We shall endeavor to make it independent in politics, advocating at all times that party or faction of a party whose triumph we deem most beneficial to the public and to the people at large; bound by no partisan ties, we will support the best men for the offices for which they may be nominated and to this end we ask the support of the people of the town and village of Saugerties. We shall try to present to the readers of THE TELEGRAPH, all the local news of the day in a form and manner which shall make it fit to go into any and every home, and how-well we accomplish these purposes must be left to the judgment of our patrons.

2530. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties. Sept. 20, 1897. – The Corner is in Politics for What There is in It.
The Corner now appeals to heaven to witness that they are pure minded patriots, striving only for the good of the Republican party for which they have never received any reward other than the consciousness of a duty well done and they ask nothing for the future but to be allowed to sit down on the side walk in front of the corner and basking in the sun reflect on the good, the true and the beautiful. Are they the patriots they would have us believe? Let us see what they want:

John Fratsher wants to be County Clerk, fees per year $10,000
Christopher Columbus James wants to be Surveyor of the Port of Albany, salary 6,500
William V. B. Burhans wants to be postmaster of Saugerties, salary 3,000
John C. Davis, brother of the “uncrowned King,” wants to be Deputy under Christopher Columbus James, salary, $3,000

Total, $22,500

We thus see that their patriotism amounts to the tidy little sum of $22,500 per year. There are a number of men whose votes they want this time. In the name of decency of course, who would be very glad to be a patriot at this figure. It is not a spectacle for gods and men to see the corner rave about their pure minded motives! Will some member of the Corner kindly tell us how much money they have drawn from the public treasury for the last 20 years? How much could the corner make per year in any legitimate business? Not one tenth of $22,500. This is the reason they feel so sorry that the Republican party is about to see if all the electors of this Town cannot take care of the party for less than $22,500 per year. How much have the rank and file of the party got out of the public funds, or how much to they expect to get? Not a red cent. They will stand out in [bottom of page, printing lost.]

They have stood out in the wet so long they are getting pretty damp.

Let the Republican electors see to it that on next Friday night, there is a fair and honest count. The Corner can not cheat the will of the people this time.

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The disreputable elements of society who are voters are hovering about the Corner as a flock of vultures circle about carrion and rejoice at the expected harvest that is soon to be gathered. These class of men are with the corner and it is unnecessary to ask why.

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Why is it necessary for every man who wants work on the corporation to go and “see” the corner in order to get a job? 
Why is it necessary for every Republican who wants to run for office to go and ask the corner if he can have the nomination? 
Why is it necessary for every man who wants to make any sort of a contract with the town or village to go and “see” the corner about it? 
It will get so in a little while that every man who wants to breathe the free air of heaven will have to go and ask the corner if they have any objection and beg their pardon for existing.

2532. They See Visions and Dream Dreams. 
It is understood very generally that the “corner” expects John Fratsher to pull them through the caucus on account of personal appeals that he is making to voters. 
Mr. Fratsher, personally, is a gentleman who, if elected to the office of County Clerk, would fill the position with credit to himself and to the people of the county. 
But Mr. Fratsher’s candidacy is not the issue. The issue is whether or not the Corner shall continue its nefarious and unholy prostitution of public office for what there is in it. 
The Corner is simply trying to use the personal popularity of Mr. Fratsher to help them out. They are in the mud and mire of expected defeat. They all have got hold of Mr. Fratscher’s candidacy as a rope and they are all trying to crawl out by hanging on to it for dear life.

Let every decent citizen listen to this most shameless and outrageous action of P. A. Hommel, the pliant tool and local boss of the corner at Quarryville. Last spring, Mr. Cook of this town was elected collector on the Republican ticket and has not yet given his bond. Yesterday Hommel went to Cook and told him that if he did not use his influence for the Corner and get out his friends to support it, the Corner would see to it that he did not secure any bondsmen as collector. 
This man Hommel is the fellow that never comes to town unless he goes upstairs and gets his orders from Charley Davis. We said the other day that the Corner regime was worse than that of Boss Tweed. We repeat again that this is but one of the many low contemptible acts that would bring a blush of shame to the cheek of any honest man. We say that the Corner relies on such methods to win. They are the knights of the dagger and the jimmy. They do not dare to fight like men but prefer to fight like poltroons and craven cowards, not in the broad sunlight of open publicity but in the darkness, and infamous attacks on men like Mr. Cook. 
How long shall their reign of hideous veniality continue? How long shall these things be possible? How long will men who love liberty and right, continue to allow these men to persecute others as they have tried to persecute Cook. 
We say that no man, in whose heart beats the life blood of honest manhood, will endure this longer. The stench of the corner smells rankly to heaven.

2534. Not Like Lincoln, Garfield and Blaine. 
We are informed that the agents of the Corner, who are now working in driving about the town for votes, (and we might add that it is the first work a good many of them have done in some little time), are yelling loudly that this fight is to disrupt the Republican party. 
The men whose hair have grown silvered in the service of their party, may well question those statements. 
Looking back over the names that have shed lustre on the Republican party, none stands in bolder relief than those of Grant, Lincoln, Garfield, and Blaine.
They were, and will continue to be the representative Republicanism of the party.
Is there any startling resemblance between Senator Davis, the servile tool of the machine, and the
immortal Garfield? Can anyone see any familiarity between “the plumed knight” of Republicanism and
the smirking James? Who is there whose imagination is so great that they can behold any member of
the Corner hat has the characteristics of Grant or Lincoln.
These men, men of integrity and nobility of character loved their country and their party and they
placed the welfare of the public above personal preferment. Did any one ever hear that James in his 20
years of continuous office holding ever relinquish a job because he loved his country more?
The people know that James, Davis and Burhans all want jobs. They all want to hold office and get
something for nothing. Burhans wants $3,000, per year as postmaster of this village and when he comes
to you with his hands clasped in an attitude of supplication and says these bad men want to disrupt the
party and that is why I am riding around the country because, I love my party, just stop to ask him if the
only thing he loves is not the $3,000 per year he wants as postmaster.
Does James lay awake nights thinking how he can save the party from destruction or how he can get
$6000 a year as collector of the Port of Albany.
The corner is for boodle first last and all the time. [no paper named, undated]

2535. The Real Issue.
It will be recalled that Washington Irving in his famous “Knickerbocker History of New York,” tells how
the Dutch escaped from disastrous defeat by the Swedes, in this wise:
Each Dutchman was armed with a big pipe and a sack of vile tobacco and as the Swedes were advancing
 toward them each man lit his pipe and puffed the smoke so vigorously that the entire Dutch army
 escaped in the dense volume of smoke that hung like a cloud over what might have been a bloody field
 of carnage.
In much the same manner have the “Corner” armed their men with vast bags of wind and hope to blow
 up such a wild hurricane by shouting that the issue is Fratsher, and thus escape the defeat which is
 inevitable.

The issue is not Mr. Fratsher – the issue is good government, honesty in municipal affairs and the God-
given right of Freedom against the vileness, corruption and disgusting bossism as represented by the
“Gang.”

Which Member of the Corner Is This? Who Can Tell?
The man whose vanity is as overwhelming as his lack of sense, who never did any work; who smiles so
sweetly, who laughs so jovially, who has such a marble heart.
Who has always lived by gently inquiring about the folks at home.
Who is so eager to shake hands just before a caucus.
Who struts so boldly along the streets right after the caucus.
Who tells such roaring jokes.
Who winks his left eye so pleasantly
Who will feel so mighty sick Friday night.

2536. Some Things to Remember.
That the members of the “Corner” retire to their slumber on beds purchased by money got out of the
Republican party and the taxpayers of the county.
That they cover up their manly frames with bed clothes purchased by the party.
That they get up in the morning and wash their countenances, grow fat on public food, in wash bowls
bought by the party.
May the country be saved from such patriots as these.

The largest political caucus in the history of this town from a numerical standpoint was held at Fireman’s Hall last night, one thousand and forty-two ballots being cast. Early in the evening conveyances carrying voters began to arrive and soon the streets were blockaded with vehicles of every description from a buggy wagon with its two or three occupants to a large truck containing from eighteen to twenty men. The sidewalks in the vicinity of the polls and on portions of Main and Partition street were impassable for pedestrians who had much difficulty in wending their way through the crowds.

At the polling place, before the doors were opened, the crowd was so dense that a person wedged in could not move but in one direction, as those behind pushed him forward towards the poll. The ballot box was placed upon a platform erected just inside the engine house door with room enough left for the voters after depositing their ballots, to pass along, making their exit through the hall door to the street. Balloting began shortly after 8 o’clock and continued over two hours, the voters depositing their ballots in a steady stream without any intermission up to the closing of the polls.

Notwithstanding the intense excitement the balloting proceeded rapidly and without any disturbance at the polls. After the polls closed some of the people from the country returned to their homes, but the great majority of them lingered until after midnight to await the result.

The hotels and restaurants did an immense business and it was not long before the streets were filled with drunken men and several fights was the result. A fight started between two men in Mammini’s fruit store on Main street which was quelled by deputy sheriff Hommel who managed to separate the combatants and restore peace. This morning the proprietor of the store found a set of false teeth upon the floor broken to pieces which probably had been knocked out of the mouth of one of the men engaged in the fight.

It was after two o’clock this morning before the great crowds dispersed and the street assumed their wonted quietness at that hour.

At the opening of the caucus Benjamin M. Coon was chosen chairman and James Dederick and John Hallenbeck secretaries. John A. Snyder and Joseph W. Reinhard were the inspectors of election. Below will be found the full number of votes each candidate received:

For Delegates to the County Convention,
Robert A. Snyder,  424
James T. Maxwell,  434
William D. O’Brien,  422
Edward Burhans,  425
William L. Snyder,  426
H. Clinton Finger,  426
John D. Fratsher,  620
Martin Cantine,  620
Theodore B. Cornwell,  618
Robert Lent,  617
Orville Carn,  618
David M. Valk,  621

For Delegates to the Assembly Convention,
William Mould,  419
John A. Lowther,  419
James C. Dederick,  422
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The contest we are making against the “Corner” is for the people of this village and town. The only benefit that we shall receive will be shared in common with every other citizen. We have no personal ends to serve, but we have a right to expect, and we do expect and receive, the hearty approval and support of all citizens who have the best interest of the community at heart.
There are high-minded, sincere representative men in the Republican party in this town, but what voice or influence have they here. Party organization is one thing, and is all right and proper, but a “Ring” controlling any party, any village, town, city, county, state or nation, is a menace to the liberties of the people, a detriment to the public, and a conspiracy against free institutions.
The stronger they grow, the bolder they become and invariably breed corruption.

As potential caucuses are soon to be held in this town, it is well to remember that by chapter 255 of the Laws of 1897, severe punishment may follow if any Republican votes at the Democratic caucus, or if any Democrat votes at the Republican caucus. The punishment is a fine of five hundred dollars and imprisonment not more than five years.
It is now a criminal offense if any one attempts by bribery menace or other corrupt means to influence a voter at a caucus, or obstructs or prevents a person from voting thereat.
And it is a criminal offense for any voter to receive money or any other valuable thing, before, at or after the caucus, for voting or refraining from voting.

2540. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 23, 1897. – An Attempt to Discredit the Collector Cook Story.
Mr. Cornelius E. Cook wishes us to state that P. A. Hommel did not try to coerce him to support the Corner’s ticket for delegates under threat of preventing him from securing bondsmen as collector of the taxes for the town of Saugerties.
We have positive evidence that our original statement of the matter is the truth.
The communication Mr. Cook wished us to publish to-day is apparently in the hand writing of Peter A. Hommel, although Mr. Cook’s signature is probably genuine.

2541. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 23, 1897. – To the Republican Electors of the Town of Saugerties.
We call upon all Republicans throughout this town to pay no attention to the circular the Corner is about to issue. This caucus is to determine whether the Republicans of this town are to assemble together for consultation as to its nominees, and the best interests of the party, or whether it shall relegate its power to a handful of men whose only object is to secure office and use the party machinery for their own personal benefit.
The corner gang are running about like a lot of frightened rats, pouring out all kinds of fairy tales, reflecting upon the motives of citizens who are trying to break up the nest. The only object in view, by those who are engaged in the movement, is to open the eyes of the people, to shake of the leeches and to purify the atmosphere of the village and town. We intend to turn the light upon records which will “open the eyes” of the people.

We have authority to state that Mr. Cook, collector-elect of the town of Saugerties, need not sacrifice his manhood and the courage of his convictions upon the altar of the Corner at the dictation of Peter A. Hommel or anyone else. He may rest assured he will be able to furnish bonds at the proper time, in any amount desired by men who can qualify therefor.

2544. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 23, 1897. – Please Note.
Every member of the ‘Ring,” commonly known as the “corner gang” from the “uncrowned king” down to Christopher Columbus, either holds office, is promised office or expects office. If not they are relatives of those who do. The chronic political office seeker lacks the ability, or something else, or to succeed in any legitimate business, and is too lazy to work.

2545. More About the Bulldozing Tactics of the Corner.
Editor Telegraph:
I read your account of the tactics pursued by the Corner Gang with collector Cook, with interest last evening. It reminds me of a similar performance in December, 1885. I will recall it to you: At the Spring election in 1885, a lame man, William Valkenburgh, of Quarryville, was elected collector of the town of Saugerties, on the Republican ticket. He had been seriously ill and his election was secured by the sympathy of his townsmen. When in December of that year he was about to arrange for bondsmen preparatory to receiving the warrant to collect the tax, two members of the Corner Gang drove up to his home in Quarryville and offered him $100 to resign, so that the town board could appoint John C. Davis in his place. He told them he could not afford to do so, and did not wish to. He was then told that it would be impossible to secure bondsmen. He still declined. But when he attempted to find sureties, he awoke to the fact that the gang had been whispering insinuations against him in the ears of Republicans of means, and no one would help him. At last, on the very last day on which the warrant could be issued to him, he came to a Democratic friend with his troubles. This friend took him to the late William F. Russell and Albert Carnright, and they immediately became his sureties and saved the needy young man the emoluments of his office. The news that the collector had qualified came as a thunderbolt to the gang. They said the rumor was false, and one after the other went to the Supervisor to ascertain if the report was true. It occasioned intense feeling in the Republican party at the time that a Republican town official should receive such treatment at the hands of the members of the inner circle of party advisers, and that prominent Democrats should thus be given an opportunity to do a friendly act for an official of the opposite party, whom the party chiefs were attempting to skin.
Quarryville, Sept. 22.

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2546. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 24, 1897. – To The People of the Town and Village of Saugerties. - Below Are the Names of the Men Who Are Delegates in Opposition to the “Corner.”
The following letter has been addressed to the Republican voters of this town:
DEAR SIR: - We take the liberty of sending you two tickets for the Republican Caucus to-morrow night. We have been urged by many Republicans to run as Delegates to the County and Assembly Convention, and we have consented. If elected, we shall try to serve the whole Republican party, and not any “ring” or faction. It this meets with your approval, we shall be glad to receive your vote at Fireman’s Hall, in the village of Saugerties, at 8 o’clock to-morrow evening:

For County Delegates.
Robert A. Snyder
James T. Maxwell
William D. O’Brien
Edward Burhans
William L. Snyder
H. Clinton Finger

For Assembly Delegates.
William Mould
John A. Lowther
James C. Dederick
Paul St. John Coleman
Watson Maxwell
James W. Cole

These men are all good men. They are good Republicans. They are representative men. They are not professional politicians. They are not office holders. They are not office seekers. They are not in this fight because there is any money in it for themselves or any one else. They expect no favors of the Republican party and they ask none. There are men on that ticket who have voted the Republican ticket for a lifetime and never held an office in their life and never want to do so.

These men are plain business men and farmers. They have become disgusted with the Corner rule. Why? Because they are men. Because they believe they have a right to vote as they please without asking the consent of the corner. Because they cannot conduct their ordinary business affairs with the interference of the “Corner.” The Corner, has even invaded the sacred precincts of private life to work out their organized system of coercion. It has become a matter of life to them. There is no man in this town who does not know that the Corner has done all these things. It is a fact. Is there in our system of free government anything so offensive as this? These man and the people of Saugerties know it too, have been dragged into this political fight; men who we repeat, never took any interest in politics before. They have been forced to do so now. They have no machine. They have no organized and hired workers that have been fed for years on public funds. The Corner has. Every man knows that too. The “Corner” boasts of their machine. They say it is one of the best oiled machines in the country. They are proud of it. They glory in the infamy of their shame. The men opposed to them do not want any machine. They simply wish to destroy the “Corner” machine, so that all men may have an equal voice in the town and village government.

Voters, pause and think. Is it in harmony with our free institutions that Charles Davis, Bill Burhans and Kit James should absolutely own the town and village of Saugerties. That three men should dictate to more than ten thousand of their fellow creatures what they should do and what they should not do. Do you like slavery? Do you wish to hear the crack of a master’s lash? Do you always want to be governed by Davis and Bill Burhans and Kit James? Do you want to go and ask them each day what you shall eat and what you shall wear and what you shall do.

We believe that this battle of the ballots to-night between honest citizens and this organized machine is fraught with most momentous consequences to the people of this town. More than one hundred years ago our forefathers fought in grim and deadly battle for the same rights that we contend for to-night.

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They said then as we say now, we will no longer submit to the slavery, will govern ourselves and after eight years of terrible combat, they made this great country and this grand Republic possible. We are fighting tonight for the same principles as they fought for.

In this contest, corruption and an organized machine may overthrow right and justice; for this would not be the first time that wrong has triumphed over right. We know, however whatever may be said to the contrary that the desire for liberty and the wish to live in peace and happiness without interference from any one or any body of men burns as brightly in the hearts of men as it has for countless ages past. A vote to night against the “Corner” is a vote to destroy the most pernicious machine that ever corruption and devilish ingenuity constructed for the bondage of human beings. A vote against the “Corner” is a vote for your own fireside and the happiness of those you love. A vote against the Corner is a vote for the American Flag and all that it stands for. We believe that tonight the Corner can not win. We believe it because we know as every one else knows, that they ought not to win. Let us tonight wrest from the “Corner” our God given liberty. Make this caucus another grand declaration of human rights and a triumph of good citizens and better government over a band of office holders who already gloat in the relish of satisfied appetite over $22,500 of spoils.

Vote tonight for yourself, for your home and for the interests of society.

2547. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 24, 1897. – What Are You Going to do About It? The “Corner” is confident of victory. Boss Tweed was confident of victory. Boss Tweed was beaten and beaten bad.

The contest was similar. Boss Tweed’s overthrow was accomplished by citizens who were not in politics for what there was in it. The people of the City of New York rose in mass and he was overwhelmed. Boss Tweed had a machine. He had a well greased machine. So has the ‘corner.’ He had a lot of men working for him night and day, men who had lived off the public for years. The “Corner” has also. Boss Tweed’s men spent all their time running about the City of New York, disseminating falsehoods and trying to blind the eyes of the people to the issues. So has the “corner” the same kind of men and instead of running about the city of New York, they are running about the country with horses and carriages and doing the same things that Boss Tweed’s men did. All of the followers of Boss Tweed were office holders who had made money out of the public and few of them ever did an honest day’s work in their lives. They had fastened themselves on the public as an octopus, as the great devil fish entwines its tentacles about its prey. They were sucking the life blood out of the metropolis.

Boss Tweed said what are you going to do about it?
The Corner says what are you going to do about it? We have got a machine, greased and running like the Empire State Express and if you don’t get off the track you will get hurt.

Are the people going to get off the track? Are they going to bend their necks submissively for Burhans and James to adjust the yoke of slavery about their necks? Are they about to permit them to rivet the chains more tightly? We say no. We think that time has come when the great public are going to build up an obstruction of outraged public sentiment, an obstruction composed of the chains and collars they have forever cast off right on the track of this Empire State Express machine and when Engineer Davis and fireman James strike this, they will get thrown in to the air along with Conductor Burhans and the rest of the crew. The machine train is coming down the track of corruption, falsehood and arrogant confidence, but the obstruction is just around the curve. Wait and you will hear the smash and the great wreck will sink into forgotten oblivion so dense and so deep that no wrecking crew will ever find the pieces.

Remember that the “Corner” wants $22,500 this year. We want honest government and our liberty.
The “Corner” want the postoffice this year. We want to conduct our business without asking the “Corner” how we shall do it.
The “Corner” want the collectorship of the port of Albany, $6,000 per year. We want to be free from this odious bossism.
The “Corner” want Clerk of the County. We want to see all man have as much to say as one and every other man.
We ask every man to vote to-night, for his own well being; to vote for himself and to vote as his conscience dictates and then we have no fear of the result.
Let us rescue the party of Grant, Lincoln and Blaine from Kit James and Bill Burhans.

On Saturday papers were filed in the office of the Secretary of State at Albany, incorporating the Saugerties Club of this village. The object of this club is to promote social intercourse among its members and for the purpose to establish and maintain a club house. The directors for the first year are B. Taylor Harris, Martin Cantine, Alfred P. Lasher, Howard Gillespy, Samuel M. Gray and Charles Davis.

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There was a hot time in this old town Friday night.
The occasion was the caucus of the Republican electors of the town, to elect delegates to the County and Assembly Conventions.
Never before in the annals of this quiet little town has there been a caucus so largely attended. The two factions of the party have been actively engaged the past few weeks to secure votes, and the crowd that was present was evidence that some hustling had been done.
The voters from the surrounding suburbs began to arrive as early as five o’clock in the afternoon, and the street resembled a metropolitan thoroughfare, and were literally alive with hordes of men.
The corners at the Palmer House, Davis’ shoe store and Van Buskirk’s drug store were filled with such a crowd that it was with difficulty that pedestrians could get through, the sidewalks and roadway being lined with a seething mass of humanity.
The dense throng of beings which represented all classes and conditions of men were massed as if in a solid phalanx marching to battle. They extended from the Palmer House to the Firemen’s Hall where the caucus was held.
The crowd in front of the polling place occupied the whole street and jostled and stamped on each other in their eagerness and haste to cast their ballots. Officers David and Chas. Abeel and Michael Kenney had a very difficult job in trying to keep back the obstreperous rabble.
The crush was of such a nature that the windows in the door were broken and the ballots were cast faster than they could be recorded. The crowd had made such a stampede, that the officers were compelled to make a barrier in order to allow those inside a chance to vote. Several of the men having imbibed freely, became boisterous and made the air reverberate with yells and several incipient fights also took place.
The voting began at eight o’clock and continued until half past ten, and it was after midnight when the results was announced.
By a previous arrangement Benj. M. Coon was chosen chairman and John A. Snyder and Joseph W. Reinhard inspectors. James Dederick and John Hallenbeck were the secretaries.
The candidates of the regular Republican organization were:

TO COUNTY CONVENTION.

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John D. Fratsher, Martin Cantine, Theodore B. Cornwell, Robert Lent, Orville Carn and David M. Valk.

TO ASSEMBLY CONVENTION.

Ebenezer L. Quick, William E. Wolven, George E. Carnright, Rufus Carle, Thomas W. Snyder and Alphonso Carnright.

The candidates of the opposition faction were:

TO COUNTY CONVENTION.


TO ASSEMBLY CONVENTION.


The total vote polled was 1041, the largest vote ever polled in any caucus ever held in this town. The regular organization ticket was elected by 196 majority.

The delegates elected are in favor of John D. Fratsher for the nomination of county clerk.


The Corner now looks like a big boaconstrictor which has swallowed an ox and a lot of other old things. Near its tail is a big swelling – that is the Senatorship of this district and the big distension in the middle is the County Clerkship. Its head with fangs outstretched is now swaying back and forth, over the crushed Postmastership and the mangled Collectorship of Albany- tidbits ready for mastication. When the corner snake digests this it will roll up in a nice little coil on the corner and bask like other snakes in the sun.


How irresistibly funny it must have been to have heard Mr. Christopher James advocate the nomination of George S. Sleight for county clerk in yesterday’s Republican county convention.

For three years James has been drawing $1500 per year as Deputy under Mr. Sleight in the county clerk’s office and for three years Fratsher’s boom for clerk has been gently cared for by these political nurses of the Corner. Perhaps part of the $1500 may have gone to help Fratsher’s Boom along and this was the curious spectacle presented of Sleight paying out his part of the porridge for the Corner to gorge upon until they grew so fat upon the diet that Sleight went down in disastrous defeat. It was much like the Kentucky Colonel who rescued a poor starved mule and fed the animal until it regained its strength when one day it kicked the poor colonel to his death. The colonel has long been dead but the mule still grazes of the luxuriant blue grass of Kentucky. James no doubt when Fratsher was nominated put his handkerchief to his eyes to conceal the tears he did not shed.

Poor Sleight. He went up against the gold brick game as worked by the corner gang and now he feels like the colonel felt when he was kicked by the mule. In the grave yard of the political dead, James will feel sufficient gratitude to no doubt erect a simple stone and we suggest that he inscribe thereon to the memory of the man he “loved so well.” “A victim of misplaced confidence.”


At the Prohibition county convention, held Wednesday afternoon, the following new executive committee was appointed: Dr. C. O. Sahler, chairman; J. B. Palen, J. L. Schultz, John H. Kemble, George P. Griffin. The financial report showed that the expenses during the year had been $30.29, of which amount Dr. Sahler had contributed $20. It was resolved to distribute Prohibition party literature throughout the county during the campaign.


The members are requested to meet at Firemen’s Hall this evening at 8 o’clock with fatigue caps, to attend St. Mary’s church fair. Ernest Myer, Pres. – Ernest Hassinger, Sec.
2555. Artificial legs and arms were in use in Egypt as early as B.C. 700. They were made by the priests, who were the physicians of that early time.

