van Buskirk, 1
Twentieth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Van Buskirk 1.
Twenty-First. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson 1.
Twenty-Third. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.
Twenty-Fifth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Van Buskirk, 1
Twenty-Sixth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Van Buskirk, 1
Twenty-Seventh. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Van Buskirk, 1
Twenty-Eighth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson 1.
Thirty-Fifth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, McNally 1.
Mr. Cunyes moved that balloting be stopped and a president be elected by acclamation. Motion lost.
Thirty-Sixth. Finger 2, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.
Mr. Gibson moved that the Board adjourned for one hour. Mr. Cunyes moved an amendment that the balloting proceed for half an hour longer before adjourning. Carried.
Fortieth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.
Forty-Sixth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.
Forty-Eighth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson, 1.
Fiftieth. Finger 3, Truesdale 1, Cunyes 1, McNally 1.
Fifty-First. Finger 3, Truesdale, 2, Cunyes 1.
Fifty-Third. Finger 3, Truesdale 2, Cunyes 1.
Fifty-Fifth. Finger 3, Cunyes 1, Truesdale 1, McNally 1.
Fifty-Sixth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Truesdale 1.
Fifty-Seventh. Finger 3, Cunyes 1, Truesdale 1, Van Buskirk 1.
Fifty-Eighth. Finger 3, Cunyes 2, Gibson 1.

On motion of Mr. Truesdale, Board took a recess until 2 P. M., and upon reassembly resumed balloting as follows:
Sixty-Third. Finger 3, Cunyes 1, Truesdale 1, McNally 1.
Seventieth. Cunyes 2, Gibson 2, Van Buskirk 1, Truesdale 1.
Seventy-First. Gibson 2, Van Buskirk 1, Truesdale 1, McNally 1, Cunyes 1.
Seventy-Second. Gibson 3, Cunyes 1, Van Buskirk 1, McNally 1.
Seventy-Third. Gibson 3, McNally 2, Truesdale 1.
Seventy-Fourth. Gibson 3, Cunyes 1, Van Buskirk 1, McNally 1.
Seventy-Fifth. Mr. Cunyes was excused from voting and the ballot resulted:
Gibson 3; McNally 1; Van Buskirk, 1.

On motion Mr. Gibson was declared elected president.
The president appointed Messrs. Van Buskirk and Finger tellers and an informal vote for Vice-President was taken with the following result: Cunyes 2, Finger 2, McNally 1, Truesdale 1.
The first formal ballot resulted; Cunyes 2, Finger 2, McNally 1, Truesdale 1.

Third. McNally 3, Finger 2, Truesdale 1

Mr. McNally was declared elected vice-president.

D. W. Maxwell on motion was declared elected village clerk, the vote for him being cast by Director Van Buskirk by order of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Finger the Board proceeded to take an informal ballot for street commissioner with the following result: Jeremiah Finger 1, Patrick Corcoran 1, Charles E Cornwell 1, James Crump 1, Alfred Pultz 2.
The first formal ballot resulted for Street Commissioner as follows: Pultz 3, Cornwell 1, Corcoran 2.
Second. Pultz 3, Corcoran 3.
Third. Pultz 3, Corcoran 3.
Fourth. Pultz 3, Corcoran 3.
Fifth. Pultz 3, Corcoran 3.

Mr. Pultz was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Finger an informal ballot was taken for engineer of Minnehaha steamer and janitor of Fireman’s Hall with the following result: Edward Comfort 5, William Mann 1.
The formal ballot resulted: Comfort 5, Mann 1.
Mr. Comfort was declared elected.
An informal ballot for member of the Village Board of Health resulted:
A formal ballot resulted: Hommel 3, Bates 1, Wolven 1, Adams 1.
Third. Hommel 2, Bates 1, Albert Rowe 1, Wolven 1, Adams 1.
Fifth. Hommel 2, Bates 1, Wolven 1, Adams 1, John A. Lowther 1.
Sixth. Hommel 3, Adams 1, James Crump 1, H. A. Ohley 1.
Seventh. Hommel 3, Ohley 1, Adams 1.
Eighth. Hommel 4, Ohley 1, Adams 1.
Mr. Hommel was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Cunyes, the salary of the Health officer was fixed at $150 per year, and the salary of
the health inspector at $50 per year. These two officers are to be chosen by the Board of Health.

On motion of Mr. Finger, an informal ballot for water Commissioner was taken with the following result:
Alfred P. Lasher 3, James T. Maxwell 2, D. Lamb 1.
A formal ballot was then taken, which resulted: Lasher 3, Maxwell 2, Pidgeon 1.
Mr. Lasher was declared elected.

Mr. Lasher being present said that his vote for commissioner being unanimous he considered it to be his
duty to accept and he thanked the Board for the honor conveyed.

On motion of Mr. Cunyes Director Van Buskirk was instructed to cast the vote of the Board for William E.
Persons to have the care of the town clock for the ensuing year at a salary of $50, and the vote was so
cast.

On motion of Mr. Cunyes Charles E. Abeel and Henry Kranz were appointed as night police for the
ensuing year at a salary of $52 each.

On motion of Mr. McNally THE TELEGRAPH was designated as the official paper of the village.

On motion of Mr. Cunyes it was voted that no corporation counsel for the ensuing year be chosen.

On motion of Mr. McNally the first and third Saturday evenings of each month were designated as the
time for holding the regular meeting of the Board for the present year, after which on motion Board
adjourned. D. W. Maxwell Clerk.

3666. The Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 22, 1898. – OUR COMMONC COUNCIL. –
Considerable Business Transacted at Saturday Night’s Meeting. Finance Committee’s Report – An
Appropriation to be Voted on at the Charter Election, Etc.

Regular meeting of Board of Directors held Saturday evening, November 19th, 1898. With all the
Directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Finance Committee reported they had met with treasurer and examined books and vouchers and found
them correct.
Voucher 533 has not been paid. Voucher No. 1675, 1677, and 1678 not issued and vouchers 1694 to
1718 inclusive to be accounted for in next report.
Treasurer delivered to committee 20 coupons at $8.75 each Ulster Ave. bonds, 24 coupons at $10 each,
2nd issue bonds, and three bonds, viz. Nos. 17 and 18 General Indebtness for $500 all having been paid,
Board having issued warrants to Treasurer for same.

Finance Committee made report on bill of Theodore Paschke, having found it correct as made out
excepting $7.50 which had been charged to Union Free School.

On motion President Lasher was appointed to see C. C. James in regard to cutting down trees in front of
his property on Underwood street.

Motion made and carried that the Board of Water Commissioner be requested to extend the water main
through Underwood street.
Motion made and carried that the Sheffield estate be notified to repair the board walk in front of their property on East Bridge street at once.
Motion made and carried that counsel in case of Gordon vs. Village make report of progress to the board at their meeting on Nov. 26th.
A committee from the Bicycle Club requested that the sidewalk on east side of Burt street, from corner of J. T. Washburn’s to the Episcopal cemetery, be set aside for the use of bicycle riders.
Motion made and carried that same be granted for one year, no expenses to be attached to village.
Motion made and carried the Street Committee examine pole on Partition street (complaint having been made) and have same straightened or removed.
Motion that M. Baker, Superintendent of Electric Light Co., be notified to remove the poles not in use, within 6 days, or the Board would remove them at his expense. Carried.
Motion, that John W. Davis be notified that if flagging of sidewalk in front of his property on Ulster Avenue was not commenced within 6 days the Board would proceed to have work done. Carried.
President Lasher appointed as inspectors of Annual Election Directors Cunyes, Finger and McNally, and clerk was directed to issue the usual notice for coming Charter election in December, also, whether there shall be raised an additional sum of $1000, for Road Fund, to be expended on Ulster avenue next year.
President reported he had received warrant for $100 from town for use of lockup, &c., and paid same to Treasurer.
Motion made and carried that the Town Board by requested to renew bedding in lockup as they were in a very filthy condition.
Bills ordered paid.
Chas. Capen, 4 months janitor, $50.00
Wm. Mann, Jr., janitor Nov. 1 to Nov. 14, ‘98, 5.35
D. W. Maxwell, clerk, 26.65
$82.00

ROAD FUND.
James Donahue, 4 1-4 days labor, 6.38
Jas. Dummery, 4 1-4 “ “ 6.38
Jas. Levey, 3 3-4 “ “ 5.63
M. Lynch, 3 3-4 “ “ 5.63
M. Matthews, 2 “ “ 3.00
Jas. Dillon, 2 “ “ 3.00
Wm. Doyle, 1 3-4 “ team, 7.88
“ “ 6 loads slate, 6.00
F. Yanchke, 4 1-4 days team, 19.13
$63.03

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds are on hand.

GENERAL FUND.
Saugerties Gas Co., $ 58.66
Theo. Pasche, 211.50
$217.16

Motion made and carried the Mr. S. J. Adams be notified to pay his license forthwith, or Board would proceed to collect from showmen.
The clerk reported having received $3 for license, show on wheels, also 75 cents for cleaning gutter.
Messrs. J. W. Davis, U. Van Etten and Egbert Whitaker not having paid their bill, motion that the clerk
notify J. W. Davis, U. Van Etten and Egbert Whitaker if their bills for cleaning gutters were not paid by Nov. 26th Board would take action. Carried.

Motion made that Commissioner notify Messrs. Burhans, Adams and Russell, on Livingston street, to clean their gutters. Amendment to motion made, that all property owners be notified to clean gutters, or commissioner would proceed to do same at their expense. Amendment carried.

Motion made that The Board of Directors have turkey supper Saturday night, Dec. 17th, 1898. Carried.

on motion Board adjourned to Saturday Nov. 26th, 1898. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

3667. The Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 28, 1898. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Considerable Business Transacted at Saturday Night’s Meeting. Collector’s Report Approved and His Bondsmen Ordered Discharged- Delinquent Taxpayers to be Notified to Pay Up. – Other Matters Given Attention.


John W. Davis appeared before the Board and stated he would lay flagging on Ulster avenue as soon as weather permitted. Mr. Davis also paid his bill of 15 cts. for cleaning gutter.

Egbert Whittaker was present, and stated to the Board that the retaining wall on his property on Ulster avenue, was not strong enough to hold the sidewalk, and he wanted to be absolved from any damages. President Lasher stated the wall had been repaired and was being watched, and would be put in good repair as soon has the Board had funds on hand and weather permitted.

Collector John Crowley reported tax collections as follows, viz:

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On motion his report was accepted, and his bondsmen ordered discharged.

President Lasher reported that Uriah Van Etten had paid bill of 30 cts. for cleaning gutter under protest.

Clerk reported Egbert Whittaker had paid bill of 60 cts. for cleaning gutter.

Excavation permit was issued to estate of Chas. Bradley on Clermont st.

Motion that the Board have a new floor laid in meeting room of Laflin Hose Co. Carried.

Motion that the Firemanic Committee have power to order anything necessary to repair steamer. Carried.

Bills ordered paid:

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On motion the clerk was ordered to notify all delinquent taxpayers that unless the back taxes were paid to Treasurer on or before Dec. 3, 1898, the Board would commence action.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify the Electric Light Co. to put new bulbs on lights in the Board of Directors room.

Motion that M. Baker, Superintendent of the Electric Light Co., be notified to appear before the Board at their meeting Dec. 3, and explain the reason why poles were not taken down as ordered, carried.

The lights in Fireman’s Hall having been turned out at different times the Board offers a reward for conviction of any person tampering with same.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday Dec. 3rd, ’98, with all the directors present. President Lasher presiding.

M. Baker Superintendent of Electric Light Co. was present and reported that the poles of their company were all in use and that all poles in dangerous condition had been put in shape. Mr. Baker asked the Board to look up the agreement in matter of lights in Firemans Hall.

The Board of Water Commissioners with counsel were present and stated there was a deficiency in funds to meet Bonds and interest due Jan. 1st 1899.

Counsel in Gordon vs. Village suit made report of progress.

Motion that the Electric Light Co., Telephone Co. and Telegraph Co. be notified to paint their poles (color brown) within 30 days, carried.

Motion that the Board enforce the license law to parties coming in village with special sales. License to be $25 per month, carried.

Motion that clerk be ordered to collect a license of $5 per day for theatrical exhibitions, carried.


Bills ordered paid.

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<td>Edward Wright, refunded tax, 1.00</td>
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Clerk reported the Mrs. E. D. Battelle had paid bill, amount $2.00, for cleaning sidewalk.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

3669. Thomas Brackett Reed, Ex-Speaker House of Representatives. [illustration]

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3670. Hayden Hook and Ladder Truck House. The Hartford, Conn. Fire Department. [illustration]


    Kingston, N. Y.                        Saugerties, N. Y.                  Catskill, N. Y.
Vice-Presidents                           Executive Committee
George W. Vedder                          The Hudson Valley
Patrick Byron                             H. Dwight Laflin
Emory E. Briggs                           George H. Scott
Henry A. Ohley                            Irving L. Nestell
Eben Utter                                Volunteer Firemen’s Association.
Charles B. Stickle                        Charles L. Mac Arthur
James A. Goldschmid                       Fred. S. Beiber
William H. Hallock

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Officers of the Maryland State Firemen’s Association.
3673. John J. Stump, President. [illustration]
3674. Wm. W. Moore, Chairman Executive Committee. [illustration]
3675. J. H. Cunningham, Member Executive Committee. [illustration]
3676. W. H. Marshall, Member Executive Committee. [illustration]
3677. Samuel Hanna, Senior Vice-President. [illustration]
3678. E. J. Shjourdan, Member Executive Committee. [illustration]
3679. Hiram R. Heck, Treasurer. [illustration]
3680. Frank Spates, Member Executive Committee. [illustration]
3681. Charles V. Wantz, Secretary. [illustration]
3682. Henry Cabot Lodge, U. S. Senator from Massachusetts. [illustration]
3684. F. Augustus Heinze, Montana Copper Magnate. [illustration]
3685. Wm. Kissam Vanderbilt, Railroad Financier and Capitalist. [illustration]

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3686. Officers of Orange Hose Company, Walden, N. Y.
1. First Asst. Foreman, C. A. Bennett. 2. Second Asst. Foreman G. N. Ward. 3. Foreman J. D. Sayer. 4. President A. S. Embler. 5. Treasurer Harry Hollingsworth. [illustration]


3689. Richard P. Hobson, Hero and Naval Constructor, U. S. Navy. [illustration]
3690. Henry O. Havemeyer, President American Sugar Refining Co. [illustration]


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After listening to the whistling of the winds and seeing the snow blow in great flurries, the residents of our burgh retired Monday evening to awake this morning and find themselves in the grasp of “Old Boreas” and “Snow King.” Everywhere they peered about nothing but huge banks of the immaculate snow could be discerned and memories of that famous blizzard of March, 1888, dawned before them. This morning the snowstorm had abated, but the wind was still furious and blew with tremendous velocity over the place driving pedestrians to places of safety. The storm began early Monday morning and came from both the east and west, and crashed together head on. All day the snow came down, being caught up in terrific gusts of wind and blown along with great momentum, making it very disagreeable for those who were forced to be out. Business was stagnant and nearly all the merchants closed up at six o’clock. Traffic on the railroads was also impeded and only three trains managed to get through. Traffic, one north and one south were the only ones received at the postoffice. The streets as a result of the storm are piled high with accumulature [sic] mountains of snow and the shovel brigade was out in full force opening up the sidewalks and streets. In the suburbs the drifts are so high that roads are being dug through the fields to enable the people to get out. Along the coast there was much loss of life and it was especially tough weather for the hoboos. No damage of anything of importance is reported hereabouts.

At the regular meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. on Thursday evening they decided to participate in the firemen’s tournament at Poughkeepsie in June. A committee was appointed to secure a drum corps for furnishing music and it is expected that Walden Drum, Fife and Bugle of Thirty-two pieces will be engaged. The following were elected honorary members of the company: Supervisor E. M. Wilbur, Judge H. A. Ohley, Wm. Ziegler, George W. Palmer, second assistant chief James Teller, Dr. C. T. Montgomery, F. W. Loerzel, District Attorney C. F. Cantine, ex-Mayor Alfred P. Lasher and ex-Alderman C. E. Cornwell.

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This morning Ernest Hassinger took possession of the “Smoke House” in the Brede block formerly conducted by Judge Henry A. Ohley. Mr. Hassinger will be pleased to greet all his old and many new friends to his new location. He will commence the manufacture of cigars on March 1.

3696. John Hay, Secretary of State of the United States. [illustration]

3698. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 16, 1899. - Rev. Oscar Krauch Installed - Pastor of the Lutheran Church – Services Both in the German and English Languages. Sunday evening the German Evangelical Lutheran Church held a very large congregation to witness the installation of its new pastor, the Rev. Oscar Krauch. Chairs were placed in some of the aisles and the Sunday School room had to be thrown open to accommodate people with seats.
The ceremonies were conducted by the Rev. A. Smidtkonz of Rondout, president of the Albany Conference of the Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of New York, and Rev. W. Bacher, also of Rondout. After an anthem by the choir, hymn No. 515 was sung and Rev. Mr. Smidtkonz read a portion of the scriptures and offered prayer, the congregation standing. Hymn No. 134 was then sung and Rev. Mr. Smidtkonz delivered the charge to the pastor in German, after which the choir sang an anthem in English, and Miss Anna Gleisner very sweetly sang a solo assisted by Joseph Reinhard, Jr., as tenor. Rev. Mr. Becher [sic] then delivered the charge to the people in the English language taking for his text the 17th verse of the 13th chapter of Hebrews; “Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves, for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief, for that is unprofitable for you.” Mr. Becher delivered a very impressive and instructive discourse at the conclusion of which the choir sang another anthem. Mr. Smidtkonz extended the right hand of fellowship to the new pastor and offered prayer in German. The services was [sic] concluded by singing hymn No. 285 after which the congregation was dismissed, the Rev. Mr. Krauch pronouncing the benediction.

3699. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 23, 1899. – Held a Five-Minute Session. The Board of Directors Holds a very Short Meeting Saturday Evening. The Village Board of Directors after a long and tedious wait managed to get together on Saturday evening for a few minutes. Mayor Gibson, Alderman Cunyes and Truesdale were present and they kept constantly looking at their time pieces and muttering if a man accepts an office why he don’t attend to business. At 9:30 o’clock no other Alderman appeared and a quorum was lacking. A messenger was sent out to hunt up the missing members. He returned without success. Another messenger was sent out with no success. Finally after a third messenger has been sent out, Mr. Van Buskirk appeared and a five minute session was held. The reading of the minutes was dispensed with. Chief Hassinger presented the nominations for officers of the fire department and the following were confirmed: Martin Cantine, Chief Engineer; Frank J. Dale, First Assistant Chief; James Teller, Second Assistant Chief; and Ernest Hassinger, treasurer. The Board then adjourned to meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 o’clock as business of importance will come before them.

3700. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. May 16, 1899. – A Royal Arcanum Photograph. A handsome photograph taken on the steps of the capitol at Albany on April 25th of the delegates in attendance on the thirty-first annual convention of the Grand Council of the Royal Arcanum, of the State of New York, just before the reception tendered them by Gov. Roosevelt, is on exhibition in the show window of Hassinger’s cigar store on Partition street. Among the group appears the well known features of Ernest Hassinger, who represented Saugerties Council on the occasion.

3701. Samuel Sidney McClure, “McClure’s Magazine” and Publications. [illustration]
3702. Winfield Scott Schley, Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy. [illustration]
3703. Levi Parsons Morton, Ex-Vice-President United States. [illustration]
Residence _____________________
P. O. Address ___________________
Signed _______________________

Secretary’s Endorsement

This application, accompanied by the Initiation Fee, was received and read at a regular meeting of the Company, held on Tuesday Evening, ____________ 189__
The proposing member being in good standing, it was referred to the Investigating Committee.

___________________________  Secretary

Committee’s Report

Your Committee would report that they have inquired into the character and competency of the above candidate and would report ___________ on the application. Signed, _________________

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Committee [template]

The John W. Davis estate property, on Ulster avenue, having been surveyed and laid out in building lots some time ago, contains three streets, High, North and West, and one avenue, Cantine. The lace factory will be located on High street. They will have three hundred and thirty-eight feet front, and one hundred and sixty feet deep.

The firemen were called out Saturday afternoon, but there was nothing doing of any consequence. Some boys who were fishing had built a small fire near Washburn’s point and it got the best of them. The flames ignited the dead leaves and grass nearby, and kept spreading toward the barn and for this reason the alarm was turned in. The hose was not sufficient to reach the fire, but it was extinguished by whipping it, and an application of a few pails of water.

The Windsor Hotel caught fire in some unknown way at half-past 2 o’clock yesterday afternoon. Within an hour the building was a glowing shell of shattered walls. Fifteen people are dead as the result. Forty-three people, variously injured, are at the hospitals. The bodies of many more are supposed to be buried in the smouldering ruins. The dead include many people of wealth and prominence and a large but unknown number of the employees of the hotel. The money loss is between two and three millions of dollars. Though New York has experienced fires involving greater financial loss, and perhaps even greater mortality, it never had a fire abounding in so many incidents of horror or so many splendid examples of heroism.
The reason for the dreadful loss of life is that the Windsor Hotel, though one of the most magnificent of
the city, was of the old type and inflammable construction, so that many were cut off from escape
before they learned their danger.
Hundreds of thousands of people watched the fire and the dreadful scenes – the jumping of victims
from windows to death in the street, or falling back from the windows into the burning building – were
enacted before the eyes of as many people as could crowd into the neighboring streets.
No steps can be taken to search the ruins for bodies for many hours, until the seething debris cools.

3709. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 15, 1899. – The Exempt Firemen. – Notified by
the Village Authorities to do Police Duty at Fires. – The Annual Sleighride and Supper Arranged For.
The adjourned meeting of the Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Police Patrol was held in their
rooms at Fireman’s Hall, Tuesday evening Feb. 14th.
The following notice was received from the village clerk and ordered placed on file;
Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 6th, 1899.
To the Officers and Members of Exempt Fireman’s Association, Saugerties, N. Y.:
Sirs: - At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Feb. 4th, 1899, the following was passed, viz:
That the clerk notify the Exempt Fireman’s Association that they are to keep all people other than village
officials, fireman and special designated people by the chief of the fire department outside of the fire
lines which the chief is empowered to make at any fire, also to place guards over property that is taken
from buildings that are burning, or in danger, also to have their ropes (needed to police fires) placed on
the truck of Washington H. and L. Co. to be carried to and from fires by some of their own members.
Respectfully, D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.
By Order of Board of Directors.
The Patrol was accordingly divided into committees of five members each to have charge of the firelines
at fires and to have care of the ropes provided by the village for that purpose, such committee to serve
for one month following each other in rotation.
The committee appointed for the month of February is John Lange, W. S. Manning, Edward Jernegan,
Thomas Bradley was promoted from an honorary member to an active member of the Association.
W. S. Manning, D. N. Finger and Joseph W. Reinhard were appointed a committee to arrange details for
the annual sleighride and supper.
On motion meeting adjourned.

3710. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 6, 1899. – Held Open House. – The Saugerties Club
Entertains on Saturday Evening.
The Saugerties club held “open house” on Saturday evening and many availed themselves of the
privilege of visiting the cozy and pleasant rooms of the club in the Davis block. Many ladies were also
present. Refreshments were served and everyone present was hospitably entertained. The rooms are
very handsomely furnished with quartered oak furniture, purchased of Seamon Bros. Pretty rugs and art
squares cover the Georgia pine floor, and the side walls and ceilings are of handsome ornate metal.
There are three rooms, one used as the office and reception room, one as the parlor and one as a
billiard room. The rooms are lighted by electricity and heated by steam. The club starts off not only free
from indebtedness but with a handsome surplus on hand. The following ladies attended the reception.
Mrs. H. D. Laflin, Miss Agnes Cantine, Miss Margaret Loughran, Mrs. Peter Cantine, Mrs. Howard
Gillespy, Mrs. John C. Davis, Mrs. S. M. Gray, Mrs. R. B. Overbagh, Miss Mary Seamon, Miss Ella Seamon,
Mrs. Jerry P. Russell, Mrs. George Seamon, Miss Nellie Davis, Miss Katharine Sahler, Mrs. John A. Snyder,
Mrs. James T. Maxwell, Mrs. H. T. Keeney, Mrs. Finger, Mrs. Charles Davis, Mrs. B. T. Harris, Miss Helen
B. Davis, Miss Ethel H. Gray.
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

This morning Ernest Hassinger took possession of the cigar store of Henry A. Ohley on Partition street recently purchased by him, and is having the interior painted and decorated by Winslow Deavlin. Mr. Hassinger will not begin the manufacture of cigars until about March 1st.

3712. Daniel Scott Lamont, Ex-Secretary of War, Financier. [illustration]

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday, Feb. 4th, with all the Directors present. President Gibson presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
Martin Cantine, chief engineer of fire department made report as requested.
On motion the report was received, placed on file and requests of chief to be carried out as soon as possible.
Bills ordered paid:

HEALTH FUND.
Lewis H. Kleeber, vital statistics, $29.75

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds are on hand.
GENERAL FUND.
H. T. Keeney, Insurance Fireman’s Hall. $68.00
Darbee & Clum, Insurance, contents Fireman’s Hall, 34.00
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 58.66
John Maxwell, lighting street lamps, 46.00
$206.00

The committee on collection of unpaid taxes made report, stating progress.
Mr. Charles Davis reported that the Treasurer notified him that the taxes on V. S. Roosa property, which was advertised to be sold for taxes Feb. 4th, 1890 had been paid with expenses by Chas. Abeel, agent, and he (Mr. Davis) had drawn up receipt for same, signed by Clerk of Village.
Motion made and seconded that the commissioner be instructed to notify all property owners or occupants whose gutters need cleaning, to do so, or commissioner would do same at expense of owner. Carried.
Motion that the Board advertise for bids for stone to crush, stone to be delivered at crusher, and to be quarried from land owned by the village. The Board to reserve right to reject any or all bids. Bids to be received by the clerk on or before Feb. 18th, 1899, at 8 p.m. Carried.
Motion made and carried that the Firemanic Committee be instructed to purchase three light colored rubber overcoats for use of Chief Engineer, 1st and 2nd Assistants. Price not to exceed $6.75 each.
Motion made and carried that the clerk notify the Exempt Firemans Association that they are to keep all people other than Village officials, Firemen and special designated people by the Chief of Fire Department outside of the fire lines which the chief is empowered to make at any fire, also to place guards over property that is taken from buildings that are burning, or in danger, also to have their ropes placed on the truck of Washington H. & L. Co. to be carried to and from fires by some of their own members.
Motion made and carried that Washington Hook & L. Co. be requested to carry ropes of Exempt Fireman (needed to police fires,) to and from fires.

On motion the Firemanic Committee was instructed to have chairs repaired or new chairs furnished for Washington H. & L. Co. as requested by the Chief.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday, Feb. 18th, 1899, with all directors present, President Gibson presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Mr. Cunyes, chairman of the Firemanic committee, reported chairs had been secured for Washington H. & L. Co., and three rubber coats for Chief, 1st and second assistants, had been ordered from James Teller.

On motion, Wm. Kenney and Patrick Bradley were confirmed as members of H. D. Laflin Hose Co., and application of Perry Artman was laid over until next meeting.

Bills ordered paid:

**HEALTH FUND.**

J. H. De Witt, Health Officer,

Nov. 1 to March 1. $ 50.00

**GENERAL FUND.**

Saugerties Telegraph Pub. Co. advertising 15.00

Bills ordered paid as soon as funds are on hand:

**GENERAL FUND.**

W. E. Persons, care of town clock

Jan. 1 to March 1, 8.00

G. Dederick, supplies, 2.83

$10.83

Bill of Commissioner for cleaning sidewalk of R. S. Gibson, amount 15 cents, was paid to the clerk by R. S. Gibson.

On motion the clerk was ordered to send bill of 45 cents to C. C. James for cleaning sidewalk.

Motion that the bill of Commissioner for cleaning sidewalk of Howard Bogardus, amount $3.00 should not be presented but paid out of funds of village, carried. Vice-President requested to be recorded as voting in negative.

**ROAD FUND.**

Wm. Doyle, team ¼ day, $ 1.12

James Donohue, labor ½ day, .75

Luke McCarthy, “ 1 ” 1.50

Geo. Reynolds, “ ½ ” .75

Philip Riley, “ 2 ” 3.00

Wm. Dixon, “ 3¾ ” 5.62

Chas. Lewis, “ 3¼ ” 5.62

Jacob Shultis, “ ½ ” .75

James Lavey, “ 3 ” 4.50

Wm. Lowther, “ ½ ” .75

$24.36

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A. Pultz, Com. 1 months salary, 29.16
$53.52

On motion, bill of Robt. Espey, amount $1.50, for shoveling snow, was laid on table.

Motion that the time for receiving bids for getting out stone to crush, be extended to March 4, 1899. Carried.

After finishing the regular business, the Board went into executive session for short time.

On motion Board adjourned.  D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday, March 18th, 1899. Directors present, Gibson, Cunyes, Finger, Truesdale, and Van Buskirk. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A petition was read asking the Board to place a lamp in James St.

On motion, the petition was received and request granted, and lamp to be placed under supervision of the Street Committee.

On motion, John Pumfret and Thomas Bradley were confirmed as members of the Fire Police Patrol of the Exempt Fireman’s Association.

Bills ordered paid:

**GENERAL FUND.**

A. W. Dolfini, lanterns Fire Department, $9.50

Saugerties Gas Co., gas Fireman’s Hall, 5.75

$15.25

**ROAD FUND.**

Wm. Doyle, team 1 ½ day 6.75

Jas. Donahue, labor 1 day 1.50

Chas. Lewis, “ 1 ¼ ” 1.87

Robert Casey, “ 1 ½ ” 2.25

Philip Riley, “ 1 ½ ” 2.25

Jas. Dillon, “ 1 ½ ” 2.25

Geo. Du Bois, “ ½ ” .75

A. Pultz, salary as Com., Feb., 29.16

$46.41

The Water Commissioners submitted their annual report as follows:

Saugerties, March 4th, 1899.

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

*Gentlemen:* The following is the annual report of the Board of Water Commissioners, showing the receipts and disbursements from January 1st, 1898 to December 31st, 1898, both dates inclusive.

**DR.**

To total earnings for year, $5,350.65

Amount uncollected, 277.86

Leaving amount collected, $5,072.89

Received from Postal Telegraph Cable Co., 70.43

Taxes returned, 2.46

$5,145.78

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To Water Bonds Nos. 3 and 4 unpaid,  

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\text{CR.} & :  \\
2,000.00 & : \\
\text{By paid Superintendent’ Salary,} & : 699.96 \\
\text{By paid office rent and expenses,} & : 214.92 \\
\text{By paid for repairs,} & : 211.04 \\
\text{” ” ” supplies,} & : 35.31 \\
\text{” ” ” furniture,} & : .95 \\
\text{” ” taxes,} & : 196.95 \\
\text{” ” printing and stationery,} & : 61.38 \\
\text{” ” tools and fixtures,} & : 47.73 \\
\text{” ” meters,} & : .50 \\
\text{” ” interest on bonds July 1, 1898,} & : 1,580.90 \\
\text{By paid interest on bonds Jan. 1, 1899,} & : 3,160.00 \\
\text{By cash advanced Jan. 1, ’98} & : 114.15 \\
\text{By cash on hand} & : 402.89 \\
\text{Leaving an indebtedness of the 2 bonds of $1,000 each, unpaid. Cash on hand of $402.99, to apply on same. Leaving total deficiency to Jan. 1st 1899, the sum of $1597.11. Supplies on hand as per inventory January 1st, 1899.} & : 1,332.16 \\
\text{We would further report that the total indebtedness of the village for Water Works on the 1st day of January, 1899, is the sum of (78 Water Bonds of $1000, and 6 Main Extension Bonds of $500, each.)} & : 79,000.00 \\
\text{We would further report to your Honorable Body, that the following estimated receipts and disbursements for the present fiscal year as follows:} & \\
\text{DR.} & \\
\text{The running expenses for year. (estimated),} & : 1,400.00 \\
\text{Interest due on bonds July 1, 1899. (estimated),} & : 1,580.00 \\
\text{Interest due on Bonds Jan 1, 1900 (estimated),} & : 1,580.00 \\
\text{Bond No. 5, due Jan. 1, 1900,} & : 1,000.00 \\
\text{By cash on hand} & : 5,500.00 \\
\text{CR.} & \\
\text{By estimated income from water rents for the year 1890} & : 5,600.00 \\
\text{All of which is respectfully submitted.} \\
\text{Board of Water Commissioners. H. C. Bogardus, Secretary.} & \\
\text{On motion, same was received and ordered placed on the minutes.} & \\
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On motion, the Legal Committee were instructed to confer with the assessors in regard to assessing estates, &c.
Messrs. F. T. Russell and B. M. Coon, as a committee from the Cemetery Association, appeared before the Board in relation to Main street cemetery, asking the Board to appropriate a sum to the Association to help them put the cemetery in a respectable condition. Mr. Coon stated that in 1845, the cemetery was deeded to the Village by the Katsbaan Dutch Church on condition that it was to be kept in condition. The committee asked the Board to help the Association by appropriating $100 for this year. Chief Engineer Cantine appeared before the Board in relation to new hose for Fire Department. Same was referred to Firemanic Committee.

The bids for quarrying and delivering stone to crusher, were read as follows, viz:

Ezra B. Rightmyer, 45 cts. gross ton
C. E. Cornwell, 45 cts. ton
F. J. Lutz & Bro. 46 cts. gross ton
“ “ “ “ 44 cts. net ton
Henry Kipper, 47 cts. net ton
J. O. Beers, 50 cts. gross ton

On motion a ballot was taken on the parties who bid on gross tons. The President appointing Mr. Finger as teller. Result of ballot:

J. O. Beers, 1; C. E. Cornwell, 2; E. B. Rightmyer, 2. Total 5.

2nd ballot was taken and the following results: J. O. Ben [sic] 1; E. B. Rightmyer 4. Total 5.

On motion E. B. Rightmyer was awarded the contract at 45 cents gross ton.

On motion the clerk was instructed to have contract drawn up inserting that Mr. Rightmyer employ labor from within the corporation and furnish bonds acceptable to the Board.

On motion the clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Rightmyer he had been awarded the contract and to meet with the board Wednesday, March 22nd at 7 p. m. with bondsman and sign contract.

Motion that the board appropriate to the Cemetary [sic] Association One Hundred Dollars ($100) for this year for keeping clean the portion of Main street cemetery owned by village, Ayes 3. Noes 1. Motion carried.

Motion that the village curb and gutter according to grade in front of cemetery property on Main street. Ayes 2. Noes 2. President voted negative and declared motion lost.
Special committee of Directors of Ward No. 1 made report in relation to sewer complained of by Mr. Ball. On motion the report of committee was received, placed on file and committee discharged. On motion minutes as read were adopted.

On motion board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk [section from word ‘complained’ to the end is on an unglued piece of newsprint, lying in the book.]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

receiving contract to have privilege to quarry on land owned by the village. If stone quarried elsewhere, contractor to pay all rents. The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Bids to be in the hands of Clerk on or before Saturday, March 18th, 12 o’clock noon.

Bills ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

Jas. Teller, 3 rubber coats, $20.70
Bill of H. A. Hildebrant, amount $10.04, referred to Finance Committee.

On motion, the Clerk’s action in notifying the Assessors was ratified.

On motion, the minutes were approved as read.

On motion, Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held April 1st, 1899. Directors present, McNally, Finger, Truesdale, Cunyes and Gibson. President Gibson presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Firemanic Committee reported progress in relation to purchase of hose, also in matter of repairs to engine house on south side of creek.

Bill of Saugerties Manufacturing Co. amount $7.00 was referred to Finance Committee.

Bills ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

F. M. Murphy, repairs to fountain, $ 1.20
John Maxwell, lighting lamps, $46.00

$47.20

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Doyle, team, ¾ day, $ 3.37
George Dubois, labor ½ day, $.75
Chas. Lewis, labor, ½ day, $.75
James Dillon, labor ¾ day, $.37
Luke McCarthy, labor ¾ day, $.75
Philip Riley, labor ½ day, $.75
Robert Casey, labor ½ day, $.75

$  7.49

A. Pultz, salary, March, $29.26

$36.05

Crusher committee reported that platform at crusher was repaired, and progress on other repairs. Motion, that E. D. Comfort be employed as engineer at the crusher at $2.00 per day, also 50 cents per day for weighing stone when crusher was not running. Carried.

Memorandum of levels on north curb of Ulster avenue, made by Mr. Paschke, was read. On motion same was accepted, and to be attached to map of Ulster avenue.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to notify the Assessors to have books ready, and present same at next meeting of the Board.

A petition from the Cemetery Association was read as follows: Know all men that the Directors of the Village of Saugerties, give to the Directors of Main street Saugerties Cemetery Association the power to arrest all persons found committing depredations in said cemetery belonging to the said village.

Motion, that the petition be accepted and placed on minutes, and request granted. Carried.

Motion, that the Firemanic committee see that the electric light wires in Snyder Hose Co.’s room are repaired. Carried.
Complaint was made of sewer on Post street, running through land of John Taylor. On motion, the whole Board will investigate and take action at next meeting. Motion, that the property owners on Elizabeth street be notified to curb and gutter within 60 days. Curb to be set to allow sidewalk 4 feet wide. Carried. On motion the street Committee was given the power to move the cross walk on East Bridge street now in front of residence of E. Bates. Motion made and carried that the clerk notify the Electric Light Co., Telephone and Telegraph Co.’s to paint their poles within 60 days or Board will take action. On motion the Street Committee were authorized to have road on west end of Main street repaired. On motion the Firemanic Committee was instructed to order trumpets for the 1\textsuperscript{st} and 2\textsuperscript{nd} chief engineers. On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

3718. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 17, 1899. -OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular Meeting Held Saturday Evening, April 15\textsuperscript{th}. – Considerable Business Transacted – 500 Feet New Hose to be Purchased for Use of the Fire Department. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held April 15, 1899. Directors present: Gibson, Truesdale, Cunyes, Finger and Van Buskirk. President Gibson, presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information. Finance commit reported bill of Saugerties M’f’g. Co., amount $700 [sic] correct. On motion, petition of L. P. Hagadorn, in reference to putting sign in front of his residence, was referred to the street committee to decide. Communication was read from the Health Officer in reference to water laying in road on West Bridge street, in front of premises of Henry Henkle, stating that it was a public nuisance, and detrimental to the public health. On motion, same was referred to the street committee. Firemanic committee reported the repairs to engine house on south side of creek completed. Mr. F. T. Russell complained of road from Mr. Kraus’s to corner of Main street stating it was in a bad and dangerous condition. On motion, the Commissioner was ordered to repair the street commencing at Schoonmaker’s corner as far south as Mr. Kraus’s, as soon as had stone crushed. Excavation permit was granted to Daniel Lamb in front of property of W. Porter on Main street. Excavation permits granted by the Clerk to Gilbert Finger, Market street, and John Lang, Myer street were ratified by the Board. A building permit was granted to the Martin Cantine Card Co. Bill of Peter Cantine, amount $257.25, referred to finance committee. Bills ordered paid:

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<td>Saugerties Gas Co., Gas</td>
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<td>John H. Kerbert, painting Laflin Hose room</td>
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<td>D. E Abeel, subpoenaing and paying witnesses in Hallenbeck case</td>
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<td>Thos. Sexton, repairs Laflin Hose rooms</td>
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<td>The Saugerties Post, advertising</td>
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<td>Wm. Doyle, team, 5 ½ days</td>
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Chas. Lewis, " 7 ¼ " 10.87
Wm. Dixon, " 3 ½ " 5.25
Luke McCarthy, " 1 " 1.50
Philip Riley, " 1 " 1.50
Robert Casey, " 1 " 1.50
Geo. Reynolds, " 1 " 1.50
John Dixon, " 1 " 1.50
James Dillon, " 1 " 1.50
Wm. Thomond, " ½ " .75

$64.74

The bids for furnishing hose being in the hands of the clerk, on motion the clerk was ordered to open bids, which were as follows, viz:

Gutta Percha & Rubber Mfg. Co., New York, 500 feet, or less:
2 ½ Ajax brand cotton fire hose, 49c. foot.
" Rescue " " " " 54c. "
" Boker fabric " " " " 80c. "
" Walter’s close rubber 3 ply " 90c. "
" " " " 4 " $1.10 "

Eureka Fire Hose Co., New York, 1,000, or less:
2 ½ Trojan fire hose, 60c. foot.
" Peerless " " " 65c. "
" Surprise " " " 65c. "
" Paragon brand fire hose, 80c. "

New York Billing [sic] & Packing Co., Ltd., New York, 500 feet:
Aetna single jacket cotton rubber hose, 55c. foot.
Lenox double " " " hose, 50c. foot.
Dragon " " " hose, 75c. foot.

Manhattan Rubber Mfg. Co., New York:
Mohican double jacket cotton rubber lined hose, 80c. foot.
Manhattan double jacket cotton rubber lined hose, 70c. foot.
Fulton double jacket cotton rubber lined hose, 60c. foot.
Kortland single jacket cotton rubber lined hose, 50c. foot.

The agents of the firm (excepting the Manhattan Co., who sent samples), were present with samples and explained the merits of their hose.

Motion made and carried that the Village purchase of the Manhattan Rubber ‘M’f’g. Co. 500 feet of hose of the Mohican Double Jacket Cotton rubber lined brand, same to be paid for within one year.

On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify Mr. P. M. Gillespy to set his curb on line with Van Buskirk; Bros. curb.

Motion that Michael Donlon estate be notified to make sidewalk passable on East Bridge street.

Carried.

Motion, the Board have a closet built in rear of Fireman’s Hall and the building of same be under the supervision of the Firemanic Committee. Carried.

Motion, that Mr. Fred Yanchke be employed as one of the men to feed stone at the crusher. Carried.

Motion, that Wm. Doyle be allowed same as previous year for sprinkling Ulster Avenue. Motion lost.

Motion, that the crusher committee start running the crusher when necessary. Carried.

Motion, that the firemanic committee make contract with Manhattan Rubber M’f’g. Co. for 500 ft. hose, and have the contract at next meeting of the Board to be signed. Carried.

On motion, Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.
Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday, April 29, 1899. Directors present, Gibson, McNally, Truesdale, Cunyes and Finger. President Gibson presiding.

On motion the tax levy as presented by the Assessors was accepted and the books turned over to the Collector.

Collector Crowley presented his bonds for approval. On motion same was accepted and placed on file.

A petition was presented by S. M. Gray signed by 72 taxpayers and residents asking the Board to have Ulster avenue sprinkled to the West Shore Railroad as heretofore. On motion the petition was received and placed on file.

Bills ordered paid:

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<td>John Cullum, repairs Stone Crusher Boiler</td>
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<td>F. B. Morss, setting grade stakes</td>
<td>$5.00</td>
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<td>Alex. Lackey, labor with surveyor, Elizabeth street</td>
<td>$1.50</td>
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<td>Dame &amp; Townsen Co., 83 tubes for boiler</td>
<td>$59.90</td>
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<td>James Styles, storing oil to April 1, 1899</td>
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ROAD FUND – CRUSHER BILL.

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<td>E. L. Comfort, 4 days at $2, 1 day at $2.25 and 9 1.2 days at $2.50,</td>
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<td>Luke McCarthy, 3 9-10, days labor</td>
<td>$5.85</td>
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<td>Philip Riley, 4 ¼ days labor</td>
<td>$6.38</td>
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<td>Wm. Lowther, 4 ½ days labor</td>
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<td>Chas. Lewis, 2 4-10 days labor</td>
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<td>Wm. Riley, scraping boiler</td>
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Bill of J. H. DeWitt, health officer was returned for correction.

Motion that Howard Bogardus be notified to remove the two trees that stand out side of his curb line within ten days of the Board will have them removed. Carried.

On motion the contract with the Manhattan Rubber Mfg. Co. for hose was received and the President and Clerk were authorized to sign contract and attach seal.

Excavation permits were granted to T. B.

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Cornwell, Mc Carthy St. and Mrs. Samuel Dixon, W. Bridge St. on condition that the street was put in same condition.

Motion that Mr. J. B. Sheffield be notified to repair and put in safe condition at once the bridge on the walk between the ferry and steamboat dock. Carried.

Motion that the president be appointed a committee of one to wait on the M. Donlon estate and have sidewalk on East Bridge street repaired immediately carried.

Motion that Mr. McNally, chairman of committee have full charge of the crusher carried.

Motion that the crusher committee dispose of the tubes at prices to the best advantage, carried.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk.

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday May 6, 1899. Directors present, Gibson, McNally, Finger, Cunyes and Van Buskirk. President Gibson presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The finance committee made report on bill of P. Cantine. On motion the report was received and the bill was referred to the legal committee.
Crusher committee reported that the crusher was broken. On motion the committee was authorized to purchase a new pulley wheel from the factory.
On motion it was ordered that Mynders street from Krows' to Dock road that the gutters be plowed and street rounded up.
On motion the clerk was ordered to notify Mr. F. B. Morss to meet with the board on Elizabeth street at 9 a. m. May 8th, 1899.

Motion that the property owners on west side of Washington avenue from Finger street to summit at S. Truesdale be notified to curb and gutter according to grade. Amendment to motion was made as follows that the property owners from Lafayette street to summit at S. Truesdales be notified to curb and gutter according to grade. Call for ayes and noes resulted as follows, McNally no, Gibson aye, Finger aye, Cunyes no, Van Buskirk aye. Result ayes 3, noes 2. Amendment carried. Vote on original motion ayes 2, noes 2. President voted no and declared motion lost.
Motion that a double crosswalk be laid across Lafayette St., at corner of Washington Ave., carried.
Motion that the Clerk notify the Electric Light Co., to remove the pole on Elizabeth St., immediately. Carried.

Motion that the Street Committee’s action in repairing McCarthy and Partition Sts., be ratified. Carried. Motion that the tram stone be taken up on Washington Avenue and Main Street and road be repaired with crushed stone. Carried.

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<td>House and crusher</td>
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<td>John Maxwell, street lighting</td>
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<td>Carroll Whitaker, services Hallenbeck case</td>
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<td>Lyman Waters, 1 ½ hours, cutting stone</td>
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<td>A. Pultz, salary April</td>
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<td>Luke McCarthy, 2 1-10 days</td>
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<td>E. L. Comfort, 2 at $2.50, 1 at $2.25</td>
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Excavation permits granted to W. Porter, Ulster avenue, W. Porter, Partition street, to John Post, Main street, were ratified by the Board.

On motion the clerk was ordered to procure a book to keep a record of permits granted.

Motion that a drain pipe be put across the property of John Taylor on Post street to connect with drain, carried.

On motion request of Mr. Cantine was referred to the street committee.

Complaints having been made about riding bicycles on sidewalk and without lamps at night it was decided that the ordinance would be enforced with any person violating the law.

Motion that each and every member of the Board be empowered to employ an officer to arrest any person violating the bicycle laws. Carried.

The request to remove the lamp in front of property of Mrs. Cox on Allen Street was referred to Street Committee.

On motion the Directors in Ward No. 1 were appointed a committee to estimate the cost of a sewer pipe to carry water on East Bridge Street.

On motion Board adjourned. D. W. Maxwell, Clerk

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3720. Chauncey M. Depew, Orator, Railroad President, U. S. Senator. [illustration]

The marriage of Mr. Harvey G. Rockwell and Miss Margaret H. Whitaker was solemnized at Trinity church, at noon to-day, the Rev. Thomas Cole, rector of the church, officiating. Mr. Walter Gale, organist of St. Thomas’ Church, New York, presided at the organ and rendered Lohengrin’s march, as the bridal party entered and Mendelsohn’s when they departed.
The decorations of the church were palms, smilax and Easter lilies, the chancel being banked. The bride was attired in heavy white satin, the skirt trimmed with ruffles of chiffon and the waist with Renaissance cream lace. She wore a white veil clustered with orange blossoms and carried a white kid prayer book and lilies of the valley. Her gift from the groom was a diamond sunburst. The groom wore the conventional frock coat and vest and pearl gray trousers and carried a silk hat. The maid of honor was Miss Alice C. Corwin, of East Orange, N. J. She wore a dress of pink liberty chiffon, over pink taffeta, trimmed with chiffon ribbon, also a black picture hat and carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids were Misses Alice Shilton Mould, Cheboygan, Mich., Carrie L. Washburn, of this place, Susie May Rockwell and Marie Gertrude Gannon, New York city. Each one was dressed in white silk mull, over white taffeta stitched with black applique lace. They wore pink sashes and black picture hats and carried bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley. The favors from the bride to the maid of honor and bridesmaids were pearl pins set in wreaths. Mr. Charles Landon Rockwell, of New York was groomsman. The ushers were Dr. Samuel C. Pinckney, Atlanta, Ga., Alphonso D. Rockwell, Jr., Mesier R. Snyder, Alvah Oatman and Harry H. Rockwell, New York city. All wore black frock coats and vests and pearl gray trousers and carried silk hats. They received from the groom diamond scarf pins. The decorations at the residence on West Bridge street were pink and white roses and greens, the mantels and chandeliers being massed. The wedding dinner was served by the Kenney sisters of Kingston. The couple left on the 2:42 ferry for Tivoli, where they boarded a Central flyer for an extended tour. The presents were numerous and valuable.