2556. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 29, 1897. - Virtue Hath its Own Reward. It is refreshing to the lovers of better government and to those persons who desire fitness for public office to be the criteria for appointment to behold how our local statesmen are advancing in the political scale. It is good to see that they believe that public office is a public trust and we have no doubt that the “Corner” in selecting their candidate for postmaster applied to him all those rules of ethics that are supposed to govern meetings of people to wholesome piety inclined. We congratulate them upon their choice; a choice so happy that it may be that Providence itself intervened. There can be no one so lost to the welfare of the state as not to see that this selection met with the approval of all men irrespective of party. It is right to discard partisan considerations and select some man of capacity who can command the confidence of all classes. What does it matter if he does not believe in peanut politics of the ward-heeler kind if he has higher ideals of noble citizenship? The Corner deserves congratulation and their desire to put into office the fittest men meets with the approval it deserves.

2557. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 29, 1897. – Here is a Mystery. It has been a matter of amusement to many people to read the card recently printed in a local paper by an illustrious member of the Corner thanking his friends for favors and deploring the fact that he could not use its columns. The card is somewhat unsatisfactory in that it does not definitely state the reasons why he was unable to do this. It certainly was not because he could not transfer glowing ideas to paper nor because there was nothing to say. What was the weighty motives that impelled this reticence in an individual who cannot be said to be very non-communicative. Here is a mystery. Who can unravel this tangled skein and set the minds of the public at rest so that sleep may again visit weary mortals.

2558. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, Sept. 29, 1897. - About the Size of It. We are pleased to announce that the distinguished Senator from Ulster will probably be able during the coming session of the Legislature to answer “yes” and “no” at roll call with the usual ability which has charmed his constituents in the past.

2559. Cartoon [well dressed man speaking to women seated in a chair] “And shall I speak to your father, my darling?” “Yes, but if you want every one to know about it right off you’d better speak to ma.”

2560. The longest canal in the world is in Russia. It extends from St. Petersburg to the frontier of China, and measures nearly 4,500 miles.

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More than five hundred thousand sewing machines are made in this country annually, which is ninety per cent. of the production of the world.

2561. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 13, 1897. – Proved to be a Fake. – Ex-Governor David B. Hill Did Not Argue the Case. In one of the issues last week we stated in an item in reference to the argument of the injunction, restraining the village from enforcing the wide tire ordinance, that ex Governor David B. Hill, of Albany, would be one of the counsel for James T. Maxwell.
This proved to be a fake, for which we are not responsible. We received our information from Mr. Durgan, Maxwell’s counsel, and later we learned that he had spoken to several members of the legal fraternity of the place and asked them if they knew where we obtained our information, as he stated he was going to argue the matter. Imposing on a newspaper never did any man any good, and we set the facts forth as they are, in order to thwart the impression going around that we retail fake news.

2562. An Announcement Secured – Judge Parker to Hear the Argument on Saturday.
The argument of the motion of the temporary injunction, restraining the Board of Directors from enforcing the wide tire ordinance, granted by Judge Fursman, on Thursday, September 2d, to James T. Maxwell, the stone dealer, came up before Judge Chester, at Albany, Saturday morning. Mr. Maxwell was represented by Fred J. Durgan, of this village, and Deputy State Attorney General G. D. B. Hasbrouck, of Kingston. Corporation Counsel Cantine appeared for the village. Lawyer Durgan asked for an adjournment and Judge Chester stated he would fix the date of the argument for the next sitting of the special term, which will be on Saturday, the 18th inst. at Kingston, before Judge Parker. [no newspaper or date]

2563. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 8, 1897. - There is Coming a Time.
With the coming of frost the chestnut burs [sic] will unfold and so will the plans of the Corner.
Activity will soon take the place of the quiet condition that now prevails, and the constant whirl of wheels will be heard in the land.
The tin gods will be brought forth again and the high priest will burn incense to the rulers, and the people – they will bow down and worship.

Who nominated the present Board of Directors? Charley Davis.
Who owns the present Board of Directors? - Charley Davis.
Who will try to own the next Board of Directors? Charley Davis.

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2565. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 9, 1897. OUR COMMON COUNCIL – Regular Meeting Held Saturday Evening. – Considerable Business Transacted by Our Village Solons at Their Meeting in Firemen’s Hall – Several Bills Paid – Wide Tire Ordinance to be Enforced.
After an absence of three weeks, the village legislature held its regular session for transacting the village business, Saturday evening. The Directors present were: Cantine, Quick, Rogers, Lasher, Myers and Cornwell.
Senator Charles Davis was also an interested spectator. President Cantine presided.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
Sanitary inspector, William H. Hommel, presented an itemized bill, as requested by the Board, and on motion of Mr. Quick, the bill was ordered paid.
The crusher committee reported inventory of tools at the crusher taken, and that the boiler and engine needed several repairs. Also that whistle and several windows were broken.
The street committee reported repairs to Valley street completed, and Lafayette street nearly finished. Firemanic committee reported repairs to Laflin Hose house completed.
Solomon Felter, of High Woods, appeared before the Board and stated that having heard that the wide tire enforcement would be deferred until Spring, and that having complied with the ordinance, he now served notice that he would hold the Board for damages in requiring him to put on wide tires, and if the said thing was done that he could not afford to change back to the narrow tire and then wide tire again.
in spring. Mr. Felter also stated that wide tires made carting easier, and found them to be better than the narrow tires in getting in and out of the quarries.

A petition was received, signed by a number of merchants, asking that the enforcement of the wide tire act be deferred until Spring, and on motion it was received and placed on file.

Chairman Lasher, of the street committee, offered the following resolution, and a vote on the same resulted: Cantine, yea, Cornwell, yea, Lasher, yea, Rogers, yea, Myer, yea, Quick, yea.

The following is the resolution:

RESOLVED, That we, the Board of Directors, appreciate the fact that there are some objections against the wide tire ordinance being put in force September 1, 1897, and upon careful consideration we find it is to the best interest of the village to have this ordinance go into effect on September 1st, 1897. The Board also feels from replies and other information received from committees where wide tire ordinances are in effect, that the objections found her against them will all be overcome as soon as the wide tires are on all of the draft wagons.

A resolution was passed by the Board designating the scales of Frank Hansen, on the south side of Livingston street, as the scales on which all disputed loads can be weighed as mentioned in Sec.2, of the wide tire ordinance.

A resolution was also adopted that Officer David E. Abeel be designated as the person mentioned in Section 2, of the wide tire ordinance to see that the law is enforced and that the compensation for his services be one fifth of the fine collected from the offender.

The bill of Dr. S. L. Dawes which was ordered returned at the last meeting was received with proper explanation, and on motion same was ordered paid.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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On motion Board adjourned.

2566. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 23, 1897. - OUR COMMON COUNCIL – The Board of Directors Have a Lively Meeting Saturday Evening. – Several Stone Dealers Present With Lawyer Fred J. Durgan in Protest Against the Enforcement of the Wide Tire Ordinance on Sept. 1st. – Complaints Against Bicycle Riders.

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was largely attended Saturday evening. A number of stone dealers were present with Fred J. Durgan as their attorney.

Directors Cantine, Cornwell, Quick, Rogers, Myers and Lasher were present. President Cantine presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

President Cantine dispensed with the regular order of business and Lawyer Durgan, representing John Maxwell’s Sons and E. Sweeney’s Sons, the village stone dealers, was heard and stated that the enforcement of the wide tire act on Sept. 1st, would impair the validity of several large contracts the above stone dealers have in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and that it would tend to keep about forty teamsters away from drawing stone to this village and that Messrs. Sweeney and Maxwell would lose several thousand dollars through it. He also asked the board to set aside one street in the village for the purpose of using narrow tires and unless it was granted it would preclude the stone dealers from fulfilling their contracts. Mr. Durgan said it was a violation of the constitution of the state and that as
Messrs. Sweeney and Maxwell paid out a large sum of money to the teamsters for stone its loss would be felt in the business circles of the place. Also that is it an unfair discrimination and that the stone dealers would suffer in this village and stone would be hauled to Glasco and Malden, and that since the wide tire ordinance has been proposed the amount of stone coming to the village has greatly decreased. A protest was also filed by Messrs. Sweeney and Maxwell claiming it prohibitory and stating that if enforced they would hold the board liable for all damages, and on motion the same was placed on file. James T. Maxwell and John B. Kearney also spoke in reference to the loss they would sustain through the wide tire enforcement on Sept. 1st.

President Cantine stated that the board had no intention of precluding the interests of the stone dealers and that the board had conferred with other places in which wide tires have been used with good results. Also that the wide tires would aid in keeping the streets in repair.
The street committee reported repairs made to Washington avenue, Valley street, Ulster avenue and several other streets.
A resolution was adopted that all property owners must keep their gutters clean and remove all weeds, etc. from same and unless the same is complied with, the board will repair same at the property owners [sic] expense.
The crusher committee reported that engine taken apart and laid up and other repairs made.
Ordinances were adopted authorizing and requiring to be constructed sidewalks and curb and gutter along the east side of John street between Irving Place and Main street at the expense of the owners of adjoining lands. And that the ordinance take effect Sept. 6, 1897.
On motion the property owners on Main street, east of Cedar street, were ordered to lay curb and gutter according to grade.
The bill of James Russell amounting to $4.45 was referred to the finance committee.
George Thomas appeared before the Board and entered a complaint against John McLaughlin, Benjamin Merritt, William A. Hanna, Charles W. Davis, Robert Castree, Benjamin F. Davis, Albert Davis, Herbert Abeel, Clifford M. Abeel, Charles F. Adams, Harry T. Keeney, John O. Sweet, Archie D. Smith, John W. Adams, A. Sidney Barritt and Wakeley Porter, for riding bicycles on his sidewalk, on Washington avenue, and without ringing a bell or carrying a light, and that he had several narrow escapes from being run down, and asks the Board to prosecute them, and on motion it was ordered they be fined according to the existing village ordinance. On motion, Officer David E. Abeel was authorized to see that the village bicycle ordinance was enforced, and that his compensation be twenty per cent. of the fine collected.
The following bills were ordered paid:

Wm. E. Person, care town clock, $16.00
Saugerties Gas Co., gas 58.66
James Dederick, salary, 35.72
A. Pultz, men and teams, 57.33

On motion board adjourned.
best interest of our village, and for the great majority of our citizens, rather than for a mistaken few, the
first step in the interest of good roads and renewed business prosperity should not be a step backward.
Let us look the facts in the face and let us tell the naked truth, no matter who it hits.
First. The Saugerties & Woodstock Tramway and Turnpike Road, originally incorporated in and about
1828, extended from near the store now occupied by Daniel Lamb to the village of Woodstock, about
ten or eleven miles, and were allowed to charge twelve and one-half cents each way for a four-wheeled
vehicle and two horses, and three cents for each additional horse. This toll-gate was then located near
Unionville. In 1864 a toll-gate was erected west of Becker’s Hotel; and in 1869, a law was passed by
which it was authorized to construct some tram-ways from Lambs store in the Village of Saugerties, to
Becker’s Hotel, and charge twenty-five (25) cents for four-wheeled vehicles with two horses, and ten
cents for each additional horse; thus two-thirds of the road was abandoned, and the rate of toll greatly
increased.
In 1889 and after an adverse vote of the citizens of the Village, a previous Board of Directors made an
agreement with the Turnpike Company by which the village was to maintain the tramway from Daniel
Lamb’s store to the West Shore Railroad Crossing, and the Turnpike Company was to move its toll gate
west of the Railroad tracks, and not collect toll from persons going from the village to the West Shore
depot.
So that the present situation with regard to the Turnpike Company is that for less than three miles of
road it may collect twenty-five cents for wagons drawn by two horses, and forty-five cents for wagons
drawn by four horses. Very many complaints have been made as to the condition of this turnpike, and
the company have brought a number of suits against teamsters for refusing to pay these large tolls, and
there is much public agitation in regard to the condition of the road bed. Then comes the Wide Tire
Ordinance, and the manager of this company sees an opportunity to divert attention from his road, and
begins to say: “I am so sorry for the poor people who will have to put on wide tires!” He is so
considerate of them, and fears the putting on of wide tires will distress them and their families. Why
don’t he reduce the rate of toll, if has is so sympathetic? The road has paid enormous dividends in the
past year, ranging as high as twenty per cent, profit, and even now is paying from nine to ten per cent, a
year. Where is there another business in our community that pays so much?
No, Mr. Turnpike Manager, we won’t have this false issue! You will undoubtedly be compelled to put
the Turnpike in better condition, and wide tires will help you, as well as the rest of our people, and may,
in time, reduce the rates of toll.
Next, The stone business is so prosperous now, and has been for some time, and while selling prices are
firm with an upward tendency, the prices to the quarrymen have not materially increased – in fact –
have been so low that when another outlet for work is found in the Flynn Lime Stone Quarries, where
good pay is to be had for both men and teams the people who have been working in the quarries getting
out Blue Stone and drawing it to the Market, flock to the Lime Rock Quarries for better wages; and
besides, the conditions of our highways has been such that it is only when four horses are put before a
load of stone, that any fair remuneration can be had by the Teamsters so that to divert attention from
those, the cry

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goest out that the Wide Tire Ordinance, even before it is in effect, is the cause of all the evil. No, Sir! Mr.
Stone Dealer! no false issue here! Give the Quarrymen better prices, and help us to get better roads,
and you will get all the stone you want; and what good would it do the Quarrymen and Teamsters if they
could bring to market a thousand more loads of stone than they do now, at present prices, at which they
can barely subsist? The stone merchants are all making money and doing well, and we are glad of it, but
how much money are the teamsters and quarrymen making? Is it true that with the adoption of wide
tires, larger loads of stone can be drawn with less damage to horses, wagons and harness, than with
narrow tires; and consequently will not the stone merchant get more stone, and the teamsters more profit than he now does? No one doubts that the volume of trade of our merchants has greatly diminished; let us see some of the causes.
The Village of Saugerties is surrounded on all sides by a circle of country stores, at Glasco, at Highwoods, at Fish Creek, at Unionville, at West Saugerties, at Quarryville, at Saxton, at Malden crossing at the Village of Malden, at these the people of the town outside of the village are largely trading. You, Mr. Merchant, of the Village of Saugerties, are not alive to your interest. If you do not see that good roads from this village to all these localities will help you to bring back your lost trade. And so you cry that wide tires will keep this business away from you, and keep people from coming to this village, either to trade, or reach other points?
No, Mr. Merchant! No false issue here! Get your roads in good condition, and you can't keep the people away. And you know and must not disguise the honest fact, the Wide Tires will help to do this.
For the past three years, the Board of Directors have been consistently trying to get the streets of the village in good repair, and have under the Charter expended $4,000 per year for this purpose; hereafter only $3,000 per year, under the Charter, can be expended, and so noticeable has been the change over past year, that the favorable commendation of the citizens has been freely given to the Board. The Town of Saugerties has for a number of years past been expending from $5,000 to $6,000 per year on the Public Highways of the Town, and yet it has been found by experience about impossible, even with this large amount to keep the roads in passible [sic] condition, and the fact is that the highways leading to this village are in such wretched condition, that trade and travel here is driven away. Complaint comes from every side. From Woodstock the people say, “We would prefer to do our trading in Saugerties, but the road in your town from our town line is so bad, and we have to pay heavy tolls, you drive us away!” From Platte Clove, through West Saugerties, the natural outlet from the mountains to the river, the people say, “you compel us to drive two miles out of our way, and go through the Kaaterskill Clove to reach the river, because it is less jar on our nerves, our horses, our wagons, and our conscience to go that way.” From Palenville: - “Don’t drive toward Saugerties you may not come back without a broken wagon.” and from Smith’s Landing, and the lower end of Greene county, the trade we ought to have goes to Catskill, because that way lie the better roads.
What are we going to do about it?
That is the question! Are we to go on spending $10,000 each year in this community without an effort to make the expenditures of some value? It has been found that even this large sum of money will not alone take care of our roads, because the loads drawn are so heavy, that with narrow tires, no matter how hard the road, they are soon destroyed.
The Board of Directors believes that wide tires would at least help in solve the problem; have adopted its Ordinance to take effect September 1st. There should be no step backward, but rather a march forward, and all of us should uphold with votes and action, the effort now being made for better roads; not merely for the sake of better roads, but for the better and more laudible [sic] purpose of bringing to our community more trade and travel, of bringing back to our merchants the customers they have lost through this neglect of good roads, and bringing to our splendid steamboat service the patronage it deserves, and is legitimately entitled to.
The interest the Board of Directors have in the material prosperity of our Village and Town, is not a selfish interest they have no “axes to grind”; they want the greatest value possible for the money the people give them to expend on the roads; and they honestly believe that in the matter of Wide Tires, they are making a progressive step, and in the right direction; and that they are upheld in their endeavors to better the condition of the roads, by the vast majority of our citizens, and certainly by every disinterested and fair-minded man.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES.
Mr. Editor :- Will you allow me a space in your valuable paper to reply to a communication from the Honorable Board of Directors of the village Saugerties, published in your issue of Aug. 23d.

To the Honorable Board:

Sirs :- Let me say in reply to your communication in regard to the wide tire ordinance, that the statement about the Saugerties & Woodstock turnpike and tramway is entirely foreign to the subject, erroneous and misleading.

The original owners of the above mentioned road were unable to keep the same in repair owning to the low tolls they were receiving and were forced to sell, and it was sold by the Sheriff of Ulster Co. for $3025, to Wm. Snyder of Woodstock. He subsequently sold one half to John P. Kemble and one quarter to his brother Frederick Snyder. Owing to the increased stone business, the stone merchants were unable to bring the stone during the fall rains to the opening of the spring for from 4 to 6 weeks at each of such season of the year, as the owners were unable to keep the lower part toward the village road in repair (as the soil is composed of mostly clay and loam. (This some of the members of our honorable board and evidently the writer know nothing about as they were in kilts at that time). Under the existing circumstances of the road at that time, the stone dealers, Messrs. Burhans & Brainard, John Maxwell and J. P. Russell proposed to the owners of the road to lay tramways, and were willing to put their money in. The Snyders not willing to invest any more money, sold out to the stone merchants their interest. This was in the winter I think of 1868 and 1869. They had an act passed by the Legislature to authorize them to lay tramway on their road, which they did in the working seasons of 1869 and '70, at a cost of about twenty-five thousand ($25,000). Now in regard to the income of the road, I would say your statement is wild, visionary and far from the truth. My income for the same last year was less than 9 per ct. on the money invested. I have often been told by those who used the road before the tram was laid, that there were very willing to pay the extra toll as they could haul larger loads and do the same much easier. You say the road is less than three miles long. That is an untruth. It is nearer four miles than three. You say several complaints, have been made about the condition of the road.

I would ask who are the complainers? They are the dead beats who beat their way through life and do not not their honest debts, and think it no harm. Now for the false issue you say, he begins with “I am sorry for the poor people who have to put on wide tires.” That statement is false. I have never made it. I suppose I am not as generous as I ought to be. Yet the poor have never went from my door empty handed unless he was known to be a tramp or one who would spend his money for strong drink.

The position which was presented to you, the Hon. Board, and ignored by you, was not gotten up by me, or signed by me. It was signed, however, by about eighty intelligent and mostly business men, and I would say right here, shame on you, shame on you for not honoring the same. This is what I have said, and say to-day, that the enforcement of the wide tire ordinance will reduce the income of the tram road and also the business of every merchant in the village. Why will it? Because a large number of our farmers and teamsters of the town will not put on the wide tires this fall, and will carry their farm produce and stone to other landings than Saugerties, and will probably do so for some time to come. Do you think that is a false issue? If you do think so now you will know different after the first of Sept. 1897. It says extend the time of enforcement until next spring and during the winter have a law passed to extend the wide tire act to the town, and then we or the village will suffer no loss. And I say furthermore if this wide tire act interferes in the least particular with our stone trade do not enforce it (although I candidly believe it would be a benefit to our roads) Why? Because the stone business has been for years and is to-day the life of our village and town. Is that a false issue too? I will say further that the enforcement of the act in the village will not benefit our town roads. Why?
Because the narrow tire will be used on every road in the town the same as usual except that portion of the turnpike from the King's road to the village. Is that a false issue? I will leave it for the readers to judge.

You say you spend 4,000 on the roads. How much of that has been used on the tramway? I dare say less than one sixth. Is the tramway from the Lutheran church to the dock in as good a condition as the Saugerties and Woodstock tramroad? Let the teamsters and stone merchants answer that question. Now one word to the dealers, I will let the merchant speak for himself. Now their statement in regard to the falling off of their business (which you consider a false issue) I know to be correct, as I am in the position to know, and believe all their statements to be facts and not false issues. Yours Respectfully, John H. Kemble. Supt. and half-owner of the Saugerties & Woodstock Turnpike & Tramway.


The Board of Village Directors held a regular meeting on Saturday evening last with President Cantine in the chair. Directors present – Quick, Cornwell, Myer, Rogers and Lasher. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Street committee reported progress on work being done on the tramway near the dock on the north side of the harbor, and that the survey of Main street on the south side from Cedar street extending east had been completed for curbing, straightening and guttering purposes and that each property owner thereon had agreed to extend and widen their sidewalks to the width of twelve feet up to the surveyed line.

Firemanic committee reported they had inspected the apparatus of the fire department on inspection day and that they found said apparatus in the very best of condition and the members of the force under good discipline.

Legal committee reported that Judge Chester had rendered a decision sustaining the wide tire ordinance excepting that portion compelling teamsters to weigh their loads.

John Rovegno and Jacob Shultis were confirmed as members of Laflin Hose Co. No. 2.

Thomas B. Belch, of Snyder Hose co. No. 1, was granted a fireman’s certificate of exemption.

The following bills were found correct and ordered paid:

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Attorney M. F. Kenney notified the Board he had taken a lien against the judgment rendered in favor of Samuel Hallenbeck as compensation for legal services.

On motion, The Saugerties Daily Post was designated to publish the proceedings of the Board without compensation.

On motion, Board adjourned to Saturday evening, Sept. 25th, at 8 o’clock.


The business change pending mentioned in this paper the past week, has been consummated, and Charles Freder, of Munro, Orange county, has become the proprietor of the old established boot and shoe store of John C. Davis & Co., on the corner of Main and Partition streets. Mr. Freder will continue the business at the same location. [hand dated]
The first session of the village legislature for the month of September was held Saturday evening with Directors Cantine, Cornwell, Lasher, Myers, Quick and Rogers present. President Cantine occupied the chair and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The finance committee reported the auditing of the bill of James Russell for $23.70. The street committee reported repairs to the Dock road. A certificate of membership in Laflin Hose Co. was granted to James Gilmore. President Cantine reported that a temporary injunction had been served on him restraining the Board form enforcing the wide tire ordinance until the matter is decided before Judge Chester next Saturday, and that he had placed the matter in the hands of the Corporation Counsel. On motion Corporation Counsel Cantine was directed to defend the action, and to prepare the argument for the matter and to employ such assistance as he may deem proper. The following bills were ordered paid:

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**STATEMENT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.**

Statement of the Board of Water Commissioners of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., for the Honorable the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., showing the receipts and disbursements from July 1st, 1896 to May 1st, 1897.

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“Paid coupons due Jan 1, ’97, 1,560.00
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Cash on hand May 1, ’97 1,672.15
Water rents uncollected May 1, ’97 937.00
Safe furniture, tools and supplies on hand 234.77
Meters and tools on hand from original purchase of plant, estimated value 767.75

George Seamon, Treas.

H. C. Bogardus, Sec.


There was a hot time in this town this morning.

The village wide tire ordinance went into effect to-day and a team belonging to Mrs. Patrick Rourke, of Fish Creek, heavily loaded with blue stone came through the streets with narrow tires.

When near the paint shop of William Burnett on Ulster avenue the teamster was stopped by Officer David E. Abeel and requested to weigh his load on the scales of Frank Hansen designated by the Board of Directors for weighing all disputed loads.

The driver refused to do so and continued on his way to the dock.

It is said that James T. Maxwell, the stone dealer, who is bitterly opposed to the enforcement of the act requested all his teamsters to come to town to day and that he would stand the expense. The teamster whose name a Post reporter could not learn will be summoned before Judge Coon to answer for the violation of the ordinance, the fine of which is fifty dollars.

The officer had a run in with a man interested in the stone business near the Palmer House this morning, who did considerable talking, which attracted quite a crowd. People who censure Officer Abeel are very unwise for he is doing nothing more than his duty and should be upheld.

The village board have been agitating the wide tire act for nearly two years, and believing it would benefit the village, secured through Senator Charles Davis the passage of an amendment to the village charter enabling them to enact an ordinance which they did on June 5th.

The ordinance to go into effect September 1st.

At a recent meeting of the Board, a petition signed by a large number of merchants was presented, asking that the act be deferred until March 1, 1898. The board received the petition and placed it on file. Subsequently President Cantine learned from a number of merchants who had signed the petition, that they had done so without examining it, believing it to be all right.

At the last meeting of the board, James T. Maxwell and John Kearney representing Sweeney Sons, appeared before the board and filed a protest against its enforcement. Their counsel Fred J. Durgan stated that its enforcement would impair the validity of several contracts Messrs. Maxwell and Sweeney had in other states.

The board received the protest and placed it on file.

An attempt was then made by Lawyer Durgan to secure an injunction from Judge Barnard to restrain the board from enforcing the act, but the Judge refused to grant it. It is said that Judge Parker also refused to grant one.
The Board of Director are up in arms over the attempt to thwart them in the enforcement of this ordinance, and they will fight the case of the teamsters this morning to its end. It is said that no more narrow tire loads would come through to-day, but the one this morning would be used as a test case.

Every taxpayer and citizen should rally to the support of the Board of Directors.


Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present – President Cantine and Directors Quick, Rogers, Cornwell and Myers. Absent Lasher.

The following note from Samuel Hallenbeck was received, read and ordered placed on file.

James Dederick, Clerk of the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties.

Dear Sir: - You will please inform the Board of Directors that all claims due me from the recent suit against the village of Saugerties, must be paid to me in person or upon my written order. Very truly yours, S. H. Hallenbeck.

The committee to examine and report on the judgment obtained by Samuel Hallenbeck against the village of Saugerties reported that in their opinion the counsel of the Board should appeal from the judgment to the Appellate Court and to proceed with all speed in the matter.

On motion, the report was received and adopted and committee discharged.

Bill of Finger & Lewis for coal, lumber, etc., amount $63.06, was referred to the Finance committee.

On motion, Mr. D. C. Carle was granted permission to place building material in front of his property on Livingston street for the period of one week.

On motion, Board adjourned.


There was considerable excitement in town Saturday evening when it became known that Mrs. E. J. Knowles, the milliner at Reed & Reed’s New York Store, had been arrested by Officer David E. Abeel, on the charge of shoplifting. For a long time Mr. Reed has been missing articles from the store, and was unable to locate or catch the thief. Friday afternoon a corset and several small articles were stolen and suspicion was directed toward Mrs. Knowles who had been watched. Mr. Reed at once secured a search warrant, and Mrs. Knowles’ room at Norris’ boarding house, on Main street, was thoroughly searched by Officer Abeel, and the stolen corset and other articles were found there.

The bureau was filled with laces and notions and her trunk which was locked was broken open and among the goods found, was a piece of Taffetta [sic] silk which contained over fifteen yards.

The Officer also discovered in his search a considerable amount of other goods that had been missing from the store a long time, which was sufficient evidence that the thefts had been going on for some time past.

When confronted with the stolen goods, Mrs. Knowles made a confession in which she stated that she had been shipping the goods to her son, who conducts a store near Buffalo and who is a habitual gambler. Inquiry at the Express office proved that the goods were being shipped through them, the last package sent, having contained spool cotton and other merchandise.

A warrant was procured by Mr. Reed from Judge Coon, and Officer Abeel arrested Mrs. Knowles about five o’clock. She was arraigned before the Judge later in the evening. Fred J. Durgan appeared as counsel for Reed.

Mrs. Knowles when asked if she wished counsel, said she did not, and sat with a bowed head during the trial. The crime charge was grand larceny but Mr. Reed was inclined to be lenient and allowed her to
plead guilty to a lighter charge – petit larceny. Judge Coon said he felt sorry to impose sentence, but the law must be upheld and accordingly sentenced her to the Albany Penitentiary for the term of six months. She was taken to the Palmer House and spent the night under the surveillance of the officer. All day Sunday she had a compunction of conscience and wept very bitterly over the sad fate that was staring her in the face. She was taken to Albany by Officer Abeel on the 11:01 train to-day.

Mrs. Knowles came here from Buffalo seven years ago to take charge of the millinery department in the New York Store then owned by J. W. Tompkins. While here she made many friends and built up a fine trade and when a transfer was made to the present firm Reed & Reed, she was retained by them to manage the department. She arrived here from Buffalo only a few weeks ago to resume her position for the coming fall and winter season.

Mrs. Knowles had always born an excellent reputation and moved in the best society of the place and the news of her sudden downfall came like a thunderbolt to them. It is indeed a sad thing when a woman yields herself to such disgraceful means as stealing and places upon herself a stigma which will never be removed. To think of occupying a place of esteem in the hearts and eyes of the people and then suddenly to become a person who will be forever shamed, and who will always be looked upon as a thief. Such it the case of Mrs. Knowles, who will be compelled to occupy a cell in the state’s prison for appropriating other people’s property to her use.

This is the busy season for the Corner Gang. They are busy stirring to perpetuate the disreputable and disgusting sway of corruption and indecency. Having sand-bagged the Republican electors at the caucus they are now busy going through their victim’s pockets. The Board of Directors instead of devoting their time to the public business for which they were elected are busily assisting their master Charley and follow him around like a lot of yellow dogs. He has only to whistle and they run from all directions. Turn on the music Charley, play the barrel hand-organ and have your puppets dance and let your man Friday, your valet James, take up a collection. Let the dance go on.

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2576. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 7, 1897. - A Pretty Home Wedding. – Mr. Harry Thompson Keeney United in Marriage with Miss Mary Eva Adams.

There was a pretty home wedding Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 6th, at the residence of S. J. Adams on West Bridge street, the contracting parties being Mr. Henry T. Keeney, of this village, and Miss Mary Eva Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Adams, Rev. Oscar Haviland being the officiating clergyman. The occasion was graced by the presence of about 150 guests, principally relatives and intimate friends of the families. The house was brilliantly lighted with electric lights and decorated profusely with palms and cut flowers. Promptly at half after four the strains of Mendelshon’s [sic] wedding march was heard in the distance and the wedding procession entered the spacious parlors. The bride was handsomely gowned in an exquisite ivory white satin, trimmed with point lace and carried a shower bouquet of Lily of the Valley. She was attended by Miss Emma Quick, of this village, as maid of honor, arrayed in white silk mull over yellow taffeta and wearing a white mull hat with yellow plumes and carried a bouquet of yellow tea roses. Immediately preceeding the bride came the bridesmaid, Miss Dorothy Snyder, the little niece of the bride, wearing a white organdie trimmed with valenciennes [sic] lace and white satin ribbons, also wearing a white hat with white tips. During the ceremony the musicians played “Annie Laurie.”

The groom wore a conventional coat of black, with pearl grey trousers, and had for groomsman Lincoln C. Bancroft, of Fordham Heights, N. Y. The ushers were Mr. John M. Adams, a brother of the bride, and Mr. Fred Byron, of Albany, N. Y. The decorations were entirely of yellow. After the ceremony an elaborate collation was served by Mazetti, the famous New York caterer. Miss Adams is a well known
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society lady, and very much honored by all who know her. Mr. Keeney is a popular bankman and insurance agent, and has a host of friends. The happy couple left that night for an extended wedding trip. Upon their return, they will make their home on Market street, Mr. Keeney having recently purchased the place formerly owned by Will. S. Myer. The wedding gifts were numerous and costly. The groom’s present to the best man and ushers were rolled gold scarf pins with diamond centres, and the maid of honor wore a pin with a pearl centre, and the little bridesmaid a chain and locket, studded with a pearl, gifts from the bride.

Among those present from out of town were: H. C. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. William Condon, of Troy; Mr. F. Asbury Awl, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Scott, of Madalin; Mrs. O. A. Bancroft, Mr. Lincoln Bancroft and Miss Eva Thompson of Fordham Heights, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Maxwell, of Pond Eddie, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Watson Maxwell, of Saxton, N. Y.; Mrs. Wm. Jackson, of Cornwall, N. Y.; Miss G. Fernald, of Franklin, Maine.

2577. Tom Loftin Johnson, Mayor of Cleveland, Ex-Congressman. [illustration]

2578. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 9, 1897. – Barclay Fiber Co. Plant Sold. – John G. Myers Purchases the Entire Plant at a Very Low Figure.

Charles A. Spaulding, as receiver of the Barclay Fibre Co. of this village, sold the entire plant, machinery, book accounts and other paraphernalia at public auction at the office of the mill at noon to-day. The property was sold in parcels, and the terms of the sale were ten per cent. of the purchase price, to be paid at the time of the purchase and the residue at the law office of Rosendale & Hessberg in Albany, Oct. 16th, 1897, or if the purchaser desired he could pay the price at the time of the purchase. The first parcel sold consisted of the book accounts, old judgments, licenses and other assets. Lawyer Albert Hessberg secured them for John G. Myers, making the only bid $25. The second parcel consisted of the digesters, machinery, acid and blowout tanks, and other property of the company. The bidding was started by Jacob Herold of Rondout at $100 and it was quickly raised to $2500 by Lawyer Hessberg who was bidding for John G. Myers. L. Bacharach, of Rondout, bid $2600, and Mr. Hessberg raised it to $2700, at which price he secured it for Mr. Myers. The price paid is extremely low, as the plant is valued at over $200,000. Mr. Myers owns the building, and it is thought he will soon put the plant in operation, which the business and the laboring men trust will soon take place.


Just before the Supreme Court adjourned at noon Friday, the case of the Cumberland Manufacturing Co. against the Sheffield Paper Co., of this village, which was on the day calendar, was referred to Ex-Senator John J. Linson, of Kingston. A hearing was held at Mr. Linson’s office in the afternoon. Carroll Whitaker appeared for plaintiffs and Senator Charles Davis for defendant. The action was brought to recover about $600 claimed to be due on a contract made between the parties by which the plaintiff put a Warren filter plant in the paper mill of the defendants, in this village, agreeing to pay therefor $2,800. The defense is that the terms of the contract were not complied with, the plant was not constructed in a first class manner, and did not yield 1,000,000 gallons of bright, clear, white water each 24 hours, with a proper use of recommended chemicals. Walter B. Nye, manager of the Cumberland and [sic] Manufacturing Co., was examined as a witness, after which an adjournment was taken until next Wednesday, October 13.

The order of Royal Arcanum, of which Saugerties has a council is one of the grandest in America. In its object it has the embodiment, of conserving the widow, protecting the orphan and assisting the sick and afflicted of its members. It offers extraordinary inducements to men, especially to the young, and not only assists them in time of sickness, but also binds them together fraternally.

The Saugerties Council was instituted April 23, 1891 with twelve charter members and to-day ranks as the youngest fraternal organization in town. It has now a membership of nearly fifty, and it is gradually increasing. Friday evening the Council held their regular meeting in their rooms in the Whitaker building. It was expected that Grand Regent James Rierdon, of New York, would be present, but, owing to a sudden attack of illness, he was unable to come. Notwithstanding this disappointment, the members had a very enjoyable meeting. A delegation of sixteen members of the Coxsackie Council arrived on the 6:54 train including District Deputy W. E. Crist. At the lodge rooms, the District Deputy delivered a very forcible address, as did Vice Regent J. J. Kiley, of Coxsackie. At the conclusion of the session the Saugerties Council accompanied by their visiting brethren proceeded to the Phoenix Hotel where Host Turck served an elaborate supper of eight courses which included chicken and other delicacies [sic] in Epicurean style.

From the manner in which the tempting viands were disposed of, it was very evident that the spread was greatly enjoyed.


2581. 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.

Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Oct. 11, 1897. – Our Municipal Government.

While the struggle of the people of the City of New York goes on to throw off the bossism that has so long disgraced their city a no less deplorable state of affairs exists in this village. The difference is relative only. There is no difference except in size. The condition here is fully as bad. It is true that we have a board of directors in theory, but in fact they are but manikins with strings attached to them and each string has its terminus at the corner. When these strings are pulled the directors dance, and it only remains for some one to secure a barrel hand organ to make the analogy complete to a wandering Italian and his monkey, the two being connected by a string.

We shall show later in these columns how it has been an expensive matter for the village, so expensive that people may be willing to forego the pleasure of seeing the dance.

It is a popular fallacy that these directors were selected by all the people for their fitness for office but the truth of the matter is that they have been selected each year by Charles Davis according to the servility which he believed they would exhibit and his judgment so far has been remarkably good, for
more unhesitating obedience to orders, more unblushing indifference to the welfare of the village has rarely been exhibited. Martin Cantine is president of the Board. He is one of the stars in the corner constellation. His amanuensis is clerk of the Board and his father is corporation counsel. This must be what is called a paternal form of government, of keeping everything in the family. It would not be out of place to state that Charley Davis is assistant to Mr. Cantine so he may come in for a share of the spoils. Alfred P. Lasher, is another director. No one who witnessed the endurance he displayed in the interest of the corner a short time ago is in any doubt where he worships of from what source he gets his inspiration.

The corner gang has no more devoted follower in the village than Charles E. Cornwell. Ebenezer L. Quick was a delegate on their ticket at the last Republican caucus. James D. Myer and Edward Rogers complete this happy family.

It may be urged that to follow the dictations of Charley is but to display a proper gratitude. That it would be ungrateful not to obey the man who created them what they are for those very purposes. It may be said in answer to that, that they owe a duty to the public which is greater than the duty they owe to Charley. But this perhaps has never occurred to them. It it [sic] has they have managed very cleverly to conceal it, for no one would ever suspect it from their actions.

The time has come when Charley must roll up his ball of string and his manikins will have a rest. The Board of Directors have Charley Davis’s picture stamped on them and the people will soon take a chance at the government themselves and see if they can elect a Board of Directors who are not tattooed with Charleys’ picture.

2582. Card – Miss G. M. Snyder. [illustration]
The Corner Gang vociferously deny that James and Davis have ceased to love each other. It might well be supposed that their common instincts for political plunder would be a strong tie to bind each to the other. However that may be, it is a little out of the line of friendship that James should have applied to the distinguished Senator from Ulster, our own Charley, the epithets he uttered not long ago at Kingston. The Telegraph can not print what Columbus said of our Charley, but it was bad, very bad. James was tired of doing all the work of making Charley great, and we suppose he gave vent to his righteous indignation.

2586. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 9, 1897. – Dissensions Among the Faithful.
Rumor has it that the fires on the altar erected to the “Corner god” burns dimly. In very truth the High Priest himself has cast off his sacred robes of office and no longer wails the virtues of his god. This event has not been wholly unexpected for a black cat was seen chasing its tail in front of the corner which is considered by everyone to be an omen of evil. Not only that, but understudy Burhans is said to have whittled out a little god of his own from a stick given him by James, and it is whispered that when the shades of night has fallen, he worships this little god carved in his own image. The fact that he alone offers his devotions does not conclusively prove that the time may come when all the devotees who believe that it is the highest aim of mankind to hold a public office may dance in an ecstasy of maddened joy about his little wooden god and when that time comes he may be as great a man as Charlie Davis. He may never be able to hold the members of our Legislature spellbound by the magic of his oratory, and he may never be attended by a great concourse of eminent men, anxious to catch each pearl of wisdom as it drops from his lips, but he still may be as great as Charlie Davis. Yes, it must be that the corner gang is divided, and what will the big god do with all the little gods wanting to be big gods, too? It is related that once when a very wicked man had died and in due course of time his shade appeared before the bar of his Satanic Majesty, Satan became fearful that he would be deposed from his office and therefore said, at the same time knocking out a piece of charcoal and sulphur, [sic] “Go make a hell of your own.” We suggest the same course now.

We have heard some people as why it was that we have not noticed the attacks of Pete Hommel, the Quarryville correspondent of a daily paper in this village, who most fouly [sic] assassinates the King’s English in his effusions. The reason why, is because we do not wish to dignify and confer upon him the notoriety which his vanity craves. We hesitate to believe that Pete can ever do anything or ever say anything which will cause a feeling of resentment or anger to take the place of the profound pity which we feel for him. Poor Pete.
The Hallenbeck case has been appealed to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court by the Board of Directors and their attorney Hon. Peter Cantine. It only remains now for Charley to be counsel in the case and another big bill of costs will have to be paid by the village to Charley. The appeal cannot succeed and no one knows it better than Charley, but his Board of Directors fall over each other in order to help a good thing (for Charley) along.

Through the vigilant efforts of Officer Charles E. Abeel, a bold robbery at the United States Post Office in this village was prevented this morning about two o’clock, the burglars escaping, leaving their tools behind, and also narrowly escaped being shot.
The attempt to rob the office was evidently the work of novices, as the manner in which they operated proves it. The Post Office is located in the Russell Block on Main street and the ingress was attempted through the door that leads into the yard. As there is only one way in which the robbers could get in the yard, that is, through the lane alongside of Daniel Lamb’s hardware store on Market street, it is supposed that that is the way they got in there.
About two o’clock this morning, Irving Smith, who lives on Market street and whose yard adjoins the yard in the rear of the Post Office, was awakened by hearing a noise that sounded similar to blows being struck with a hammer. He immediately arose and went to the window, and peering out saw a number of men striking the back door of the Post Office with a sledge hammer. Calling his wife they watched the operations of the thieves. Mr. Smith and his brother-in-law, Alfred Schoonmaker, then went in search of an officer.
It is the custom of Officer Charles E. Abeel to go inside the Post Office several times during the night, and while making his rounds this morning he went in about a quarter to two. On opening the door he heard a very loud noise in the rear and was positive burglars were at work. Closing the door quietly he secreted himself and with a cocked revolver awaited developments. Shortly after he saw two men go down street and later they returned with Officer Krantz. Officer Abeel remained in the office until half-past two o’clock when there came a rap at the door. It was Officer Krantz with Smith and Schoonmaker and they had returned from Mr. Smith’s house where they saw the intruders at work. Krantz rapped several times and this frightened the robbers and they ceased their hammering. Officers Abeel and Krantz then went around to Smith’s yard and hearing the fellows scale the fence, ran out on Market street. Officer Abeel called on the fleeing thieves to halt and then fired four shots. When the robbers reached Finger’s corner one of them fired two shots at the officer. Officer Krantz then informed Officer David Abeel and he followed the thieves to the West Shore where they escaped in the darkness, their identity being unknown.
Postmaster Wilbur was aroused from his bed shortly after, and went to the office, and an examination was made, and nothing was found missing. Some time ago Mr. Wilbur had the windows in the rear of the office, covered with heavy iron bars, and the door with heavy sheet iron and this also acted as a preventive to some extent.
The burglars had broken one of the panels out of the door, and had cut a large hole in the sheet iron and also had the door and lower bolts unlocked. The upper bolt was locked and a large iron bar was under the door ready to shove it open, when the burglars were frightened by officer Krantz’s rapping. Mr. Smith in speaking of the robbers’ operation, said; “They would strike the door with the sledge and then run in the rear of a closet in the yard. There was two of them, and they acted as though they were afraid they would be seen.”
About eight o’clock this morning Reuben Quick the blacksmith on the corner of Livingston and Second streets came to the Post Office and said his shop had been entered during the night, through a window and several of his tools were stolen. When shown the tools left behind by the Post Office robbers, he identified them as the ones stolen from his shop. The tools were a sledge hammer, a monkey wrench, a long iron bar, an iron punch and a chisel.

Great credit is due Officer Charles Abeel for his vigilance and were it not that the thieves were frightened away by Officer Krantz’s rappings, they would in all probability have been caught.

The alarm of fire was sounded this morning shortly before eight o’clock which was quickly responded to by the firemen. It was located in the bakery of C. F. Suderley’s Sons and was quickly extinguished. It originated from a barrel of ashes standing near the oven and did but little damage. The principal loss is from water and will not exceed $50. Fully insured through Eckert & Snyder’s agency in the village. Snyder Hose Co. had a stream of water on the fire within ten minutes after the alarm was sounded, using the hydrant in front of Butzel’s store. A strong north wind was blowing at the time and it is fortunate that ample help was near at hand, as at one time the fire had had gained considerable headway.

Max J. Engel, the man who is traveling with a dog cart from Buffalo to New York, arrived in town Saturday afternoon and registered at the Central. A large dog draws the wagon and his master. He left Buffalo Sept. 20th and expects to reach New York on Saturday or Sunday next to fill and engagement at Huber’s 14th street museum. His dog’s name is Carlo, six years old; weights eighty-seven pounds and has been drawing a wagon for five years. Mr. Engel met with his misfortune at Buffalo (his native city) in the year 1890 while attempting to jump on an engine on the D. L. & W. R. R. He missed his hold and fell between the wheels cutting off both his legs near the hip joint. He left here Sunday morning on the way to his destination.

It is said that the leader of the ‘gang’ is so delighted over the rosy hue his imagination has colored things that he goes out in the back yard every morning and after gazing intently at his own reflection takes off his hat to himself and says “Good morning Senator.”

THE TELEGRAPH would like to know what has become of a certain affidavit filed once on a time with the Town Clerk of this town in relation to the increased assessment of the West Shore R. R. The affidavit was
made by one Wemple and alleged that if a R. R. pass was given to a certain man, the assessment would
not be increased.
Where is this affidavit? Who has abstracted it from the records of this town?
THE TELEGRAPH has a copy which it will shortly print.

THE TELEGRAPH will shortly begin to give its readers a detailed history of jobs and deals made by the
Corner gang that would have made Tweed envious. It will be facts, cold damning facts too.
The people are going to settle their accounts with the Corner gang. They have endured bribery and
corruption long enough.

2596. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 12, 1897. – Laflin Hose Officers. – Elected at Their Regular
meeting on Monday Evening.
The following officers were elected at the regular monthly meeting of Laflin Hose Co. Monday evening.
Col. H. D. Laflin, Captain; Chas. Derby, Lieutenant; Wm. J. Gordon, Foreman; Harry Stewart, First
Assistant Foreman; Thos. Bradley, Second Assistant Foreman; E. P. McCormick, Representative; W. J.
Cox, Recording Secretary; Clare Finnegan, Financial Secretary; Geo. H. Reynolds, Treasurer; H. D. Laflin,
W. J. Gordon, W. V. McCormick, Chas. Derby, Trustees; C. Burhans, C. Genthner, J. Gilmore, Refreshment
Committee.

Ernest Hassinger has been presented with a copy of the Ulster County Gazette of the date of June 4,
1800, by C. G. Wilson who secured it while traveling in the west. It contains an account of the funeral of
George Washington.

2598. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 23, 1897. – The Sheffield Paper Co. Suit. – A hearing of the
Defense in the Filter Case Before Senator Linson.
At the hearing in the case of the Cumberland Manufacturing Co. vs. the Sheffield Paper Co. before ex-
Senator Linson as referee, at his office in Kingston, Friday, one of the exhibits in the case was a nice
bottle of clear water taken from the upper Esopus creek. As heretofore stated Carroll Whitaker is the
attorney for the plaintiff, and Senator Davis for the defendant. The whole day was taken up with the
examination and cross examination of Harry S. Morgan, called as a witness for the defense. Mr.
Morgan, who was formerly President of the Sheffield Paper Co., and at present is general manager, has
been in the paper mill business 16 years, and his evidence was principally upon the point made by the
defense that the Warren Filter plant placed in the defendant’s paper mill by the plaintiffs, regarding
which the action is brought, would not yield one million gallons of bright, clear, white water each
twenty-four hours according to contract. Mr. Morgan made several tests the past few weeks of the
filter. One of these showed that the flow of water through the filter without chemicals, amounted to
474 2-10 gallons per minute, or 682,848 gallons in twenty four hours, the second test made 438 2-10
gallons per minute, or 628,008 gallons in 24 hours, and the third test gave 465,67 100 gallons per
minute or 670,564 gallons in 24 hours. At the time the tests were made the water was very clear, a
sample of which he presented. He did not use alum, the chemical usually used, and this would have
retarded the action of the water, instead of hastening it through the filter. His cross examination was
not finished at 3 o’clock, at which time the case was adjourned to Wednesday, Nov. 3rd.

2599. Union Citizen Ticket, Dec. 14, 1897. [hand dated]
Following is a list of candidates nominated on the petition by the required number of voters and their names will be printed on the official ballot for the coming charter election which takes place at Fireman’s Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 14th, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M. on that day:

For Directors,

Ward No. 1 – Charles McNally
  do    do  2 - Edson Finger
  do    do  3 - Norman Cunyes

For Treasurer,
  William H. Eckert.

For Collector,
  John Crowley

For Assessors,

Ward No. 1 – Richard S. Gibson
  do    do  2 – John W. Shults
  do    do  3 – Jeremiah P. Russell

For Fire Wardens,

Ward No. 1 – James Reynolds
  do    do  2 - Ernest Hassinger
  do    do  3 – John A. Snyder

[ Ward 1, south of the Esopus. Ward 2, east side of Partition Street. Ward 3, West side of Partition Street.]


Pursuant to a judgment of foreclosure and sale, Benjamin M. Coon, referee, sold at the Palmer House this forenoon at public auction the real estate known as the Sheffield Mills.

The action was entitled Agnes R. L. Sheffield, as trustee under a mortgage of deed of trust for the benefit of the holders of the bonds secured by a mortgage or deed of trust executed by the Sheffield Paper Company, (a corporation) to her, bearing date June 18th 1894, recorded in Ulster County Clerk’s office, July 12th 1894, plaintiff against the Sheffield Company and others.

A portion of the terms of sale was ten per cent. of the purchase price to be paid on the day of sale and the residue on the 24th day of November next at the office of the referee.

The sale did not include the machinery in possession of the Saugerties Manufacturing Company nor the Long Dock property.

After the description or [sic] the property and terms of sale had been read by the referee, Carroll Whitaker, as attorney for the Cumberland Manufacturing Co., gave formal notice that there was a difference of opinion in regard to the right to sell a Warner filtering plant now in the buildings occupied as paper mills, that it had not been paid for and the company reserved the right to remove the said filter from the premises at any time.

Peter Cantine, as counsel for the mill people, claimed the filter was not good and that it was incapable of supplying the wants it was intended for, and that ownership did not rest exclusively in the Cumberland Manufacturing Company as the sum of $1650 and interest had been paid on the purchase price. After counsel had made the above statements, the referee offered the property for sale.

The total amount of claims against the property was stated to be $125,354.89. Col. Payne, President of the Pennsylvania Paper Company bid $25,000. Peter Cantine bid $40,000 and it was sold to him at that figure. Mr. Cantine stated the purchaser was Mrs. Agnes R. L. Sheffield as trustee for the bondholders.
2601. Citizen’s Nominations, Dec 14, 1897. [hand dated] – Candidates to be Voted For at the Coming Charter Election.
The Citizens Party nominations for Village Officers have been made as follows:

FOR DIRECTORS.
Ward No. 1 – Edward Rogers
   “ “ 2 – Martin Cantine
   “ “ 3 – Ebenezer L. Quick

FOR COLLECTOR.
David E. Abeel

FOR TREASURER.
Wm. H. Eckert

FOR ASSESSORS.
Ward No. 1 – James Crump
   “ “ 2 - Theo. B. Cornwell
   “ “ 3 – Jeremiah P. Russell

FOR FIRE WARDENS.
Ward No. 1 – James Reynolds
   “ “ 2 – Ernest Hassinger
   “ “ 3 – John A. Snyder

2602. It is said that cow bells are produced only in four factories in the United States, and are made just the same as they were 100 years ago, and sound the same.