3722. William L. Douglas, A Great Shoe Manufacturer. [illustration]

A notable event in Masonic circles was the gathering of nearly four hundred Masons at the regular communication of Rondout Lodge, No. 343, at Rondout on Monday evening to greet R. W. Palmer A. Canfield, District Deputy Grand Master of this, the Fifteenth Mason District of the State of New York, and to witness the conferring of the Third Degree.
After the reception of the District Deputy Grand Master the work of the evening was taken up in charge of the officers of Rondout Lodge, when four Fellow-Crafts were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in due and ancient form, Charles G. Coffin, Worshipful Master of Catskill Lodge, and Edward Jernegan, Senior Deacon of Ulster Lodge, of this village, taking part in a portion of the work. After the close of the ceremonies the visiting brethren were escorted to Griffiths Hall, where a fine banquet was spread to which all did ample justice. Delegations were present from Coxsackie, Catskill, Hunter, Saugerties, Kingston, Newburgh and Highland, while lodges in Albany, Poughkeepsie, New York, Brooklyn and other places were represented. The Saugerties delegation consisted of the following brethren, all of whom are members of Ulster Lodge: William G. Sickles, Irving Russell, Charles H. Vedder, William Ziegler, William M. Everett, Elisha Paradise, William Robinson, S. Yates Knight, Edward Jernegan, William V. Burhans, Edward J. Lewis, John D. Fratsher, Peter Canner, Charles Clum, Barnet Hallenbeck, Henry A. Ohley, Thomas B. Belch, Theodore
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

The party reached home with the midnight train well pleased with the hospitality and reception extended on the part of the Rondout brethren.

3724. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 15, 1900. – Election of Officers. – Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum Elect Officers for the ensuing term: J. H. France, Regent; Dr. R. F. Diedling, Vice-Regent; Charles Clum, Orator; Charles E. Abeel, Sitting Past Regent; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Ernest Hassinger, Collector; C. W. Quick, Treasurer; Robert Webber, Chaplain; Bennet Rose, Guide; Wm. W. Whitaker, Warden; Wm. H. Rivenburg, Sentry; T. B. Belch, Trustee; Elisha C. Paradies, Representative to Grand Council; Charles E. Abeel, Alternate.

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Wednesday evening the above lodge was instituted in the rooms occupied by the Knights of Pythias in the Lazarus building on Partition street by W. Anderson, Grand State Councilor of Brooklyn. Louis F. Page, the Grand Councillor’s [sic] secretary and a delegation from DeWitt Council, No. 91, of Kingston. After the institution the following officers were installed into their respective chairs: Denton G. Rittie, Councilor; Silas C. Newkirk, Vice Councilor; J. Arthur Clum, Recording Secretary; Lewis H. Kleeber, Financial Secretary; Warden, Frank Myer; Inside Sentinel, Julius A. Bartels; Outside Sentinel, Frank Rittie; Conductor, George Burhans; Chaplain, Peter J. Turck; Junior Past Councilor, James C. Dederick; Assistant Recording Secretary, Sidney Snyder; Representative to State Council, James C. Dederick; Trustees, R. Overbagh, James Sickles, James C. Dederick.
About thirty members were initiated out of thirty-six whose names were attached to the petition praying for a charter to institute the new lodge, the remainder of whom will be initiated at the next meeting.
After the conclusion of the business of the evening a banquet was served in the lodge rooms to which all did ample justice. The Kingston brethren came and returned with their own conveyances.

3726. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 22, 1899. - THE BIG FIREMAN'S PARADE. – Po'keepsie the Scene of a Demonstration. – Music Swelled the Air While the Fire Laddies Marched in Review Before the Admiring Throng.
The annual parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association is a “thing of beauty and a joy for a time,” and always attracts a large concourse of people who enjoy the supreme pleasure of gazing upon as fine a body of men as there is extant. This year the parade and tournament was held in Poughkeepsie, and the occasion will ever remain memorable as a red letter event, not only in the annals of the association, but in the Bridge city as well. It was held Wednesday and thirty-three companies participated headed by bands and corps attired in august looking uniforms, glistening helmets, drawing glittering apparatus and marching with precision and soldiery bearing. All the companies were up-to-date, everything being modern and attractive. Especially fine looking were the several carriages and trucks in the line. It was an ideal day for marching, “Old Sol” adding his presence in bright sunny smiles. The line of march was a long and weary one, but the laddies were so well entertained by the good people of Po’keepsie that they forgot their fatigued and tired condition and marched with an inspiration before the admiring throngs which congested every vantage point.
HOSPITALITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE.
The hospitality of Poughkeepsie is to well known for additional comment. They did their part and did it in royal style. Each company of the Po’keepsie department entertained several visiting companies and refreshments, both solid and liquid, were served in abundance. In fact they couldn't do enough to make
the visit of their guests a thoroughly enjoyable one. That their efforts were appreciated by the companies was attested by the praises and cheers they showered on the entire department. Po’keepsie certainly deserves great credit and her department is “all right.”

THE SAUGERTIES COMPANIES.

Nowhere in any town of our size is there as well an equipped department, finer body of men or more modern fire apparatus than we possess. We are proud of our companies, R. A. Snyder Hose, H. D. Laflin Hose, Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and the Exempt Police Patrol. They are made up of the representative men of the place, and whenever they appear on parade they create a profound and lasting impression. The entire four companies were in the parade and they were enthusiastically applauded. The Snyders were attired in their fawn colored uniform and drew their beautiful nickel plated carriage. There were in the first division and were guests of Phoenix Hose, Gartland’s celebrated band, of Albany, 25 pieces, headed them and the music was superb, no other band in line eclipsing them. The Laflins wore their cadet gray uniforms, and their drilling, which is always immense, drew forth rounds of applause. In the illuminated parade Tuesday evening they wore their Uncle Sam uniforms and took the city by storm, everyone being captivated by their unique appearance. They were guests of Niagara Steamer Co. Washington Hook & Ladder Co., our sturdy fire fighters, in their dark blue uniforms with white helmets were right in it, drawing their elegant new truck which was the cynosure of all eyes. They were preceded by the Citizens band, of this place, whose music was excellent. They were guests of Lady Washington Hose. The Exempts attired in their pretty dark green uniforms rode in carriages, and were guests of the Veteran association.

THE DRILL CONTEST.

The drill contest occurred at Darrow Park in the afternoon. There were three entries, the Laflins and Washington Hooks of this place and Philmont Hose of Philmont. The Laflins were the first to drill under the command of Col. H. D. Laflin, the veteran drill master and tactician. They executed various fancy movements and manoeuvres in the way which has already made them famous. Washington Hook & Ladder Co. followed in the command of Captain William Tracey. They did finely and surprised all. The Philmont Co. on seeing our boys drill refused to compete, which gives the first and second prize to Saugerties, the Laflins the first, $100; and the Hooks the second, $50.

THE OTHER PRIZE WINNERS.

There was much difficulty in learning who the prize winners in the other contests were and it was stated that the committee would notify all the winners by mail. Before leaving Po’keepsie, Washington Hooks were assured that their truck had been awarded first prize in the competition for the finest truck in line. This prize is $25. The prizes for the finest appearing company was given to Lawson Hose, of Newburgh. Wiltwyck Hose, of Kingston secured the prize for the finest parade carriage in line, and Cordts Hose, of Kingston, the prize for the largest number of men in line.

THE RECEPTION HOME.

The companies all arrived home on the 7:20 train formed in line at the station and headed by the two bands made a street parade to Phoenix hotel and return. The citizens gave them a hearty welcome, evincing their approbation of the boys, by bright illuminations, burning barrels, etc. This concluded the features of the day, all who went having had a jolly good time.

3727. Open Air Band Concert.

Gartland’s famous 10th Regiment band of Albany gave a delightful open air concert at Ziegler’s cafe, Wednesday evening, rendering several selections in matchless style. This band is one of the finest in the state and their playing is of a high order. The Snyder Hose whom they headed in the parade were more than pleased with them and lavished unstinted praise on Prof. John Gartland and his excellent band. The band left for home on the Central railroad, the ferryboat Air Line making a special trip about 10:30 o’clock. [no date or paper]
3728. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 21, 1899. - PEEKSKILL WINS THE DAY. - The Next Convention of the H. R. V. V. F. A. Will be Held There – They Defeat Hudson in a Very Exciting Contest for the Honor – Proceedings of the Convention. (Special Correspondence.)

Poughkeepsie, June 20. – The tenth annual convention of the Hudson River Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association convened at Germania hall, this morning, about one hundred and fifty delegates and members being in attendance. President Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, occupied the chair, and called the convention to order. Rev. S. A. Welkert, rector of Christ’s Episcopal church, invoked the Divine blessing upon the delegates and deliberations of the assembly. Owing to the absence of Mayor Sherrill, Counselor Samuel Slee delivered the address of welcome, in which he assured the delegates that the city was in their possession and for their use. President Deyo responded in his usual felicitous manner accepting the royal welcome extended.

George W. Newkirk, Kingston, Stephen Mould, Newburgh, and H. A. Ohley, Saugerties, were appointed a committee on credentials.

Charles G. Coffin, Catskill, H. D. Laflin, Saugerties, and Lewis E. Lansing, Po’keepsie, were appointed a committee on resolutions.

On motion of Ernest Hassinger, Saugerties, the convention adjourned until 1:30 o’clock. The convention reassembled at 2 o’clock, when a report of the committee on credentials was read and accepted. On motion the reading of the minutes was dispensed with if they were adopted as printed in the proceedings.

President Deyo then gave his annual address, which showed the association to be in a prosperous condition. The secretary’s report showed the addition of one county, to the association – Rockland county.

The report of the treasurer showed all bills paid and a balance on hand.

Resolutions of respect were adopted concerning the death of George S. Sleight, of Rondout, Joseph Solomon and E. J. Race of Hudson, and Ralph P. Barker, of Catskill.

PEEKSKILL WINS THE DAY

The selection of the place for holding the convention in 1899 was the next thing in order. As the speakers for the different places marched to the rostrum there was loud cheering by the supporters of both Peekskill and Hudson. Rev. H. C. Townley, D. D. and Lawyer Eugene B. Travis spoke glowingly for Peekskill, while Mayor C. S. Harvey and Col. C. S. Rogers spoke in the interests of Hudson. All the speakers were enthusiastically cheered. The balloting was then begun, O. V. Barger, of Peekskill, and Theodore Traver, of Hudson, acting as tellers. The vote cast was 141, Peekskill receiving 74 and Hudson, 67. Peekskill was declared the winner.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers was next in order. On motion the secretary was directed to cast the unanimous vote of the convention for the re-election of Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, as president of the association. The following were chosen vice-presidents; Charles B. Stickles, Dutchess, Joseph C. Hurley, Ulster, Patrick Bryon, Rensselaer, James A. Goldsmith, Rockland, Geo. N. Parker, Columbia, William H. Hallock, Orange, William B. Townsend, Greene, Thomas Timmons, Westchester. Charles L. McArthur, of Hudson and Charles G. Coffin of Catskill, were nominated for secretary. The vote was 101, Coffin received 61 and McArthur, 40. Coffin was declared elected. On motion the secretary was directed to case the vote of the convention for Charles L. Quackenbush, of Rondout, for treasurer of the association. Ernest Myer, of Saugerties, was nominated by Ernest Hassinger for delegate to the state convention. Lewis E. Lansing, of Po’keepsie, was also nominated as delegate. The vote was 95; Myers receiving 45 and Lansing 50. Mr. Lansing was declared elected.

There being no other business the convention adjourned and the delegates were given a trolley ride around the city by the citizens committee.
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Ernest Hassinger displays in the show window of his cigar store an elegant firemanic badge, a present to him from J. W. Tompkins, of Middletown. The ground work of the badge is of silk, to which is attached handsomely engraved silver bars bearing the inscription: "Columbia Hose Co., Carbondale Pa., Guests of McQuaid Engine Co. 3 of the Middletown Fire Department, 41st Annual Parade, Oct. 12th, 1899." It is by long odds the handsomest badge in Mr. Hassinger's collection, and he has hundreds of them.

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Fine weather, bright and clear, an excellent conditioned track, a large list of crack riders and an immense concourse of people, were the features which served to make the third annual meet of the Saugerties Consulate L. A. W., at the Driving Park Tuesday afternoon, a gigantic success. The weather could not have been finer had it been ordered especially for the occasion. It was a perfect day, "Old Sol" unfolding himself to bright sunny rays, while the gentle zephyrs which were wafting across the atmosphere made the afternoon enjoyable both for the riders and spectators. It was a gala day for our place and was without question the finest conducted race meet in the Hudson Valley and everyone in attendance was well satisfied. The park was alive with people and it is estimated that twenty five hundred persons were present, the grand stand being congested with a sea of humanity. During the morning the various boats and trains brought large numbers from the surrounding towns, while many rode here on their wheels, helping to swell the throng, and at noon our pretty borough was bubbling over with strangers.

LADUE THE STAR RIDER.
The races were exciting and hotly contested and the absence of loafing was a conspicuous feature and the crowd cheered enthusiastically. In each race there were many entries and very few failed to put in appearance and several of them were run in heats. Some fast riding was done, as several crackajacks were among the bunch, and the finishes were very close. There were a few spills, but no bad ones, however. The riding of Ladue, the L. A. W. state champion, was simply immense. He carried off the honors and shone brilliantly as the star of the meet. He was entered in five events and captured all of them, being scratch man in all the handicaps. He rode with a cleverness and ease which won the admiration and applause of the crowd. His prizes were all diamonds. The county championship was eagerly contested for and was won by Cashin, of Rondout.

WONDERFUL TRICK RIDING OF HOEFLER.
During the intermission of the races William C. Hoefler, of Geneva, N. Y., formerly with Barnum, gave exhibitions in trick riding. His work was truly wonderful and marvelous in its scope. He performed all kinds of feats on the wheel imaginable, riding in all position s with either one or two wheels. His jumping rope with a wagon wheel and riding down the sixty foot ladder on one wheel were very difficult acts, yet he did them with an ease and skill which won him vociferous approbation from the crowd. His work was indeed worthy of the strongest praise.

SUMMARY OF THE EVENTS.
One Mile Novice – First heat, won by Clifford Meyers, Wappingers Fall; second, Leonard Schulde, Po’keepsie; third, George Feroe, Tivoli. Time, 2:38.
Final heat, won by Clifford Meyers, Wappingers Falls; second, James Austin, Kingston. Time 2:18.
Ulster County Championship – One mile, won by E. R. Cashin, Rondout; second Charles Carter, Kingston.  Time 2:18.
Second heat, won by W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring; second, W. L. Losee, Brooklyn; third, Martin Fitzpatrick, New York; fourth, Henry Tatato, Cohoes; fifth, E. R. Cashin, Rondout.  Time 5:03.

SOME SPROCKET TEETH
The Empire band of Flatbush enlivened the event by rendering popular airs.
Hoefler, the trick rider, was presented with a bottle of champagne by the Century club boys of Po’keepsie after his wonderful performance.
Referee Robe was a very competent official.  His rulings and instructions were fair and impartial.  He was the right man for the place.
Rev. Father Powers, of Wappingers Falls, formerly of this village, brought a large contingent from his town.  They yelled lustily when Myers won the novice race.
John Adams made a capital announcer and the results of each race were given promptly and distinctly.  His voice is better than a megaphone.
Chief of Police Burhans and his squad of police did efficient work and handled the crowd well.
The Century Club delegation of Po’keepsie, with their Japanese umbrellas and topical songs created a hit.
Demong, of Syracuse, collided with another rider in one of the events and was thrown from his wheel and hurt. His wheel was wrecked. He was carried to the dressing tent and Dr. Stanwix, on examination found the muscles of his right side strained and his arm cut. He was around shortly after.

Riel, of Kingston, was disqualified in the novice for foul riding.

The meet was a huge financial success and the boys deserve the reward of their labor.


A number of people who certainly ought to know better have been in the habit lately of riding on the Saugerties bicycle path without taking out a license therefore at the cost of one dollar as the law requires. The violations of late have been so frequent and numerous that the matter was finally brought to the attention of path officer D. E. Abeel.

Accordingly on Sunday he stationed himself near Spencer’s ice cream saloon this side of Glenerie and awaited developments. He had not long to wait when a boy about fourteen years of age named Fred Cazer, whose home is in Newburgh, who is visiting relatives in Glasco, came along riding the path without the required badge attached to his bicycle.

The officer halted him and told him he was under arrest for violating the bicycle sidepath law. The little fellow pleaded ignorance of the provisions and the officer finally told him he could go provided he would agree to go before the police justice Monday morning when the officer told him he would pay his fine. According to promise the little fellow promptly appeared this morning when Justice Coon read the law to him and told him that in consequence of his youth and this being his first offense he would suspend sentence. The boy left the court in a happy mood promising not to be so naughty again.

The next drift of the police net brought bigger game. A short time after Cazer had been pinched, five bicyclers came along in the persons of George Feroe, Harry Sims, Fred Hoffman, Henry Freer and Claude Potts, all of Tivoli, who had ridden to Rhinebeck, crossed the ferry to Kingston and where on their way home intending to cross the Saugerties Ferry. They also had no badges on their wheels and were riding on the path without a license.

The officer stopped them and told them they were violating the law and that they would have to accompany him to police court which they did. When arraigned they pleaded guilty of riding on the path without a license, but claimed ignorance of the law. Their excuse did not avail them and the justice fined them $3 apiece. One of the party paid the total amount of the fines and they were discharged.


James Williamson, of the Glasco Ice Co., celebrated his 63d birthday at Stuyvesant on Tuesday, by giving a dinner and feast of good things at the Stuyvesant Hotel. The steam yacht H. W. Haber, of Rondout was chartered, to take the Glasco Cornet Band to Stuyvesant, and by invitation Ernest Hassinger, Henry A. Ohley, Dr. T. F. O’Dea, Charles McCormick, Charles Slater and A. A. Finger, of this village accompanied them, the steamer taking them aboard at the Long Dock. The party reached Stuyvesant in the early afternoon and had a right royal good time. Mr. Williamson welcoming them with the greatest cordiality. There was a great crowd of people in attendance, all of whom Mr. Williamson desired to consider as his guests.

A bountiful repast was served at the hotel and in the evening the grounds and building were handsomely illuminated with Japanese lanterns. The Kinderhook Brass Band was also in attendance and between them and the Glasco Band there was plenty of music.

The steamer on its way home was detained over three hours at the Germantown dock by fog and did not land the Saugerties guests at Malden until about 3:30 o’clock this morning. They speak in the highest terms of Mr. Williamson’s hospitality and he did everything in his power to make their visit pleasant and enjoyable.
Ernest Hassinger has added to his collection of firemanic souvenirs three badges of the Tri-County Firemen’s Convention, consisting of the counties of Saratoga, Washington and Essex, held respectively at Saratoga, Whitehall and Fort Edward in 1897, 1898 and 1899. Also a photograph of Thos. A. Patterson, chief engineer of the Whitehall fire department in 1883, 1884 and 1885. The photograph is grouped with Mr. Patterson’s assistant engineer and the Secretary of the Whitehall department. Another photograph in his possession is that of Mr. C. H. Lotrace, who for twenty year was engineer of Whitehall Steamer No. 3, and in all of which time he missed but one fire, and that was when he was away from home. All of the parties are taken in full uniform. Mr. Hassinger has then on exhibition in the show window of his cigar store on Partition street.

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About one o’clock this morning gate keeper Samuel Gilmore, at the West Shore crossing, on Ulster avenue, was approached while standing in the door of his shanty by two men who asked when the next train passed. Upon being informed they pounced upon him and forced him inside the shanty where he was told to throw up his hands. He inquired what for, but in the dim light discovered his callers wore masks and as he was gazing into the barrels of two revolvers he concluded to ask no more questions and complied with their request. He was at once bound hand and foot and one of the two men stood guard over him with his guns leveled at his head while the other departed. It seemed hours to Mr. Gilmore before a terrific explosion was heard and his guard left him, warning him before his departure not to make an outcry or it would go hard with [sic] him. Upon freeing himself, Mr. Gilmore discovered the windows of Schwarzchild & Sulzberger’s beef house wrecked and concluded that the safe had been blown open. He at once ran to the West Shore depot and told what happened to night operator Hallenbeck and then went to the residence of Albert Rowe, the manager for the beef house, and notified him. Mr. Rowe, together with others, who had been alarmed in the meantime, at once began an investigation. The office was found in confusion, books, paper s and debris of every description covered the floor, among which was found the door of the safe. Officer David Abeel was at once notified and tracked the robbers for some distance when all trace was lost. He notified the police in all directions with the hope that they might be captured. The job done is certainly the work of professionals.

The safe door is a compete wreck. Three holes were drilled in the outer plate near the combination but one of those was ineffective as the drill broke and remained in the hole. Through the two holes which reached the inner recesses of the door, dynamite was inserted and by the explosion the door was torn from its hinges. The robbers ransacked the safe and took cash, checks and everything else of value, the cash amounting to less than $100. They also broke the lock of the desk of Manager Rowe and found therein $8 in bills issued by the First National Bank of Saugerties during the years 1860 and 1861 which Mr. Rowe had kept as souveniers. They also pried open a bottom drawer, ruining the desk.

It is thought the explosion occurred about three o’clock as the office clock stopped at that hour, probably caused by the concussion. A large monkey wrench, a brace and a carpenter’s chisel were left behind by the burglars. This forenoon the inner iron cash drawer of the safe was found about one-half mile north of the West Shore station and still contained papers of value to Mr. Rowe. It is said a boat was stolen from Malden between the hours of 1 and 4 a. m., and has since been found on the east shore in a partly sunken condition. Whether the robbers used this to make their escape is not known.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

BLACKWELL – In this village, Oct. 30th, Edgar Blackwell, aged 64 years, 7 months and 24 days. Funeral from his residence, Lafayette street, Wednesday afternoon, at 3 o’clock. Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M. will have charge of the services. Interment in Main street cemetery. Kingston papers please copy.

Edgar Blackwell, one of Saugerties’ foremost citizens and most respected business men, died at his home on Lafayette street this morning, about 6:30 o’clock, after a long illness. His death was due to typhoid fever. Mr. Blackwell was a man who was honored by all who knew him, being of a quiet disposition and peaceful temperament, and was noted for his sterling integrity and probity of character. The deceased was born in Kingston when that place was a village, March 6, 1835, and was a son of Garrett and Fannie Blackwell. A few years after he removed with his parents to the town of Woodstock, where his father conducted a farm. At the age of twelve years he removed with his parents to this village, his father working the John Kiersted farm, now owned by Frank Pidgeon. He remained on the farm a short time, and in 1855 he embarked in the butcher business, in a frame building which stood on the site of the present Genthner building on Partition street.

After occupying it some time he removed his shop to the store now occupied by John Rovegno, and after he moved in the store in the Brede building which he occupied up till his death, he having, with two exceptions been in business longer than any other man in Saugerties – a period of 44 years. In his death Saugerties loses a leading citizen and a liberal man. He was a member of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M., of this village and they will have charge of the funeral. He was an honorary member of the Exempt Fireman’s Association, having served his time in Rough & Ready Engine Co. The deceased leaves a widow, four sons, Ernest, Chester, Charles and Percy, and two daughters, Lizzie and Callie, to mourn his death. The funeral services will be held at the late residence Wednesday afternoon and Dr. Wortman will officiate. [no date or paper]

About 8 o’clock Sunday morning a telephone dispatch was received here stating that the big icehouse barn of the Glasco Ice Co., at Glasco, was on fire and that the steamer and hose was required to prevent its spreading. A permit was secured to take the steamer and hose to Glasco from Chief Martin Cantine and a team from Van Buskirk’s livery was soon hauling the steamer in charge of Engineer Edward Comfort to the scene of the conflagration. The fire was discovered about 7:45 o’clock by the farmer, William Sinsapaugh, who was doing his morning’s work. Upon hearing strange noise outside he went to investigate and found the whole upper part of the barn ablaze. In the stable were nine horses and they were gotten out as soon as possible and an alarm was sounded. The barn was filled with hay, straw, large quantities of rye and oats, harness, etc., and very vestige of it was burned to the ground. The large sheds which were alongside of the barn which were filled with lumber were also totally destroyed. When the steamer and hose arrived with a delegation of our firemen, the steamer was taken to the river and 400 feet of hose was stretched over the hill. On the way down a portion of the pipe on the steamer was broken and engineer Comfort soon repaired it. A stream was soon being played on the flames which were devastating the barn and sheds and also threatened to communicate to the big ice house, but fortunately the wind ceased to blow and the ice house was saved. The steamer worked for six hours before the blaze had been quenched. The loss is about $15,000. In the barn were 200 bushels of rye and oats, besides all the company’s working harness
and other apparatus for harvesting ice. The origin of the fire is unknown. A large number of Saugerties people visited the scene and during the day the firemen were dined at the Ice Company’s expense at Ebel’s hotel. The steamer and hose arrived home about six o’clock.