The community was startled Monday evening about nine o’clock, to learn that Mr. Bryan Finger had suddenly expired at his home. It appears he left the house to go to the barn, and shortly afterwards must have been stricken with heart disease, as he was found dead by his daughter a few minutes afterwards.
She immediately alarmed the family and the neighbors, among whom was Miss Mai Smedberg who ran across the street to the residence of David Maxwell with the intelligence that Mr. Finger had fallen down in his yard and was helpless. Mr. Maxwell in company with T. B. Belch, who was at Mr. Maxwell’s at the time, responded to the call and arriving on the scene found Mr. R. B. Overbagh and Benjamin L. Emerick had preceeded them and with their assistance Mr. Finger was carried into the house.
Dr. Montgomery and Dr. J. H. De Witt was telephoned for, and Dr. De Witt immediately responded, and after a searching examination pronounced him dead. Shortly afterwards Dr. Montgomery and Coroner Kemble arrived.
After an examination and learning the facts in the case, Coroner Kemble decided an inquest to be unnecessary, and issued a burial permit.

Mr. Finger was born in this village Dec. 3d 1830, and was one of a family of thirteen children born to Mr. and Mrs. Adam Finger, nine boys and four girls, of who all but five are now dead, viz; Henry L., and Jeremiah, of this village, Mrs. Sarah Staats and Gilbert H., of New York city, and Daniel, of Rhinebeck. When a young man, Mr. Finger entered the employ of James Woodruff, general merchant, who then kept his store where the harness shop of Mr. William E. Kipp is now located, as a clerk. Sometime afterwards he went into the grocery and feed business for himself in the store corner of Montgomery and Partition streets.
Disposing of his stock to other parties, he moved to Unionville and engaged in the flour and feed business locating in the mill afterwards known as the Van Hoesen grist mill, where he continued for several years, afterwards forming a co-partnership with Mr. James Lewis in the cooperage business in the city of Brooklyn.

Afterwards in company with his brother Robert, they purchased the lumber and coal business of the late John Field, were they continued the business under the firm name of Finger Brothers until the death of Robert, when Henry L. Finger purchased Robert’s interest and afterwards sold his share to Daniel Finger who disposed of it to Mr. Ira Lewis and the firm names was changed to Finger & Lewis, in which Mr. Finger was actively engaged at the time of his death.

Mr. Finger, while a Republican in politics, was not a politician, and never held a public office. He was a sterling citizen and an upright and an honorable man, a sincere christian [sic] and a member of the Congregational Church, of this village.

His death is universally regretted by a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He leaves a widow and four children, one son and three daughters, all of whom are married. The funeral notice appears elsewhere in this paper.

2604. Insects are for their size the strongest members of the animal creation. Many beetles can lift a weight equal to more than 500 times the weight of their own bodies.
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One hundred and nine thousand locomotives are at present running in various countries. Europe has 63,000, America 40,000, Asia, 3,300, Australia 2,000 and Africa 700.
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What is probably the most venerable piece of furniture in existence is now in the British [statement ends.]

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All things must have a beginning as well as an end. We propose briefly to chronicle the history of the evolution (with apologies to Darwin) of that variety of human being known as the local political Boss. Shakespeare wisely said “some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and others have greatness thrust upon them.”

In this instance it seems to be agreed that the Boss was not born great, that he never achieved greatness, nor was greatness thrust upon him. It is clear that Shakespeare did not at the time when he wrote those lines contemplate the future existence of such bosses, or he would have changed the lines sufficiently to have embraced this kind of men.

When the boss made his debut on the political stage, it was not in the character of the heavy villain, nor did he appear as the hero of the play. He was the property man, acting in a menial capacity and looking after the baggage. The applause of the galleries and the glare of the footlights was less familiar to him than the appearance of the party trunks and the brushing of the actors’ clothes. At that time there were upright men who guided the destinies of the Republican party, but then, that was some time ago.

The condition lasted for some time and in the next act, he was allowed to assist in making up the canvass books. The men in control of the organization regarded the boss as entirely inoffensive. His very weakness constituted his greatest strength. Familiarity with the canvass books and talks with party workers soon had its natural effect. From repeating the orders of others to them, he soon began to give them his own commands and thus he invidiously after a time became boss.

The town was heavily Republican and to carry it, required no more than to get out the Republican vote. It was easy after that. When there was any opposition to his continuing to be Boss, he had only to bawl forth that it was a wicked attempt to disrupt the party and he no doubt believed this; for his vanity had
become so swollen that he believed he alone was the Republican party. In his indignation, heated by undeserved success, he beheld the sun of Republicanism rise in his front office and set behind his chair. His accession to power was as much of a mystery to himself as it was to others and reaching no conclusion as to its cause, he believed himself the child of destiny; that he was the Napoleon of his time, that there must be a continuation of Marengos and Austerlitzs that there never would be a Waterloo to him. St. Helena was as far away as the planets.

Roscoe Conkling was at the zenith of his power, a dictator to his party; but Conkling was a man of great force of character and strength. He was a man of brilliancy and genius. He rose because he deserved to rise. This boss has arisen because of his lack of all those qualities. His weakness has been his greatness;

his lack of power and force his greatest strength. He never had any fixed ideas upon anything or any subject, except the advisability of his own advancement.

In the Senate of the State of New York, he has never made a speech in his life and never will; and none of his colleagues there expect him to do so. He was sent there to vote and to vote as he was told and he has not in a single instance disappointed his master. He has had his rise, his decline, and the fall will not be long delayed. If he will listen, this modern Napoleon can hear the waves beat on his St. Helena.


A hearing was has in the case of the Cumberland Manufacturing Company vs. the Sheffield Paper Company before the referee, ex-Senator Linson, at his offices in Kingston, Wednesday. Carroll Whitaker appearing for plaintiff and Senator Davis for defendant.

As stated in the POST, the action is brought for moneys claimed to be due on a contract on what is known as a Warren filter plaintiff furnished defendants, the defense being that the filter was not according to contract, in that it would no yield one million gallons of bright, clear white water each twenty-four hours.

At the hearing two witnesses were examined, Samuel Hainsey of Holyoke, Mass., formerly of this village, and Langdon Paul, of Gardiner, Maine, each being foreman of a paper mill. Mr. Hainsey formerly worked for the defendants, and testified that he had charge of the filter plant in question. He explained the filter, which contains an “agitating machine” to stir up the sand, driving the deposit out through a waste pipe. The witness said he could not testify that the filter could produce more than 200,000 gallons every 24 hours, but it would filter more than they could use, and he did not run it up to the full test. He had never made any test to see how much clear, bright water could be produced by the Warren filter per day, and there was no way that he could tell. He never used any chemicals in connection with the filter while at Saugerties, as they were making a cheaper paper and did not need much clear water. They never had any coagulated water in the mill at Saugerties. The water that came out of the creek was considered good enough. He never heard any complaint, though he did not hear them talking in the office, that they couldn’t get a million gallons through in 24 hours. This was two months or six weeks before he left. On the cross-examination he said he did not know whether it produced a million gallons of water per day or not.

Mr. Paul testified that he started up the plant Saugerties, and no complaint was made regarding its working. The Warren filters would produce something like a million and a quarter of gallons in a day. When asked if it was possible to produce clear bright water passing through the filter plant at Saugerties without the use of chemical, he said no, not absolutely clear water, that is, water clear as alcohol. Most all water was charged with vegetable matter to some extent. The workmanship of the plant at Saugerties was first class. On cross-examination he was asked what he meant by the term, “bright, clear, white water,” and he said he meant water that was “clear, the same as would come out of a good,
nice spring. The chemical usually recommended was alum. The object of the Warren filter was to produce bright, clear water, and it was supposed to take out anything that would injure paper when used in a paper mill, such as coal dust, tar, decayed sawdust and a thousand and one things. The plaintiff rested and another hearing will be had next Friday, when the defense will put in... [bottom of column, ends here.]

That has come about in the affairs of the men who compose the corner, which sooner or later was bound to come.
It is not a new scene on the political stage. The curtain has fallen on many similar ones before. There were men in this organization, of strength, men who toiled for their leader and worshipped him as idolatriously as ever heathen bowed before the graven images their superstitious instinct taught them to revere. He might not have repaid such devotion with substantial rewards as measured by money, but a word of praise and encouraging glance from the great man, was all the recompense they exacted. To bask in the sunshine of his pleasure was the Mecca of their hopes and the Paradise of their desires. Their fancy conjured up a throne of his office chair, a golden crown of his brown derby hat and the swaying of his glasses, a magic wand.

All their lives they might have been content to have been but courtiers, to have knelt in a circle about the throne and with bowed heads on the dusty floor, sing the deeds of his greatness.

Why they had endowed him with all these attributes of greatness, they had never asked themselves, they took it for a fact, perhaps, because he seemed great. It was plain then that when they questioned themselves as to the reason why this disenchantment must come, and the throne would again become a plain office chair, and the golden crown a hat. He had held them by what is called in poker “a bluff.” James has called and the great man has not even got a pair.

Then they were bound to get up from their knees and after wiping the accumulated dust of years of servility from the hair, wonder why they had knelt so long. They had grown thin by constant supplication but now for the first time, the noticed that worship had made him fat.

It is only to be wondered at that James had so long been content to do all the work, to contribute all the brains and received in return all the curses but none of the credit. He was the ablest politician among them. He had a lifetime of political experience and he it was who gave to them what measure of political success they attained. In fact he was the sun which cast all the light, and the great man the moon, who reflected the radiance. He was the great planet, the great man, the satellite, but before the illusion was dispelled, the great man appeared to be the sun. He appears so no longer. Except perhaps to the eyes of his Board of Directors who may perpetuate his memory by having his portrait on the wall of their room. Gratitude [sic] could not do less but it may seem to them that a mirror would accomplish the same purpose and also furnish an additional number of similar reflections.

It was cruel of James to puncture his tire.

2608. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 27, 1897. – Still Has His License.
The hearing of the evidence of Capt. Ezra Whitaker, the pilot on the steamer Ulster, when she ran on the rocks at Deane’s Point on Nov. 11th, was held before the steamboat inspectors in New York the past week. Mr. Whitaker related his story about the attack of cramps he had as already told in the Post. The inspectors did not revoke his license as it is necessary for someone to make a complaint. As none had been made his license as a pilot continues.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

2609. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Oct. 22, 1897. – The Sad Case of Mr. Sleight.
Has Sleight been the victim of a bunco game? Has he been betrayed by his bosom friend James? Has he been running a little comedy show with Charley, the burnt cork artist, and is James a great lightning-change impersonater. [sic]
It is known by every one how Sleight has kept James as Deputy clerk at a salary of $1500 per year at least and it and it is alleged by some that Sleight divided up his receipts of the office with James. Fratsher was a candidate from James’ own Town – and James was cheek by jowl with him. Then everyone asked, “Will James betray the man who gave him his position of $1500 per year and perhaps more?
James made a big bluff. He called Charley horrid names at Kingston and he was indignant over his “friend” Sleight. Now the Corner gang have started out their henchmen and bill stickers to announce that James gets down on his knees to Charley just as he used to do and that James is still one of the most respectable members of the dark Lantern Brigade. No candid man, no honest man, no unprejudiced man, can come to but one conclusion and that is that the gang have placed James in a terrible position, in a vile, dishonorable position and either conclusion is as bad as the other. May God save James from his friends.
If James did betray Sleight then every man must feel for him the contempt which dishonor and betrayed confidence excites. If he was playing a bluff with Charley as the corner gang say he was, and was doing all these things for effect, then every decent man must entertain for him the same feeling. The Corner gang are trying to ruin James. The corner gang are trying to put him in a position of dishonor and disgrace. There is only one thing left for you to do Mr. James. Come out boldly and say your friendship for Sleight was genuine and when you called Charley all those bad names you meant them and you were not playing to the galleries. Cut loose from the hypocrisy, the cant, the pretend decency of the Corner gang of political ruffianism, and take a place among decent men. Save yourself, Mr. James!

The corner gang are held together by a common love of plunder. The bond of union that unites them is the same that unites a band of lawless people who wage warfare upon organized society. Their methods are venial, corrupt and degrading. This supremacy endangers the welfare of the town and village. They masquerade in the name of virtue and decency but they can’t fool the people all the time.

2611. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Nov. 4, 1897. – Babylon is Fallen.
The Corner are sore at heart. They shed scaling bitter tears and gnash their teeth in impotent rage, and pull out their hair in handfuls. They beat their heads on the pavement and hide at home. Decency has triumphed. Honesty has conquered boodle. Manhood has won against bulldozing, infamous dirty politics.
The Corner is smashed. The coterie of creatures herded together by the lowest instincts that can actuate mankind are fallen. King Davis is a peasant. The palace of yesterday is the hovel of to-day. The glory of his greatness is but a contrast to his present pitiable, abject, fallen condition. His halo is gone, He is Charlie, poor Charlie, now. Who can not afford to shed a few tears of silent sympathy for the fallen, great man.

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At the close of the Supreme Court, at Kingston of Friday last, the District Attorney revived interest in the Capt. Mulligan murder by requesting that the charges connecting Thomas King with it be investigated by the next Grand Jury.

A reporter for THE TELEGRAPH called upon Mr. Carroll Whitaker who was assigned by the Court to defend King, and Mr. Whitaker stated as follows:

“The action of the District Attorney in again requesting permission for the next Grand Jury to investigate the charge against Thomas King, of complicity in the murder of Patrick Mulligan, is a very unusual proceeding, and is a mere bluff; it is cruel to King, to his relatives and to his friends, because it implies there is some evidence against him, when in fact there is none, and never was any.

in view of the continued persecution of King – the object of which must be apparent to all – it is time that the facts relating to the charge be given to the public, as the two examinations before the Police Justice, under the protest of King, were held in secret; of course, the investigation before the Grand Jury was in secret, when even King was not present. When King subsequently stood up in Court, in Kingston, demanding a trial – where the public could not be excluded – the District Attorney threw up the sponge.

Patrick Mulligan was brutally murdered early in the morning of the 20th of November, 1896, in Saugerties. It was a bright moonlight night. Early in the evening Thomas King, Thomas Conley, John Daley, Albert Myer, Levi Carle, Thomas Slade, Lawrence Lasher, George Morse, Frank Dougherty and a few others, were in the saloon kept by Charles Slater on the corner of Market and Livingston street in Saugerties. King and some of the others had been drinking from about five o’clock in the afternoon before the murder. One of the party had an altercation with Thomas Slade, which subsequently played an important part in the affair. Slade was struck and some time about ten o’clock started for the office of Police Justice Coon to have his assailant arrested, the others following. At the foot of the stairway leading up to the latter’s office a wrangle occurred, as some of the party were trying to persuade Slade not to make the complaint. So much noise was made that Mr. Cantine and others came down and threatened to have the party arrested. Dougherty and King were drunk. Mr. Cantine walked toward home; Dougherty walking behind or alongside of him. King, Conley and Daley followed behind. They were all on the north side of Main street. The last three I mentioned walked down to the corner of Montgomery and Partition streets. Dougherty and Carle came down on the west side of Partition street. The party broke up there. Conley and Daley went home. Dougherty had a sentimental vein in him, and went off to give his lady-love a moonlight serenade. Many persons heard him afterward singing a “lullaby” at the top of his voice. When he had concluded his Romeo performance he repaired to the barn of William Doyle where he undoubtedly slept that night. King and Carle went down as far as the latter’s house on McCarthy street, near the head of Dock street. They went there to get a drink, but the house was closed. It was then about eleven of half-past eleven o’clock. Carle went into his house and King went down Dock street to his own home, which was then occupied by his sister and brothers, who had retired. When King reached his home a light was burning; he entered the house and staggered about the room, and he spoke to his sister. She was indignant because he was intoxicated, and she refused to speak to him. She and her brother saw him take the lighted lamp and go into the cellar for something to eat; they were somewhat alarmed, fearing some accident to the lamp. King returned to the room, threw himself upon a lounge, fell asleep, instantly, and slept there, soundly until morning, occasionally waking his brother and sister by his harsh and heavy breathing. He was sleeping there when Patrick Mulligan was being brutally murdered.

Early in the morning, after daylight, King, and the members of his family, were first informed of the murder by Alfred Myer, who passed the home on his way to work. King went to the place where the body was found, and he assisted in the search for evidence against the murderer, and he pointed out some blood spots leading down the hill to Dock street, and up Dock street, and elsewhere. The terrible crime aroused the whole community. Detectives were employed and a most remarkable investigation and persecution followed. On November 23d, 1896, a poor, homeless, houseless,
inoffensive boy, was arrested and placed in the village jail. With his mind and body racked and weakened by exposure and drink, and with that degree of nervousness and exhaustion which follows drunkenness and debauchery, he found himself a prisoner, charged with the terrible crime of murder; and having been too drunk to know just what he had done, or where he had been, and confined in an atmosphere which tended to convince him that he might be guilty, and realizing his friendless and helpless condition – he took his life. The great detectives at once concluded that he was guilty, and the sniffed the air for fresh victims.

Suicide is not proof of guilt. It depends upon the conditions under which it is committed. It proved nothing in the case of Dougherty. Guilty or innocent, life had no charms for him. But the detectives claimed to think him guilty. Apparently they abandoned every other theory. They traced what was said to be an old blood-stained coat to the barn of Peter Van Steenburgh, and they clung to that old coat, when it was perfectly well known that the few stains upon it, if they were human blood stains, had been there since the fight between Dougherty and William Lasher, on Post street, before the murder was committed. Dougherty passed beyond their reach; Thomas King was selected for a victim, and they began to weave a spider like web around him. After a herculean effort it was discovered that one, William W. Slade, claimed he had seen Dougherty and Thomas King, the evening of the murder, in front of the saloon of Harry Thomas, corner of Main and James streets, openly threatening to whip someone who was inside. It has never been claimed that any one, save William W. Slade, saw them there. The detectives at once reached the conclusion that the man whom they intended to whip was Patrick Mulligan; but William Slade, truthfully said he believed their threats were intended for Thomas Slade, his brother, and every person believed that if Thomas King and Dougherty were there at all that night, and if they did threaten any one, it was Thomas Slade, with whom the altercation had been had earlier in the evening, and who had gone into Thomas’s saloon to obtain a sandwich. Thomas King has always insisted that he was not on that corner at all that night. William W. Slade testified he saw them standing there at 8 o’clock in the evening, and that Dougherty wanted to borrow ten cents from him. He further testified that he gave him all the money he had – two cents. Slade further testified that he then went to two saloons and purchased drinks for himself, and returned to that corner again about ten o’clock. How could he have gone around purchasing drinks if he gave Dougherty all his money? It is plain that it was desired to create the inference that King and Dougherty stood outside Thomas’ saloon from 8 p. m. to 10 p. m., waiting for Mulligan, and threatening him with injury. No sane man believes that if King and Dougherty contemplated robbing and murdering Mulligan, (and he was robbed and murdered), they would stand upon a public, well travelled street, early in the evening, on a bright moonlight night, and proclaim their intention to do so; and is it not equally strange that no one except William W. Slade saw King or Dougherty there, or heard any such threats, although it was a beautiful night, and a large number of people were on the street passing that central place. There were three other things upon which they claimed to rely to convict Thomas King, and were it not for the gravity of the matter, they would afford a whole winter’s amusement. One was that a dog owned by Charles Cantine (colored) and friendly with the King family had a bruise or a cut on him. There was no connection between the dog and the murder – in fact Miss Crowley, who thought she heard outcries that night, heard no dog; nor was the barking of a dog at the place of the murder heard by any one. There are very many ways in which the dog could have been marked. The next thing was that Charles Acker testified before the Grand Jury, that while he was on his way to work, early in the morning after the murder, he saw Thomas King on the corner near the residence of the late Peter P. Schoonmaker. Well, suppose he did, what of it? But he did not for George Heiser and William McCarthy, who were with or near Acker, state that King was not there; and King and his brothers and sister say he was at home – so there you have six to one. But the last of the three caps the climax. They relied on Eugene Carlé’s statement before the Grand Jury to convict King. Eugene Carlé, William Lasher, Daniel Kane and Henry Thompson (if their sworn testimony can be relied upon, given before the
Coroner’s Jury on November 30, 1896, when the Mulligan inquest was held, must have passed the very place where the murder occurred at about the time the crime was committed. They all, in answer to the questions put by the District Attorney, testified that they heard nothing and saw nothing. Lasher, Kane and Thompson have ever since insisted that their testimony was true. Under the mysterious influence of the detectives Eugene Carle was taken before the Grand jury, and was permitted to testify that he saw King and Dougherty going over Mynderse hill from the scene of the murder. He was contradicted by his three companions, by King, and by King’s brother and sister, and by his own former sworn statement. It seemed like the irony of fate when the District Attorney, who summoned Carle before the Grand Jury against King, was compelled to send Carle to state prison for a term of years.

Can you find anything in Slade’s statement, in the dog matter, in the Acker story or in the Eugene Carle episode to charge King with the murder of Capt. Mulligan? And yet on the 28th day of January, 1897, two months after the murder, the air was filled with rumors that the great mystery had at last been unravelled by the employees of the District Attorney. John F. McCullough a stranger here, (but not elsewhere,) made a sworn information before Police Justice Coon that Thomas King was the murderer. King’s sister, and others, had been submitted to humiliation. The house had been ransacked, and even a part of Maggie King’s clothing examined, compared, or carried away.

The prisoner demanded an immediate examination, and requested that it be made public. The District Attorney objected, and it was held in secret. There was nothing in the testimony given connecting Thomas King, except William W. Slade’s fairy tale. King told of his movements, based upon his shattered recollection of details. Judge Coon promptly discharged him. On February 8th, McCullough concluded it was time to do something again, and he made another complaint against King – technically called information – before Judge Coon, and swore to it.

King was arrested again and he again demanded a public examination, which was denied him. More witnesses were examined about men who went out riding with another man’s horse, about a missing Unionville man who lost his companion here in the village, and other rubbish – when William W. Slade was again called. It was pitiful to see him trying to tell the same tale over again; he became so lost in the shuffle of his own stories that he fainted, and was kept swinging between life, death and insanity for a week, during all of which time King suffered the humiliation of being confined in an iron cage, except when he was paraded about the streets in irons. Upon application to Judge Parker – who is a very able and conscientious judge- King was at once discharged. But the great detective charged King with the murder under oath, and it was too late to follow other trails – so in the latter part of February a procession of forty village people, headed by the great detective, with “Piccadilly” Slade, Charley Acker, a dog, and Eugene Carle bringing up the rear, suddenly marched, at the word of command from the District Attorney, to the Grand Jury room at Kingston. The witnesses could not connect King, but the grand jury did not know Slade, Carle or the dog, and some of them thought it better to have a trial, so King was indicted; and arrested again, and was thrown into jail, and was forced to remain there about four months and probably he would have been there yet, but for his urgent demands for a trial. The District Attorney was willing to keep him in jail from February until October. The absence of an alleged witness for the people, in Pennsylvania, was made the pretext for an adjournment; but through the efforts of the prisoner’s friends the witness was brought here, and then the people were not ready. The Court adjourned for two months and specially convened to try King.

The most desperate and despicable efforts were made by the detectives to procure testimony against King. I will mention one as a fair example. McCullough went to a Hebrew pack peddler in Hudson, and in some mysterious way, got him to make a complaint in Catskill against John Daley of Saugerties – charging the latter with an attempt at robbery. Daley was arrested here and lodged in Catskill jail. Daley states that after his arrest McCullough approached him and offered to secure his release if he (Daley) would testify against King. Daley states that he scorned the offer, as he, himself, had committed no offence, and he did not believe King had. The District Attorney of Ulster County, and McCullough,
appeared actively against Daley on his examination at Catskill, but Daley was promptly discharged. Such
are the methods that have been employed to convict Thomas King.
The latter was arraigned by trial at the Court House in Kingston on the 21st of June last, and was ready
for trial, with a large number of witnesses subpened in his behalf. King demanded a trial, but the
indictment against him was quashed on motion of the District Attorney because he knew that King
would be acquitted on the trial. But in order to conceal the weakness of their case the Court was asked
that the Grand Jury in October following (this month) be authorized to further investigate the charges
against King. That court has come and gone, and at the close of it the District-Attorney again requested
permission for the next Grand Jury to inquire. All these maneuvers are for effect. They are playing to
the galleries. The District Attorney is bluffing. He has no evidence against King, and he never did have
any worthy the name, and what is more he never will have any. If the District Attorney honestly
believes he has he must be in consultation with some astrologer.
People ask if there is no remedy for King – yes, there is, and it shall be applied.
The man or men who overpowered Patrick Mulligan – who was a strong man – were sober, powerful,
quick and desperate – and he or they should be apprehended. But the persecution of Thomas King –
who is absolutely innocent – is without a parallel in this state. There isn’t the shadow of a doubt of his
innocence of the death of Captain Mulligan.”

2613. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, [sic] Dec. 9, 1897. [hand written]
At the regular meeting of J. R. Tappen Post, No. 215, G. A. R., held Tuesday evening, Dec. 7th, the
following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Eugene Barritt, Commander, Abram Tuck, Senior
Vice Commander; Jeremiah Teetsel, Chaplain; Gilbert Dederick, Surgeon; Abram A. Post, Officer of the
Day; William Burhans, Officer of the Guard; J. S. Elmendorf, Quartermaster; Ebenezer L. Quick, Delegate
to the State Encampment; J. Smith Elmendorf, Alternate.

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2614. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 4, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular Meeting Held
Saturday Evening. – Certificates of Membership Granted – Bids for Crushing Stone Order to be Received
– Several Bills Paid.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Oct. 2, 1897, with all Directors present
but Mr. Cantine. Vice-President Quick presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.
On motion Exemption certificates were granted to Michael Clerkin, Fred Hildebrandt and membership
certificates to Jacob Muller, Chas. Slater and John McLaughlin. Street Committee reported progress on
Main Street improvement.
On motion the clerk was ordered to advertise for bids for the quarrying and crushing of stone delivered
below the hill same to be in the clerk’s hand by Oct 16th.
Matter of repairs to heater was referred to the Firemanic Committee.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Finger &amp; Lewis, supplies,</td>
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On motion adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.

2615. Saugerties Post, Saugerties. NY. Oct. 18, 1897. – OUR VILLAGE FATHERS. – The Board of Directors
Transact Considerable Business. – The Hallenbeck Case to go On – A Petition From the Citizens
Telephone Co. Received and Read – Other Business.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Oct. 16th 1897, with all directors
present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Street committee reported repairs to tramroad finished to Partition street, also that curb and gutter on
Main street from A. P. Lasher’s to Cedar street had been laid and walk partly raised, also reported curb
and gutter set on John street, and work progressing on laying of flag stone.

Firemanic committee reported repairs made to heater and same working satisfactory.

On motion Henry Kipper was awarded the contract for the quarrying and crushing of 2000 tons of stone
and the opening up of a new quarry for the sum of 55 cents per ton and further that a contract be
drawn satisfactory to the board and a bond to be given with sufficient surety to indemnify the board and
protect their interest.

Mr. Kipper was the only bidder.

On motion, the Health Board, Water Committee and Town Board were ordered notified not to put any
signs or lettering on the lamp posts, telegraph posts or trees according to the existing ordinance
prohibiting the same.

The Street committee was ordered to make the necessary correction to the present bicycle signs so as to
comply with the interpretation of the law.

On motion Chas. C. Cornwell was awarded the contract to paint the lamp posts and fixtures in the village
two coats at 38 cents each, he to furnish the materials, color to be selected by the Board, and work
done under the supervision of street committee.

A communication from the Citizen’s Telephone Co. was read and ordered received and referred to the
street committee.

Byron Hallenbeck appeared before the Board relative to the settlement of the judgment of Samuel
Hallenbeck against the village, and after deliberation on the figures which he presented to them, they
decided they could not change their decision from proceeding with the case.

The subject of a crosswalk on Main street, between Cedar street and Washington avenue was discussed.

The following bills were ordered paid from

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<td>P. Cantine, services and disbursements</td>
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<td>Wm. H. Eckert, treasurer</td>
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<td>J. Dederick, clerk</td>
<td>8.33</td>
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<td>John G. Palmer, janitor 3 mo</td>
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<td>S. L. Dawes, vital statistics,</td>
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<td>William Doyle, labor</td>
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<td>Cyrus Fuller, labor</td>
<td>3.00</td>
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2616. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Nov. 8, 1897. – The Village Legislature. – An Electric Light Co.’s Application for a Franchise Refused – A Proposition to Appropriate $800 for the Purchase of a New Fire Truck to be Submitted to the Taxpayers at the Charter Election.
The Board of Directors met Saturday evening, Nov. 6th. All the directors were present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
Street Committee reported that the grade, curb and gutter and flag at the east end of Main street completed, and the same on John street.
The Street Committee reported they had a report to make, relating to the franchise wanted by the Citizen’s Telephone Co., of New York and New Jersey.
This is the report:
1st. That it was not a corporated company under the law of the State of New York.
2nd. That the said company is not corporated in the laws of New Jersey, to string wires and operate a telephone business.
3rd. That the said company have only $1000.00 paid capital stock with a capitalization of $1,000,000.
4th. That the said company gives as one of their references and depositories, the State Trust Co., of New York. The said Trust Co. state that the use of their name by the Citizen’s Telephone Co., of New York and New Jersey, is unauthorized by them, and that they have no funds or other assets on deposit with them.
5th. That under the terms of the ordinance submitted, the said Citizen’s Telephone Co. of New York and New Jersey, or its assigns would have the right to operate electric light, trolley-road, telegraph, or any other business by means of electricity.
A motion was made that the franchise be refused and the report placed on file. It was so ordered.
A petition from the Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, was presented to the Board requesting to buy a new hook and ladder truck for the company.
A motion was made to have it placed on file and that the petition be submitted to the taxpayers of the village to be voted on at the coming charter election, and that the sum to be voted on and raised not to exceed $800.
A complaint was entered against James Gannon for allowing his cattle (cow) to run loose in the streets. it was moved that a notice be served on him to keep his cattle out of the street or the Board would prosecute him.
The following bills were ordered paid:
A. Pultz, labor and teams, $17.24
D. E. Abeel, 22.00
C. C. Cornwell, painting lamp posts $42.18, was referred to the Street Committee.
John Maxwell, lighting lamps, 46.00
M. Cantine Co., 16.45
Adams & Co., .25
Quick Bros. Co., 8.08
Dr. S. L. Dawes, salary, 50.00
Bill of Geo. W. Elting of $107.50 for printing was referred to the Finance Committee.
Board adjourned.


The Board of Directors met in regular session Saturday evening, Nov. 20th. President Cantine presided. Directors present: Rogers, Lasher, Quick and Myer.

Street Committee reported but little work doing on the tramway and that the Gordon sewer on Montgomery street had been repaired.

The annual report of the village Treasurer was read, received and referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion William E. Kipp was ordered notified to discontinue throwing ashes in the street in front of his premises on Livingston street, or permitting the same to be done.

L. B. Stanton was expelled for nonpayment of dues and A. H. Smith was confirmed as an active member of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

The Finance Committee approved the bills of George W. Elting and Charles Cornwell correct.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Street Commissioner, work of men and teams</td>
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<td>Charles Cornwall, painting lamp posts</td>
<td>42.18</td>
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<td>Geo. W. Elting, printing for 1895, 1896, 1897</td>
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<td>$214.84</td>
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The bill of J. L. Finger, amount $2, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The following notice to the taxpayers of the village was ordered published.

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES

At our next Charter Election, which is near at hand, the Board of Directors, will submit for your approval, two amendments concerning the amounts of monies to be raised for caring for the village properties and roads. Also a request from the fire department.

FIRST – Shall there be raised by tax, a sum not to exceed $800, for the purchase of a Hook & Ladder Truck and fixtures for the Village Fire Department. We all feel proud of our volunteer fire Department, and the personal sacrifice both in money and services, this department has rendered to the village. The Hook & Ladder Truck that is now in use, has been doing the same service since 1859, and now is in such a condition that it is not safe for the firemen to use. This means that in case of a fire, we might find ourselves unable to extinguish it, through our own neglect in not having proper apparatus to cope with it; thus entailing a loss that none of us should desire.

SECOND – Shall there be raised by annual tax, the sum of $4000.00 for the care of village roads? Good roads are appreciated by every person. The roads about our town and village have been in a very bad condition for a great many years. This has caused the loss of a great deal of trade to our merchants, steamboat, and other trades, as people will go with their merchandise to places where good roads lead to, and are found within the city or village limits. Kingston and Catskill have been steadily drawing away from us trade that belongs here. Our village “Road Fund.” for the past four years has been $4000.00 annually, but with 1897, this amount ceases, and it goes back to $3000.00, unless it is the wish of the voters that the improvement in our village roads continue. We believe this matter should be submitted to the people, as we do not think it right to have this fund decreased, without first giving the taxpayers an opportunity to express their view on the subject.

THIRD – Shall there be raised by Annual Tax the sum of $4000.00, for the General Fund in Village Expenses?
During the past three years the Village has been lighted every night in the year, from Sunset until Sunrise, besides 20 new lights being added, against the old system of lighting 20 nights a month from sunset until eleven o’clock P. M. This extra lighting is an increased expense to this Fund, but we believe the Citizens appreciate the improvement in the present manner of street lighting. Our contract for lighting the Streets expires in March, 1898, and your decision on this Fund will necessarily have to decide the question of 20 nights a month until eleven o’clock P. M., or all night-lights, the entire year? The sum now asked for is $500.00 more than is now being raised annually for this Fund. The Directors have found, by the most prudent management of the Village affairs, that the present amount raised is inadequate to care for the expenses they are absolutely called upon to meet; and they do not feel it is right to have an indebtedness gradually grow upon the village, and before this can take place, the Directors desire this matter submitted to you, so their future actions can be in accordance to your wishes.

In submitting the foregoing amendments and explanations to you, we have taken great pains to ascertain whether or not they were essential to the needs and prosperity of the village. We find they are, and can assure you each item has been carefully gone over, so that we could get an amount that would not be excessive or burdensome to the taxpayers, and still be an amount sufficient [sic] to care for our requirements.

With this increase in the one fund, and the other allowed to remain where it is our annual tax will not be as large as the years of 1893–’94 – ’95, and only $500 more than 1896.

We now leave these matters with you, for careful consideration, and sincerely hope your decision will be affirmative. (Sgd.) THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES.

On motion, Board adjourned.

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2618. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 6, 1897. – OUR VILLAGE FATHERS. – The Board of Directors Transact Business Saturday Night. – A Short Business Meeting Held on Saturday Night.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Dec. 4, 1897, with all directors but Mr. Cornwell present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Finance committee agreed to meet with the Treasurer on Monday next, the 6th inst., and verify his report.

Bill of John Maxwell & Sons, was referred to street committee, amount $6.84.

Finance committee reported bill of J. Finger correct and same was ordered paid; amount $2.00.

On motion bill of Fred Yahncke, amount $30 and Patrick Corcoran, amount $38.04, was ordered paid from Dog Fund.

The President appointed as inspectors of the coming charter election Messrs. A. P. Lasher, J. D. Myer and Wm. E. Wolven.

Collector Abeel reported tax collection in total $9,728.64, and on motion the report was accepted and his bondsman ordered discharged.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>David E. Abeel, collectors fees</td>
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<td>Saugerties Gas Co., gas</td>
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<td>J. Finger, wood</td>
<td>2.00</td>
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<td>Daniel Lamb, supplies</td>
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<td>J. Maxwell, street lighting</td>
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2619. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 11, 1897. – A Special Meeting Held. – By the Board of Directors on Friday Evening.
Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening 7:30 p. m., called for the purpose of considering the resignation of J. D. Myer and Wm. E. Wolven as inspectors of the village charter election, with Directors Cantine, Quick, Lasher and Rogers present. President Cantine presiding. The resignation as inspectors of J. D. Myer and Wm. E. Wolven being read and accepted and placed on file. The president appointed Edward P. McCormick from Ward No. 1 and Wm. Base from Ward No. 3 as inspectors of the coming election in their stead.
On motion adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.

The last regular meeting of the old Board of Directors was held Saturday evening in the directors room at Fireman’s Hall. All the Directors present except Director Cornwell. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Finance committee reported the treasurer’s report as correct. Street committee reported the sewer in front of the Palmer House cleaned also the gutter at the upper end of Main street. They also reported the fire cistern in front of the Whittaker building on Main street as leaking, and engineer Capen, of the steamer Minnehaha, was ordered to pump the water out on Tuesday. Firemanic committee reported everything in the department apparatus in good order. Bills ordered paid.

Wm. Base, inspector of election, $2.00
A. P. Lasher, “ “ 2.00
“ “ expenses to Albany, 2.00
J. G. Palmer, janitor, 16.00
James Dederick, clerk, 21.54
W. E. Persons, care of town clock, 22.00
Chas. Capen, engineer, 40.00
S. L. Dawes, 50.00
John Maxwell’s Son, stone, 6.84
Michael Kenny, 2.00
E. P. McCormick, inspector of election, 2.00
S. M. Gray, oil, 297.45
Street Commissioner, men and teams, 10.49
A. Pultz, salary, 29.16
Saugerties Electric Light Co., 27.00
A. D. Myer, 2.75
Saugerties Post, printing ballots, 43.50
“ “ ” Hollenbeck case, 100.00
Total $797.38

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The bill of William H. Hommel, sanitary inspector, amount $27, was referred to the Finance committee.

Fordyce L. Myer, John M. Adams and John O. Sweet were granted certificates of membership in Robert A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

Report of Wm. H. Hommel, Sanitary inspector, was read and accepted and ordered placed on file.

The following bills of the Board of Health were referred to the finance committee.

- Geo. W. Elting, Printing $12.00
- A. Rowe 38.00
- M. M. Baker 20.00
- Alex. Lackey 20.00
- Wm. H. Hommel 14.75
- Rev. F. H. Gates 2.25
- Chas Davis services 25.00

President Cantine vacated the chair to vice-president Quick and stated that a franchise had been given to the Saugerties Electric Light and Power Co. for the erection of poles and stringing of wires thereon in the name of Robert Montross, and he moved that the Board rescind the same, and that M. M. Baker and William Ziegler, administrators of the estate of Aaron Hanna, deceased, be granted the exclusive franchise to erect poles and string wires in the village of Saugerties. Carried.

On motion of Director Lasher a unanimous vote of thanks was extended President Cantine for the fair and impartial manner with which he had presided over the deliberations of the Board, and for the universal kindness and courtesy with which he had treated all of its members.

On motion Board adjourned.

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Board of Directors of 1898 met at directors room Saturday, Jan. 1st at 10 a. m. for organization.

Present were Directors Lasher, Myer, Finger, Cunyes and McNally.

The clerk called the meeting to order and appointed as tellers, Mr. Cunyes and Mr. Finger. An informal ballot was taken for President, resulting: Jas. D. Myer, 2, A. P. Lasher, 2, Norman Cunyes, 1. A formal ballot: A. P. Lasher, 3, Norman Cunyes, 2. Mr. Lasher was declared elected, and on taking the chair thanked the Board for the honor conferred in an appropriate manner.

An informal ballot was ordered for Vice-President, resulting: Edson Finger, 2, Chas. Mc Nally, 2, Jas. D. Myer, 2. A formal ballot: Chas. Mc Nally , 3, Edson Finger, 2. Mr. McNally was declared elected Vice-President.

An informal ballot was ordered for Clerk, resulting: J. Dederick, 3, Thos. L. Masten, 2, Chas. Vedder, 1. A formal ballot: Jas. Dederick, 3, Chas. Vedder, 2. Jas. Dederick was declared elected Clerk.

On motion the regular meeting nights of the Board were fixed for the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of each month.

On further motion it was ordered that the Board proceed to the transaction of such other business as might be deemed necessary.

On motion an informal ballot was the ordered for Street Commissioner, resulting: J. Finger, 2, A. Pultz, 1, Jas. Crump, 2.

A formal ballot: P. Corcoran, 2, A. Pultz, 1, Jas. Crump, 2.

Second ballot: P. Corcoran, 2, A. Pultz, 1, Jas. Crump, 2.

Third ballot: P. Corcoran, 2, Jas. Crump, 3.

Mr. Crump was declared elected Street Commissioner.
On motion, amended it was ordered that the positions of Janitor and Engineer of Steamer be consolidated at a salary of $150.00 per year, for both, and an informal ballot was taken resulting:
Chas. Capen 4, John G. Palmer 1
A formal ballot: Chas. Capen 4, John G. Palmer 1.
Mr. Capen was declared elected.
On motion, it was ordered that the Health Board, comprising the old board and the newly appointed members, be instructed to pay the health officers a salary not to exceed $150.00 per year, for the ensuing year.
On motion, it was ordered that the Health Board be further instructed to make the position of sanitary inspector a salaried office, at $50.00 per year, except in the case of an epidemic.
An informal ballot was then ordered for two members of the health board one short and one long term number resulted.
A formal ballot for member in Ward No. 1, short term, resulted Ed. Bates 4, Alex. Lackey 1, Mr. Bates was declared elected.
A formal ballot for member in Ward No. 2, long term, resulted J. Smith Elmendorf 2, Theo. B. Cornwell 1, Alex. Lackey 1. Mr. Elmendorf was declared elected.
On motion Wm. E. Person was appointed keeper of town clock at $50.00 per year.
On motion Chas. E. Abeel and Henry Krantz were appointed night police at $52.00 each per year.
On motion THE SAUGERTIES TELEGRAPH was designated as the official paper of the village.
On motion, the office of Corporation Counsel was ordered dispensed with for the present.
On motion, it was ordered that all keys, books, papers and other property of the village, be in the clerk’s hands at the next regular meeting of the Board.
The question of the Electric Light franchise being discussed, but on account of the book of minutes not at this time being in the possession of the Board, the matter was put over until a further meeting.
On motion, Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

2622. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1897. – Snyder Hose Nominations. – Officers Selected for the ensuing Year – The Election in January.
The regular monthly meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., held Tuesday evening, was largely attended by both active and honorary members, and was very interesting. The following were nominated officers for the ensuing year: President, Ernest Myer; vice president, Edward Moran; foreman, John A. Snyder; first assistant foreman, Irwin Ronk; second assistant foreman, Robert Ballman; secretary, Ernest Hassinger; treasurer, William Ziegler; trustees, F. A. Jewett, Edward Snyder and Alfred Saam; Janitor, S. W. Mercean; representative, Michael Fitzgerald; delegate to the State Convention, Irwin Ronk; alternate, Clyde Van Steenberg; delegate to the Hudson River Firemen’s Association, Wm. Ziegler; alternate F. A. Jewett; recommendation for chief engineer of the fire department, Ernest Hassinger. At the conclusion of the business, the company enjoyed a banquet. The annual banquet of the company will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 4th, 1898.

2623. Knights of Pythias Officers.
At the regular meeting of North American lodge Knights of Pythias held Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Dwight L. Martin, C. C.; Morris Carle, V. C.; Peter M. Valk, Prelate; Benjamin Gillespy, M. of W.; Jerry France, K. of R. & S.; Edgar Myer, M. of F.; Herman Mittatch, M. of E.; Representative to the Grand Lodge, L. H. Kleeber; Proxy Representative, Andrew Simmons; Trustee, Albert Shears.

There are such affairs as house boats, but a wagon house, inhabited by a family of seven, comes under the head of a curiosity. This unique affair is now wheeling its way to New York at easy stages. The caravan is in the shape of a house, and was built and is owned by M. E. A. Lasley, of Port Angeles, Washington.

The house on wheels is occupied by Lasley, his wife and five children, the youngest of whom is only six weeks old. The rig and contents, which are drawn by a team of horses, weighs 2,106 pounds. The running gear is the same as that of an ordinary wagon, except that the high wheels are in front. The house, which surmounts it, is 12 feet long, 6 feet high and is entirely home made, being built of cedar tree split into shakes. Nine different kinds of wood are used in the construction of the building. The sides are very thin and are lined with cloth and then papered. The top is made of four thicknesses of cloth. Inside are a folding bed, a camp stove, rocking chairs, folding table high chairs and other conveniences. The outfit left Port Angeles on March 22, 1894, and has been on the road ever since. The house is in a somewhat dilapidated condition, but the members of the family look stout and healthy. The owner of the curiosity claims that he has traveled over 6,140 miles in his house, and on reaching New York is going to place it on exhibition.

2625. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 27, 1897.

Referee John J. Linson, of Kingston, has decided the celebrated Kipp case in favor of the California heirs. Andrew Kipp died intestate in this village a few years ago, leaving an estate variously estimated from $20,000 to $30,000. William E. Kipp declared he was the only heir and was appointed administrator. Later Nettie E. V. Peabody and George F. L. Kipp of California, demanded a share of the estate, saying they were the children of a deceased brother, James Brown Kipp. The identity of James Brown Kipp being denied it was referred to Mr. Linson to take testimony. It was said that James Brown Kipp ran away from home when a boy. His father had sent him with this brother William to get a jug of liquor. They carried it by means of a stick thrust through the handle. William dropped his end, broke the jug, ran home and it was said, told his father that James did it. James received a whipping then ran away and was not heard of again by relatives until his children appeared. James was murdered in Los Angeles in 1886 by a drunken man, whose wife he was protecting. Had it not been for a characteristic peculiar to all male member of the Kipp family, each being possessed of a nose which attracts attention, it is doubtful if the identity of James could have been established. The nose, however, convinced the referee.

2626. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 3, 1897. - The Ulster Ashore. – She Runs on the Rocks between Cornwall, and Butter Hill – The Damage to the Boat is Reported Not Serious – Her Passengers and Cargo Safe. – Peter Whitaker Reported Injured.

On her Thursday night down trip the steamer Ulster, of the Saugerties and New York night line, ran ashore on the rocks on the west shore about a mile below Cornwall. She ran head on and stopped when her bow was only reached within about five feet of the railroad tracks. Her passengers were set ashore and took an early West Shore train for New York. Mrs. Daniel N. Finger and a daughter of Capt. Hale, who were on board returned home this morning with the 7:21 train. At 11:30 o’clock the Ulster and the Saugerties passed each other in Newburgh bay and exchanged signals. About half an hour afterwards the passengers on the Ulster were suddenly awakened by a violent shock, and some of them were thrown out of their berths. The excitement was allayed when it was found there was no immediate danger.
Just how the accident occurred could not be learned this morning, but it is supposed that some of the steering gear had given way. Pilot Ezra Whitaker was at the wheel at the time, and it is reported has two or three ribs broken, by being thrown against it.

When the Saugerties arrived in the harbor, her cargo was discharged, and after coaling up started back for the scene of the accident to ascertain the exact state of affairs. Capts. Henry L. Finger and Robert A. Snyder, accompanied her, and Daniel N. Finger, the company's agent, took the 10:10 A. M. West Shore train for the same destination.

Pilot Whitaker is now at his home in Glasco, and had not made any statement in regard to the cause of the accident.

Frank Hommel, clerk on the steamer Saugerties arrived home with the 2:52 P. M. train and states when the tide rose it partially lifted the Ulster from her resting place and she filled with water and is now sunk over her guards. A portion of her cargo has been removed and the Chapman Wrecking Co. of New York will float her to a dry dock.

No person on board the Ulster knows how the accident occurred, but Pilot Whitaker and his mouth seems to be sealed in regard to it.

2627. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 22, 1897. - Affidavit Goes With This.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

It is with much pleasure I might even say with extreme joy, that I see the generous assurance contained in an editorial in your issue of Nov. 10. After giving a somewhat extended notice of your advertising arrangements you say "The Times has published, at one time or another, scores, perhaps hundreds, of anti-vivisection letters; it has never thrown away one of them that was vigorous, in decent temper, and calculated to throw even one ray of new light upon the minor questions still at issue. It will doubtless continue to do."

Now it has been for long, long months (Since Aug. 3, when my last letter was printed in The Times,) one of my most cherished dreams to heaven have an anti-vivisection letter in The New York Times. I have thought over this matter by day and by night; (I have even gone so far as to write five or six letters on this subject and mail them to The Times,) but the bright dream has remained a dream – it has lingered among the “might have beens” of the past, rather than materialized at any given moment – or in any given issue.

But now all is changed. I am “about to be” made happy by the kindness and consideration of the editors of The Times, who, having so obligingly set forth in the plainest terms the pre-requisites for the publication of an anti-vivisection letter (free of charge) in their columns, have thereby conferred on me inexpressible joy.

First – The letter must be vigorous. I fancy I am alright on that head, because not even a pro-vivisectionist has yet accused me of lack of vigor in my style, and they have said pretty nearly everything else about it – and me.

Second – The letter must be in decent temper. This is a more serious consideration. I know I am in decent temper, but how shall I convey an absolute certainty of this fact to those witty individuals composing the editorial staff of The New York Times? I have it! I will subjoin and affidavit to that effect.

Third – The letter must be calculated to throw at least one ray of new light upon the minor questions still at issue. This is a little mean, as cutting me off from a discussion of the main issue; but “to be thankful for a little is the way to get more,” and a little, when a little means the presentation (by an anti-vivisectionist) of even the minor questions of vivisection in The New York Times, is much.

Now for the new light. Take a candle, (heretofore unlighted,) apply a burning match to its wick, and it will throw new light on any of the vivisectional laboratories in which it may be held.

I sally forth, accompanied by one of the editorial staff – (it is the proudest moment of my life;) together we seek a laboratory for experimental research. We light the candle. We see a dog writhing under the
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knife of a vivisector, who is engaged in cutting out one of its kidneys. On a shelf above the animal, as it lies secured with patent holders, is a bottle marked "Chloroform." The operation will be reported as performed "under anaesthetic." We turn to another part of the laboratory, still carrying the new light, which reveals to us a rabbit, narcotized with chloral. It is conscious, but as Claude Bernard said, "has lost the idea of defending itself." Its spinal cord is being bared. We go to another room, and there we see a dog being inoculated with rabic virus. This "mere prick of a needle" does not need alleviation – nor even excuse in an account printed for the eye of the public – and the subsequent suffering (from hydrophobia) will not be looked upon as requiring an anaesthetic.

The candle burns low – it flickers – its final blaze shows numerous animals in cages – dying – agonized – without relief – without hope!

The candle has done its work – it has thrown its new ray on a minor question still at issue in the vivisection controversy – the question of the suffering of its victims, and having performed this task through the suggestion made in my letter, it has brought that letter within the requirements for gratuitous publication in THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ANNA SARGENT TURNER.
Secretary, New York State Anti-Vivisection Society.
Saugerties, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1897.

Before me personally appeared ANNA SARGENT TURNER, to me known to be the Secretary of the New York State Anti-Vivisection Society, and made oath that the foregoing was written in decent temper.

Subscribed and sworn to before men this 13th day of November, 1897. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed my official seal.

{L. S.} Egbert Whittaker. Notary Public.

2628. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 24, 1897.- THE CLAIM AGAINST ROOSA – The Board of Directors Hold a Special Meeting - Proceedings to be Taken to Enforce the Collection of the Claim Against Van S. Roosa – The Amount $212.74.

Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Tuesday evening, Nov. 23rd, with Directors Quick, Lasher, Rogers and Myer present. Vice-president Quick presiding.

Meeting was called for a hearing on the claim against the Van Santvoord Roosa property.