3738. Jaeger’s Hotel, F. J. N. Jaeger, Prop. 10-12 E. First St., Mt. Vernon, NY. (formerly Skidmore House) [illustration]


The community was shocked Sunday afternoon when the intelligence was spread about town that Lieutenant Commander Theodore V. B. Mason had expired at “Anchorage,” his summer residence on the banks of the river, at 4 o’clock. He had been ill only a few days from an attack of nervous prostration, with which he had been afflicted, and which had developed from a fever he contracted while doing duty down at Panama. As the announcement was disseminated about grief was mingled with sorrow and a tinge of inexpressible sadness pervaded the place, as Commander Mason’s demise not only affects those whom he loved but the entire populace. The deceased was of a kind and winsome nature, and during his short residence in Saugerties won to himself legions of friends. He was a loyal and patriotic citizen, a man of sterling integrity and probity, and was generous and liberal in all things. About a year ago he came here on a visit and being so impressed with the scenery and beauty of our town decided to make it his summer home, and accordingly he purchased the Brink homestead on the shores of the Hudson. He expended a large amount of money renovating and improving the place, and last fall when he took possession, the citizens who held him in such high esteem turned out en masse and gave him a royal welcome and also presented him with the key of the town. Mr. Mason was born in New York city May 8, 1848 and was 51 years old. He was connected with the naval service of our government for a long time, having been appointed midshipman from Florida to the naval academy at Newport in 1864 and after completing his course, graduated in 1868. Immediately after his graduation he was assigned to the flagship of the South Atlantic Squadron, the Guerriere. He was commissioned an ensign in 1869 and promoted to Master in 1870. In 1894 he was made Lieutenant-Commander. He served on the Atlanta and other cruisers, his last position being executive officer of the cruiser New York, under Admiral Philip. The deceased had also been naval secretary to secretary of the navy B. F. Tracy. Mr. Mason was retired from service on account of disability in 1897, and has resided at Washington, D. C. ever since. For valorous service rendered he received a letter of thanks from the secretary of the navy, a gold medal from the New York Benevolent and Life Saving Institution and a decoration of the Order of Rose of the Emperor of Brazil for saving two of the ship’s crew in the harbor of Rio Janeiro.

The deceased leaves a wife, a daughter of Admiral Thomas Phelps to mourn his loss. The funeral services will be held at Trinity church on Barclay Heights, Wednesday morning, and the Rev. Thomas Cole will officiate. The remains will be taken to Weehawken on the 11:19 on the West Shore, and will be met there by a navy yard tug and firing squad and will then be taken to Greenwood cemetery, Brooklyn, for interment.

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3740. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 18, 1899. TWO MEN INSTANTLY KILLED. – At Mount Marion Sunday Afternoon of Being Struck by the Continental Express.

J. Edgar Brown a blacksmith and Joseph Manopello, a storekeeper, both of Glasco, were instantly killed at the West Shore Railroad crossing, near Carle’s grocery store, Mount Marion, Sunday afternoon. They attempted to cross the track and were struck by the Continental express due at Mount Marion at 3:39 o’clock. Brown and Manopello started to call on Brown’s father, who lives at Mt. Marion.
They intended walking there, expecting Mr. Brown's father would bring them home. Arriving at Schoentag's they decided to drive over and hired one of Mr. Schoentag's rigs. They started off and as they reached the crossing it is thought they saw the train and believed they could cross without getting struck. The express was late and came thundering along at terrific speed and struck the wagon smashing it into smithereens, loosening the horse, which ran away, and hurling both men in the air. In their descent they landed on the pilot and were carried by the locomotive north of the upper crossing, the engineer being unable to stop, the speed being so great.

They then backed down to the station, the engineer not knowing the men were on the locomotive. The bodies were removed and Coroner Montgomery was notified. He arrived in a short time and after viewing the remains, which were badly crushed, issued a permit for the removal of the bodies, Belch & Keenan the undertakers, taking charge of the remains, and conveying them to their late homes at Glasco. Brown leaves a wife and four small children. He was about 30 years old. Manopello was unmarried and was about 29 years old. His funeral was held this afternoon. Brown's funeral will be held to morrow afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Ohley left town Saturday night for a trip to Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls.


Henry A. Hildebrandt for many years a resident of Saugerties, one of our leading business men and a highly esteemed and respected citizen died at his home on Partition street, Thursday evening, about 11 o'clock, having been ill a long time from diabetes. As told in THE POST he bruised his right hand a few week ago, and as a result owing to the unhealthy condition of his blood the hand became poisoned and it spread to the arm. Operations were performed in hope of saving his life, but without avail, and the deceased fell into that sleep which knows no waking on this mundane sphere. Mr. Hildebrandt was one of the most prominent men in our town, and was identified with all the interests of our place.

The deceased was born in Dantzig, Germany, December 6, 1843. His father died when Mr. Hildebrandt was about 3 years old. Shortly after, in 1854, with his mother he set sail for American, but during the voyage his mother died and he came here alone. He was a watchmaker by trade and followed the vocation for some time until the war of the Rebellion broke out. He then ran away and enlisted under the name of Henry Stewart in the 3d Regiment, New York Volunteers, May 14, 1861. He served with valor and was wounded in the right leg at the battle of Big Bethal, on June 10, 1851, remaining in the army until May 21, 1863. On October 13, 1864, he re-enlisted in the 18th New York Cavalry and served until May 6, 1865, when he was mustered out at Albany. In June, 1870 he was commissioned by Governor Hoffman as 1st Lieutenant of Battery B, 4th Artillery. Again in December, he received a commission as Captain of Co. A, 20th Battalion from Governor Robinson.

Socially the deceased was affiliated with nearly all the organizations in town, he having held membership in Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, Thomas Wildey Encampment, North American Lodge, Knights of Pythias, J. R. Tappan Post G. A. R., Washington Hook & Ladder Co. and Ulster Lodge F. & A. M. Mr. Hildebrandt was a fine drill master and for a long time was captain of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., who presented him on two occasions with handsome chairs. He leaves a wife, four sons and three daughters to mourn his demise. The funeral will be held at the late residence on Partition street Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be in charge of J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R. Rev. W. F. Stowe will officiate.
3743. The World, Monday Evening, October 2, 1899. — PRETTY MADGE DREW A CHARMER INDEED.
Madge Drew is one of the pretty American actresses who have won the hearts of the English public. She
was in London with George Lederer’s “Belle of New York” Company and her beauty at once attracted
great attention. So remarkable was it that artists asked her to sit for a model. At first she refused, but
finally agreed to pose for a painting which is to be exhibited at the Paris Exposition.
Though only twenty years old, Miss Drew holds one of the best positions in Mr. Lederer’s companies.
She is a native of Saugerties, N. Y. and is now studying one of the principal parts for a new play which
Mr. Lederer will soon produce. [illustration]

3744. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F.
Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 20th, 1900.
Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the
village of Saugerties, N. Y., on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22d, 1900 at two o’clock P. M., for the purpose of
attending the funeral of our late Brother, Henry Ohley. By order of Silas C. Newkirk, N. G., C. H. Vedder,
Secretary.

3745. President,
FIREMEN’S CONVENTION COMMITTEE, 1899.
Hon. Leslie Sutherland.
Vice Presidents,
P. J. Mitchell,
John T. Waring,
E. K. Martin,
J. V. Lawrence,
James J. Mulcahey,
Emmett Nevin.
Secretary,
P. O. BOX 226.
A. M. Keene.
Treasurer,
John Pagan, Jr.
BROTHER FIREMEN: Yonkers, N. Y., July 22nd, 1899

3746. Samuel H. Foster, Clerk, [stamped on page listing the] Yonkers Hotel Accommodations.
[illustration]
3747. Joseph Sullivan, Chief of Newtown, F. D., N. Y. [illustration]
3748. J. R. L. Himmel, Chief of Rockaway Beach, F. D., N. Y. [illustration]
3749. Robert B. Currie, Acting Chief Bayside F. D., New York. [illustration]

3750. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F.
Saugerties, N. Y., Nov. 8th 1899.
Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the
village of Saugerties, N. Y., on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 1899, at one o’clock P. M., for the purpose of
attending the funeral of our late Brother, Sherman Austin. By order of James C. Dederick, N. G., C. H.
Vedder, Secretary. A $1 funeral fine will be collected for non-attendance.

For the first time in many months the fire bell was rung Friday evening, an alarm of fire having been raised about 8:45 o’clock. The firemen responded promptly, despite the freezing weather, and the scene of the conflagration was found to be at the residence of Howard Ricketson on Elm street. First Assistant Chief James Teller with assistant L. H. Kleeber were on hand and directed the work of the fire laddies, not much being required, although two lines of hose were attached to the hydrants nearby. The fire was slight and did not do much damage, only burning up a bed, smothering a canary bird and ruining the carpets and mats. The origin of the fire is unknown, Ricketson, his wife and child, having gone over to his parents to spend the evening. Returning to the house to get something he discovered the house full of smoke and raised an alarm at once. The house is owned by Charles Hallenbeck and was insured for $1000 in Darbee and Clum’s agency. Ricketson carried no insurance.

3752. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 29, 1900. – JOHN VANDEBERG KILLED. His Horse Ran Away at Saxton. - With James O. Beers, of this Village, He was on a Hunting Trip.

Just as we go to press, word reached us that John Vandeberg, of Bridgeville, Delaware, was instantly killed this afternoon at Saxton. With his friend James O. Beers, of this village, he started off on a hunting trip on the mountain this morning, and from the meagre information we could obtain, their horse had run away and Vandeberg had been thrown out and striking in the road on his head was instantly killed. Vandeberg was well known in this village. Belch & Keenan, the undertakers, were notified and at once started for Saxton to take charge of the remains.

3753. STATE

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COUNTY

Members of Assembly, Leonard Hardenbergh, Herman Landon.

Sheriff, Benjamin Harcourt.

Clerk, Jacob Snyder.

Coroners, John M. Newkerk, Philip Hoornbeck, James Tannery.

[hand dated 1834]
A Luther League was organized in the Sunday School room of the Reformed Evangelical Lutheran Church on Monday night with twenty charter members. The report of the committee on Constitution was adopted without change. Officers for the year were elected as follows: President, Rev. Oscar Krauch; Vice-President, Mary Seamon; Secretary, Jacob B. Bruckner; Treasurer, Henrietta Seamon.


The object of the Society is to interest the members in the history, doctrines and usages of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, to promote spirituality and develop and foster a spirit of Christian fellowship among the members, to visit the sick and render them all possible aid. For this purpose the meetings are of a twofold kind, business – devotional and social. The business meeting is to be held on the second Monday of each month, and is followed by a brief lecture by the pastor and a free discussion.

The social meetings are held every two months, the first one to be given on Washington’s Birthday at the parsonage.

Any person of christian character is eligible to associate, and any member of a Lutheran Church to active membership.

The annual charter election took place today. Two tickets for village officers were in the field and the result is announced as below:

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The vole on the Water works proposition resulted as follows:

For, 107
Against, 58
Majority for 49

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3756. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 4, 1899. – The Democratic Caucus. – School Commissioner, Assembly and Town Delegates Chosen
According to call the Democratic electors of the town of Saugerties assembled in caucus Tuesday night in the several election districts and chose delegates to the School Commissioner, Assembly and Town Conventions.
The electors of district Nos. 1, 2, and 3 met at the court room and organized by choosing Henry A. Ohley chairman and John C. Shults, secretary. The following delegates were chosen.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONER CONVENTION.
1st District, Ira Porter,
Ernest Hassinger
2d “ John C. Shults
George Gordon
3d “ Denis McLaughlin
John O’Connor

ASSEMBLY CONVENTION.
1st District, Charles Wilbur
2d “ Peter D. Curley
3d “ James Sickles

TOWN CONVENTION.
1st District, Irving Russell
Charles Slater
2d “ F. J. Durgan
Henry Miller
3d “ James D. Barber, Jr.
Patrick McCarthy

The caucus gave the delegates power of substitution, after which it adjourned sine die.
The delegates chosen in the other districts of the town could not be learned up to the time THE TELEGRAPH went to press.

3757. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. March 22, 1900. - The Weather as Reported From the Corner Drug Store. Fair to night and Friday. - Odd Fellows Meet
The annual meeting of the district grand committee of Odd Fellows of the district of Ulster was held at the rooms of Ulster Lodge in this village Wednesday afternoon. District Deputy Grand Master James Smith, Jr., called the meeting.
After the usual business the election of the District Grand Master took place. The candidates were W. I. Staples of Advance Lodge, Marlborough, James H. Carew, of Ulster Lodge, of this village, Wm. Prull, Sr., of C. S. Clay Lodge, Charles Horton, of Kingston Lodge, and Wm. J. Riddick, of Kosciusko Lodge, of Kingston. There were 88 Past Grands, representing ten different lodges, present.
On the first ballot James H. Carew received 3 votes, Staples 1, Prull 13, Horton 3 and Riddick 24. On the second ballot Riddick received 50 votes and Carew 38. Riddick was declared elected. William E. Wolven, of Confidence Lodge, this village, was elected secretary, and W. C. Dolson, of C. S. Clay Lodge, of Kingston, treasurer. The next meeting will be held at the lodge rooms of Kosciusko Lodge at Kingston.
3758. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 16, 1900. - A GREAT DAY FOR GLASCO. – Big Firemanic Demonstration In The Brick City. – A Parade of Firemen and Banquet, Besides a Flow of Oratory and Grand Dance.

Never since the formation of our neighboring burg, the “brick city,” Glasco has its inhabitants witnessed such an outpouring of people, - Saugerties and the neighboring towns being well represented, - and demonstration as occurred on Thursday, when the new Fireman’s hall was dedicated with appropriate exercises. There was a large parade of visiting firemen, besides the home company, who held their own with their guests, and although the skies were lowery, and falling flakes of snow, kept their presence to the inclement weather, yet everything passed off in a manner serene to all. It was a great day for Glasco and it will be written down by the future historians as an event of great moment to the citizens of the place; and they might well feel proud of the occasion, for it exemplifies one of the noblest gifts of a great man’s great heart – Charles Mulford, and that name to day has a warm spot in everyone’s heart e’en from the youngest to the oldest resident. It was Mulford’s day and he bore the honors and plaudits showered on him in that most, unassuming way so characteristic of his large nature and heart.

THE PARADE AND DECORATIONS.

The citizens of the place fully realized the hugeness of the occasion and in honor of it, liberally and profusely draped, decorated and festooned their homes to give homage, not only to their own, but also the visiting fire laddies. Everywhere “Old Glory” waved to the breeze and in its flutters, silently spoke of the welcome for all. No matter where the eye roamed, the stars and stripes were displayed and gave added emphasis to the reception tendered. About 2 o’clock, the visiting companies arrived and after partaking of the delicious edibles prepared by the ladies of Glasco, who deserve much credit and praise for the way in which they catered to the wants of the gallant fire fighters, the column was formed. John Maginnis was grand marshal, and he was assisted by a staff of competent aids. The companies all were handsomely uniformed and some drew their pretty apparatus, the formation being as follows.

Williamson Band,
New York Exempts,
Saugerties Exempts,
Barman Drum Corps,
F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co., Tivoli,
Weiner Hose Co., Kingston, in carriages,
Catskill Drum Corps,
R. A. Snyder Hose Co., Saugerties,
Laflin Drum Corps,
Laflin Hose Co., Saugerties,
Elting Drum Corps, Hudson,
J. L. DePeyster Hose Co., Tivoli,
Weber Hose Co., Rondout,
Cordts Hose Co., Rondout,
Washington H. & L. Co., Saugerties,
Mulford Engine Co., Glasco.

The line of march was down to the store of Washburn Bros., thence to the home of Charles Mulford, to Fireman’s Hall, up the Saugerties road, then down the Flatbush road, returned to Broadway to the hall, where they dismissed.

THE DEDICATION EXERCISES.

As soon as the parade was over the firemen were escorted to the hall upstairs where the dedication exercises took place and when the assembly was called to order by Mr. Mulford over 600 people were crowed in the hall. The services were opened by prayers by Revs. J. H. Fyle of the Methodist, and Richard Dewitt, of the Reformed churches. Rev. M. J. Murray, pastor of St. Mary’s church, this village, was the first speaker and he was at his best, his entire address being filled with excellent thought.
interspersed with humor. Father Murray said it as a great day, not only for Glasco, but for Mr. Mulford, because to day he can see the accomplishment of a longed desire of his heart. He, to-day, was the greatest countryman in Glasco and were he to run for President or Governor, he would get the unanimous vote of every citizen of Glasco and Saugerties, not excepting Flatbush. The speaker said the occasion reminded him of a certain lawyer, who has recently become prominent and in an address to a jury when trying a case, mentioned that he was a fellow countryman, one who grew up between two cornstalks, whereupon a wistful juror pertly replied. “A pumpkin, indeed.” I do not think Mr. Mulford is a pumpkin in that sense, but he is a great pumpkin, for to-day this building is the effort of his great heart and his memory will forever perpetrated [sic] in the heart of the people. This my friends is the city hall of Glasco, a credit to the place and Mr. Mulford. In this building firemanic fellowship, the pleasure and joy of every fireman’s life, may be stimulated and be productive of much good. In closing I want to tell you the story of the first test of the chemical engine of the Mulfords. Before they started out they arranged all plans and then visited a cafe to “wet” the engine, or christen it if you please. The fire was started and the alarm rung and off rushed the sturdy lads, pell mell to the scene, but for some reason of other the chemicals which they had put in their own building caused such a commotion that they were unable to work the engine and the building burned down and then from the Saugerties POST I learned that no life had been lost and the only trouble was the need of recharging the firemen with chemicals, which the incendiary did. Firemen, if you would avoid the fire of the future, be devoted to your duty and live holy lives. Do not be as the fireman I heard of who died and on his tombstone they placed the following epitaph, “He’s Gone to his Last Fire.” Men be brave and valiant in your service and live so that your life will be productive of much good. When Father Murray concluded he was greeted with prolonged applause.

The next speaker was Robert Nooney, foreman of the New York Exempts. He prefaced his address by speaking of the completeness of the engine house in every detail, due to Mr. Mulford, who we delight to honor. The calling of the volunteer fireman is the noblest thing mankind in America knows anything about and the volunteer firemen who are true to their lofty ideals of their calling make the best citizens. If they would be an honor and credit to their company and town they should leave “fire water” alone, for temptations beset a fireman everywhere, at home and abroad, and it needs a strong character to withstand much, when he has his red shirt on. As I paraded over the line of march to day and observed the Mulford Engine Co. I realized that they were a manly and noble looking lot of young men and men if you would be true to your company and town always elevate its tone wherever you go. Remember the battle flag or guidous [sic] of a fire company should never be trailed in the dust. Mr. Nooney was liberally applauded when he finished.

That noble old Firemanic Patriarch, Col. H. D. Laflin, of this village, was the last speaker, and he made a tip top speech. In opening his remarks the Colonel said he was glad it was getting dark for then you can’t look at my face and dazzle me, so I cannot speak. I feel somewhat in the position of the girl who was the minister’s daughter. She was a mute for many years, until one day while playing with a cat, she was bitten by the feline and then suddenly exclaimed “dam that cat” The minister hearing her speak rejoiced and said “thank God she has spoke.” When I get through you’d have thanked God if I didn’t speak. Mr. Mulford is worthy of all the encomiums that have been showered on him, for where can you fine a building more finely appointed and suitable for all purposes then this one, and he had set an example worthy of emulation. This enterprise has grown out of the largeness of the heart and he has borne the brunt of it all. It is a master’s work and has been well done. Glasco fortunately is blessed with generous men. Mr. Williamson, Mr. Mulford’s partner, having equipped and furnished a band with the finest uniforms and instruments procurable; and to other men in the languages of the Scripture, I would say regarding Mr. Mulford’s gift, “Go thou and do likewise.” There was loud cheering when Col. Laflin ended his speech.
PRESENTATION TO MR. MULFORD.

Short after the closing speech had been made, foreman W. J. Schoonmaker, of the Mulfords, mounted the stage and in a brief speech, thanked all the visiting firemen for their presence and then presented Mr. Mulford with a fountain pen, saying do not accept it for its value, but for the friendship and esteem it conveys, and may it serve you long, as we know your other pen has been used many times in writing out checks for us. Mr. Mulford was quite overcome and as loud applause greeted the gift, the crowd filed out of the hall, the visiting firemen returning to their homes, several remained to attend the ball which closed up the day. Taken all in all it was a memorable day for the Mulford Engine Co., and the people of Glasco.

DESCRIPTION OF THE HOUSE.

The engine house is a handsome brick building, two stories high with a tower. The first floor is very conveniently arranged there being a room for housing the apparatus, meeting room, dining room, kitchen and toilet room. The kitchen is supplied with a range and full complement of dishes. The second floor is fitted up with a stage and has a seating capacity of about 500. It can be used for all purposes and makes a most cozy place to hold dances or other gatherings. The stage will be fitted up with scenery etc., and the building throughout will be lighted by acetylene gas. It is an ornament to the village in every sense.


A tragedy was enacted this morning at an early hour in the negro quarter of the town know as Crow Hollow which has resulted in the death of the would-be murderer and possibly that of his victim, both of whom are colored people. The murder and suicide was attempted by means of a revolver.

The man who committed the deed is William Brown, a boatman, about 32 years of age, and whose reputation in the community is none of the best. It is supposed the tragedy is the result of a drunken debauch superinduced by extreme jealousy.

The victim is a respectable colored girl named Rachel Kiersted, and she is about 18 years of age. Last Sunday Brown tried to induce the girl to marry him, which she refused to do, and it is said her refusal made him furious and he began drinking heavily.

Monday evening he went to Jewett’s jewelry store and purchased a four barrel 32 calibre revolver made by the Forehand Arm Co., of Worcester, Mass., and a number of ball cartridges. After making the purchase he proceeded down town and met Stephen Bassett who tried to get possession of the weapon but he was unsuccessful.

Where Brown staid during the night is not quite certain but this morning about 4 o’clock he appeared at the home of Miss Kiersted and lay down upon the floor and went to sleep. He awoke about 7 o’clock and insisted upon going up stairs to Miss Kiersted’s room. He was prevented on the first and second attempts but on the third attempt on flourishing his revolver he succeeded and on approaching the bed in which his victim lay shot her near the right ear. The ball did not penetrate the brain but was deflected and ran around the back part of her neck and lodged at the base of the skull.

After doing the dastardly act he turned the weapon upon himself and pulled the trigger, the ball entering the right temple, and passing through the brain lodged in the upper part of his skull.

Dr. Montgomery was sent for and gave all the aid in his power. He is of the opinion that Miss Kiersted will recover, but the would-be murderer was past all human help and he died about the noon hour.

Saturday Brown went to the First National Bank and drew $112 which he had on deposit, and went on a spree. On Sunday he hired a livery rig and took Miss Kiersted to Kingston for a ride.

It was at this time she refused to marry him.
Dr. Montgomery, as coroner, took charge of his personal effects including the revolver with which the deed had been committed and $10.26 in money which was all that was left of the sum he had drawn on Saturday, and has them in his possession now.

3760. Supreme Regent, A. S. Robinson. RA. [illustration]


The annual meeting and election of officers in Washington Hook & Ladder Co. occurred Thursday evening. Christ Huberts was elected an honorary member and the following officers were elected:

William H. MacMullen, Foreman; Herford C. Coon, 1st Asst. Foreman; Charles Slater, 2nd Asst. Foreman; William Tracey, Captain; James P. Sweeney, Rec. Secretary; Isaac Lazarus, Treasurer; Lewis H. Kleeber, Dr. T. F. O’Dea, Trustees; Fred Hildebrandt, Delegate to H. R. V. V. F. A.

After the election refreshments both liquid and solid were served and a troupe of colored musicians entertained the members with vocal and instrumental selections, the meeting concluding with a grand cake walk in which the officers participated.

THE EXEMPT FIREMEN.

The annual election of officers of the Exempt Firemen’s Association was held Thursday evening the following being elected:

Daniel N. Finger, Foreman; John McCormick, Sr., 1st Asst. Foreman; Herman Gleisner, 2d Asst. Foreman; Jeremiah Finger, Secretary; J. P. Russell, Treasurer; Denis McLaughlin, Rep. to State Ass’n.; D. N. Finger, Alternate; Herman Gleisner, Rep. to H. R. V. V. F. A.; John Dorlan, Alternate.

ULSTER LODGE, I. O. O. F.

At the regular meeting of Ulster Lodge I. O. O. F. held Thursday evening, District Deputy James Smith, Jr., with his staff of James H. Hommel, Grand Marshall; Isaac N. Griffis, Grand Warden; William Fields, Grand Recording Secretary; Alfred Teetsel, Grand Permanent Secretary; James H. Carew, Grand Treasurer and Chas. F. Hamlin, Grand Inside Guardian, installed the officers elect as follows:


A meeting of the village Fire Department will be held in Firemens’ Hall Tuesday evening, March 22nd, 1904, at 8:00 o’clock to make further arrangements for the convention to be held here in June. R. Ballman, Pres’t. E. Hassinger, Sec.

3763. Saugerties Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 12, 1899. BOTH PROPOSITIONS BEATEN. – No Ulster Avenue Road Improvement Next Year. – No Sewer Commission to be Established Either, It Being Defeated by a Majority of 41 Votes.