The Board of Directors having caused notice to be given to Van Santvoord Roosa, individually and as trustee, and others and proof having been filed of the service of said notice for at least ten days that the board would meet at this time and place to make an assessment: of the expenditures upon said land and at such time and place or at such adjourned time as it may designate will hear and determine all objections that may be made to such assessment including the amount thereof and will assess upon the said lands the amount, which, it may deem just and reasonable not exceeding the amount of $212.74. The board having met at the time and place pursuant to said notice and no person to whom said notice was directed on representing them or either of them having appeared, and no objections having been filed it is therefore hereby ordered and directed that the said sum of $212.73 [sic] be levied and assessed on said property fronting on the east side of John street from the northern boundary of Main street to the dividing line between the land in front of which said curbing, guttering and flagging was laid, and the dividing line with the lands of John McKefrey, and that necessary proceeding be taken to enforce the collection of the said $212.74 with interest from this day the 23rd of November, 1897 by levy and sale of the property adjoining that part of the street in front of which said curbing, guttering and flagging has been laid, or so much thereof as is necessary to pay the said amount with costs and expenses of sale and proceedings to be taken pursuant to the charter of the Village and the amendments thereto applicable to such case.

The copy of the notice passed the 17th day of Nov. 1897, was presented with the affidavits of Peter Cantine and B. M. Coon, that it had been duly served on Van Santvoord Roosa individually and as
executor and trustee under the will of Mary E. Roosa, deceased, Wm. H. Roosa, John A. Roosa, Anna Roosa, his wife, Frank Roosa, Gertrude Roosa, his wife, Van Santvoord Roosa, Jr., and Mary his wife, Henry M. Roosa, and Kate his wife, owners, and Charles E. Abeel, agent of said owners as some of them. Walter Schneider, Myron Bedell and Abram Brownson, occupants of the land fronting on that part of the east side of John street, from the north side of Main street to the dividing line of said land, fronting on the east side of John street, and land of John McKefrey, and on motion same was ordered received and filed.

On motion the board then adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.

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I am asked my opinion as to the validity of that portion of the charter of the village of Saugerties which prevents the electors of that village from voting for village officers unless they have previously paid a poll tax.

The provision in question was enacted in 1894 and is as follows:

Section 37. The board of directors (trustees) shall have power to assess and collect a poll tax of one dollar on each male resident in the village, above the age of twenty one years, excepting all honorably discharged soldiers and sailor who lost an arm or a leg in the service of the United States during the late war, or who are unable to perform manual labor by reason of injuries received or disabilities incurred in such service; persons seventy years of age, clergymen and priests of every denomination, paupers, idiots, and lunatics.

* * * Every person assessed for the poll tax of one dollar who shall neglect to pay the same, shall not be permitted to vote at village elections, until he shall have paid such tax. The clerk of said village shall prepare a list of all persons assessed for the poll tax who shall have neglected to pay the same, and who shall deliver or cause to be delivered a copy of said list to the officers conducting village elections at least five days prior to the first election after said tax becomes due and payable under the warrant for its collection, and it shall be the duty of the officers conducting village elections to refuse to receive the vote of any person whose name appears on said list, unless he shall produce a receipt, from the treasurer of the village, showing he has paid such tax.” (Amendment, chapter 546 of Laws of 1894, pages 1146, 1147.)

There is no question as to the power of the legislature to authorize the village trustees to impose a poll tax, but the point presented is whether the legislature can provide for the disfranchisement of a citizen in case such tax shall not be paid.

That must depend upon the question on whether the Constitution itself fixes the qualifications of voters in this State or such qualifications are left to be determined by the legislature according to its own discretion.

Aside from the plain reading of the Constitution, the authorities in the State seem to settle the question. O’Brien, J., in delivering the opinion in the case of People ex rel. Nichols vs. Board of Canvassers, 129 N. Y. R, 401, assumes that the legislature cannot regulate the qualification of voters, and speaks of “The right to vote, secured to the citizens by the Constitution,” as though it was a conceded matter.

It was virtually held in Matter of Gage, 141 N. Y. R, 116 per Finch, J., that “The Constitution, in article 2, section 1, prescribes the qualification of voters,” which cannot be altered, abridged nor extended by legislation.

Article 2 of the Constitution provides as follows:

“Section 1 Every male citizen of the age of twenty-one years, who shall have been a citizen for ninety days, and an inhabitant of this State one year next preceding an election, and the last four month’s a resident of the county, and for the last thirty days a resident of the election district in which he may
offer his vote, shall be entitled to vote at such election in the election district of which he shall at the
time be a resident, and not elsewhere, for all officers that now are or hereafter may be elective by the
people."
This position, explicitly declaring who are entitled to vote, must be deemed to absolutely fix the
qualifications of electors. Not only does it exclude from the elective franchise those not specially
described therein (People vs. Barber, 48. Hun. 201), but it confers an absolute and unconditional right to
vote upon those answering the description. The article is appropriately indexed in the Constitution as
follow: “Qualifications of Voters,” and must be regarded as fixing all the constitutional requirements
from voters necessary to entitle them to participate in our elections. It follows that no requirement
which is specially mentioned can be dispensed with, and, also, that nothing further can be exacted or
added.
In Vol. 6 of “American and English Encyclopedia of Law, “ page 263, it is said: “In all but one or two of
the States, the qualifications of the electors are fixed by the Constitution; and where this is so, the
Legislature has no power to require any other or different qualifications from those embraced in the
Constitution.” This is elementary law, so plain as to admit of no discussion.
It has been so decided in Pennsylvania (McCaffrey vs. Guyer, 59 Penn State R. 100)
Also in Massachusetts. (Kinneen vs. Wells, 144 Mass R., 497)
Likewise in Indiana (Quinn vs State, 35 Ind. R, 485) and in Wisconsin (State vs. Tuttle, 53 Wis. R. 45)
This provision (art. 2 sec. 1) must be deemed to be complete within itself, unless that is some other
provision in the Constitution with which it must be construed, either expressly or implied modifying its
terms; and there does not seem to be any such, affecting the precise question here involved.
It seems very clear, the Constitution intends to prescribe the qualifications of voters in this State and not
leave such qualifications to be determined at the will, caprice or discretion of the legislature, the
conclusion become irresistible that the amendment to the Saugerties charter prescribing the payment of
a poll tax as an essential requisite for the privilege of voting imposes an additional condition,
requirement, or qualification not authorized by the Constitution, and renders such amendment invalid.
It has always been understood that manhood suffrage was guaranteed in our Constitution, not by a
positive and affirmative declaration to that effect, but by the omission to provide for any property
qualification on the part of electors; but if article 2, section 1, is not sufficient to prevent the adoption of
the test of the payment of a poll tax as a condition of the right to vote, it is difficult to see what prevents
the legislature from insisting upon a property qualification, because there is really no difference in
principle between the two cases. If the ownership of property or the payment of taxes constitutes the
basis for the exercise of the elective franchise, instead of manhood alone, the theory upon which our
constitution was framed has heretofore been greatly misapprehended.
It is safe to say that all qualifications for voters, whether based upon property, education, religion, color
or nationality are obnoxious to the true spirit of our free institutions and were intended to be abolished
in our present Constitution, leaving the sacred right of suffrage to depend wholly upon the sex, age and
citizenship of the voter, and his place of residence during a specified period of time. All else was
discarded; all else was regarded as unnecessary and offensive; all else was rejected as unfairly
discriminating between equal citizens.
If a poll tax can legally be exacted as a condition of voting, then a tax upon lands or personal property
can also be made the means of disfranchisement; and, as in such case, the imposition of taxes and the
amount or extent thereof are both within the discretion of the legislature, it is clear that by an abuse of
such power the suffrage can thereby be largely restricted, the great mass of the citizens can be excluded
therefrom, and a State government by plutocracy can readily be instituted. The barriers against the
accomplishment of such results are to be found in Article two of the constitution or not at all, and they
consist in the guaranty of manhood suffrage, without any other qualification, condition or limitation,
except sex, age, citizenship and residence.
It should be observed that the general election law of 1896 defines the “qualification of an elector” for the purposes of registration exactly in accordance with the constitutional provision. (Chapter 909, laws of 1896, section 34.)

It seems that the amendment in question to the Saugerties charter is exceptional in its character, as my attention has not been called to a similar provision in any village charter. The general village law of 1897, while it authorizes the collection of a poll tax, yet contains no such disfranchising provision applicable to elections for village officers. (Chapter 414, Laws of 1897.)

It may also be stated that in the States, such as Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, where the payment of taxes is made a condition precedent to voting, the authority therefore is embraced in the Constitutions of such States. (See Constitutions.)

It cannot be answered that this Article two of the Constitution applies only to State elections and not to municipal or village elections. The provision is broad and comprehensive. It makes no exception. It refers to every election. It includes elections “for all officers that now are or hereafter may be elective by the people.” Section two of article ten of the Constitution should be read in connection with this comprehensive provision. It says “All city, town and village officers whose election or appointment is not provided by this Constitution, shall be elected by the electors of such cities, towns and villages, or of some division thereof, or appointed by such authorities thereof, as the legislature shall designate for that purpose.”

Village officers, as such, are not otherwise expressly provided for in the Constitution, and hence they are covered by article 10, and may be either elected or appointed as the legislature may determine. If the legislature determines that they shall be elected, then such village officers become “elective” officers within the meaning of article 2, and “every male citizen” of the State, possessing the further necessary qualification of age and residence “shall be entitled to vote” therefore, whether or not he owns any property or pays any taxes, or whatever may be his condition, creed, color or nationality. This construction makes the provisions of the Constitution harmonious and reasonable, as well as prevents unjust and improper class discriminations among citizens. An elector is one part of the State is an elector in every other part. It is evident that the Constitution does not contemplate the existence of “tax paying” electors in Saugerties, and non-tax paying electors everywhere else. Equal rights, equal privileges and equal prerogatives were intended to be vested in all citizens alike, regardless of monetary, tax paying or other similar discriminations. It follows that any legislative enactment which seeks to disfranchise citizens based upon such unauthorized discriminations is necessarily null and void.

I, therefore, conclude by saying that, in my opinion, the provisions of the charter of Saugerties which assume to prevent electors from voting for village officers, unless they have previously paid a poll tax, are in violation of the Constitution, and that every elector of said village, otherwise qualified, is entitled to vote for all elective village officers whether he has paid such tax or not, and his vote must be received and counted. DAVID B. HILL.

Albany, Nov. 20th, 1897.

2630. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 3, 1897. – Henry George Laid to Rest. – Honored as No Private Citizen of American was Ever Honored Before.

New York, Nov. 1 – The body of Henry George was laid to rest in Greenwood cemetery this morning in the family plot looking out on the ocean. The ceremonies of yesterday will live long in the memory of the people of this great city. It was the most notable funeral ever seen here save that of General Grant. Henry George was honored as no private citizen of America was ever honored before. In many of the churches, too, Henry George was the theme of the pulpit orations.

The body lay in state at the Grand Central palace all day and it is believed that during each hour 6,000 persons looked upon the fact of the dead leader. At least 30,000 were disappointed. Labor’s hosts turned out as never before.
Floral decorations were profuse.
The casket itself was devoid of any ornament save the heavy silver handles and the plate which read;

HENRY GEORGE
Died, Oct 29, 1897

At the back of the platform, on a heavy crepe background, was a portrait of Henry George surrounded with American flags.
At the front of the platform stood a bust of the fallen leader modelled by his son Richard.
In the guard of honor were Arthur McEwan, Louis F. Post, Dan Beard, Charles I. Roskopp, D. Frank Stephens, Dr. S. Solis Cohn, H. Martin Williams, Cecil R. Atkinson, W. J. Atkinson, J. T. McKechnie, Prof. James Beggs, Joseph Dana Miller, John J. Foote, Arthur F. Stephesson.
The exercises began at 3:25 with the singing of the hymn, “Lead, Kindly Light,” by the Plymouth church quartet. The Rev. Dr. R. Heber Newton, who was Mr. George’s warm personal friend as well as pastor, then read the Episcopal burial service. The only music rendered in connection with it was the chanting of the Lord’s prayer.
At the conclusion of the burial service the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott spoke briefly upon the character and public services of Henry George.
Rabbi Gottheil followed in an address and then came Dr. McGlynn, Henry George’s old and dear friend. When he spoke grief was forgotten; men took no thought of the presence of death. “If ever a man was sent by God to help his fellow men,” said Dr. McGlynn, “than man was Henry George.”

When the funeral car which swung into Madison avenue shortly before seven o’clock, the carriages sixteen in number, were placed. The family, comprised of Mrs. George, her sons Henry and Richard, and her daughter Anna and her husband’s brothers and sisters, were in the last carriages.
While the City hall bell tolled the casket was placed in a hearse. Only the family and the pall-bearers and a few intimate friends went with the body to the family home on the Shore road, near Fort Hamilton.

[Henry George became a member of the New York legislature, Richard George was a famous sculptor and Anna George became the mother of Agnes De Mille, choreographer and dancer, AK.]

Ernest Hassinger has added the photograph of Ex Chief Joseph Obert, of the Catskill fire department, to his collection of firemanic souvenirs.

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2632. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 17, 1897. – Who Nominated Cornwell, Cantine, Lasher and Quick For the Office of Village Directors? Where was the Nominating Convention Held? Where was the Nominating Convention Held?
The corner gang who have so long ruled the destinies of the town and village are now in a sorry way. They will have no pap to distribute from the Sheriff’s office, or the County Clerk’s office, and the only thing left to them is the village of Saugerties. They look upon this as the thirsty tramp does upon his last glass of beer. For years the gang have met in secret session and appointed members of their league to the office of directors. The citizens of this village never had any choice in the matter and their wishes were never consulted. Look at the members of the gang in the Board selected by each other and not by the people – Cantine, Lasher Quick and Cornwell. It is peculiar that Charley Davis owns the Board or that the real vote upon questions is taken in Charley’s office and announced at Firemen’s Hall. The village of Saugerties has a board of directors nominated by each other, voted for by each other, and run by their master Charley Davis. THE TELEGRAPH challenges Messrs. Cantine, Lasher, Cornwell, and Quick to show to the people who nominated them to their present offices. We say that they selected each other
and the columns of the TELEGRAPH are open to them to state, when, where and by whom they were nominated.


The trial of Joseph Decker for the murder of William Gardner closed Wednesday evening at Kingston. The jury brought in a verdict of murder in the second degree and Judge Chester sentenced him to at Dannemora prison at hard labor for the term of his natural life.

At 9:30 o’clock in the morning, the summing up of the evidence began, and although the court room was not filled as soon as the doors were opened, the crowd soon came in and were the auditors of two masterly addresses to the jury by the defense and the prosecution. The prisoner tried to preserve his unconcerned appearance, but his attempt was a failure. His nerve was gone. He realized that the determination of his fate was too imminent, and his nervousness was apparent, and with his weeping relatives about him, it was with the utmost difficulty he preserved any semblance of self-control. There came a moment when the District Attorney pointed to the dirty raiment worn on his drive to Newburgh, and then to him sitting in the suit of clothes bought with the blood of the man he murdered, while Gardner lay silent and cold in his cornfield, when the prisoner winced, turned pale, shifted his position and seemed for the first time to realize his fate. When Mr. Brinnier arose to open for the defense a number of women were present in the room, and among the men were many prominent citizens. He spoke for a little more than an hour and a half, and made an excellent analysis of the evidence and a skillful presentation of the lack of proof where the prosecution had failed in clearly weld links in the chain. He laid great stress upon the mental condition of the prisoner, and his plea at time was eloquent.

District Attorney Cantine presented the people’s case in a convincing manner. Step by step he traced the history of that fateful Saturday with the story of the plans of the murder preceding, and the disposition of the stolen property, and the subsequent flight. His scathing characterization of the crime and the criminal unnerved the heretofore unconcerned murderer, who felt his peril.

The Court adjourned to 2 P. M., when Judge Chester charged the jury and they retired at 2:50 to deliberate. As the passed down the aisle Decker gave way and burst into tears and wept for several minutes.

At 5:20 p. m. the ringing of the court house bell told that the jury had agreed and the room was packed in a few minutes. Breathless suspense attended the reading of the verdict, which was “guilty of murder in the second degree.” After the jury was polled and the usual questions asked, Judge Chester pronounced the sentence as follows:

“Joseph Decker, this jury after hearing the testimony in the case finds you guilty of murder in the second degree. This imposes a duty on me to send you to states prison. Nothing I can say can give you or your family any comfort at this hour. You have been defended by able counsel, and everything has been done that could be done. The county has maintained your witnesses. Everything has been done to give you a fair and proper trial, and on the testimony the jury could have found you guilty of murder in the first [sic] degree. Under the law it is my painful duty to sentence you. I now sentence you to the states prison at Dannemora, at hard labor, for the remaining term of your natural life.”

For a moment in the intense silence of the room, the prisoner appeared dazed. As the questions had been asked him, he was too confused to comprehend or reply. He made out to stammer his innocence.

Now, when what the words of the Judge comprehended was realized by him, he broke down and burst into tears, in which his surrounding relatives joined and a scene ensued which will never be forgotten. Then the officers touched him and he followed them to his cell.

Decker was taken to Dannemora on Thanksgiving Day to enter upon what may prove to be a long term of many years imprisonment.
The injunction obtained several days ago by Chief Engineer William Granger of the fire department, says the Hudson Republican, restraining the Common Council of this city from interfering with the fire alarm system and requiring the members thereof to show cause why the injunction should not be made permanent, has at last been decided by Justice Fursman, of Troy, before whom argument was made, and the gist of his decision, which was made known, is that the injunction is dissolved.
This is a defeat for Mr. Granger, and he will now have nothing whatever to says [sic] about the fire alarm system, but confine his duties to superintending and directing the firemen when they are called out by his order or by the fire bell. The Common Council was represented by Samuel B. Coffin and ex Judge Cadman. Chief Granger says that the case will be appealed.

The people of Saugerties have again been called upon to mourn the loss and demise of one of our prominent and highly esteemed citizens, in the death of Captain Ovid T. Simmons, who was called from this vale of sorrow unto Him who doeth all things well as the hands of the clock pointed to the hour of eight, Thursday evening. Captain Simmons had long been a sufferer of diabetes and this disease having secured a firm hold on him, finally developed into Bright’s disease. The best of medical attendance was given him, and being possessed of a strong physique and constitution, the disease was baffled to some extent, but it kept gradually making deep ingress into his system and life being but a frail thing, succumbed to it.
Mr. Simmons was born in this village May 1, 1835 and was one of the five children of John and Caroline Simmons. He attended the public schools in town until he was nine years of age and then attended a select school at Hyde Park. Afterwards he attended a private school at West Point for eighteen months. For two years he attended College Hill school in Poughkeepsie and concluded his school life at the Polytechnic school at Troy where he spent nine months, at the time of finishing his age being fifteen years.
In 1852 he secured a position in a law office in New York where he remained a year. He then secured a position as accountant and shipping clerk in the Ulster Iron Works in this village.
In 1854 he formed a co-partnership and started a steam cooperage at Camden, N. J., the business being conducted at Philadelphia principally.
In May, 1856, he returned to this village and resumed his former position at the iron mill and also assisted his father who was superintendent. In 1860, with his uncle Edward, he became the contractor for the Iron Works and continued in that position until July, 1863. Having proved a capable man, he was offered the position of superintendent of manufacture, but having been promised the entire management of the mills at the retirement of his father he refused to accept, and retired in July, 1863. The steamboat “Rip Van Winkle” of the Saugerties and New York route was purchased by him in the spring of 1863. The following winter he had the vessel rebuilt and intended plying between Albany and New York in opposition to the People’s Line, but terms were made whereby he refrained from doing so, however, reserving the right to run anywhere on the river south of Castleton. Arrangements were then made between Captain Simmons and the Hudson Steamboat Co. to sail his boat on alternate nights with therses. [sic] In 1865 he made a charter with the People’s Line and ran his boat from Troy to New York.
In 1867, when he began running his boat between here and the Fishing Banks, carrying excursion parties he received the title of Captain. In 1871 he sold out his boating business to Major Cornell and retired from active business, having up to his death resided in his palatial residence overlooking the Hudson on Barclay Heights.
The deceased was married twice, the first marriage occurring July 12, 1860 to Julia Pelletrau, nee Higbee, who died in 1865. One daughter blessed this union. She died in her infancy when thirteen months old. His second marriage was solemnized February 26, 1880 to Eva L. Schoonmaker, a daughter of the late Peter P. Schoonmaker. The fruit of their union was a daughter Emma born February 6, 1881 and a son Ovid, born December 2, 1882.

He has served a number of terms as Director of the village, once being its President. He was a member of the Board of Education and was its first president. He was also a Water Commissioner, and at one time President of the Board of Trade. He was a trustee of the Saugerties Savings Bank and has been a director in the First National Bank.

He was also a warm friend of the fire department having been a member of the old Rough & Ready Engine Co. and also a charter member of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. when it was organized in Jane street. He was an active member of the Exempt Firemen’s Association previous to his death and also a member of the executive committee of the Hudson River Fireman’s Association.

Politically Mr. Simmons was a Whig until 1851 when he became affiliated with the Democratic party. He was a candidate for the Assembly in 1879 and 1880 against General George Sharpe of Kingston, and in 1895 he was candidate for Supervisor against John D. Fratsher.

He was a member of Ulster Lodge F. & A. M. In his death the village loses a public spirited and influential citizen, one of sterling integrity and uprightness in character and one who always cherished a deep interest in the success and weal of our place. He was an ardent advocate of our schools and contributed largely to their success. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved widow and her children.

The funeral will be in charge of Ulster Lodge, and will be held Sunday afternoon, at his late residence on Barclay Heights at 2 o’clock.

2636. Christmas Celebration – For the benefit of the German Lutheran Sunday School, will be held at the Church on Monday Evening, Dec. 25th, 1878. Tickets 15 Cents. To commence at 7 o’clock. [ticket] [illustration]

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2637. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 13, 1897. – Two Sudden Deaths – On Elm Street This Morning – Mrs. Howard Vandebogart and Henry Brown Die Within an Hour of Each Other.

Two more sudden deaths in this village startled the community this morning. Between eight and 9 o’clock, a little daughter of H. S. Jerrold called at the residence of Howard Vandebogart on Elm street, and rapping at the door, received no response. She went into the house and found Mrs. Vandebogart lying dead upon the kitchen floor beside a washtub where she had apparently commenced the family washing. She was alone in the house at the time of her death, her husband having gone to his daily work. The child alarmed the neighbors who summoned coroner Kemble who viewed the body and will summon a jury to hold an inquest either this evening or to-morrow morning to determine the cause of her death.

About one hour after finding the body of Mrs. Vandebogart, Henry Brown, an old and respected citizen, died very suddenly at his residence on the same street, within a few doors of the Vandebogart residence. He died from hemorrhage, having been complaining and ill for some time past. It appears he went out into the yard and returning, complained of feeling very bad and lying down, expired almost instantly. Dr. Kemble, who had been treating him, was summoned, and when he arrived Mr. Brown was past medical skill. The doctor deemed an inquest unnecessary in this case.

Mr. Brown was born in the province of Nassau, Germany in the year 1821 and came to America in 1852 settling in Saugerties and has resided here ever since. He was a mason and builder and carried on that business until his health failed him some years ago. Since the death of his wife he has made his home
with his son Antoine. He leaves three sons and three daughters as follows: Christopher, Antone and Mrs. Christina Mann, of this village, and Matthias, Mrs. Emma Mower and Mrs. Katie Whitney, of Kingston. At the time of going to press, the funeral arrangements had not been completed.

Shortly after we went to press Wednesday afternoon, the jury in the case of the People against William Lasher, who was arraigned in the County Court at Kingston last Tuesday, for jail breaking, brought in a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation of mercy. The district attorney said the maximum penalty for this offense was seven years. After the pedigree of the criminal had been taken, in answer to a question from the Court if he had anything to say, Lasher said. “I have nothing to say. You have it in your power, I have been held innocent all summer through the means of the District Attorney, so I leave it in your hands.”
Judge Clearwater then sentenced him to be confined in Dannemora prison for a term of three years and eight months. Lasher was taken to Dannemora on the train due here at 9:05 Wednesday night in company with other prisoners.

2639. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 22, 1897. – Back in His Cell. Lasher, the Jail Breaker Tells of his Wanderings.
Under Sheriff George Dumond returned to Kingston from Baltimore Sunday evening with William Lasher, one of the prisoners who broke jail here on Sunday morning, August 22. Lasher was known in Baltimore as Harry C. Wendell and was working on an oyster dredge on the Chesapeake. His identity was revealed to the police by a man who knew him in Saugerties. He had a hard life while at liberty and was glad to get back again, no matter what may be his fate.
According to Lasher’s story, the three prisoners, himself, Boylan and Sullivan, on the morning of their escape, took the Ulster and Delaware track to Albany avenue and went north, getting a man at Glasco to row them across the river. The first night was spent at North Germantown. The next day they went to Chatham, and from there to Pittsfield, Mass. In Pittsfield, after the third night out, Boylan gave them the slip, and Lasher has not seen him since. Then Lasher and Sullivan went to Albany and from there to Cobleskill, where they picked hops for a month. After that Sullivan stole a bicycle, the same offense for which he was committed to jail here, and Lasher went south alone, getting to Baltimore about October 1, where he found employment with an oysterman, until he was made known to the police. – Kingston Leader.

Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows, the richest lodge of that order in this county held its installation of officers Thursday evening. District Deputy Charles Horton, of Rondout, with the following staff did the work, E. M. Baldwin, Grand Marshal; Henry A. Ohley, Grand Warden; James Smith, Jr., Grand Recording Secretary; Wm. Fields, Grand Permanent Secretary; Joseph W. Reinhard, Grand Treasurer; and U. E. Winans, Grand Guardian.
Those who were installed are:
2641. Women who are good cooks and housekeepers seldom have occasion to waste time in divorce courts.


The funeral of Capt. Ovid T. Simmons took place from the late residence, Barclay Heights, on Sunday afternoon, and was attended by a large concourse of people. It was in charge of Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M., of which the deceased was a Past Master.