Charter election was held to-day and the taxpayers of Saugerties declared by their votes that they do not believe in improvements and that the place can get along in the same old way as it did of yore. It was an unwise decision and they will realize ere long the fallacy of their actions. Why they still cling to the methods of antediluvian times is like a Chinese puzzle – impossible to be solved. The rain interfered with the voting some and many did not go to the polls, but there was enough who went and they voted
negatively on both questions, some of them being women. The total vote polled on the officers was 155 and on the questions 137. The following was the vote.

Directors – Ward No. 1.
John McCormick, Sr., 112
Ward No. 2.
William Ziegler, 112
R. A. Snyder, 1
Harry Thomas, 1
Ward No. 3.
Albert Rowe, 113
Norman Cunyes, 1
Collector.
John E. Shults, 114
John Crowley, 14
D. E. Abeel, 1
Treasurer.
Wm. H. Eckert, 115
John Crowley, 1
Assessors – Ward No. 1.
C. E. Cornwell, 112
Wm. Anderson, 1
Ward No. 2
Franklin Fuller, 119
Ward No. 3.
J. P. Russell, 120
James Reynolds, 120
Ward No. 2.
Ernest Hassinger, 117
James Paterson, 1
F. A. Jewett, 1
Ward No. 3.
John A. Snyder, 120
Questions Submitted,
Shall $1000 be spent on Ulster Avenue next year?
For, 61
Against, 69
Majority against 8.
Shall a Sewer Commission be Established?
For, 45
Against, 86
Majority against 41.

3764. Saugerties Post, March 22, 1904. [hand dated] - Mrs. Luther Hommel Attempts to Put Out a Fire.
A fire at the residence of Luther Hommel on Washington avenue, called out the firemen this morning. The fire was caused by a burning oil stove in the kitchen. Mrs. Hommel on discovering the blaze attempted to extinguish it and had her face and hair badly singed. The firemen with the aid of a few pails of water kept the fire confined to the kitchen and put out the blaze. The loss is covered by insurance in the agencies of Eckert & Snyder and H. T. Keeney.

The first and sad drowning casualty of the season occurred Sunday afternoon, in the upper Esopus, in front of the Slate rocks, when a young man gave up his life in a heroic endeavor to save another. The unfortunate young man was M. Gay Byrnes, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Byrnes, of the Maple Grove House, and the circumstances which environ his death are sorrowing indeed. In company with his nephew, John Rogers, of New York city, who is visiting at his home, and Fred. Snyder, an employee of Mrs. Germond, they went to the Esopus to enjoy a bath. Snyder was the only one of the trio who could swim.

Arriving at the creek, they sought a spot above the Slate rocks, where it was shallow and they waded across. The current carried them down the stream some distance, so that when they were about to return, they were directly opposite the Slate rocks, one of the deepest spots in the creek. Not knowing their position, Snyder started off, Byrnes and Rogers following. Arriving at deep water, Snyder started to swim, and the two boys not realizing the depth of the water followed. Soon both were floundering about and Byrnes tried to help Rogers, extending him his hand. Snyder, seeing the predicament of both, grasped Rogers and brought him to shore. Before he could return Byrnes sank and never came to the surface again. Snyder and Rogers were both frightened and the latter hastened to the bath house of The Esopus Bathing Club and asked for help to rescue the body, Dr. Montgomery in the meantime being telephoned for. A number of members of the club responded and John A. Snyder succeeded in finding the body and brought it up. It was taken to the bath house platform and Dr. Montgomery endeavored to resuscitate it, but it was of no avail, life having ebbed out. He granted permission to remove the body and it was taken in charge by undertakers Belch & Keenan and removed to his late house. The drowned young man was a general favorite in his home and he will be greatly missed. Sympathy is extended the bereaved parents and family in their great sorrow.

3766. President Daniel F. Lafean, Royal No. 6, York Pa., 1904 [hand dated] [illustration]

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3767. Saugerties Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct, 29, 1900. — DEMOCRACY’S LEADER HERE. — Candidate Bryan Delivers a Speech. - At the West Shore Railroad Station From His Special Car Before a Large Crowd of People.

Saugerties was favored this afternoon with the presence of that peerless orator, the paragon and pride of the Democracy, Hon. William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, who is the standard bearer of the Democratic party in the present presidential campaign. Although here but a few minutes by, his magnetic and commanding personality, Mr. Bryan won the universal approbations and applause of his auditors, and in his brief speech expounded eloquently the principles he espouses.

When the special car, Rambler, on which Mr. Bryan and his party are making their tour, arrived at the West Shore station, nearly 3000 people had gathered, among which were the members of the Democratic club with their cannon and drum corps and they assisted in making the welkin ring. Mr. Bryan was especially gratified at the reception and before he began his brief address, John E. Kraft, of Kingston, State Committeeeman from this district introduced him in a few fitting words. Mr. Bryan’s talk was concise and convincing, replete with the great issues in the campaign. He spoke chiefly about imperialism and in his speech he outlined the policy which the people will approve or condemn. He said that years ago our country-men fought to give independence to the black man and are now denying it for the brown man. He said he wanted the people in the Phillipines [sic] to have an opportunity to work out their own destiny, guarded and protected under our flag. The people over there now cannot sing the “Star Spangled Banner,” but instead they think that “there’ll be a hot time in the old town to-
night,” is the national hymn. Mr. Bryan also said that he did not believe the Filipinos were incapable of self government, and that it was the greatest insult to the Creator to think that he had created people and did not furnish them with intelligence enough to govern themselves. While Bryan was speaking a Republican from Saxton, by the name of Benjamin blurted out, “How about North Carolina?” Mr. Bryan immediately turned around and said, “Where is that fellow?” I’ll answer his questions and he did it effectively, referring to Porto Rico, where right of suffrage is denied the people. Several bystanders then seized Benjamin and he was roughly handled. While Mr. Bryan was speaking he and Mrs. Bryan were presented with a huge basket of white chrysanthemums from the ladies of Saugerties, a streamer of white satin ribbons with the name of Misses Anna Potts, Bertie Carnright and Wendell Canner being attached and the air rang with cheers as she appeared to receive them. As the train moved out there was tremendous cheering and many availed themselves of the opportunity of shaking hands with Mr. Bryan. [Illustration]

The funeral of M. P. L. Loerzel was held at his late residence, on Partition street, this morning, at 9:30 o’clock, and from St. Mary’s church at 10 o’clock. R. A. Snyder Hose company attended in a body, Washington H. & L. company, Laflin Hose company and the Exempt Firemen’s Association being represented by a delegation, as was Po’keepsie Lodge, B. P. O. Elks. The funeral cortege left the house headed by the Saugerties Band, under the direction of James A. Sickles, who for many years was Mr. Loerzel’s closest friend. The floral offerings were probably the largest and prettiest ever seen in this village. The pieces of his children, nephews and nieces, R. A. Snyder Hose, B. P. O. E., and those of personal friends were of most handsome designs. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in this village, St. May’s church being packed to its utmost. The pall bearers were Ernest Hassinger, John M. Adams and Samuel Hallenbeck, Jr., of Snyder Hose Company, and Fred Garvin, Ernest Mann and John A. Castree, members of Po’keepsie Lodge B. P. O. E. At the church a Soleman [sic] Requiem Mass was said, Rev. Father Ferris being the celebrant, Rev. Father Murray deacon and Rev. Father Turner, sub-deacon. James Sickles, a close friend of the deceased, sang with great feeling, “Lead Kindly Light,” and Miss Lizzie Dillon sang, “Calvary,” the choir sang “Nearer my God to Thee.” At the conclusion of the services the band, which was stationed at the entrance of the church, played “Flee as a Bird to Your Mountain.” The interment was in the family plot in St. Mary’s cemetery.

3769. R. A. Bulletin, Feb, 1904. [hand dated]
The Bulletin is reminded of a story in this connection. A clergyman whose long service and ill health induced his parishioners to give him a vacation, embarked with his wife on an ocean steamer. The second night out a storm arose. After enduring the agony in his state room, he went on deck. He was horrified at hearing the sailors swearing vociferously while performing their duties. He spoke to the Captain: “You ought to stop those men from swearing; here we are on the verge of being launched into eternity, and their blasphemy is awful.” Oh they are all right; this is only a little blow. When you see them quiet and not swearing then you may expect danger. The minister returned to his wife and told her what the Captain said. In an hour or so the storm had apparently increased so the minister whet on deck again. In a few minutes he entered the state-room, his face beaming with joy, and exclaimed: “Well, Mary, thank God, the sailors are swearing.” For twenty-five years the old-line journals have been vigorously misrepresenting the Royal Arcanum. It has [article ends.]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook


Before admiring throngs hand clapping and huzzas, the “bravest” of Saugerties marched this afternoon in annual parade to the step of martial music, creating as usual, a fine impression for virile bearing and deportment. It was a beautiful day, the canopy of nature overhead being effervescent with sunshine, lending it’s mite to the sublimity of the occasion, one by the way, that could not be excelled for size anywhere. It was our fire laddies day, and they were the cynosure of every eye as they with perfect alignment, military step, and brilliant appearance, paraded to the delight of the town folks, in whose hearts for the firemen, there is warm admiration. The companies were at their best, and with their pretty uniforms, veneered with shining and sparkling helmets drawing glistening apparatus, it is no wonder they were applauded, for they were majestic indeed. There was the combination of uniforms, blue, cadet gray, green and fawn, the ensemble of which presented a kaleidoscopic appearance. In line were the old tops who had in years gone by done yeoman service in the warfare against the fire king, marching some with halting step, yet lauded for the good they had done. In line were the middle aged and younger men, the ones who are recruiting the ranks of the older ones and marched punctilious, firemen every inch. The day was all that could be desired, everything ostensibly conducing to the comfort and success of the laddies, and it will go down once more on the pages of our history as a festal event for our firemen. The companies assembling at Firemen’s Hall, 1:30 o’clock, were inspected by the Board of Directors, Chief Dale and assistants Teller and Kleeber. Everything was found in ship shape, the column then forming for parade as follows;

- Chief Engineer and Assistants,
- Board of Directors in carriages,
- Catskill Band, George Handford, leader,
- Exempt Firemen’s Association,
- H. D. Laflin Hose Co., Wm. V. McCormick, Foreman,
- Saugerties Band,
- James A. Sickles, Leader,
- R. A. Snyder Hose Co., Robert Ballman, Foreman,
- Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Wm. Mac Mullen, Foreman,
- Minnehaha Steamer, Charles Montross, Engineer.

The parade was made through the principal streets, the line of march having already been published. Everywhere the appreciation of the citizens was evinced in the profuse and liberal display of the stars and stripes and other national colors. After the parade, the firemen fatigued and weary were regaled with refreshments which they greatly enjoyed.

3771. Saugerties Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 15, 1901. - ASSESSOR CORNWELL DEAD. – He expired at Phoenicia Tuesday afternoon. - He had been ill a long time with heart trouble and his demise occurred at 1:30 o’clock.

The sad news that Charles Edward Cornwell, one of Saugerties’ foremost residents, had died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jennie Eckert, in Phoenicia, was received here Tuesday afternoon and caused universal regret among the deceased’s large circle of friends. The deceased had been ill a long time, with heart trouble and as the hands of the clock registered 1:30, his spirit went back to the Creator who gave it. Deceased was born in this village, May 24, 1829, and had resided here almost all his life. At the early age of eight years he began work at the Ulster Iron Works and labored there until its shut down. After this he was employed in the paper mills. For many years he represented the First Ward, in the Board of Directors, and was also vice-president of that body one term. During the past two years he had been village Assessor. Mr. Cornwell was married to Jane Williams on December 25, 1850, and last Christmas the golden anniversary of their wedding was celebrated. Seven children were born to the, all
of whom, with the widow, survive him. They are Theodore B. and Charles C., of this village; Isaac W. of Holyoke, Mass; Clifton G. of Philadelphia; Mary, wife of Madison Longyear, Belle, wife of Scott Van Buskirk, and Mrs. Jennie Eckert, of Phoenicia. Mr. Cornwell was at one time affiliated with Ulster Lodge F. & A. M. He was a sincere and devoted Christian man and was a member of the Baptist church, serving as deacon and president of the Board of Trustees for years, also as a teacher in the Sunday School and choirmaster. Mr. Cornwell was a man in every sense and his advice was sought by many, who learned to revere and honor him for his large and open heartedness and his influence could always be found working for the good of humanity. He was possessed of a firm, yet generous and cheery manner, and a disposition that was aglow with happiness. He was progressive in all things and sought ever to keep apace with the onward march of time and in all the positions he occupied, in business or church life, he performed his duty, faithfully and well. He will be missed greatly, especially in his church, where his sage counsel, came as a benison many times. He was one of its aggressive workers and always exalted the standard of Christian living and the love that he bore for the church and the people was always manifest in his great kindness and liberality. To the sorrow stricken family we tender out sympathy, feeling that we with them, have lost a valued and helpful friend. The funeral arrangements have not been made as yet.

3772. Laid in the scrapbook are two sheets [four pages] of The New York Journal for July 22, 1899. One headline is: Ingersoll Meets Death With a Smile On His Lips. Robert G. Ingersoll died suddenly, of heart disease, at his summer home at Dobbs Ferry, yesterday. His niece Eva Farrell, and his son-in-law Walston H. Brown are mentioned. Mr. Ingersoll had married in 1862.

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3773. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 11, 1900. A SAD TRAGEDY. – The Insane Act of J. Albert Merritt. – He Shot His Mother Fatally and Then Blew Out His Own Brains – The Particulars. The first Saugerties people knew that J. Albert Merritt of Kingston had shot his mother and himself, was then the read it is Tuesday's TELEGRAPH. It was known to but two persons in Saugerties before it appeared in print in our paper, and the announcement created a sensation. It soon became the topic of general conversation and created a profound sensation. The particulars of the said affair is gleaned from our contemporary, the Kingston Freeman, of Tuesday: James Albert Merritt, the well known uptown dry good merchant, shot his mother and then killed himself at about noon to-day. Mr. Merritt had been suffering from nervousness for several days. Dr. E. H. Loughran had prescribed for him. This morning he saw the doctor and said he never felt better in his life. He went to his store and attended to business as usual, being especially engaged in making preparations for a special Easter sale. At about noon he went home and asked for a bowl of bread and milk, which he ate in the dining room. He then walked into the sitting room with a revolver, which he held in his hand, and shot his mother; then went across the hall into the library, put the muzzle of the pistol to his temple and killed himself, the ball entering one temple and going out the other. Coroner Coutant was immediately notified and took charge of the case. Drs. E. H. Loughran, Jacob Chambers and Henry Van Hoevenberg are in attendance upon Mrs. Merritt, whose chances of recovery are doubtful.

Mr. Merritt, as is well known, has been managing the dry good business on Wall street under the firm name of James O. Merritt & Co. The business has been, so far as known, the most successful of its kind in this city. About three weeks ago Mr. Merritt and his mother returned from a long trip to Florida and Cuba, where he went for his health and he has since been attending closely to business. He was about town this morning and seemingly was all right according to those who saw and talked with him. The news of the tragedy soon spread all over the city, and knots of people gathered here and there talking of the dreadful affair.
J. Albert Merritt was the son of the late James O. Merritt, and was one of the most respected young men in the city. He was considered the most up-to-date business man in this section, his store being a model as to stock and fixtures. He was about 46 years of age, and a widower, his wife having died a number of years ago. She was Miss Kate Depuy, a daughter of the late Louis Depuy. He leaves no sisters of brothers. Mrs. James O. Merritt before marriage was named Van Deusen.

The shot which wounded Mrs. Merritt, struck her in the back of the head, and came out just below one of her eyes, passing under the brain without touching it. At first the physicians though she might recover, but later they changed their minds. She was able to converse, and give the details of the tragedy. She said that her son told her yesterday that at times he felt irrational, and felt that he might do some one an injury. This morning he felt quite sane again.

There was no witness to the tragedy except the victims, one of whom is dead and the other dying. However, the shots were heard by Lizzie Hughes, the domestic in the family, who gave the alarm. Mrs. Merritt was discovered in a sitting posture in the dining room. Mr. Merritt was found dead in the library, lying on his back.

Mr. Merritt’s father, James O. Merritt, whose name was retained at the head of the big dry good establishment on Wall street, suffered for some years with a mental disease, and was confined in a sanitarium for a long time previous to his death a few years ago. J. Albert Merritt was a calm, sensible business man, whose judgment was relied on by all who knew him. He was a trustee of the Kingston club. Had he wished, his popularity was such that he might have received high political honors.

Last evening Mr. Merritt was at the Kingston Club, which was his favorite resort when he had an hour or two of leisure. He complained of not feeling well and gave the impression that he was suffering from the prevailing malady, the grip. He went home at an unusually early hour.

As to the dry good business which was brought to such a high state of prosperity through the business genius of Mr. Merritt, it is at present entirely a matter of conjecture as to whose management it will be under in the future. Of course the store was closed immediately after the receipt of the news of the tragedy.

Judge Clearwater was one of the first persons summoned, and, as counsel for the family, took temporary charge of affairs.

3774. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 25, 1900. - VALUABLE WATER POWER. – It Can Be Utilized For Manufacturing Purposes. – Description of the Plant Formerly Occupied by the Barclay Fibre Company – It Can be Purchased and the Price Has Been Fixed at $75,000.

The property consists of about 9 ½ acres of land, thirty-one tenement houses. Large buildings of brick and wood. Dam on the Esopus creek with fall of 44 feet. Unfailing water power estimated now at 1200 horse power, but capable of immense increase. The property has the first right of 375 horse power. For an Electric Light and power plant it would be a splendid site, as the power is unfailing and capable of any increase.

The Town of Saugerties, through its Board of trade, will offer any reasonable inducement to investors, depending on the character of manufacture to be started, number of employes, &c, &c.

The following is a description of the water power, condition and character of the buildings, and other information taken from the report of M. E. Evans, Civil Engineer who made a careful examination in 1899.

The Esopus Creek rises in the Catskill Mountains some 68 miles from the Hudson River. It is fed by numerous small brooks and creeks having their sources at elevations of 1200 to 2000 feet above the tide. The territory drained is 468 square miles in extent, about 90 per cent. of which is mountainous.

As a source of water supply this territory is improving with the growth of the young timber which is replacing the formerly cut down to supply fuel for the locomotives and brickyard. The rainfall of this water-shed is normal for the Hudson River Valley, but the cutting of the timber of the mountain slopes reduced the storage capacity to such an extent that the rains are followed by spasmodic freshets
in the streams, followed in a short time by comparatively low water. The rapid fall of the streams forms many excellent power sites, some of which have been utilized, though many are now disused, owing to the distance from railroad facilities and tide water.

The use of the water power of the Barclay Dam is now held by John G. Myers and the Sheffield estate, the first rights accruing to the former as set forth in the award, Appendix No. 4. This award is based on a certain bench mark on an oak tree, to which the working level of Canal No. 3 is referred. The oak tree has been removed, but the customary working level of Canal No. 3, as far back as 1887, at least, was considered to be 2 feet, 4 inches below the door sill of the engine room of Mill No. 1. Based on this information the “Iron Mill” property would be entitled to 400 gross horse power, or 375 horse power, assuming wheel efficiency of 75 per cent. The Canal No. 3 is now practically abandoned, and the wheels in operation take their supply from the level of Canal No. 2 under a head of 42 feet.

John G. Myers took no action on the change of the flume from Canal No. 3 to Canal No. 2, this being made entirely at the expense of the Pennsylvania Company (tenant of the Sheffield estate), except as far as the expense entailed in shutting down the plant and remaining idle during the construction of the flumes may be considered. Under the changed conditions, the “Iron Mill” property is entitled to such a quantity of water as will develop power equivalent to that allowed under the old award. The quantity of water under 43 head above high tide and wheel efficiency as before required to develop 375 net horse power, would be 105 cubic feet per second. This power to be supplied at all times to the exclusion of all other users of this supply.

The second right to the use of this water power received by conveyance from Henry Barclay accrues to the successors of J. B. Sheffield & Son. This conveyance states that the holders have “all the rights to the use of the water of said creek for the purposes of power and use in manufacturing, milling and other purposes,” the exception to the above being in accordance with the award of the first right to the “Iron Mill” Property.

From the wording of the agreement of 1859, and from custom, it appears that the “Iron Mill” property and the Sheffields assumed equal responsibility for renewals and repairs of canals and dams. Referring to the water rights of the Sheffield Estate, it appears that the utilization of power, in addition to that allowed by first rights, can only be effected by agreement with the Sheffield Estate. The cottages on the higher land, or island, are generally out of repair. There are eight double frame cottages, fourteen stone tenements, one stone house and one double frame dwelling. The frame cottages when in use and in repair rented for $5.00 for each of two families per month. The stone tenements rented for $4.00 per month each. The large frame dwelling, $6.00 each for two families. The large stone house was occupied by the superintendent of the mill. All of these building are in need of plastering, painting, glazing and in a number of cases new floors and joist.

The site of all the buildings is high and healthy.

There are no means of drainage or plumbing of any kind in any of the buildings.

The cottages could be rebuilt for $600.00 each.

There are two bridges, one crossing Canal No. 3, near the stone tenement, 85 feet long by 15 feet wide, which will have to be replaced by a structure sufficient to carry the traffic, the present bridge being condemned.

The bridge over the slip near the chipping room, 43 feet long will have to be replaced by a suitable structure.

The bulkhead walls or docks are generally made from timbers anchored back into the dike. Above the water line these timbers along the slip on the east dock have deteriorated until they are no longer suitable for use. It will be necessary to dredge the slip. To provide for 8 foot draft at low tide, it will require the removal of 1500 cubic yards of sand. The channel is fully free to boats by keeping along the east shore of the Esopus until opposite the slip and then entering the slip at right angles to the dock. This is made necessary by the formation of a sand bar below the slip along the middle of the water.
course, a shallow channel being left along the west dock by the return currents caused by an eddy formed near the steamboat landing. For the last fifteen years the freshets have been depositing silt near end of the dock, forming a bar now extending some one hundred feet into the stream. This bar should be removed as it prevents the ice which gorges against the opposite bank from making the turn passing the dock. To remove this bar to a depth of eight feet below low tide, will require the removal of 2500 cubic yards of sand and small stone. The end of this dock was used by the iron mill for loading and unloading barges, the Paper Mill using the slip.

The situation, with fine water power, on tide water, ought to make this property available for any industry. Boats can come right to the dock which is close to the dock of a steamboat running daily to New York. The increase to the capacity of the same would not involve a large expenditure, as the land to be obtained is not of an expensive character. The price has been fixed at $75,000, which I about one-sixth of the original cost of the property. A careful examination is requested, and any information required will be cheerfully given. The Title is absolute.

Address – Edw. F. Hackett, Drawer “S” Albany, N. Y.

What Happened in Saugerties One Year Ago To-Day.
The Saugerties Club was incorporated with the Secretary of State at Albany.

3775. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 3, 1899. - A Firemanic Event. – J. L. DePeyster Hose Co. of Tivoli Received Their New Carriage – A Parade and Banquet.
Thursday evening J. L. DePeyster Hose of Tivoli, received their new service hose carriage, a present from Col. Johnson L. DePeyster after whom the company was named. The company assembled at their headquarters and headed by Williamson’s Cornet Band of Glasco, made a short street parade and afterwards proceeded to the engine house where an elaborate spread was served participated in by a large number of invited guests.
Col. De Peyster made the presentation address at the reception of the carriage and it was responded to on behalf of the company, by Dr. Barton.
The supper was prepared by P. H. Morey, landlord of the Farmer’s Hotel, and was all that could be desired.
Among the invited guests present were James Williamson, of Stuyvesant, and Ernest Hassinger and Henry A. Ohley of this village, who occupied a carriage during the parade at the head of the procession. They speak in glowing terms of their reception and the hospitality extended them by the Tivoli firemen.

3776. Carl Vogel, Chief of Queens F. D., N. Y. [illustration]
earnest manner, and said that the handshake of a brother fireman was the most fraternal handshake of any organization in the world.

Carroll Whitaker responded to the address in an appropriate manner, saying the Saugerties delegation were taken entirely by surprise by all the Poughkeepsie Veterans meeting them in uniform and escorting them to their headquarters, as they expected to meet by a committee of two or three appointed for the purpose.

The photograph of the Saugerties Association was then uncovered and was a great surprise to the Poughkeepsie brethren who had not looked for anything of the kind, and in presenting it to them Mr. Whitaker said we are here to-night for a purpose, to express our sincere thanks for the courtesy and hospitality extended us last June while in your city, and that on arriving home we did not know what course to pursue to express our gratitude, and finally concluded that the highest and best evidence would be in present you with our photographs which we now do.