The lodge assembled in its rooms in Russell Block and was convened as a lodge of sorrow with William Ziegler as Worshipful Master, William V. Burhans Senior Warden, F. N. Moulton Junior Warden, Theodore DeShong Senior Deacon, Leonard B. Howard Junior Deacon, James D. Myer chaplain, William G. Sickles Senior Master of Ceremonies, John Lang Junior Master of Ceremonies, Henry A. Ohley Secretary, Jeremiah P. Russell Treasurer, Edward Jernegan Marshal, M. H. Wygant Assistant Marshal and John K. Robinson Tiler.


After the funeral procession was formed, the charge of the services was turned over to Prof. James M. DeGarmo, of Fishkill Landing, a Past Master of Rhinebeck Lodge, as Worshipful Master for the occasion. The brethren proceeded to the residence of the deceased in funeral procession where the beautiful Masonic ritual for the burial of the dead was performed in its entirety in a most solemn and impressive manner by Worshipful Master De Garmo assisted by the brethren.

The funeral ceremony opened with reading of the scriptures and a colloquy between the Master, the Marshal, the Chaplain, and the Wardens, after which the Master delivered the address followed by an appropriate hymn, the singing being under the direction of the organist, Fred T. Russell and was composed of a sextette as follows: Wm. G. Sickles, William Mould, Wells O. Pettit, Ernest Young, Theodore B. Cornwell and Fred N. Moulton.

At the request of Mrs. Simmons the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association in uniform under command of Foreman Manning, preceded the Masonic procession to the residence and after viewing the remains of their late comrade waited until the conclusion of the funeral ceremonies and accompanied the funeral procession to the place of interment in Trinity cemetery.

After the ceremonies had been concluded at the residence, the procession reformed and escorted the remains and the mourners to the burial place, where no other services were held save the brief ceremony of the committal of the body. The procession then returned to the lodge rooms and the lodge was closed in due and ancient form. The lodge and its furnishing will be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days as a mark of respect to his memory.

2643. George Wachmeyer, of Rondout, President of the Hudson River Fireman’s Association, James G. Tubby, Foreman of the City of Kingston’s Exempt Fireman’s Association, Irving Nestel, of Clinton Hose, and Joseph Hurley, of Wiltwyck Hose, both of Kingston, attended the funeral of the late Capt. Simmons Sunday afternoon and were assigned places in the ranks of the local exempts.


Captain Ovid T. Simmons expired at his residence on Barclay Heights Thursday evening about 8:45 o’clock. For some years he had suffered with diabetes and the best medical skill was baffled in efforts to stay its deadly inroads.
Mr. Simmons was born in this village May 1st 1835. He is of English descent on his father’s side while his mother traced her ancestry to “bonnie Scotia.” He was graduated from the Polytechnic School, Troy, finishing his schooling when about fifteen years of age. In 1854, in connection with another person, he started a steam cooperage at Camden, N. J. This was burned out on May 17th, 1856, and in October of the same year he returned here and resumed his place as shipping clerk in the iron works. In July, 1860, in connection with his uncle Edward, he became a contractor for the iron works, and held the position until July, 1863, when he retired from the business. In that year he purchased the steamboat Rip Van Winkle, then plying between Saugerties and New York. In the following winter he rebuilt this boat and advertised her to start in opposition to the Peoples Line of Albany, but abandoned the scheme and finished the season with the Hudson night line.

In 1861 he sold his steamboat to Major Cornell of Rondout, and retired from active business. It was while in command of the Rip Van Winkle that he earned the title of Captain, by which he was ever after familiarly greeted by his many friends.

July 12th, 1860, he married Julia Pelletrau, nee Higbee, who died in 1865. To this marriage was born one daughter, who passed away when thirteen months old. He was again married, February 26th, 1880, this time to Eva L. Schoonmaker, a daughter of the late Peter P. Schoonmaker. To this union two children have been born, Emma, February 6th, 1881, and Ovid, December 2nd, 1882.

He affiliated with the Whig party until 1851, when he joined the Democrats. He has been quite active in political affairs all his life, and was looked upon as a leader in his party. He was a candidate for the Assembly in 1879 and 1880 against General Sharpe. He has been president of the village, a member of the Board of Trade, a director of the First National Bank, which position he vacated from his own volition.

At the time of his death, he was a member of the Board of Education, and one of the trustees of the Saugerties Savings Bank. He was one of the organizers of the Exempt Fireman’s Association, and was a prominent Mason and Past Master of Ulster Lodge, No. 193, of this village, under whose auspices the funeral will be held. In all matters relating to the interest of the community, he has proved himself a public spirited citizen, and was one of the influential men of the village.
By the first Constitution of the State, passed in 1777, submitted to, and approved by the People, among its provisions are the qualifications of voters. It provided that until the close of the war, the vote should be *viva-voce*, and after the war, that the Legislature should provide that the vote should be by ballot, and defined the qualifications of a voter.

That he must be a citizen of full age, a resident of the State, County, Town, and Election District, where he should vote. That he should be possessed of a free-hold estate of the value of £20 within said County or rented a tenement therein of the yearly value of 40 shillings, and been rated and actually paid taxes on such assessment to the State. The Constitution remained in force until 1821, when a new Constitutional Convention was held. The qualifications as to being a male citizen, age, residence in the State, County and Town, and shall have paid a tax upon the assessment of his real or personal property, and shall have been within the last year assessed to labor upon the Public Highways, and shall have performed the labor, or paid the equivalent therefor, according to law, shall be entitled to vote in the town or ward where he actually resides, and not elsewhere, for all officers that are of hereafter may be elected by the people.

Persons convicted of infamous crimes are excluded from the right of suffrage. Laws may be made for ascertaining by proper proofs the citizens who shall be entitled to the right of suffrage. Elections shall be by ballot, except town officers for which provision is otherwise made. This Constitution remained in force until 1846, when another Constitution was passed, which was submitted to the people and ratified by them. The qualifications of the right to vote, citizenship, of age, residence in the State, County, Town, etc., shall be entitled to vote at the election district of which he is a resident. A subsequent amendment changed the citizenship from 10 to 90 days. The Constitution of 1846 was subsequently amended, and is as it existed in 1894, with all its amendments. The qualifications of the voters are citizenship, age, time of residence in state, county, town and election district, at which such persons may vote at all elections for all officers, that now are or hereafter may be elected by the people, and upon all questions which may be submitted to the vote of the people, etc. Laws shall be made for ascertaining by proper proofs, the citizens who shall be entitled to vote, and all elections shall be by ballot, except for such town officers, as by law, otherwise may be directed.

The above several Constitutional provisions will be found in the latter part of sections 6, 7, and 8, page 39; sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, article 2, page 51; section 1 of article 2, pages 64 and 65; sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of article 2. Vol. 1, 8th edition, R. S. by Banks Bros.

The Constitution of 1846 was amended in several respects subsequently. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, same as in the original Constitution of 1846, and will be found on page 85, vol. 1, above mentioned. In construing the provisions of the several Constitutions of this State, it must be kept in mind that the Constitution of 1777 required a free-hold property qualification to have been rated, and a tax thereon paid. Like qualifications were contained in the Constitution of 1831, with the additional provision that the person offering to vote must have been assessed for highway labor and performing the labor, or commuted for it. By the Constitution of 1846, no property qualification was required, except by men of color; and by subsequent amendments, that qualification was taken off. We, therefore, say that the omissions of property qualifications to entitle a person otherwise having qualifications to vote, was a step in advance, trusting more to the intelligence of the people than the property qualifications. These changes that have been made, are conclusive proof that no property qualification are required under the present Constitution.

By the charter of the Village of Saugerties, section 37, as amended in 1870 and 1894, the Directors were given power to assess and collect a poll tax of $1.00 on each male resident in the Village above the age of 21 years, with certain exceptions, not necessary to name. Every person assessed for a poll tax of $1.00, who has neglected to pay the same, shall not be permitted to vote at Village Elections, until he shall have paid such tax. The Clerk shall prepare a list of the persons who have not paid a poll tax, and deliver a copy of it to the Election officers. By the last general Village law, chapter 21, of General Laws passed in...
1897, a person entitled to vote at a Village Election for Officers must be qualified to vote at Town Meeting, and to vote on a proposition, he must be entitled to vote for the officers, and he, or his wife, must also be the owner of property assessed on the preceding assessment roll, section 41, page 21, of the Village Laws 1897, by Cummings & Gilbert, and note to this section. The Constitution is the supreme law of the land; the qualifications of persons entitled to vote cannot be added to or lessened by the Legislature. If they could do so, they could practically nullify the Constitution. The provision in the Constitution must be obeyed. The law of the Legislature requiring the poll tax to be imposed, gives the power to collect through a warrant to the Collector, or by action, but when applied as a qualification to vote at an election, the Legislative act can not control or set aside the Constitutional provisions.

The proposition submitted by the Board of Directors is to ascertain the opinions of the taxpayers on those questions, and inasmuch, if adopted, the persons who have to pay the taxes are the proper persons who ought to vote on these questions. For years the state, counties, cities, towns and villages have had submitted to them such questions as a means of instructing the officers having the power to levy the taxes to know that the persons who will be required to pay them, believe it will be to their interest to have such increase of taxes levied, and which will be repaid by increased benefits to the community.

My opinion is that you can not disfranchise a voter, who has not paid the poll tax, from voting for a village officer, but he will not be permitted to vote on a proposition if he nor his wife is not assessed on the last assessment roll, for real or personal property.

All of which is respectfully submitted. P. CANTINE

Dated Dec. 6th, 1897.

2647. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 9, 1897. WILL ALLOW ALL TO VOTE. – The Board of Directors Decided so at a Special Meeting. – All Will be Allowed the Privilege to Vote at the Charter Election in Accordance With the Corporation Counsel’s Opinion.

Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th, 1897 with Directors Cantine, Quick, Rogers and Myer present. President Cantine presiding.

Meeting was called for the purpose of taking action on the question of collecting poll tax and deciding the question as to whom are entitled to vote at the Village Charter Election.

On motion the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, There has been variance of opinions on the constitutionality of that portion of Section 37 of the Village Charter which related to disfranchising Voters who do not pay their Poll Tax, and the opinion of the Village Counsel having been asked form and given. Be it;

RESOLVED, That the opinion be accepted, and spread upon the minutes, and further;

RESOLVED, That this Board of Directors abide by the decision, and allow all persons who constitute legal Voters as set forth in the counsel’s opinion to vote at the Charter election, Dec. 14th, 1897.

On motion, Board adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.

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THE INSPECTORS MANDAMUSED.

About two hours after the Board of Directors had adopted the resolution giving all voters the privilege of voting in the charter election, last night, the election inspectors who were appointed by the Board were served with a mandamus compelling them to show cause why they should not permit all voters who have not paid their poll tax to vote next Tuesday. It is returnable before Judge Chester at Albany on Saturday. The Union Citizens party secured the Mandamus.

The Village of Saugerties enjoys the distinction of being the only village in this state, whose charter imposes a tax upon the right to vote.
The Constitution of the State guarantees to every male citizen over the age of twenty one years, a right to participate in his government, and no one can take it away from him. It has been one of the most cherished principles of our form of government that there should be no distinction between rights of citizens, based upon wealth. If it can be said that a tax of one dollar may be imposed, then a tax of fifty-dollars can be imposed; or any other sum which would in effect disenfranchise a great many of our citizens. It means the creation of a governing class founded upon wealth, as against the greater masses of less fortunate people; but people whose right to vote is equally as strong as that of the few, and the same masses who in time gone by gave their lives, in the defence of that government from whose councils it is sought to exclude them. The Union Citizens Party accept the challenge; and the issue thus created; and in this election are glad to meet Burhans, Davis, James & Co., upon that issue. The Union Citizens Party stands for the right of suffrage to every male citizen of this state, whether he be rich or poor. Davis, Burhans and James are lined up in favor of the few against the many; they had created a charter by adroit tinkering in the legislature that seeks to disenfranchise the poorer classes of this village; and upon that issue they must stand or fall. They made the charter what is it for the purpose of continuing themselves in power, and it now remains to be seen if the prostitution of public office shall be successful. The issue is all the people against Davis, Burhans and James. The issue in this election is, whether or not the people shall govern this village, or whether Charlie, William and Christopher shall govern it for them. As this campaign progresses, we shall show to our readers a few of the many jobs and deals that our present Board of Directors have made, and let the glare of publicity illuminate few of their star chamber proceedings. Watch the columns of the TELEGRAPH.

2649. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Dec. 11th, 1897. [hand written] - A Victory for the Union Citizens Party. – Judge Chester Issues a Writ of Mandamus Commanding the Village Inspectors of Election to Receive the Votes of All Electors at next Tuesday’s Election Regardless of the Payment of a Poll Tax. In the matter of the mandamus of the people ex. rel. Samuel W. Bertine vs. the inspectors of election of the Village of Saugerties, was argued before Judge Chester at the City Hall, in the City of Albany, at 12 o’clock to-day. Hon. David B. Hill and Fred J. Durgan, Esq., appeared for the relators, and Charles F. Cantine, of Kingston, for the Board of Directors, who opposed the mandamus. After the case had been argued, Judge Chester decided that the imposition of a poll tax was unconstitutional and void, and rendered a writ of mandamus commanding the Board of Directors to receive the votes of all electors regardless of the payment of a poll tax.

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2650. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 10, 1897. - The Charter Election. The Union Citizens Party will see to it that every man votes at the coming election without the imposition of a poll tax demanded by the Corner who drew this charter. This is a battle of all Democrats and all Republicans who are opposed to the corrupt boss rule of the corner against the ticket headed by Cantine. No Democrat who remembers the abuse and vilification heaped upon his party by Charley Davis, Bill Burhans and their crowd will so far forget his duty as to vote for them. No Republican who recalls how they have carried caucuses by the lavish use of boodle from Kingston will cast a ballot for them and when this element asks a Democrat for his ballot it is only necessary for him to know that Mart Cantine, Bill Burhans, Kit James and Charley Davis are back of it, men who never spoke a decent word about a
Democrat in their life. The Democrats of the village of Saugerties are not helping Charley and William these days and they will not forget in a week of soft flattery the abuse and ill treatment of years.

The present Board of Directors seem determined to make this election illegal and their last action shows more plainly their intention to override the will of the people.
The charter of this village says that the president of the Board, who by the way is Martin Cantine, shall appoint three inspectors of election. One from each ward of the village.
Cantine has not complied with the law and charter, and has failed to appoint any inspector from the first ward; and has appointed two inspectors from one ward.
This further outrage may render it necessary to again appeal to the courts, to compel these men to do their duty.
Cantine knew what the law was. It was plain and brief and he has violated it.
The people are not going to be buncoed out of their votes in this election, by fraud and trickery of this kind.
We shall see what the Board will do now, when their pitiful attempts to make this illegal and void have been exposed.
The action of the Board of Directors in affirming the Constitution of the State of New York by resolution, is the most humorous thing ever heard of.
The constitution says who shall and shall not vote, or at least it did, before this great body of men decided that they were bigger than the constitution.
This resolution will go down in political history of this village, as the funniest and most ridiculous action ever taken.
The next thing the Board will do will be to declare war against Spain and it would be as sensible and have as much force as their recent resolution.

2652. Yourself and friends are solicited to be present at the Opening of our Wine and Lunch Rooms, 126 Front street, Thursday Afternoon, November 18, 1886. We Welcome Strangers and Greet Friends. J. E. Ross, Formerly of Sinclair House. - F. A. Ross. Ross Brothers. [invitation] [illustration]

It is currently reported about town that the corner gang have raised a big fund of boodle to corrupt the suffrages of the voters in to-morrows election. Any attempt to buy votes will be investigated by the Union Citizens Party. It is the duty of all good citizens to put a stop to this contemplated wholesale purchase by the “Corner.”

The Directors say that they did not intend to enforce the poll tax but why did they hire Charley Cantine to go up to Albany and oppose it. Hon. P. Cantine and Hon. Chas. Davis were not present, but Peter’s son Charley was there and A. P. Lasher and they did every thing in their power to prevent Judge Chester from issuing the mandamus.
Judge Chester told Mr. Cantine, that he was going to issue the mandamus whether the Board liked it or not, and the fact that he did issue it is the reason why every one will vote to-morrow without the one dollar tax on their ballot. Yes; the Board wanted every one to vote so badly they hired Peter’s son to go away up to Albany and fight the mandamus.
This is the last day before election, and it well becomes each and every voter to this corporation of Saugerties, to consider the issues that are at stake.

It is well to remember that the Union Citizens Party have made it possible against the efforts of the Cantine ticket, for every man to vote to-morrow without the payment of the tax upon his elective franchise. Every poor man cannot fail but recall that the Union Citizens party have saved for him and his family, and for his Christmas, the dollar tax upon his vote which the Corner Cantine crowd imposed upon him and thinking thus to deprive him of his ballot.

It is well for republicans who are not the subservient and pliant tools of the party machine to remember how Burhans, Cantine and Quick, acted the part of ringmasters and cracked the party lash about their heads, and then by the use of boodle furnished from Kingston, defeated the respectable element of the Republican party by this method.

It will be well for every Democrat to remember, that no kind word for a democrat ever passed the lips of Burhans, Cantine, Kit James or Charlie Davis, and that these men should now seek the support of that party, who they have persistently called Anarchists, thieves and repudiators is disgusting.

The hours of voting are from ten to one, and every man should see to it, to vote early, so that a full vote may be gotten out.

The battle is now on for control of the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties. Two tickets have been placed in the field. The people irrespective of party have secured Charles McNally, Edson Finger and Norman Cunyes as their standard bearers in this coming election. They are representative men. They are all good men. They are men who do not wear the chain or collar of any boss, and who, if elected, will be responsible to the people and not to Charlie Davis.

The Corner bulging out with political pap, gorged by past feeding at the patronage trough, hopeful of further swilling and still greater distension, have placed in nomination the very men whom people desirous for better government have wished them to do. Martin Cantine, Quick and Rodgers, are the very essence of bad municipal government; they have done Charlie Davis's will so long that they begin to look like him. They stand for nothing except Charlie, and in the previous Board gained distinction by their servile and cringing eagerness to obey Charlie's orders. The Corner's true ticket is Charles Davis. Cantine, Rodgers and Quick are simply his creatures who, prostrate upon their stomachs before the great man, glory in the infamy of their degradation. Their qualifications for office were not considered; whether or not they would serve the Peoples' interest was a matter of little moment; the only question in selecting them was how will they dance when Charlie pulls the string, and they have danced so mighty well in the past that Charlie was fully justified in believing they would go through whatever contortions he might suggest to them in the future, and the people have that idea in their minds as well as Charley.

That Charlie Davis, the Hon. William Burhans and the Rev. Mr. James should have so long controlled and absolutely dominated the Board of Directors has been in a great degree, because the people have not made any effort to disturb these political bushwackers.

This is a battle between the people for better government and decent administration of village affairs; by decent men against the corrupt and unspeakably vile boss rule of the few professional politicians who all wished to be fed at the public swill trough, and whose conception of a future existence is the eternal holding of a public office without work or toil. The issue is not in doubt. The people will triumph.
2657. Second Annual Ball ~ The Second Annual Ball of the Saugerties Mænner Quartette will be held at Loerzel’s Hall, Thanksgiving Eve, 1887. Good Music will be Furnished. Tickets Fifty Cents. [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2658. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 27, 1897. – CORRESPONDENCE. To the Editor of the Telegraph: It always gives me great pleasure to be able to congratulate you on the bold stand you have taken for pure politics. I hope you will never cease your efforts for reform until every department of government gives token that the reign of Bossism, Boodleism, Barrelism and licentious extravagance is over, and something of the purity, honesty and frugality with which our fathers inaugurated it has taken its place. In our grandfather’s days, when a man ran for office, he did it along for the public good, and not for the dollars and cents he might pocket. I am extremely gratified to see that we have a paper that has the courage of its convictions and dares to assert them. Grit makes the paper; want of it the chump. A paper of grit will hold and hang on.

Your efforts have been crowned with some success. Much still remains to be attained, and I hope you will not cease your efforts until you have aroused the people from their apathetic indifference to their own interests, which have become habitual, and assume among their fellowmen that equal station, and demand from the government they support, those equal rights to which the laws of Nature and Nature’s God entitles them.

If our present political system is much longer allowed to continue, it will inevitably end in the utter destruction of those liberties for which our fathers gave their lives, and the reinstatement of a privileged class and an aristocracy of wealth worse than that from which the war of the revolution freed us. Let your watch-word be “down” with bossism; to hades with dictators, and trust providence and the people to accomplish the rest.

We are told that we always had bosses and always will. Politicians tell us it is only a question of going from one set of bosses to another. The man who makes such an assertion is ignorant of the history of his country, or else he presumes on the ignorance of the people. We used to have leaders and statesman in the political garden seeking office, but the crop of statesmen seems to have been rooted out by the full stink-weed of bossism.

We always had thieves, but that is not reason why we should tolerate stealing. PELICAN.

Saxton, N. Y., Dec. 24, 1897.

2659. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 10, 1897. – Institution of a New Lodge in Saugerties. A. A. McKee, of Schenectady, accompanied by Dist. Deputy Grand Chancellor, J. G. Goldberg of the Knights of Pythias, assisted by H. E. Morton, of Catskill, instituted Celestia Council No. 27 of the Grand Orient, Tuesday evening in the rooms of North American Lodge, K. of P., in this village. After the institution ceremonies the following officers were installed: Lewis H. Kleeber, G. O.; Chas. E. Hamlin, G. V. O.; Andrew Simmons, P. G. O.; Edgar Myer, G. P.; Dwight L. Martin, G. H.; Jeremiah France, G. S.; Lewis H. Kleeber, G. T.; William N. Garvey, G. V. and G. W. After the Council closed refreshments were served.

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2660. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1897. WILLIAM LASHER ON TRIAL. - Evidence Given at His Case at Kingston Tuesday. – Arraigned on the Charge of Jail Breaking – Indicted for Burglary of the Harris Residence – Says He was Forced to Go.
At the session of county court held at Kingston, Tuesday, the trial of William Lasher, of this village, indicted for burglary at the residence of B. Taylor Harris, on John street and also for breaking jail was commenced. Lasher was arraigned on the charge of jail breaking and plead not guilty. District Attorney Cantine appeared for the people and Fred J. Durgan represented Lasher. A jury was selected. It was shown that Lasher went out through the hole made by cutting out the bars and grating of an upper window in the jail, the first intimation the jailer having of the escape, being when Reynolds, who also escaped, returned with his sister, and informed him. The defense was that Lasher had been forced to escape by Boylan. According to Lasher’s story on the witness stand, the night of the jail breaking he knew nothing whatever about the sawing of the windows. He thought that Boylan and Sullivan acted suspiciously. While playing a game of solitaire, Boylan asked him whether he was going along. Lasher inquired, “Where?” and Boylan said, “We are going out of this.” Lasher said “No, I am not going along, as I have a good clear defense.” Boylan told him he had better take a certainty then an uncertainty, and then produced a big revolver, pointing it at him, saying, “If you don’t go, you will get the contents of this.” Being afraid he decided to go.

Boylan went out first, letting himself down with the bed blankets, Lasher next, and Sullivan and Boylan took Lasher between them went up the Saugerties road to Schoentag’s, struck through the woods to the bank of the river, where they found a Polack, who rowed them across. Lasher claimed that in June he found a number of saws in the cell of Fred Freer, and told Bob Smith, the jailer, otherwise there would have been a delivery at that time. No, he didn’t boost Boylan to get out of the hole. He went through feet first. It was about 35 feet from the hole to the ground. They first went to Chatham, there got aboard a freight train, and went to Pittsfield, where Boylan disappeared and Lasher and Sullivan went to Albany, thence to the hop country in Schoharie county, where they worked in the hop fields, went to New York, to the Jersey meadows to Trenton, to Baltimore.

No, he didn’t give himself up to the authorities at Baltimore, they arrested him there. Why did I watch them, Boylan and Sullivan? Because I thought they were going to play a joke on some of the fellows and I was going to be in the game myself. Yes, I spent some time in the upper corridor of the jail, but I never saw either Sullivan or Boylan have saws and never heard either of them saw. Boylan said he wouldn’t leave me to give him away like I did Carl. Elizabeth Lasher, the mother of prisoner, testified that she received a letter from her son, “Willie,” Saturday, as the jail breaking occurred Sunday morning. Among other things he hoped the letter would find her well, and enjoying herself better than he was at present. “We had two more boarders from Saugerties the other day. One of them, a friend of mine, has a lot of books in the lockup; I would like you to go and get them and send them down.” he wrote.

William Cross, indicted for robbery, was brought up from the jail to testify. He was in jail at the time of the escape. Knew about Lasher finding saws. Boylan said that if they did not go out, they wouldn’t have Lasher there to tell on them. Thomas Kelly, in jail for shooting William Hommel, testified that Lasher was with him all the time, and therefore had no opportunity to saw the bars, and he was very sure that he didn’t saw the bars. The night of the jail breaking witness was in bed and Lasher didn’t come to bed as usual. This concluded the evidence and the case went to the jury. As we go to press they have not brought in a verdict yet.

2661. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 28, 1897. - Christmas at Firemen’s Home. – An Enjoyable Present Received From the Hotel Lincoln.
The veteran firemen at the Firemen’s Home had a Christmas that they will not soon forget with the excellent dinner provided by Superintendent and Mrs. Byron Drowns; but what they will never forget is a present they received from The Lincoln.

For months there has been a box displayed at the popular city hostelry, on which was lettering inviting transients and city people to drop a nickle, [sic] “for the benefit of the Firemen’s Home.” On Christmas eve the box was emptied, and in it was found a fund sufficient for the purchase of enough Missouri meerschaums and a supply of tobacco to last the old fellows at the Home for weeks to come. The pipes and tobacco were presented on Christmas morning, and to judge by the contented manner in which the veterans puffed at their prizes after dinner on Saturday, no present they received produced more satisfaction than the one sent out by Clerk Clark and John Wolfe.