This visit had been contemplated by the Exempts for a long time past, the purpose being to present to their brother firemen a photograph of the Association in appreciation of the hearty welcome and entertainment they received at their hands on occasion of the parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen in that city last June, but several attempts to secure a satisfactory picture proved abortive. On the occasion of the annual parade and inspection of the Saugerties fire department in September last, an effort was made to photograph the company in line on the street, but it proved a failure. Another attempt was made in February, but with a like result, and finally it was resolved to have each member photographed separately and the group together, which after much time and patience had been spent, finally was successful, and the result was the handsome picture which for several days had been on exhibition at Manning’s jewelry store. Mr. Caldwell responded in appropriate language and in behalf of the Poughkeepsie Association said they accepted the gift in the same spirit in which it was given and that it would be valued among their most cherished acquisitions. [illustration, 1900 Saugerties Exempt Firemen, but not from the scrapbook.]


Board of Directors of 1900 met at Directors rooms Monday, Jan. 1st, 1900, at 2:30 p. m. for organization. Directors present: McCormick, Gibson, Ziegler, Truesdale, Rowe and Van Buskirk.

The Clerk called the meeting to order, and appointed as tellers Messrs. Rowe and Gibson.

An informal ballot was taken for President resulting: Ziegler, 3, Blank, 3. 1st formal ballot: Ziegler, 6. Mr. Ziegler was declared elected, and on taking the chair thanked the Board for the honor conferred in an appropriate manner.

A formal ballot was ordered for Vice-President, resulting: A. Rowe, 2; Van Buskirk, 2; Blank, 2.


Mr. Van Buskirk was declared elected Vice-President.

An informal ballot was ordered for clerk, resulting:

J. M. Adams, 1, J. Frankel, 2, John C. Shults, 1, F. L. Osterhoudt, 1, Blank 2.


F. L. Osterhoudt was declared elected.

On motion an informal ballot was taken for janitor of Firemen’s Hall, resulting: John G. Palmer, 2, Chas. Montross, 1, E. D. Comfort 1, blank, 2.

Formal ballot resulting:

John G. Palmer, 4, Chas. Montross, 2.
John G. Palmer was declared elected janitor.
On motion a formal ballot was taken for Engineer of steamer, resulting: Chas. Montross, 4; blank 2.
Chas Montross was declared elected engineer.
An informal ballot for member of the Village Board of Health resulted:
M. Baker, 3, blank 3.
A formal ballot resulted:
Michael Kenney, 3, M. Baker, 3.
After thirteen ballots had been taken without a choice a motion was made that the election of member
of Health Board be laid over until next meeting ayes and nays being called for resulted: Ziegler, Van
Buskirk, Rowe – aye, Mc Cormick, Gibson –nay. Motion carried.
On motion clerk was ordered to cast vote of the Board for Water Commissioners for Geo. W. Washburn,
3 years, Howard Bogardus, 1 year.
On motion Chas. E. Abeel and Henry Kranz was appointed as night police for the ensuing year at a salary
of $52 each.
On motion Mr. Person was appointed to take care of Town Clock for ensuing year at a salary of $50.
On motion The Post was designated as the official paper.
On motion the first and third Friday of each month was designated as the time for holding the regular
meetings.
On motion Board adjourned.  F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk.

3779. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY.  Nov. 15, 1899. – Death of John W. Davis. – An Old and
Respected Resident Passes Away – A Life Sketch – Had Many Friends.
The community was startled Tuesday night between 10 and 11 o’clock to learn that John W. Davis, one
of our oldest and most respected citizens had suddenly died at his residence on Partition street. Dr.
Montgomery was in attendance and did all that medical skill could do, but to no avail and Mr. Davis
passed peacefully away, the immediate cause of his death being paralysis of the heart.
Mr. Davis came of a line of revolutionary ancestry. He was born Feb. 5th, 1819, at Flatbush, in the then
town of Kingston. His great grandfather Sampson Davis, who came from the city of Philadelphia to
Ulster county in the year 1740, and settled at Brabant, in the town of Kingston, was a signer of the
articles of association at Kingston in 1773, and served in one of the three regiments furnished by Ulster
county in the war for independence. He was a sergeant in Capt. Wyncoop’s company.
Sampson’s son, Jacob Davis, who was born at Flatbush in 1761, the grandfather of John W. Davis, was
also a soldier in the same company; father and son both serving their country for seven years; they were
of the army that forced Burgoyne to surrender at Saratoga, and helped to thrash the Hessians at Bemis
Heights. At the close of the revolutionary war they returned to their farms at Flatbush, where for the
remainder of their lives they were engaged in farming and both are interred on the old homestead farm
on the bank of the Hudson river.
Sampson Davis married Margaret Oosterhoudt, and they had two children, John and Joseph. The latter
from whom John W. Davis is descended, was married twice his first wife being Sarah Turck, by whom he
had four children, the last of whom Sampson (II), was the father of John W. Davis.
The second wife of Joseph Davis was Annetje Burhans. Sampson Davis (II) was born at Flatbush, April
13th 1796. He was a farmer, a great reader and a well informed man. He married Sarah Myer, a
daughter of Peter Myer, a resident of the town of Kingston, and to them were born nine children, John
W. Davis being the second son.
Sampson Davis (II) was a Whig in the days before the formation of the Republican party, with which he
after affiliated, and like his father and grandfather before him was a member and elder of the Reformed
Church. The records of the churches of Kingston and Flatbush bear testimony to their faithfulness to
and love for their church, Joseph being one of the founders of the church at Flatbush. Sampson Davis (II)
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

died in the town of Saugerties, Sept. 18th, 1873, after a well spent life, bearing the respect and esteem of his fellow men. His wife Sarah surviving him about four years.

From this line of parentage, John W. Davis had a fairly good start in life. He left the farm at an early age, and after being engaged as a clerk in the village of Kingston, and in business at Madalin, Dutchess county, he took up his residence in this village in 1846 and engaged in the boot and shoe business in a frame building then standing on the corner of Main and Partition streets and which was afterwards torn down to give place to the present brick building now occupied by his son John C. Davis and the Fratsher Clothing Co.

Mr. Davis continued the boot and shoe business up till the year 1873, when he retired to private life, having accumulated a handsome competency. Mr. Davis has been closely identified with the growth and prosperity of the village, being ever foremost with his voice and means in promoting good works.

Mr. Davis was married March 5th 1851 to Cornelia Cooper, a daughter of John Cooper, one of the old families of Dutchess county, to whom were born two children, Charles Davis, the present Surrogate of Ulster county, and John C. Davis, one of the prominent business men of this village.

In politics Mr. Davis was an old line Whig proper to the year 1856, and cast his first Presidential vote for Gen. William H. Harrison. Since the formation of the Republican party he has been one of its staunchest supports and adherents. Mr. Davis headed the Republican ticket for Supervisor a few years ago, but was defeated by Seaman G. Searing, the Democratic candidate, the town in those days being heavily Democratic.

Mr. Davis will be long remembered as one of our leading fellow-citizens, a man of probity and honor, a man kindly and sincere, a man who was faithful in his trusts and had the confidence of the community. His children and his grandchildren were worthily his pride and joy. It was undoubtedly a gratification to him to see one of his sons an able and eminent member of the bar, and the occupant of a high and honorable office, and the other well established and prosperous in business, and both of them so highly respected and honored by the community. Mr. Davis was a beloved and honored member of the Reformed Church, and took a lively interest in its welfare, by whom his presence and help will be sadly missed. The public at large will keening sympathize with is afflicted widow and her children.

His funeral will take place from the residence on Partition street Friday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock and the interment will be in the Main street cemetery.

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3780. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1895. – To the Citizens and Taxpayers of the Village of Saugerties:
The Board of Water Commissioners in the discharge of their duty to you, has asked the Board of Directors of the village to submit to you, at the charter election to be held Tuesday, December 11, 1900, two propositions:
1st. Shall the Board of Water Commissioners expend the sum of thirty thousand dollars in making repairs and improvements to the reservoir and water supply of the Village of Saugerties?
2d. Shall the Village of Saugerties borrow the sum of thirty thousand dollars upon its bonds for the purpose of construction the repairs and improvements of the reservoir and water supply of the Village of Saugerties?
The Board of Water Commissioners feel that you should have such information relative thereto as will enable you to vote intelligently on these propositions, and therefor address this circular to you:
AS TO THE FIRST PROPOSITION.
The so-called reservoir of our water system is nothing more than a mill pond, and dam which forms the pond has been in existence for at least seventy-five years. This dam is simply a stone wall laid up without cement or mortar of any kind and sheathed with plank. These planks have with years become broken and decayed so that the pressure of the water is now directly on the stones of the dam.
This has forced the stones apart, causing a great leakage of water through the dam with the result that more water now runs to waste than passes into our water pipes. The surroundings of the mill pond are partially made up of swamps, pools of stagnant water and a rank vegetable growth, and the pond is unprotected from the cattle pasturing in the surrounding fields. In the past seventy-five years, since the building of the dam, the mill pond has gradually filled up with accumulations of silt and mud, thus greatly lessening the storage capacity and rendering the water foul.

This condition of affairs particularly forced itself to our attention during the past summer by the shortage of water supply. At one time there was but ten inches of water on the top of the intake pipe, and at the same time there was a large quantity of water running waste through the dam. This dangerous condition, in the event of a fire compelled us to make every effort to stop the waste and during the past summer, we expended over $500 in trying to make the dam water tight. We could not accomplish any permanent improvement, and we found that the dam was constantly growing weaker, notwithstanding the expense, and the water is still running to waste.

We called the attention of the Village Board to this condition and with us, they made a thorough examination and inspection of our water property at the Reservoir. Shortly after this they addressed to us the following communication.

The Village of Saugerties
Office of the Village Clerk,
Saugerties, N. Y., Aug. 4, 1900.

GENTLEMEN: at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Aug. 3, 1900, the following resolution was adopted and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Water Commissioners, viz:

WHEREAS: This Board having recently inspected the reservoir that supplies the Village with water, found that the conditions existing here, in our opinion a menace to the health of the Village and the leakage in the dam to be so great as to be a serious danger in case of fires, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Board request the Board of Water Commissioners as soon as possible, to take such action as in their judgment is necessary to secure a plentiful and pure supply of water.

F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk

In order to comply with the above request and in fulfillment of our duty to you, we have had a survey, map and approximate estimate of cost made, by probably the most skilled and experienced water engineers in this country. The engineer reported his estimate of the cost at $25,000 to do the following work:

1. To build a new water tight stone dam, in an improved and scientific manner with all modern and up to date requirements, and especially arranged to prevent the accumulating of silt and mud by having gates of sufficient size to open to wash out all deposits in the reservoir.
2. To deepen and cleanse the reservoir by taking out the accumulated silt and mud and to increase the surface of the reservoir up to about four and one half acres by excavating the surrounding swamp holes, thus preventing stagnant and impure water flowing in the reservoir
3. To protect the sides and banks of the reservoir by rip-rap and stone work and remove all vegetable growths, as required by law.
4. To protect the reservoir and the water from contamination from buildings or animals by enclosing sufficient space around the reservoir for that purpose.

To this estimate of the engineer the Board of Water Commissioners have added the sum of $5,000, to cover the purchase of each property and water rights as are absolutely essential to the unrestricted supply of water, either by negotiation or condemnation; and to cover any possible contingency that may arise during the progress at work.

The Board of Water Commissioners do not feel bound to expend the whole of this amount unless it become necessary and it will not mislead you by stating that the cost of the work will be but a few thousand dollars for the purpose of getting the work started, and then when it is half completed say that we have expended all the money you gave us and they we can go no further.
Such a presentation of the situation you must not expect from us. We say to you, that if you authorize this work, which we as Water Commissioner know to be absolutely necessary and now required, it will be done, if under our supervision, in your interests and in the same manner as we would do the work if it was our own individual business.

AS TO THE SECOND PROPOSITION.
It is a self evident fact that it is better from every point of view in order to pay for this work, to issue bonds having a series of years to run, and so arranged as to time of payment that the revenues of the water works can be applied to the payment of both principal and interest than to raise the money by the levy of a tax.

The Board of Water Commissioners are warranted in the belief and in the statement that the bonds to be issued in payment of the contemplated improvement and repairs can all be so timed to become due so as to be paid from the water revenues and without raising any part of either principal or interest by tax.

The gross income of the Saugerties Water Company, as near as could be ascertained in the year (1895) before the village purchased the plant, was over $6,000.
This income was reduced by the withdrawal of the Pulp and Paper mills as consumers to $4,760.62 in 1897, but since that time it has gradually increased by increase of family use so that this year the gross income will be $6,000, with a good prospect that in 1901 it will reach $6,500, and this increase has come without increase in manufacturing uses, and we believe that this is a permanent increase, because it is all from domestic use, and that the revenues will not again fall below $6,000 per year.

We here respectfully submit to you the important transactions of the Board up to the present time:
1. The purchase price of the Saugerties Water Company’s plant was $76,000.
2. Bonds of the village by a unanimous vote of the people, were issued to the amount of $78,000, which paid the purchase price of the plant, and the purchase of water and pipe rights not owned by the water Company, paid for surveys for the proposed new system, and other legitimate expenses.
3. In consideration of the purchasing of the water plant, the judgment then obtained against the village for over $5,000 was cancelled, and the contract for the use of 52 hydrants for fire protection for three years more at $40 per hydrant per year, amounting to the sum of $6,240, was also cancelled, making a total saving of over $11,240.
4. In 1897 the Board made extensions of the mains, as called for by the people in Washington avenue, Main street, east and west ends, Post street, McCarthy street, Market street, Dawes street, Elm street, and Burt street, and erected nine new hydrants for fire protection thereon, at a cost of $8,000 for which the bonds of the village were issued.
5. In 1890 the board made the extension of the main from the east end of Main street to the Sawkill bridge at a cost of $1500, and on this erected another fire hydrant. For this extension a tax was levied and paid. The revenues from the extension is now eight per cent on the cost of the work.
6. The board up to January 1, 1900, paid all interest as it became due and $5000 of the principal of the bonds, and on January 1, 1901, there will be due two bonds of $1000 each, to pay which we have the money on hand notwithstanding the extra expense at the dam during the past summer.
7. The total bonded indebtedness for the purchase of the water plant and extra water rights obtained will on January 1, 1901, be the sum of $74,000.
8. The number of hydrants for fire protection in January 1896 when the plant was purchased was 52.
   Now we have 62, and under the terms of the contract between the Village and the Saugerties Water Company the use of these 62 hydrants would cost the Village $2480 each year, which amount you would be obliged to raise each year by a direct tax levy.
9. In 1900 the board completed extension of mains to Cedar, all of Burt street, the west end of East Bridge street, and on the petition of Dennis McLaughlin and others in Ripley street.

The Board calls your attention to the fact that since 1896 the plant has been maintained and enlarged and its usefulness greatly improved by placing the new hydrants and many new gates and valves; that.
the people of our Village have had fire protection free of cost; the last item alone would have cost under the water contract $10,400; we have had a lower rate of fire insurance; every dollar of interest and Jan. 1, 1901, $7000 of the principal of the bonds paid, an all from the revenues from the use of water, except the deficiency sum of $1640 raised by the Village and which was caused by the falling off in the revenues of 1897 through the loss of the pulp and paper mill as consumers.

We feel that we can congratulate you on this result achieved and that we are warranted in saying to you that the contemplated and absolutely necessary improvements can be paid for by an economical management of the water system without direct tax yet at the same time we are admonished that grave danger lies to you, your property and your health in neglecting at this time the completion of our water system and the important matters we have called to your attention, and to securing the extension of the water rights of our village. Especially at this time and when all water privileges are being rapidly taken up by private corporations.

We have here endeavored to place before you as briefly as possible all the information in our possession and if there is any question not fully covered we invite your full inspection of all the books, maps, plans and paper of the board at its office on Market street.

An in placing these matters before you the board is prompted only by a sense of its responsibility to you and a discharge of its duty. We leave the question of an abundant permanent pure and wholesome water supply with you for your decision.

A vote against the proposed proposition relieves the Water Board from all responsibility of what may happen hereafter which responsibility is assumed by you in voting against these propositions.


If you could have taken a peep inside the big factories of the Saugerties Manufacturing Co. last Saturday afternoon just after the pay roll had been distributed, you would have noticed that the countenances of the large number of employees bore an unusually happy expression and that all were merry and happy as could be. This occurrence was all due to the generosity of the company, who presented each one of the employes an extra allowance of five per cent on their individual earnings of the year, the amounts received being in proportion to the amount earned. It was indeed a great surprise and every employee was delighted beyond measure and fully convinced that this “corporation has a soul,” one which divides with its helpers a share of the profits. The past year has been an unexceptionally busy one for this concern and their business has increased to such a wonderful extent that at the annual meeting a dividend of eight per cent. was declared. It was at this meeting that they decided that their employes should enjoy some of the fruits of the increase, a very handsome thing to do, and Saturday was the day set for the distribution of the money, the result being told above. This action on the part of the company is worthy of the highest laudations, because it is proof that its interest in their employes is more than the labor exacted from them diurnally and that it seeks to appraise them at their real worth and not in a menial manner. The action will be of inestimable value to the concern, for it will develop a greater mutual feeling and weld an indissoluble [sic] bond between employers and employees. THE POST rejoices to record that in our town there is such a concern at the Saugerties Manufacturing Co. and hopes that their business in the future will be greater than ever, which it richly deserves.

Ernest Hassinger, John W. Shults, Dr. T. F. O’Dea, E. C. Snyder, Edmund M. Wilbur, Charles B. Cox and other leading Saugerties democrats, heard William J. Bryan, Democratic candidate for the Presidency, speak at Hudson to-day.
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The firemen were aroused from their peaceful slumber at an early hour this morning to respond to an alarm sent in from Partition street. The scene of the conflagration was located in the Henry Tepe hotel property occupied by Charles Moore and family and Snyder Hose and Washington Hooks were soon on hand, with chief engineer Teller and assistant chief Kleeber. It was with difficulty that the fire was located, as dense clouds of smoke enshrouded the place and suffused the air, but the gallant laddies soon discovered where the seat of the blaze was and two streams were poured on it. The whole lower portion of the building seemed to be ablaze, and by hard work it was confined there. The firemen deserve great credit for the manner in which they labored and instead of wrecking they saved the contents of the building.

The fire was discovered about 2:30 o’clock by Mr. Moore’s daughter, who with her mother and niece, were along in the house, Mr. Moore having gone away Wednesday. She was awakened by a strong smell of smoke, and rousing her mother, began to investigate, finding the whole front of the house filled with it. Retreat being cut off, Mrs. Moore leaped from her bedroom window, while her daughter managed to escape by way of the kitchen to the rear. The building was badly gutted, the whole interior being flooded with water. After the blaze had been extinguished the firemen carried nearly all of the furniture out and placed it in the vacant store in the Fuller building nearby, and it was after daybreak before they left. The origin of the fire is unknown, although it is believed to be due to spontaneous combustion.

The building was insured in H. T. Kenney’s agency for $1,000, while Eckert & Snyder also had an insurance of $1,000 on it. Mr. Moore’s furniture was insured in Keeney’s agency for $950.

3784. Columbia Hose No. 1, Whitestone, L. I. at Practice. [illustration]

3785. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. – GLASCO ICE COMPANY. – Incorporated with a Capital of $300,000. – Has Been in Receiver’s Hands for Over a Year – Will Now Take Charge of Its Own Affairs.

A dispatch from Albany says the Glasco Ice Company of New York city was incorporated Monday with a capital of $30,000 to harvest ice and sell it in the city of New York. The directors are: William H. Simmons of Weehawken, N. J.; Charles Mulford of Glasco, Ulster county; James Williamson of Stuyvesant, and Isaac N. Odell of Brooklyn.

More than a year ago the court appointed Everett Fowler of Kingston receiver of the Glasco Ice company. An action was brought by James Williamson and William H. Simmons, two of the partners, against Charles Mulford and Clarence E. Dunham, the other partners, for the dissolution of the company, and Mr. Fowler was appointed receiver, upon the application of the plaintiffs. Since that time there have been various accountings, and a number of other actions have grown out of the original suit, until the litigation has become somewhat complicated.

The company owns the largest ice house along the Hudson river, which the American and Consolidated ice companies have been trying to secure for a long time. The immense profit derived from the sale of the annual crop may be imagined when it is learned that two years ago, after paying all expenses, the four partners divided $60,000 among them. Last year, with only a fifth crop, Receiver Fowler cleared $30,000.

There have been rumors of a settlement and adjustment of difficulties between the partners for several weeks, and the culmination of the efforts at settlement is shown by the incorporation of the company. The effect of the incorporation will be to take the property and management of the company’s affairs out of the hands of the receiver, and the resumption of business by the partners the same as before the action for dissolution was begun. Mr. Odell is supposed to represent Mr. Dunham in the incorporated company.
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3786. March 8, 1905. [hand dated] – Changed Indian’s War Paint.
Some persons, intent on having a St. Patrick’s day jest on Ernest Hassinger, purloined his “wooden Injun” from the front of his cigar store, after closing hours Friday evening, and painting it green, moved it to the front yard of ice man Burhans, on Partition street, where “Peter” discovered it en route to business this morning. Emerald made a very imposing color of war paint, covering the white and gold of former days. Who did it is as much of a mystery as who hit “Billy” Paterson.

3787. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 3, 1901. - BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. – Village Societies Install Their Officers. – At Meeting Held During the Past Week – Names of the Officers Chosen.
At the regular meeting of Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., held Wednesday evening, January 2, the following officers were installed, Past Master William Ziegler acting as the installing officer: Wm. G. Sickles, Worshipful Master; Charles H. Vedder, Senior Warden; Irving Russell, Junior Warden; J. P. Russell, Treasurer; Col. H. D. Laflin, Marshal; Charles Clum, Chaplain; Edward Jernegan, Senior Deacon; William A. Stanley, Junior Deacon; John Seamon, Sr. M. of Ceremonies; John Lang, Sr, Jr. M. of Ceremonies; E. J. Lewis, Irwin Ronk, Stewards; Fred T. Russell, Organist, John Lang, Jr., Tiler.
JR. O. U. A. MECHANICS
At the regular meeting of Saugerties Council, No. 104, Jr. O. U. A. M., held Wednesday evening the following were installed for the ensuing term by Elmer E. Swart District Deputy, assisted by E. N. Snow, of Dewitt Council, Kingston.
Jeremiah France, Jr., Past Councilor; J. Arthur Clum, Councilor; Byron Teetsel, Vice-Councilor; L. H. Kleeber, Financial Secretary; P. J. Turck, Chaplain; F. B. Cogswell, Recording Secretary; Irving Ballard, Asst. Rec. Secretary; John Gilbert, Outside Sentinel; Richard Melius, Inside Sentinel, Joseph Rumsey, Warden; Herman B. Hermance, Conductor, Jas. Dederick, Trustee.

3788. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 27, 1899. - MARRIED.
DEDERICK – HASSINGER. - At the residence of the bride’s parents, in this village, by the Rev. Oscar Krauch, Dec. 26th, Charles Dederick, of New York, and Miss Katie, eldest daughter of Ernest Hassinger, of this village.

3789. Mr. & Mrs. Dederick. – Escorted to a West Shore Train and Bombarded With Rice.
After Charles Dederick and Miss Katie Hassinger were married Tuesday evening they were escorted to the West Shore train which was to carry them away to their future home in the city of New York by a number of the intimate friends of the young couple, including all of the lady help in the store of Reed & Reed where Miss Hassinger had also been employed. As the young couple boarded the train they took seats in the car on the side opposite to the depot to escape a shower of rice prepared for them. The scheme didn’t work, for a passenger on being motioned to open a window did so and through it the rice bombardment took place, thus notifying everybody in the car they had among their fellow passengers a newly married pair. [no date or paper]
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The Exempt Fireman’s Association and their friends banqueted at the Phoenix Hotel Tuesday night in commemoration of the 67th anniversary of the organization of the Saugerties fire department and enjoyed one of landlord Turck’s famous spreads.
Among the company were four ex-chiefs of the department and the present chief and first assistant. The banquet was thoroughly enjoyed and there was vocal and instrumental music. After the good things at table had been dispensed of a smoker was held in the billiard room which lasted until about midnight. The dining room was handsomely decorated with American flags and shields, and upon the wall hung a large frame belonging to ex-chief Hassinger containing the photograph of every ex-chief engineer of the Saugerties fire department from the year 1856 to the present time. The menu provided was as follows:

- Blue Points on half shell.
- Tomatoe. Bisque.
- Iced Olives. Celery.
- Vermont Turkey. Cranberry Sauce,
- Prime Ribs Chicago Beef. Dish Gravy
- Broiled Pigeon. Wine Jelly,
- Cold Sliced Ham.
- Mashed Potatoes.
- French Peas.
- Creamed Onions.
- Cabbage Salad. Xmas Pickles.
- Tea. Coffee.
- Salted Bauquet. American Cheese.

You are respectfully invited to attend a Masquerade Ball to be given by P. F. Lynan’s Dancing School at the Nelida Theatre, Friday Eve’g Nov. 23, 1900. Music by Ford’s Celebrated Orchestra.


3793. Ernest Hassinger, Snyder Hose Co., of Saugerties, the new Treasurer of the H. V. V. F. A. [illustration]

3794. Keep This Card. Without this card you cannot get from the Railroads one fare rate from your City to Kingston and return. Present this to your Ticket Agent as an Identification Card. Twelfth Annual Convention Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, to be held at Kingston, N. Y., June 18 ~ 19, 1901. C. L. Quackenbush, Chief Engineer, Chairman Committee. John T. Meder, Secretary. [illustration]

3795. League of American Wheelmen, Ernest Hassinger June 10 Saugerties, N. Y. No. 132724, Abbot Bassett, Secretary. [membership card] [illustration]

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3797. Second Vice-President E. E. Ryder, Massachusetts State Association. 1904. [hand dated, illustration]
3798. Hyram M. Faust, Royal No. 6, York, Pa. 1904. [hand dated, illustration]
3799. Captain John F. Young, Royal No. 6, York Pa. 1904. [hand dated, illustration]

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3800. 1898. Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, Ninth Annual Convention, Tuesday, June 21st, Saugerties, NY. [cover page]

Ninth Annual Convention
of the
Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association
Counties of
Greene, Columbia, Ulster, Orange,
Dutchess, Rensselaer and Westchester.
Held At
Saugerties, N. Y.,
Tuesday, June 21, 1898
Catskill, N. Y.
“The Recorder” Print. 1899

3802. H. V. V. F. A. Proceedings, Page.

Proceedings of the Ninth Annual Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association
The Convention was called to order by President Wachmeyer at 10:30 A. M.
The President. – Let me introduce the Rev. Thomas Cole, who will make the opening prayer.
The Rev. Mr. Cole. – Let us ask the diving blessing on the proceedings of the day. We thank Thee, O Lord, for the blessing Thou hast given us in life; not the least the occasions of gathering together in the bonds of brotherhood and fellowship. We thank Thee that the conditions of <missing words> such that while war may be within our borders we have happiness and <words missing> while the arts of industry and the happy fires of domestic peace live and flourish. We ask blessing upon the proceedings of the Convention. Fill the members with the spirit of wisdom; give them Thy guidance; preserve harmony with the elements of unity and concord, that all their endeavors may be for the advancement of the people and for the happiness and welfare of our communities. We ask a blessing upon all the festive proceedings which are to follow. Be with us with Thy guidance and direction, that no accident or discord may mar the pleasure of our day, and that all may conduce to the feeling of brotherhood and fellowship which we enjoy as Thy children, who are the God of unity, peace and life. Be present with us through our proceedings. Make us more filled with Thy spirit, our Leader and Guide; make us feel more fully what is Thy pleasure, and quick to do Thy will. We would ask to join together in that beautiful prayer, the prayer of God’s children, the prayer with which we always begin anything worthy of Thee, the prayer which the Saviour first taught us.
Lord’s Prayer repeated by Convention in concert.
The President. – Gentlemen, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you Mr. James E. Dederick.

3803. Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Ass’n. If not delivered within five days, return to Charles A. Weiant Secretary, Haverstraw, N. Y. [return address from envelope]
Mr. Dederick – Mr. President, and Gentlemen of the Convention: Unfortunately our worthy mayor, Mr. Lasher, is unable to be present to-day, and tender you an official welcome in person, as is customary upon such occasions. In his absence, and by his courtesy, it is my privilege to represent him, as well as the people of our village, in bidding you a royal welcome to Saugerties on this, the occasion of your second visit, the Ninth Annual Convention of this Association.

Saugerties has so many recollections that are pleasing of your first visit here, five years ago, that its greeting to-day extends beyond the limitations of mere acquaintance to the closer bond of friendship formed in years gone by; and I know no word that I might say, or that our honorable mayor might have uttered, that will not be more than endorsed by the enthusiasm in the greeting of the people on the morrow.

Our citizens feel most grateful and honored by a second visit from you, and have left nothing undone within their power to make it a memorable event in the history of this Association; and have given both their time and means liberally to make it both successful and pleasing.

Much credit is due to the efficient Chief of our Fire Department, on account of his efforts in securing the convention for us, and the large amount of detail labor in connection with it performed by him; and when the roll call of the ex-Chiefs of Saugerties Fire Department is read, the name of Ernest Hassinger will shine as one of the brightest in the constellation of firemanic stars, as a most untiring worker in the Department, for its advancement.

You will miss at this time the familiar face of one whom, were he here in life, would make his presence felt to-day, as he always did at all time on public questions or matters pertaining to the welfare of our village, and especially in the Fire Department. I speak of the man who marshalled your splendid forces here five years ago, the man who never let an opportunity pass to meet with the fire boys on all occasions, the man whose judgment was sound, whose interest in the public welfare unflagging, and his love for the volunteer firemen of his town and county all-absorbing – Capt. O. T. Simmons – and if I were able I would here pay tribute to his memory that should stand out bright and never failing in the history of the Fire Department of our village, and in its municipal affairs, as well as in the memory of his fellows; but, while he is removed beyond the sound of the trumpet’s call, and will greet you no more, there are many others here of whom Saugerties is as justly proud, and whose welcome you need never question.

In the contests which will take place, it is the hope of our people and Department that all participating will be satisfied that the preparations are all that they should be, and that Saugerties has spared no pains to welcome and entertain her firemen friends. It is with pardonable pride that we refer to our four fire companies, and assure you it is their desire to make your welcome as cordial and as memorable as any that they have ever received in the cities which you have to honor to represent; therefore, gentlemen, in behalf of our mayor and the people of our village, permit me to extend to you and the visiting firemen whom you represent the freedom of our city in all that the word implies, assuring you that the town is yours, and we are

[Mr. Hassinger, apparently, did not save every page of this booklet]
And so I say to you, gentlemen, that in honoring these men who are before you to-day, you certainly honor yourselves.

We appreciate this cordial reception. We think, gentlemen, that the firemen live upon lines which give satisfaction to live, and the only perfect peace in the end. The chronicles of all ages can cite no acts more sublime than those which have been accomplished by men who act upon the unselfish motives of the volunteer fireman. We thank you most cordially for this reception, and we join with you in that motto which has been so appropriately adopted for this Convention, which is “Gaudeamus.”

The next order of business, gentlemen, is the appointment of Committees upon Credentials and upon Resolutions. Upon the first Committee – Credential – I will appoint Frank J. Lefevre of New Paltz, William C. Brady of Athens and Louis Kolts of Kingston. The Committee upon Resolutions will be Mr. Ohley of Saugerties, Mr. Nestel of Kingston, and Mr. Goldschmid of Haverstraw.

The President. – The next order of business is to adjourn until the afternoon session.

Mr. Davis. – I move that this adjournment be until 1 o’clock sharp.

Motion seconded.

Mr. Haight. – I would like to say a word before you close. If any of the delegates here have not been able to secure a place to stay during the Convention, I would state that we have a committee appointed for that purpose; Mr. Barger is chairman, and he has any number of places at private residences where you can be accommodated. I would also state that this afternoon promptly at 4 o’clock, we start on a trolley ride from the postoffice corner opposite. Also there will be an illuminated parade to-night, at 8 o’clock sharp, leaving in Park street, one block over from the hotel. The band you have had here this morning will be at the right of the line, and we would like to have all the delegates join in the procession immediately behind the band. Our home companies will parade, and would be pleased to have the delegates join them. At 9:30 we have our fireworks display. They will be shown in the South-West part of the village, or rather at the Park, as it is called; anybody can inform you where the Park is. To-morrow morning, at 11 o’clock, we have our parade. Anything else the gentlemen would like to ask about, I would be pleased to answer.

The President. – There being no other business, there is a motion before the house.

Motion of Mr. Davis to adjourn was put and carried.


AFTERNOON SESSION

The President. – The Convention will please come to order. The first upon the order of business, gentlemen, is the report of the Committee on Credentials. We would like to hear from that Committee.

Mr. Lefevre. – I would state, Mr. President, that the Secretary has our report.

Report of Committee on Credentials read:

June 19, 1900

The Credential Committee reports examination of papers, etc., finding same correct. They submit the roll as prepared by Secretary Coffin as the official Roll of Delegates and Members. The membership of the Association summarized is: 78 companies, represented by 75 delegates, 3 honorary members; 142 active members, total 220. Frank J. Lefevre, Louis Kolts, W. C. Brady, Committee on Credentials.

The President. – You have heard the report of the Committee. What is the pleasure of the Convention?

A Delegate. – I move the report be adopted.

Seconded and carried.

The President. – Roll call of delegates. The Secretary will please read the roll.

The Secretary. – I beg to say that it has been my effort to have this roll as nearly correct as possible. If any error is noticed, I should be happy to have my attention called to it.

Roll Call.
The President. – The next in order is the reading of the last minutes.

A Delegate. – Your suggestion is a very good one. If there are any delegates whose names have not been called will they please say so, and they will be added to the roll. There being none, what is the pleasure of the Convention?

A Delegate. – I move we proceed to the nomination of officers.

Motion seconded.

The President. – That is not in order, if we abide by the rules.

A Delegate. – I move that the minutes be adopted as printed in our annual report.

Seconded and carried.

The President. – The next in order upon the program is the annual address of the President. I do not wish to take up the time of this Convention in making any labored statement. It seems to me that the statements that would properly come under the address of the President, are to a great extent, incorporated in the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of this Association. The report of the Treasurer, as well as the Secretary, shows the financial condition of this Association, which I understand is very encouraging, and shows that we are in a prosperous and growing condition. Outside of the mere fact of figures, I realize that there are other considera-


tions, notwithstanding the fact that figures speak a good deal as to the prosperity of this or any other organization. I can say that outside of those matters that might not be included in the statement which the figures give to your mind, that the general feeling of enthusiasm, of interest in this Association throughout the territory, is very encouraging indeed. And when I make the statement that we have within the last year added nineteen companies to this Association, that speaks louder than any other words I can express. And in the connection I wish to say that perhaps, to a great extent, that increase has been due to the fulfillment of the promises which Peekskill made at Poughkeepsie last year. I wish also to call to the attention of this convention at this time a matter that I do not know has any particular reference, still I wish to call to your attention a great maxim not only for individuals, but also for communities, and that is, that the will of the majority of the delegates, in Convention assembled, should be the will of the entire Convention; and that anyone who does not see fit to fall in line and to acquiesce in the will of the majority, is doing an injury to the interests of this association. As your President for two years, I wish to thank you for the honors which you have bestowed upon me. That is a distinction which any man might be proud of. I have enjoyed my work exceedingly. Every time that I take up my pen to enter on any work in connection with this association, it brings back recollections of friends and acquaintances which are true, and which I cherish, and which I shall cherish as long as this Association exists, as long as I exist, and as long as I am a fireman, and when I am unable to meet with them the thought of our reunions will come back with a great deal of pleasure. And I sincerely trust that my successor, who will be elected to-day, will receive that same support and that same helping hand that I have received in my two years of administration as President of this organization. And I feel gentlemen, that you will be as willing to help him as you have me. I can discover where I have made some mistakes, but I assure you that they have been mistakes of judgment, and not of the heart. And I assure you, gentlemen, that I shall attend these Conventions in the years that are to come and be sure of grasping hands of firemen whom I have met in the past, and acquaintances, belonging to this Association, whom I expect to meet in the future.

The next upon the order of business is the report of the Executive Committee. Is that Committee ready to report? Col. Laflin, have you any report to make?

Col. Laflin. - I have no report to make. We met last evening and looked over matters pertaining to the Association; we found matters all in good shape. We referred all bills, after looking them over, to the Auditing Committee.
The President. – You have heard the report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee. What is the pleasure of the Convention?
A Delegate. – I move it be accepted.
Seconded and carried.
The President. – The next is the report of the Auditing Committee.
Mr. Stephan. – As Chairman of the Auditing Committee, I would report that we have examined the books, vouchers and receipts of our Secretary, our late Treasurer, and our present Treasurer, and we find them correct. We have made a written report, which is now in the hands of the Secretary.

To the Officers and Members of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Ass’n:
GENTLEMEN: - We, the Auditing Committee of your Association, do report that we have examined the books of Edgar H. Davis, late Treasurer, together with all vouchers and stubs pertaining thereto, and find them correct.
We further report that we have examined the books of C. G. Coffin, Secretary, and C. L. Quackenbush, Treasurer, and all vouchers and stubs pertaining thereto, and find them correct. Frederick Stephan, Jr., Ernest Hassinger, E. H. Davis, Auditing Committee.
The President. – You have heard the report, what is the pleasure of the Convention?
A Delegate. – I move that we hear the Secretary’s report.
Motion seconded and carried.
The President. – I am informed that that report is not quite complete and if we can lay it over for a few moments until it is complete, we can take it up at a later stage of the Convention. There being no objection, we will proceed to the next order of business, the reading of communications.
Mr. Ohley. – Your Committee on Resolutions have a report, and beg leave to offer the following resolution:
That a vote of thanks of this Association be extended to Chief Haight, the Fire Department of Peekskill, the president, village officials and citizens for the kind and courteous reception received by us in their village.
The President. – You have heard the report of the Committee on Resolutions, what is your pleasure upon that report?
A Delegate. – I move the report be adopted and spread upon the minutes.
Motion seconded and carried.
The President. – Is there anything to be reported to this Convention under the head of Reading of Communications? Mr. Secretary, is there anything in your hands?
The Secretary. – Nothing.
The President. – There being nothing under that topic, we will proceed to the next order of business, which is Topics and Essays. I don’t know as there are any literary characters here who have prepared essays for the edification of the firemen. If there are, will they kindly step forward at this time.
We will proceed to the next order of business, which is New Business. Is there anything under the heading of New Business?
Mr. Davis. – There is a very important thing that ought to be acted upon by this Association. There has been, as about everybody knows, quite a fight in this State, which has caused some dissension in this Association, causing some companies to drop out of it. I think it is our place, as an Association, to further the interests of anything that is for the best interests of firemen. Therefore, in order to bring it before the house I would move you, sir, this resolution:
WHEREAS, The State Firemen’s Association has endeavored to obtain passage in the Legislature of the State of New York of a bill, directing the payment of 10 per cent. of the 2 per cent. insurance tax for the support and maintenance of the Firemen’s Home of the State of New York; and
WHEREAS, These efforts have been defeated in the Legislature for two successive years through the influence of some of the companies and firemen of this State; and be it further

Resolved. That the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association join hands with the State Firemen’s Association, and use its best endeavors to secure the passage of the said bill at the next meeting of the Legislature of the State.

Mr. Davis. – I move you, sir, its adoption by the meeting.
Motion seconded.

A debate upon the resolution here took place, remarks being made by Messrs. Person, Davis, Wright, Loeffler, Bruck, Chief Bieber and others.

A Delegate. – I move we take a rising vote on this matter.
Motion seconded and carried.

A rising vote was taken.

The President. – The resolution seems to be carried, and is carried.

Mr. Hall. – I would suggest that a committee of say, three, be appointed to act with the Legislative Committee of the State Association in this matter.

The President. – What is the motion?

Mr. Hall. – That a committee be appointed of, say, three, to act with the Legislative Committee of the State Association to bring about the resolution.

Motion seconded and carried.

A Delegate. – I move that one come from the city of Kingston.

A Delegate. – I move as an amendment that the President, First Vice-President and Secretary act as such Committee.

Amendment accepted, seconded and carried.

The President. – We will now hear the Treasurer’s report, which was delayed a few moments ago.

Report of Treasurer, H. V. V. F. Ass’n:

Kingston, N. Y., June 19, 1900.

Balance last report, paid to me $  4.23
Cash received from Secretary 298.00
Total $ 302.23

Voucher No. 47, C. G. Coffin, Secretary, postage $  25.00
Voucher No. 48, Howard C. Wilbur, stenographer, 1899 12.10
Voucher No. 49, Lewis E. Lansing, exp. State Convention 9.25
Voucher No. 50, C. G. Coffin, salary, Secretary 100.00
Voucher No. 51, C. G. Coffin, expense account  8.70
Voucher No. 52, Est. J. B. Hall  55.50
Voucher No. 53, J. Deyo, President  7.00
Voucher No. 54, J. C. Hurley, Vice-President  7.00
Voucher No. 55, P. Byron, Vice-President  8.00
Voucher No. 56, G. H. Scott, Executive Committee  8.00
Voucher No. 57, I. L. Nestell, Executive Committee  7.00
Voucher No. 58, H. D. Laflin  8.00
Voucher No. 59, F. Stephan  7.00
Voucher No. 60, E. H. Davis  9.00
Voucher No. 61, E. Hassinger  8.00
The President. – You have heard the report, gentlemen, of the Treasurer, what is the pleasure of the Convention?
A Delegate. – I move it be received and spread upon the minutes.
Motion seconded and carried.
The President. – The next is the designation of the place to hold the next Convention.
Mr. Bruck. – In regards to your next place to hold your Convention in 1901 I want to present to you a city that you are all well acquainted with; a city that is represented her by fourteen volunteer fire companies, with a large per cent. of your members who pay their annual dues of one dollar; a city which upon the Hudson is second to none from New York to Albany; with four different railroad companies coming into it, and having steamboat facilities by the river. We never labored for this Convention, but when we saw you wanted it in this town, we thought we felt able to have it. When we left this morning we have from the Mayor and Common Council authority to present to the body the assurance of a royal good time in 1901. I will make no long speech, because the time is now for a ride on the trolley car. We extend to you with open arms, and the city I present to you for the Convention of 1901 is old Kingston, that ought to have the capital of the State, where the first settlement was made. That is the city of Kingston.
The President. – Are there any other names to be presented to the Convention? If not, what is the pleasure of the Convention?
Mr. O'Shea. – There being no other cities to present claims for the Convention, I move the next Convention to be held in the city of Kingston.
Motion seconded and unanimously carried.
The President. – The next in the order of business is the election of officers for the ensuing year. The first is the election of President. What is the pleasure of the Convention?
Mr. Stephan. – I wish to place before this Convention the name of a man who also comes from Kingston, where we have just voted to hold our next Convention. It seems to me to be proper that we should have our President from the same place where we expect to have our meeting place in 1901. This man whose name I now wish to present has been a fireman, an active fireman, since 1888; he has served his company well, as well as filling all the offices where were in the gift of that company. He has also been a member of this organization since its existence; he has served upon the Executive Committee; he has served as its Vice-President. You fill find him trustworthy, in every respect, and well qualified to act as your President. There is no one who is his peer. I wish to present to you for your consideration the name of Joseph C. Hurley.
Nomination seconded.
Mr. Hall. – I would like to present to the suffrages of the members of this Association the name of Lewis E. Lansing of Poughkeepsie. Mr. Lansing to my certain knowledge has been an active firemen longer than most of us remember. He has always been interested in the welfare of this Association; he is a man who is well known among his fellow-firemen, and perfectly qualified to the position, and who has the interests of the Association at heart. I don’t know of any other qualifications a man needs to have. Therefore, I urge the delegates to vote for him.
Nomination seconded.
Remarks upon the nominations were made by Mr. Bruck and other delegates.
Mr. Hassinger. – I move we proceed to ballot.
Mr. Person. – I have the name of a man, one of the oldest firemen of this organization; he joined the Fire Department in the ’70’s sometime, and has been an active volunteer fireman ever since. He has belonged to this organization and to the old Volunteer Fireman’s Association since they were organized. I would name Mr. William C. Brady, Captain of Rescue Hook & Ladder Company of Athens. Nomination seconded.

Mr. Brady. – I wish to thank my friends here for the courtesy of presenting my name to this Association, but I must respectfully decline, and second the motion to close the nominations.

Mr. Bruck. – I move we proceed to ballot for President.

Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – I will appoint as tellers Irving Nestell of Kingston, and Fred S. Bieber of Poughkeepsie. Roll called and vote taken on the nominations for President.

The President. – While the vote is being counted it is customary for the delegates from each county to present to the Secretary their choice of a name for Vice-President. I would ask the delegates from each county to present the name of their Vice-President for that county.

A Delegate. – Isn’t there a by-law to that effect?

The President. – I don’t know whether there is a by-law to that effect or not.

Another Delegate. – Why should it be left to the counties, rather than to the assembly?

The President. – It has been customary for each county to name its own. We don’t like to interfere with other counties choosing their Vice-Presidents. This rule we find has given satisfaction. The suggestion is that the delegates from each county meet, and as a result of that conference give the name of their choice for vice-president.

Mr. Wachmyer. – I move we take a recess of five minutes, to give the delegates a chance to get together.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Bieber. – The total vote cast for President is 124, of which Mr. Hurley gets 76 and Mr. Lansing 48.

Mr. O’Shea. – I move that Mr. Hurley’s nomination by made unanimous.

Motion seconded and carried.

Five-minute’s recess.

Resumed.

The President. – The clerk will now read the names that have been handed in.


The President. – There being no objections to the names as read, they will be considered elected. There being no objections, it is so ordered. The next is the election of Secretary.

Mr. Cohen. – I present the name of Mr. Coffin by acclamation.

Mr. O’Shea. – I move that the Treasurer cast the ballot of the Convention for Charles G. Coffin as Secretary.

Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – I have received one vote for Mr. Coffin, and I declare him elected.

Cries of “Speech, speech!”

Mr. Coffin. – Gentlemen, I am very much obliged to you; now let us go on with the business, because Mr. Bruck wants to take that trolley ride.

The President. – The next is the election of a Treasurer.
A Delegate. – We have in Peekskill, a member of the Volunteer Firemen’s Association of the Hudson River Valley, a gentlemen with whom you are all very well acquainted; he is on the stage before you; and it affords me great pleasure to nominate for that honor Mr. Timmons.
Seconded.

Mr. Timmons. – This is entirely unexpected to me. I haven’t thought anything about being Treasurer of this Association. I most respectfully decline any such position. I cannot attend to the duties, if I should be elected.

Mr. Laflin. – I move that we name a gentleman well capable of filling the office of Treasurer. We have in our town a gentleman well known to you all. No man takes more interest in the Department than the gentleman I propose. He is a gentleman who does his work well. He raised all the money for the Convention at Saugerties. He worked early and late for the success of our Convention. He is an indefatigable worker. Now, as Treasurer, he is the kind of a man to have. We wouldn’t want to use him in any better place. I do think we should elect Mr. Ernest Hassinger, as he is one of the best of firemen and men. I know he will prove an honor to the treasurership of the Association.

A Delegate. – I place in nomination our present Treasurer, Mr. Quackenbush.

Mr. Bruck. - As there is no other candidate, I second the nomination of Mr. Hassinger as Treasurer of this Association.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I want to say right here that since I was elected Treasurer last year, I have endeavored to perform my duty to the best of my ability. If there is any other who wants it worse than I do I won’t stand in his way. I feel only too willing to leave.

The President. – Two of the candidates having declined, there remains but one in the field, as I understand the position at present, Mr. Hassinger.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I move that the Treasurer of the Association have the honor to cast one ballot for Mr. Hassinger as Treasurer for the ensuing year.
Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – I find one ballot cast by the present Treasurer of this Association. The next in order is the election of a delegate to represent this Association in the State Convention this year.

A Delegate. – I nominate Mr. Charles Cook of Washington Hose, Sing Sing.

A Delegate. – I nominate Mr. Harry Engel.
Motion seconded.

Mr. Nestel. – I nominate James H. Haight of Peekskill.
Motion seconded

Mr. Engle. – I decline the nomination for delegate. I am but a new --- General Washington Engine, but from what I have --- be a fitting tribute to the honest --- has discharged his duties. 

3814. H. V. V. F. A. Proceedings, Page.
Mr. Bruck. - I have noticed in the past several years this organization has been in existence we pay the amount of $50 to $60 for the printing of the Proceedings of this organization; the amount is nothing to me, but I think I ought to have these Proceedings sent to me within three months after the Convention adjourns. I offer as a resolution that from the date of the adjournment of the Convention we shall have our copies of the minutes by January 1st, 1901.

Mr. Coffin. – I can, I think, offer a satisfactory explanation to Mr. Bruck and the members of the Convention. You will remember that the Constitution was amended at the Convention held in Newburgh. Under the present provisions the territory of the Association is enlarged; the yearly dues from each company is still two dollars, and from each member one dollar, but the number of delegates...
elected to represent each company each year is reduced to one, instead of two, as before. The change has not materially decreased the gross receipts, as compared with former years, but the provisions under the amended Constitution for the payment of the expense bills of officers and members of committees has increased the expense account; there has been a very small balance in the treasury after payment of the bills each year. It has been necessary to wait until the dues are received before paying the printer's bill. The amount of this expense has been steadily reduced every year; this year the bill, for all services and material, in only $50, of which by $37 is for the “Proceedings.” In view of the cordial assistance of the printer, Mr. Hall of Catskill, a member of the Association, in my efforts in reducing this item of expense, I have felt it to be an imposition to ask him to print at once after a Convention and wait the whole year for the payment of his moderate bill. Further, I am convinced that the sending of the “Proceedings” directly after the Convention serves no purpose, except as an example of promptness. As a fact, they are forgotten by the time of the next Convention. I send them out just preceding the Convention, and believe they are the best possible notice of the approach of the yearly meeting.

Mr. Bruck. - I am satisfied with the explanation of the gentleman, and withdraw my motion.

Mr. Stephan, In recognition of the very efficient services rendered to this Association by our late President Jonathan Deyo, I move you, sir, that he be placed upon the honorary list and be made a life-member of this Association.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Deyo. – I thank you, gentlemen, for this honor.

Mr. Bruck. – I offer as a resolution that a vote of thanks be extended to those who have contributed to the success of this Convention, and that it be spread upon the minutes.

Mr. Coffin. – As the business is completed, I move we adjourn.

Motion seconded and carried.

3815. George Washington, First President. Born in Westmoreland Co., Virginia February 22, 1732. His education was defective but he excelled in mathematical studies and spent three years as a surveyor. At 19, at the beginning of the seven years’ war, he was appointed adjutant of the provincial troops, with the rank of major. At 22 (1754) he commanded a regiment against the French at the capture of Fort Duquesne. His wonderful escapes from injury and death caused the Indians to believe he bore a charmed life. In 1759 he married Mrs. Martha Custis and resigned his military appointments and engaged in the improvement of his estates. In 1775, being then a member of the Continental Congress, Washington was elected Commander-in-Chief of the army. Under the new Constitution he was chosen first President and was inaugurated April 30, 1789. Served two terms, refused the third election and retired to Mount Vernon, where he died from acute laryngitis, Dec. 12, 1799. [illustration]

3816. John Adams, Second President. Born at Braintree, Mass., October 30, 1735. Entered Harvard at 16 and graduated in 1755. Admitted to the bar in 1758. In 1764 he married Miss Abigail Smith, who by the force of her character contributed not a little to her husband’s success. He was one of the five delegates sent from Massachusetts to the Continental Congress at Philadelphia in 1774. He with Jefferson drew up the Declaration of Independence and was one of the signers. In 1777 he was sent to France on a diplomatic errand, and in 1779 to England to treat for peace, and in 1785, was appointed U. S. Minister to England. On his return in 1787 was elected Vice-President. On the retirement of Washington he was chosen President. After serving one term he retired to Braintree, where he died July 4, 1826. [illustration]

3817. Thomas Jefferson, Third President. Born in Albemarle County, Virginia, April 2, 1743. Had fine educational advantages and graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1762 with honor. In 1767 he entered upon the practice of law. In 1772 he married Mrs. Martha Skelton. In 1775 he was
elected to a seat in the Continental Congress in Philadelphia. He with John Adams drew up the Declaration of Independence. In 1779 was chosen Governor of Virginia. Was minister to France in 1785. Was Secretary of State under Washington, but resigned his office in December, 1793. Was made Vice-President in 1796 and in 1800 was elected President, which office he held for two terms. Died two hours before John Adams, July 4, 1826. [illustration]

3818. James Madison, Fourth President. Born at Montpelier, Orange Co., Va., March 5, 1751. He was of a very studious nature and while at Princeton College studied 21 hours out of the 24. Graduated in 1771, strong in mind but feeble in body. At once began the study of law. In 1776 was elected a member of the Virginia Convention to frame the Constitution. In 1780 was elected a member of the Continental Congress. He was one of the three men who did such splendid service for the country in that series of great papers they contributed to the “Federalist.” He was a member of the first New York Congress and a leader of the Republican party. In 1794 he married a beautiful widow, Mrs. Dorothy Todd, who virtually presided over the White House sixteen years, doing the honors for Jefferson as well as for her husband. In 1797 he retired to his beautiful home at Montpelier, but left it during Jefferson’s administration to become Secretary of State. In 1809 he became president and held office for two terms. The great event of his administration was the war of 1812. His death occurred June 28, 1836, at the age of 85. [illustration]

3819. James Monroe, Fifth President. Born in Westmoreland Co., Va., April 28, 1758. Entered the College of William and Mary at 16 but left two years later to enter the revolutionary army as a cadet. In his first battle at Trenton he was wounded and made a captain. He afterwards served as aide-de-camp, with the rank of Major. He began the study of law with Jefferson. In 1782 he was elected to the Executive Council. The following year he was elected to Congress. Was sent by Washington as minister to France. In 1791 was elected Governor of Virginia and in 1803 was sent by Jefferson to France to purchase Louisiana for $15,000,000. Was both Secretary of State and Secretary of War under Madison. In 1816 he was elected President. His most popular acts were the recognition of the independence of Mexico and the South American republics and the promulgation of the Monroe Doctrine. He married Miss Elizabeth Kortright, daughter of an English officer in 1786 and after serving two terms as President he retired in 1825 with his family to his home at Oak Hill, in Loudon Co., Va. He died in New York July 4, 1831. [illustration]

3820. John Quincey Adams, Sixth President. Born July 11, 1767, in Quincy, Mass. His early education was obtained in France and later at a school in Amsterdam and at the University of Leyden. In 1781, at the age of 14 was private secretary to Mr. Dana, our Minister to the Russian Court. In 1786 he entered Harvard College and graduated with the second honors of his class. Studied law and began to practice in 1790. In 1794 he was appointed by Washington resident Minister at the Netherlands. In 1797 he married Miss Louise Catharine Johnson and went at once to Berlin where he remained for two years. In 1802 he was chosen to the Senate of Massachusetts from Boston, and then was elected Senator of the United States for six years. In 1805 he became professor of rhetoric in Harvard College. In 1817 he became Secretary of State under Monroe. In 1825 was elected President. He was an ardent advocate of the abolition of slavery. In 1846, when 78 years of age, he took part in the great debate on the Oregon question, displaying intellectual vigor. At the close of the session, Nov. 17, he had an attack of paralysis while walking in the streets of Boston. After this, though constantly present in the House, he took but little part in the debates. On Feb. 11, 1848, he was stricken with paralysis on the floor of Congress and died beneath the dome of the Capitol. [illustration]

3821. Andrew Jackson, Seventh President. Born March 13, 1767, in Union Co., close to the boundary lines of North and South Carolina. His education was of the poorest. He was wild and rough, but with a
bold spirit and in 1782 decided to study law. In 1788 at Nashville he began the practice of law and while there married Mrs. Robards with whom he was very happy. In January, 1796, Tennessee became the sixteenth State in the Union and Jackson was elected to the House of Representatives, and rode to Philadelphia on horseback, a distance of 800 miles. He became an ardent Democrat and was soon elected to the Senate. In 1708 he was chosen Judge of the Supreme Court of Tennessee and held the office for six years. During the war of 1812 he became a general and fought many battles, his greatest victory being the battle of New Orleans in which he completely routed the British. In 1821 “Old Hickory” as his soldiers called him was elected U. S. Senator and in 1828 was elected President. With the exception of Washington and Lincoln he was the most popular President with the masses. Served two terms and retired in 1837 to Nashville where he died June 8, 1845. [illustration]

3822. Martin Van Buren, Eighth President. Born Dec. 5, 1782, at Kinderhook on the Hudson. Never went to college but studied law seven years. In 1803 began to practice law in his native place. He was from the beginning a politician and took an active part in politics. After six years he married Miss Hannah Hoes and removed to Hudson. She lived but twelve years. For twenty-five years he was an earnest, successful lawyer. In 1812 he was chosen to the State Senate. In 1815 he was appointed attorney-general and moved to Albany, N. Y. He was one of the most prominent leaders of the Democratic party. In 1821 he was elected a member of the U. S. Senate and again in 1827. In 1828 he was chosen Governor of the State of New York. In 1829 Jackson appointed him Secretary of State. He was elected Vice-President in 1832. Through the influence of Andrew Jackson he was nominated for the Presidency and elected in 1837. During his administration occurred the great financial panic of 1837 and serious disputes with Great Britain and an insurrection in Canada which threatened another war with England. He served one term and retired to his home at Kinderhook. He died at Lindenwald, July 24, 1862. [illustration]

3823. William Henry Harrison, Ninth President. Born February 9, 1773, in Berkeley, Va. He enjoyed in childhood all the advantages that wealth and intellectual and cultivated society could give. Graduated from Hampden Sydney College with honor. He began the study of medicine but gave it up to enter the army. He fought many battles with the Indians and was promoted to the rank of captain and was placed in command at Fort Washington. In 1800 he was appointed Governor of the Indian Territory and also Governor of Upper Louisiana. During his administration he effected thirteen treaties with the Indians by which the United States acquired sixty millions of acres of land. In 1795 he married Miss Anna Symmes. In 1816 he was a Member of Congress. In 1819 he went to the Ohio Senate. In 1828 he was appointed minister Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Columbia. In 1836 he was nominated for the Presidency but was defeated by Van Buren. In 1840 the “Log Cabin and Hard Cider Campaign” began and Harrison was elected at the age of 68 years but died April 4, 1841, of pneumonia, one month after becoming President. [illustration]

3824. John Tyler, Tenth President. Born March 29, 1790, in Charles City County, Va. In his youthful days he enjoyed all the advantages which wealth confer. At the early age of 12 he entered William and Mary College and graduated with much honor at 17. He studied law and began to practice it at 19. When but 21 he was elected to a seat in the state legislature which he held five years. He was an ardent Democrat and when but 26 was elected a member of Congress, and in 1825 was made Governor of his native State – a high honor in Va. In 1823 he married Miss Letitia Christian and after her death at the White House, he married, in 1844, Miss Julia Gardner of New York. He was elected to the Senate and was regarded as a Southern Whig, but it was the votes of the Northern Whigs which sent him to the Vice-Presidency. By the death of Harrison he became President, April 5, 1841. His administration was a gloomy and unfortunate one. He was a strong advocate of slavery and here he came into direct contact with the feelings and moral convictions of a powerful and steadily increasing party at the North. At the close of
his term he retired to his home in Virginia. At the beginning of the Civil War he went to Washington and
presided at the Peace Congress, but it was too late to stay the march of events. He became a member
of the Confederate Congress. Died January 18, 1862. [illustration]

3825. James Knox Polk, Eleventh President. Born in Mecklenburg Co., N. C., Nov. 2, 1795. In 1813 was
sent to Murfreesborough Academy. In 1815 he entered the Sophomore class in the University of North
Carolina. Graduated in 1818 with the highest honors. While studying law in Nashville he was brought
much under the influence of Andrew Jackson and their friendship was only broken by death. It
profoundly affected the character and public career of James Polk. He became widely popular as a
political speaker and won the flattering title of the “Napoleon of the stump.” In 1823 he went to the
Tennessee Legislature. In 1824 he married Miss Sarah Childress. In 1825 Mr. Polk was elected to
Congress and was a member for 14 years. During five sessions he was Speaker of the House. In 1839 he
was elected Governor of Tennessee and served two years. He became President March 4, 1845. Texas
was annexed to the Union and the war with Mexico followed. President Polk sustained it will all the
authority of his administration, and Mexico was conquered at last and the U. S. had acquired, partly by
war and partly by purchase, the vast Southwestern areas of New Mexico and California. At the close of
his term he made a journey to the South and died of cholera at the age of 54, June 18, 1849. [illustration]

3826. Zachary Taylor, Twelfth President. Born November 24, 1784, in Orange Co., Va. He had a
common school education. In 1808 he became a lieutenant in the United States Army and joined the
troops at New Orleans. About this time he married Miss Margaret Smith, a young lady from one of the
first families of Maryland. At the beginning of the war of 1812 Taylor being then a captain was put in
command of Fort Harrison on the Wabash. He was raised to the rank of major by brevet for his gallant
defense of the fort against the Indians. For 34 years Colonel Taylor was engaged in defense of the
frontiers. In 1836 he was sent to Florida, to compel the Seminole Indians to vacate that region as they
had promised by their treaty to do. A war followed in which the Seminoles were defeated. Col. Taylor
as a reward was elevated to the rank of brigadier-general by brevet and in 1838 was appointed to the
chief command of the U. S. troops in Florida. During the Mexican war he was victorious at Palo Alto,
Resaca de la Palma, and the taking of Monterey brought his name to everybody’s lips. His troops called
him “Old Rough and Ready.” The battle of Buena Vista closed the military career of Gen. Taylor. The
Whigs could not unite in a nomination for the Presidency and as a brilliant idea they nominated and
elected the old frontier soldier in 1848. After occupying the Presidential chair a little over a year he took
cold and after a brief illness died, July 9, 1850. [illustration]

had but little education in his boyhood, and at 15 began to learn the clothier’s trade. His anxiety to
learn awakened the interest of a retired lawyer and at the age of 19 he began the study of law with him.
In 1823 he was admitted to the Court of Common Pleas. He then settled in the village of Aurora on
Cayuga Lake. Here in 1826 he married Miss Abigail Powers. In 1829 he was elected to a seat in the
House of Assembly of the State of New York. In 1832 he was elected to a seat in the U. S. Congress and
served two years. In 1847 the names of Taylor and Millard Fillmore became the rallying of the Whigs as
their candidates for President and Vice-President. On March 4, 1849, they were inaugurated. On July 9,
1850, Taylor died and Fillmore became President. He appointed a very able Cabinet, of which Daniel
Webster was Secretary of State. The agitated condition of the country brought questions of great
delicacy before him. He did everything in his power to conciliate the South. The famous compromise
measures were adopted under Mr. Fillmore’s administration and the Japan Expedition was sent out. On
March 4, 1853, he retired from office. During the Civil War his sympathies were supposed to be with
the South. He died in Buffalo, March 8, 1874. [illustration]
3829. Franklin Pierce, Fourteenth President. Born Nov. 23, 1804 in Hillsborough, N. H. When sixteen years of age he entered Bowdoin College at Brunswick, Me. Graduated in 1824 and commenced his study of law and began to practice it in his native town. Sometime after, he was sent to the State Legislature and served four years. In 1833 was elected a Member of Congress. In 1837 he was elected to the Senate. In 1834 he married Miss Jane Means Appleton. At the beginning of the Mexican War he received the appointment of brigadier-general and sailed with the troops from Newport, R. I., May 27, 1847. He had in Mexico a varied striking and brilliant career. General Pierce returned to his home in Concord and began again the practice of law. On March 4, 1853, he was inaugurated President of the United States. His administration was one of the most stormy our country has ever experienced. The threats of dissolution of the Union were borne North on every Southern breeze. At the close of his administration the North had become alienated from him and he became so unpopular with the South that they dropped him. On March 4, 1857, he retired to his home in Concord, and during the Rebellion he remained true to the pro-slavery party with which he had ever been aligned. He died at Concord, October 1, 1869. [illustration]

3830. James Buchanan, Fifteenth President. Born April 23, 1791 at Stony Batter, in Franklin Co., Pa. At the age of 14 he entered Dickinson College at Carlisle. In 1809 he graduated with highest honors. He was admitted to the bar in 1812. In 1820 was elected to Congress and remained a member ten years. He used all his influence to secure Andrew Jackson’s election to the Presidency and when in 1821 he was elected, Buchanan was appointed minister to Russia. On his return he entered the Senate. Under James K. Polk he was Secretary of State and he threw all his influence into the scale for the Mexican War. He was an advocate of slavery and approved of the fugitive slave law. On the election of Franklin Pierce he was sent as a minister to England. In 1857 he was inaugurated President. The country was now on the verge of the Civil War and the new President proved weak and fatally unequal to the demands of the time. His career closed in gloom and he retired to his home at Wheatland. He never married but his house was presided over by his beautiful niece, Miss Lane. He died at his home, June 1, 1868. [illustration]

3831. Andrew Johnson, Seventeenth President. Born in Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 29, 1808. The beginnings of his life were of the straitest and humblest. When he was sixteen he had just learned his letters. At 18 he removed to Greenville where he made a wise and happy marriage. His wife became his teacher and he learned rapidly. At 20 he was an alderman, and at 22 he was mayor of Greenville. At 27 he was elected to the Tennessee House of Representatives and later to the State Senate. In 1843 he was sent to Congress. In 1853 he was Governor of Tennessee and held this office for two terms. In 1853 he was sent to the Senate and left no stone unturned to save his State to the Union. In 1862 a part of Tennessee was restored to the Union and Lincoln appointed him military governor of the State. In 1864 he was nominated for the Vice-Presidency and Lincoln for the Presidency. Perhaps the greatest day in his life was October 24, 1864, when he made his famous address to a mass of colored people in Nashville, in which he declared he would, like Moses, lead the people from bondage to liberty. Six weeks after his election he succeeded Lincoln as President. In a short time his views underwent a decided change, he vetoed bill after bill that the Senate passed and he was tried and only saved from impeachment by a single vote. He died at Carter’s Station, Tenn., July 31, 1875. [illustration]

3832. Abraham Lincoln, Sixteenth President. Born in a log cabin in Kentucky, Feb. 12, 1809. He was a self-made man and had a hard struggle for his education. In 1836 he was elected to the Legislature. In 1839 he began the practice of law in Springfield. In 1841 he married Miss Mary Todd. In 1847 was
elected to Congress. In 1861 he became President just as the Civil War began. Probably he was the saddest man who ever left his home for the White House. The whole of his administration was taken up with matters relating to the war. Sept. 22, 1862 he issued the Emancipation Proclamation, which won for him not only the love and respect of all the colored people but the admiration of the whole civilized world. In 1864 he was again elected President, but shortly after, April 14, 1865, while attending a performance at Ford’s Theatre, Washington, he was shot and fatally injured by John Wilkes Booth, a play actor. He never regained consciousness and died at an early hour the following morning. The whole nation was plunged into grief. Probably no man since Washington had held so high a place in the hearts of his countrymen as had the murdered President. He was buried at Springfield, Ill. [illustration]

3833. Ulysses S. Grant, Eighteenth President. Born April 29, 1822, at Point Pleasant, Ohio. He had the advantage of a comfortable and happy home and until he was 17 enjoyed the quiet life of a farm. In 1839 he entered West Point as a cadet. Graduated in 1843 about the middle of his class and entered the army and was assigned to duty at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis. For four years he was in Mexico during the Mexican War. Towards the end of the war he was appointed regimental quarter-master and commissary. August 22, 1848, he married Miss Julia Dent. In 1851 he was sent to California. In 1853 he was promoted to a captaincy. At the beginning of the war he was a clerk in his father’s leather store in Galena. He was appointed Colonel of the 21st Volunteers. His great military career began Sept. 6th, 1861, when he saved Paducah, and closed four years later in 1865. During this time he won the great victories of Belmont, Fort Donelson, of Shiloh, of Vicksburg, of Chattanooga, and later those of the Army of the Potomac. He left the army with the title of Lieutenant-General of the U. S. Army. He became President March 4, 1869, and the difficulties which now pressed upon him were greater than any his predecessors had ever encountered, but he acted with great judgment and was again elected to the Presidency, by an immense majority in 1872. He died at Mt. Gregor, near Saratoga, July 23, 1885. [illustration]

3834. Rutherford Birchard Hayes, Nineteenth President. Born Oct 4, 1822 in Delaware, Ohio. His boyhood was a pleasant and prosperous one. He was sent to an academy at Newport, Ohio, and later at Middletown, Conn., where he prepared for Kenyon College in his native State. Here he made his mark in the literary societies. [sic] Graduated in 1842 and won much praise for his valedictory oration, began his law studies at Columbus, Ohio, later attended Harvard Law School for two years. In 1845 he established himself at Cincinnati where his abilities won him many friends. In 1858 he married Miss Lucy W. Webb. In Sept. 1861 he was appointed Judge-Advocate of the Department of Ohio and a month later was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. At the famous battle of South Mountain, September 14, 1852 [sic] he acted with great gallantry and though wounded in the arm he refused to leave the field. During the war he was wounded four times and his bravery won him promotion. He became Brigadier-General. He took his seat in the House as a Member of Congress, Dec. 4, 1865. In 1867 was elected Governor of Ohio. He was inaugurated President March 5, 1872. He retired in 1881 to his home in Fremont, Ohio, where he died in January, 1893. [illustration]

3835. James Abram Garfield, Twentieth President. Born November 19, 1831 in the town of Orange, Cuyahoga Co., Ohio. He was not distinguished during his youth either for his genius as a farmer, woodsman or as a scholar in the country school. By studying and saving his scant earnings he managed to enter Hiram College; during his stay there he acted as janitor and jack-at-all-trades. In 1854 he entered Williams College, and graduated in 1856. He then became a teacher at Hiram College and was at once popular as a teacher and preacher. In one year he became president of Hiram. In 1858 he married Miss Lucretia Rudolph, one of his schoolmates. He studied law and in 1860 was admitted to the bar. In 1859 he was elected to the Ohio State Senate. In 1861 he was appointed Colonel of the Forty-second Ohio Regiment. He won his first military laurels in the Big Sandy campaign. The battle of Chickamauga practically closed General Garfield’s career. When but 32 he took his seat in the House of
Representatives and for 17 years he was in Congress. In 1880 the man who had steered a canal boat and chopped wood in his youth was elected President of the United States. On the morning of July 2, 1881, he started on a trip to Long Branch to join his wife. In the Baltimore station in Washington he was shot and fatally injured by Charles H. Guiteau, a disappointed office-seeker. After 80 days of suffering he died at Elberton, N. J., September 19, 1881. [illustration]

3836. Chester Alan Arthur, Twenty-first President. Born in Fairfield, Franklin Co., Va., October 17, 1830. He had a special aptitude for study and at 14 entered Union College. He graduated with an average record. For two years he taught school in his native state. He went to New York and studied law. Was admitted to the bar in 1852. He associated himself with Wm. M. Evarts and the two young men undertook against public opinion to maintain the cause of the oppressed negro race. They proved that New York was a free State. In 1856 he was a delegate to the first Republican State Convention at Saratoga. In 1862 Governor Morgan appointed him quarter-master general from which time he was known as General Arthur. In 1853 he married Miss Ella Herndon, daughter of Lieutenant Commander Herndon of the U. S. Navy. She died in 1880. In 1871 President Grant appointed him Collector of the Port of New York which position he held for eight years. In 1880 he was elected Vice-President. On the death of Garfield he became President. The four years of his administration were full of political rest and quiet. He died in New York city November 18, 1886. [illustration]

3837. Grover Cleveland, Twenty-second and Twenty-fourth President. Born in Caldwell, N. J., March 11, 1837. The foundation of his education was laid at Fayetteville and continued at an academy in Clinton, N. Y. In 1859 he was admitted to the bar in Buffalo where he attained high rank as a lawyer. In 1870 he was elected sheriff. In 1881 he was made mayor of Buffalo, in 1882 was elected Governor of the State of New York by a great majority. As far as possible he dispensed with official forms and ceremonies. “The Governor of the State lived simply, keeping no carriage, and walking daily from his house to the scenes of his duties.” March 4, 1885, he became President. He was noted as having used his veto power to a greater extent than had any of his predecessors. June 2, 1882, he married Miss Frances Folsom of Buffalo. He was nominated for a second term but was defeated by Benj. Harrison, the Republican candidate, and again took up the practice of the law, this time in the city of New York. In 1892 he again became the candidate of the Democratic party and was elected to his second term. His administration thus far has been marked by those forcible and independent qualities which distinguished him as Mayor of Buffalo and Governor of New York.

3838. Benjamin Harrison, Twenty-Third President. Born at North Bend, Ohio, August 20, 1833. His early education was begun at home. In 1847 he was sent to a school near Cincinnati, known in the West as Farmer’s College. In two years he entered Miami University from which he graduated at 18. Began the study of law and before he finished his course he married, October 20, 1853, Miss Caroline W. Scott. They settled in Indianapolis. Here he won for himself a reputation and in 1858 he was elected reporter of the Supreme Court. In July, 1862, he entered the army. He served his country with fidelity and distinction and was promoted and honored by the Governor. He was made a general. In 1880 he was elected to the Senate and held office for six years. In 1888 the grandson of one ex-President William Henry Harrison, was elected President of the United States. He served one term and deserved all the honor the American people would crown him with for the purity of his administration the noble independence and freedom from all lowering restraint of a low political influence and the lofty ideals he had of Civil Service Reform and his efforts to reduce them, to practice. He was defeated on his second nomination by Grover Cleveland. [illustration]

3839. William McKinley, President-elect. Born January 29, 1843, at Niles, Ohio. Educated in the common schools and Portland Academy and in 1860 entered Allegheny College. In 1861, when but 18,
he entered the Union Army as a private and served 14 months. Promoted to First Lieutenant and Captain and was with Sherman in his great campaign through the Shenandoah Valley. He was present when Lee surrendered to Grant at Appomattox. Left the army a Major of U. S. Volunteers by Brevet. In 1867 was admitted to the bar. He located at Canton, Ohio, his present home, and two years later was elected Prosecuting Attorney of the county. In 1871 married Miss Ida Saxton, of Canton. In 1877 he was elected to Congress and continued a member for 14 years. He was active and prominent from the first. When Jas. A. Garfield became President Major McKinley took his place in the Ways and Means Committee. Speaker Reed made him Chairman of that committee in the 52nd Congress and he framed the famous tariff bill that bears his name. He was elected Governor of Ohio in 1891 and again in 1893. In 1896 as the candidate of the Republican party on a platform of “Sound Money and Protection” he was elected to the Presidency. [illustration]

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