The box has been placed again on the office counter at The Lincoln, and the firemen may expect another substantial present for New Year’s –* Hudson Register.*

The Board of Supervisors adjourned this week, and before the adjourned they designated certain newspapers within the county of Ulster, to publish certain notices required by law. Heretofore and in times gone by and without exception all the newspapers in the county have published these notices irrespective of political or partisan considerations. The Supervisor of each town names the paper in his respective town. When the allotment was made by the Board of Supervisors, every newspaper in this county except The TELEGRAPH was designated to publish the notices, or in other words, Mr. John D. Fratsher, the Corner Gang county representative, omitted the TELEGRAPH from the lists of newspapers in the county. The TELEGRAPH, however, will not have to borrow any money of their friends to keep afloat, even if they did not get the county printing. It was so small a trick that we feel sorry for Mr. Fratsher; it has only served to irrevocably fix his size.

The case of the People vs. William Lasher, came up in County Court at Kingston, Tuesday afternoon. There are two indictments against Lasher, one for grand larceny for entering the house of B. Taylor Harris, in the village, in company with Eugene Carle and Adolph Bourienne, and stealing therefrom a quantity of valuable material, and also for breaking out of jail in company with burglar Boylan and one Sullivan on the 28th of August last. Carle and Bourienne were tried, and are serving their sentences in State’s prison. District Attorney Cantine said he would try the defendant on the indictment for breaking jail. F. J. Durgan appeared for defendant. Lasher was arraigned for defendant. Lasher was arraigned and plead not guilty. A jury was selected. It was shown that Lasher went out through the hole made by cutting out the bars and grating of an upper window in the jail, the first intimation the jailer having of the escape, being when Reynolds, who also escaped, returned with his sister, and informed him. The defense was that Lasher had been forced to escape by Boylan. According to Lasher’s story on the witness stand, the night of the jail breaking he knew nothing whatever about the sawing of the windows. He thought that Boylan and Sullivan acted suspicious. While playing a game of solitaire, Boylan asked him whether he was going along. Lasher inquired, “Where?” and Boylan said, “We are going out of this.” Lasher said “No, I am not going along, as I have a good clear defense.” Boylan told him he had better take a certainty than an uncertainty, and then producing a big revolver, pointed it at him, saying, “If you don’t go, you will get the contents of this.” Being afraid, he decided to go.

Boylan went out first, letting himself down with bed blankets, Lasher next, and Sullivan and Boylan took Lasher between them, went up the Saugerties road to Schoentag’s, struck through the woods to the bank of the river, where they found a Polack, who rowed them across. Lasher claimed that in June he found a number of saws in the cell of Fred Freer, and told Bob Smith, the jailer, otherwise there would
have been a jail delivery at that time. No, he didn’t boost Boylan to get out of the hole. He went through feet first. It was about 35 feet from the hole to the ground. They first went to Chatham, there got aboard a freight train, and went to Pittsfield, where Boylan disappeared and Lasher and Sullivan went to Albany, thence to the hop country in Schoharie county, where they worked in the hop fields. Lasher left the hop fields, went to New York, to the Jersey meadows, to Trenton, to Baltimore. No, he didn’t give himself up to the authorities at Baltimore, they arrested him there. Why did I watch them, Boylan and Sullivan? Because I thought they were going to play a joke on some of the fellows and I was going to be in the game myself. Yes, I spent some time in the upper corridor of the jail, but I never saw either Sullivan or Boylan have saws and never heard either of them saw. Boylan said he wouldn’t leave me to give him away like I did Carle.

Elizabeth Lasher, the mother of prisoner, testified that she received a letter from her son, “Willie,” Saturday, as the jail breaking occurred Sunday morning. Among other things he hoped the letter would find her well, and enjoying herself better than he was at present. “We had two more boarders from Saugerties the other day. One of them, a friend of mine, has a lot of books in the lockup; I would like you to go and get them and send them down.” he wrote.

William Cross, indicted for robbery, was brought up from the jail to testify. He was in jail at the time of the escape. Knew about Lasher finding saws. Boylan said that if they did not go out, they wouldn’t have Lasher there to tell on them.

Thomas Kelly, in jail for shooting William Hommel, testified that Lasher was with him all the time and therefore had no opportunity to saw the bars, and he was very sure that he did not saw the bars. The night of the jail breaking witness was in bed, and Lasher didn’t come to bed as usual.

The evidence was closed, when court adjourned until this morning at 9:30.

LATER – The jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation of mercy. Judge Clearwater sentenced him in the State prison at Dannemora for a term of three years and four months.

At the regular meeting of the North American Lodge, No. 115, K. of P., held Tuesday evening, Dec. 7th the following officers were elected for the ensuing term. Dwight L. Martin, Chancellor Commander; Maurice Carle, Vice Chancellor; Peter M. Valk, Prelate; Benjamin M. Gillespy, Master of Work; Jeremiah France, Keeper of Records and Seal; Edgar Myer, Master of Finance; Herman Mittrach, Master of Exchequer; Chester Tymerson, Master of Arms; L. H. Kleeber, Representative to the Grand Lodge; Andrew Simmons, Alternate; Albert Shear, Trustee for three years.

At the regular monthly meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 held Tuesday evening, Ernest Hassinger was recommended for appointment to the office of Chief Engineer, and the following nominations were made: For President, Ernest Myer; for Vice-President, Edward Moran; for Foremen, John A. Snyder; for First Assistant Foreman, Irwin Ronk; for Second Assistant Foreman, Robert Ballman; for Secretary, Ernest Hassinger; for Treasurer, William Ziegler; for Janitor, Samuel W. Merclean; for Representative, Michael Fitzgerald; for Delegate to State Convention, Irwin Ronk; for Alternate, Clyde Van Steenburg; for Delegate to Tri-County Convention, William Ziegler; for Alternate, Frank A. Jewett; for Trustees Frank A. Jewett, Edward Snyder, Alfred Saam, John O. Sweet, John M. Adams and Fordyce L. Myer were elected active members of the company.
The firemen of Poughkeepsie seem almost unanimous for the proposition to elect the chief of the fire
department by popular vote of the firemen, as is now done in this city and in Kingston. Newburgh
Register.
Time was some years ago when Saugerties firemen were permitted to choose the officers to preside
over them. But the late Joe. Smith, who at that time was conceded to be a power in village politics
found out he could no longer control the firemanic elections and then had a law passed delegating the
power of choice of officers of the fire department to the Village Board of Directors, and in consequence
ever since, the firemen have only been permitted to recommend to the Honorable Board the names of
those whom they prefer to rule over them, and await the decision. It is about time some measure was
adopted whereby the firemen of the village should determine for themselves whom they prefer in
command at times of difficulty and danger, and not whom somebody else may choose to select to rule
over them. As a rule, the Board of Directors so far have deferred to the wishes of the firemen in the
choice of officers, but suppose they should not. What then?

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2667. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 10, 1897. – KELLY GUILTY OF ASSAULT. In the Second Degree So
Say the Jury at Kingston. – For Shooting William Hommel at Toodleum Last June – Judge Clearwater
Sentenced Him to Dannemora For a Period of Two Years and Eight Months.
The case of the People against Thomas Kelly for assault in the first degree for shooting William Hommel
at Toodleum June 1, 1897, and destroying his eyes, was called in County Court Thursday morning. The
court room was full and the audience were interested listeners all day. District Attorney Cantine
appeared for the People and W. D. Brinnier for the defendant.
William Hommel, the plaintiff, was the first witness called. He said he resided at Unionville, with his
mother, and was 28 years of age. He knew Thomas Kelly. On June 1, 1897, the day the accident
occurred, witness went to Kelly’s house, and there was no one at home. He waited a few minutes, and
then Kelly’s father came. Mr. Kelly sat down on the door sill, and witness sat on the bench. They were
talking, when Thomas Kelly, the defendant, came. He said nothing, but went into the house to get
something to eat. Afterwards he asked his father where the gun was, and he said, “Don’t act foolish,
you don’t want the gun.” “Yes I do,” answered Tom to his father. “I will show you how dam quick I can
shoot a man.” Kelly got the gun and as “I turned around.” continued the witness, “I got the charge to my
eyes. I got up, staggered against the fence and fell.” The only time witness saw Kelly have the gun was
when he reached into the little room, picked the gun up and shot him. Peter Kelly, Tom’s father, stood
just inside of the door sill, about a foot ahead of the witness. He did not touch the gun. Witness did not
know if Kelly had his finger on hammer or trigger, but thought one hand was near the trigger, while the
other hand was on the barrel. Hommel said he had his eyesight on June 1, the day of the accident, but
that he had been blind since October 9. On cross-examination Hommel stated that he and Kelly had
been on the best of terms and had never quarreled. When asked “if he meant to say on his oath, that
Kelly meant to shoot him,” Hommel answered, “Yes,” and when Mr. Brinnier said, “who told you to say
that, your mother?” witness answered, “No.” Continuing, Hommel retold his story. Witness then
showed with a gas lighter the position of the gun in Kelly’s hands when he was shot. That day Hommel
said that he had drunk three glasses of cider which he got at Mrs. McHale’s. Two of the glasses of cider
the witness drank early in the afternoon, afterwards drank a glass of beer, then the glass of cider.
Witness described how, together with William Kelly, brother of Thomas Kelly, and Keenan, he went that
afternoon to load stone in the woods for Mr. McHale, and on return went to Kelly’s home. Hommel said
he frequently went to Kelly’s house, and was always well treated.
Dr. C. T. Montgomery, of Glasco, testified as to how soon after shooting he was summoned, and found Hommel on the bench outside of Kelly’s house, washing blood and powder from his face. When witness asked Kelly “How did this come? “ Kelly answered, “Foolishness done it.” When the doctor asked Kelly if he wanted to see Hommel, Kelly answered, “No, I have seen enough of him.” When asked by Mr. Brinnier if Kelly was drunk, the doctor answered, “No, but you could see he had been drinking.” E. B. Codwise, civil engineer, exhibited a sketch, of Kelly’s house, showing a diagram of the kitchen and location of the furniture. The distance from the entrance door to the pantry door, where Kelly secured the gun, was shown to be about 12 feet. Here the prosecution rested, Mr. Brinnier then moved that the Judge direct the jury to acquit the defendant on the grounds that no evidence of any criminal intent had been shown. The Judge, however, said he would have to send the case to the jury on the expression, “I will show you how dam quick I can shoot a man.”

Thomas Kelly, the defendant, was then called. He said he had known Hommel some eight or nine years and had never had any unpleasantness with him. On the day of the accident he was home alone, his sister having gone away. Hommel was there and witness coaxed him to stay to dinner, together with “Dutch” Ricks and “Bucky” Dargan. Will Hommel and defendant’s brother were also there. They had some cider. Defendant afterwards left the house and went to a saloon where he had a couple of beers. On the return of the witness home he saw his father and Hommel sitting on the bench. He got something to eat. Then got the gun, and said, “Wait till I show you what a good shot I am, when the father of the witness said, “Better not be so foolish.” Witness then had the gun near his waist, and was looking to see if there was a cap on the nipple, when the gun went off. Then my father said, “O, my God!” When asked if he meant to shoot Hommel, Kelley [sic] answered: “Gentlemen of the jury, with the help of God, I did not intend to harm that man in no way.” Witness acknowledged that he had been drinking that day, and had also been in scrapes before.

On cross-examination Kelly said that he had been in the penitentiary twice. He said that he did not ask his father where the gun was, but that he got the gun and said, “Wait till you see what a good shot I am.” Then his father came in and taking hold of the gun said, “You had better put the gun up.” The hammer was half way up, and then the gun went off. Kelly further said he did not see Hommel at all, as he was looking down at the gun. Witness denied that he said “I will show you how dam quick I can shoot a man.” Kelly said that he supposed his father grabbed the gun owing to being frightened, as a couple of days or so before his father told him, when he had the gun, to put it up, as it was unsafe and might burst.

Peter Kelly, father of Thomas Kelly, swore that he remembered the occurrence. Then he described it by saying that he came into the house and found Hommel there alone. He says, I was looking for you, and I says how could you be looking for me when you seen me working on the road. He then said, I am looking here for Tom, and I says you go up to Rick’s wagon shop, where you will find him. I could see he had been drinking. The he says, no I won’t go until he comes. When Tom came he went in the house to eat something. Then he turned around and says, “Daddy, did you ever see what a good shot I am?” I says, what are you doing, you will never go out with that gun. Hommel was looking in the door, only his face showing. I grabbed the barrels. Then the gun went off. I turned and said, “My God!” I thought Hommel was dead.

Witness said that the day before when Tom got the gun, it went off and badly scared me and Will Washburn. Witness father said that he often used to jibe Tom that he, (witness) being an old soldier, was the best shot, and then whenever he (defendant) had a little steam – been drinking – he would want to show me that he was the best shot. Kelly also said that if it had not been for him grabbing the gun the shooting would never have happened. The gun was then exhibited and Mr. Brinnier demonstrated that the hammer would go off at half cock, and also by a jar. On cross-examination witness identified sketches and photographs of his house.
Witness said he and Hommel were talking when Tom came home. Hommel was standing just outside of the door, and witness was sitting on a chair inside of the house, close to the door. He thought that when Tom went to get the gun he was going to shoot some birds to show how good a shot he was. Witness stated that he never saw Tom cock the gun; he was carrying it and when witness grabbed the gun it went off. The gun was unsafe, whether anything was in the barrels or not. On re-direct examination witness also showed that the gun would go off at half cock and by a jar. At dinner, the day of the shooting, the boys were having a good time, and they had cider, and as far as the witness knew everything they could get. Witness hurried back to his work on the road, and later saw Hommel and William Kelly, his son, go off together, and Thomas Kelly, the defendant go down the road. Witness did not think Tom was sober.

William Kelly, the brother of the defendant, told how, on the day of the accident, he was upstairs in the house, and coming down, saw them all eating dinner. They had a pail of cider. Afterwards witness and Hommel went to load stone in the woods for Mr. McHale, and on their return, together with some others, they went and had a couple of beers, and then went to Mr. McHale's and had half a gallon of cider. Last witness saw of Hommel he went out the back way with Johnny McGuire, so no one would see them. The case for the defense then closed.

William Hommel, the complainant, was recalled, and again said that Peter Kelly sat on the door sill when Tom came home. He denied that Tom said “Daddy, did you ever see what a good shot I am?”

The case then closed, and Mr. Brinnier and Mr. Cantine addressed the jury.

In charging the jury, Judge Clearwater told them that there was not sufficient evidence to find a verdict against the defendant, Kelly, for assault in the first degree; that if they found against the defendant, it could only be for assault in the second degree. After the jury had been out a short time they sent word they would like to have the gun, photographs and map. Their request was granted. After examining them the jury not being ready to report, court took a recess until eight o'clock in the evening, to receive the verdict. At that hour the jury came in and asked the court if they could be permitted to inquire what was the maximum and minimum penalty for assault in the second degree. The court replied that the only question submitted to the jury was one of fact and the matter of penalty was exclusively within the jurisdiction of the court and directed the jury to withdraw.

At the opening of court this morning the jury brought in a verdict of guilty of assault in the second degree and Judge Clearwater sentenced Kelly to Dannemora prison for two years and eight months.


At the regular communication of Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M. held Wednesday evening the following officers were installed by Past Master Wm. G. Morgan, of Poughkeepsie. Wm. Ziegler, Worshipful Master; Wm. V. Burhans, Senior Warden; Wm. G. Sickles, Junior Warden; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Jeremiah P. Russell, Treasurer; Ira Lewis, Trustee; Edward Jernegan, Senior Deacon; S. Y. Knight, Junior Deacon; John Seamon, S. M. of C.; John Lang, Sr., J. M. of C.; James D. Myer, Chaplain; H. D. Laflin, Marshal; Fred T. Russell, Organist; John K. Robinson, Tiler.


The Corner stands for a tax upon the poor man’s vote. The Union Citizen’s Party stands for equal rights to poor and rich alike.

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The opinion of Mr. Cantine printed in the Daily Post of Monday, is a very cute little political dodge. The present Board knows that the people are opposed to this taxing the right to vote. They may promise all sorts of things, but when the election comes they will try to impose this tax; because they know that if
all the people vote, they will meet that defeat which they deserve, and it is very likely that all the people will vote.

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It certainly is a funny state of affairs when the Board of Directors, of this village, gives to the son of one of their own members, a contract to paint the lamp posts of the corporation. There are not many public officers charged with public trust, who will give out contracts among their families, and there will be fewer yet after next January.

Fire Warden Ernest Hassinger was around the business district, this morning on a tour of inspection, notifying the merchants to destroy all of paper and inflammable material before placing it in the back yard.

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To the Editor of the Post:
An article appeared in the Daily Telegraph, Nov. 11th, alleging that the town was compelled to pay exorbitant assessors’ bills. Therefore we desire to refute the charges made in that paper and requested them to publish the appended article, but they refused to do so. Realizing that many of the taxpayers believe that such is the case, we desire you to publish a statement of facts, for our vindication. The following is the article sent to the Telegraph:

Editor Saugerties Telegraph:
DEAR SIR: We request space in your columns to reply to an article published by you in issue of Nov. 11th last in regard to alleged illegal assessors; bills of this Town, which statements we claim are misleading to the taxpayers of this Town whose servants we are. You attempt to show by quoting some of the assessors’ bills of other Towns in the County that we are robbers. If the amount of work done is any criterion let us sum up the matter truthfully.

Denning, amount of assessed property in town: real, $65,432.00; personal none, total $65,432, written pages on assessment roll, 1896, 95; assessors’ bills, $146.00.

Esopus, real, $1,412,655.00; personal, $54,075.00; 1895, same; written pages, roll 110, assessors’ bills, $144.00.

Gardiner, real, $489,645.00; personal, $15,400.00; 1895, same, written pages, roll 50, assessors’ bills 170.00.

Hardenberg, real, $75,992.00, personal $2160.00; 1895, $3,260.00; loss $1100; written pages roll 75, assessors’ bills, $50.00.

Hurley, real, $442,867.00; personal $7,466.00, 1895 $14,039.00; loss $6,663.00; written pages roll 85; assessors’ bills, $50.00.

Kingston, real, $28,530.00, personal none, written pages roll 38; assessors’ bills, $50.00.

Lloyd, real, $511,555.00; personal, $10,600.00; 1895, $10,975.000; loss $375.00; written pages roll 60; assessors’ bills $78.25.

Marbletown, real, $619,375.00; personal, $9,200.00; 1895, $10,700.00; loss $1,500.00; written pages roll 70; assessors’ bills, $176.

Marlborough, real, $584,982.00; personal, $8,200.00; 1895, $7,950.00; loss $650.00, written pages roll 50; assessors’ bills $130.00

New Paltz, real, $424,735.00; personal, $64,625.00; 1895, $65,675.00, loss $450.00; written pages roll 56; assessors’ bills, $172.00.
Olive, real, $333,890.00, personal, $6,470.00; 1895, $7,940.00; loss $1,470.00; Written pages roll 48; assessors’ bills, $101.00.
Plattekill, real, $809,015.00, personal, $6,700.00; 1895, $11,300.00; loss $4,400.00; written pages roll 43; assessors’ bills, $156.28.
Rochester, real, $412,800.00, personal, $5,570.00; 1895, $7,790.00; loss $2,220.00; written pages roll 100; assessors’ bills, $130.00.
Rosendale, real, $1,226,345.00, personal, $6,150.00; 1895, $11,350.00; loss $7,200.00; written pages roll 70; assessors’ bills, $380.00.
Saugerties, real, $3,404,980.00, personal, $350,820.00; 1895, $274,280.00; gain $76,540.00; written pages roll 370; assessors’ bills, $633.04.
Shandaken, real, $913,565.00, personal, $6,700.00; 1895, $6,600.00; loss $100.00; written pages roll 49; assessors’ bills, $168.60.
Shawangunk, real, $528,890.00, personal, $6,700.00; 1895, $16,500.00; gain $500.00; written pages roll 58; assessors’ bills, $177.00.
Ulster, real, $1,149,588.00, personal, $2,300.00; 1895, same; written pages roll 118; assessors’ bills, $454.00.

Wawarsing, real, $679,429.00, personal, $67,278.00; 1895, $68,100.00, loss $882.00; written pages roll 120; assessors’ bills, $484.00.
Woodstock, real $442,492.00, personal, $17,700.00; 1895, $22,400.00, loss $4,700.00; written pages roll 53, assessors’ bills, $66.00.

The amount of written pages on roll shows the work done better than the total value of property, for in 1895, your humble servant stood guard all day over the partly completed assessment roll at the Book Bindery while the employees of that institution added one hundred pages to the book and rebound it in order that it might contain in one volume all the taxable property of our Town. After which the books of this Town were enlarged by the County, and the assessment for 1897 has only three unwritten leaves. So much for the work done.

Now as to being under what you are pleased to call “Corner Gang Rule;” we refute that with the statement the our guide is a well studied assessment law, and honest motive, and a fearless discharge of duty, for which we received this year a high compliment from the State Board of Tax Commissioners, and were held up as an example to the other Towns of the County, who were threatened with indictment before the grand jury of our County and with seemingly good effect for it has added to the value of real estate outside of the Town of Saugerties in the County, $3,399,745.00, personal added outside of Saugerties in County, $682,359.00, Saugerties adding $63,000.00, making a total over last year, $745,349.00, and notwithstanding the fact that the County has gained in value of real estate in the Town, $42,215.00. Are the Assessors of the Town of Saugerties doing anything for their money besides receiving curses and abuse?

Please give you readers an opportunity to peruse this honest statement of facts sworn to and let them draw their own conclusions.

Respectfully Yours, C. S. Lowther, Chairman Board of Assessors Town of Saugerties.

2672. You are respectfully invited to attend the Ninth Annual Ball of Ever Ready Engine Co., No. 4, at Cooke’s Hotel, Catskill, Tuesday Evening, February 17, 1893. [card white with black and yellow lettering] [illustration]

It will be recalled by students of classical history that Nero, the Roman Emperor, fiddled at a banquet while Rome was burning. After every charter election the Board of Directors and other of the gang regale themselves at a banquet at the Phoenix Hotel while the village goes to the devil and pays for the
spread out of the dog fund of the corporation. A diligent search of ancient records fails to show whether Nero paid for his banquet out of the dog fund of the Roman Empire, or paid for it himself. As long as the village has to stuff its Directors with food at the taxpayer’s expense, it is peculiarly fitting that they should be gorged out of the dog fund.

The TELEGRAPH would like the Directors who are standing for re-election to inform the people what right they possess to prostitute the dog fund of this village to such base and unseemly purposes. It is confidently expected that this year the dog fund will be put to a better use.

2674. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1897. - Mr. Lowther’s Effusion.– We have read with mingled feeling of wonder and consternation the voluminous letter of the Hon. Mr. Lowther in the Daily Post. We do not know what he means. For Instance: “Therefore we desire to refute the charges made in that paper and requested them to publish the appended article but they refused to do so. Realizing that many of the taxpayers believe that such is the case, we desire you to publish a statement of facts for our vindication.”

It appears therefore that Mr. Lowther knowing that the taxpayers believed that we had refused to publish it wanted a vindication for our refusal. Or does he mean that the taxpayers believe that the assessors had made exorbitant charges. Or what does he mean? We are pleased to observe that he denies any connection with the “corner gang rule” and we do not blame him for not desiring to be one of the brigade.

It may be argued that it would have been much more modest for Mr. Lowther to have permitted someone else to have spoken of his fearless discharge of duty and honest motives, and his being held up as an example, but then, perhaps if he had not called attention to it, no one else would have mentioned it.

We feel about this much as we expressed ourselves some time ago in regard to his brother assessor, Pete:

“We have heard some people ask why it was that we have not noticed the attacks of Pete Hommel, the Quarryville correspondent of a daily paper in this village, who most fouly assassinates the King’s English in his effusions. The reason why, is because we do not wish to dignify and confer upon him the notoriety which his vanity craves. We hesitate to believe that Pete can ever do anything or ever say anything which will cause a feeling of resentment or anger to take the place of the profound pity which we feel for him. Poor Pete.”

2675. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 9, 1897. – The Poll Tax Question. The following order signed by Alden Chester, Justice of the Supreme Court, has been served on the inspectors of election appointed to act as such at the coming charter election: -

SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF ULSTER.
The people of the State of New York on the relation of Samuel W. Bertine vs. Alfred P. Lasher, James D. Myer and William E. Wolven, as inspectors of election of the village of Saugerties, N. Y.

Upon the annexed affidavits of Samuel W. Bertine, the relator herein, verified on the 6th day of December, 1897, and the affidavit of Frederick J. Durgan, Esq., verified on the 6th day of December, 1897, let the above named persons as inspectors of election of the village of Saugerties, Ulster county, N. Y., show cause at a special term of the Supreme Court to be held at the city hall, at the city of Albany, on the 11th day of December, 1897, at 10 o’clock in the forenoon of that day, why a peremptory writ of mandamus should not issue out of and under the seal of this court, directed to the above named persons, and to their successors if any there shall be as inspectors of election of the village of Saugerties, Ulster county, N. Y., requiring them to accept and receive the ballot and vote of the relator, and also the ballots and votes of all other duly qualified voters of the State of New York residing within the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties, similarly situated as the relator, for all officers to be voted for at the charter election of said village to be held at the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on the 14th day of December,
1897, without the payment of the poll tax of one dollar as provided by said charter of the said village of
Saugerties, and for such other further and different relief as may be just with costs.
And it is further ordered that the service of the written order and papers upon which it is made upon
the above persons as inspectors, on or before the 10th day of December, 1897, shall be deemed
sufficient cause, therefore appearing in the annexed affidavit of F. J. Durgan, Esq.
Dated Albany, N. Y., Dec 6th 1897. Alden Chester, Justice Supreme Court.
State of New York  }
County of Ulster  } ss.
Frederick J. Durgan, being duly sworn deposes and says that he is one of the attorneys for the relator in
the above entitled proceeding.
That no previous application in the above proceeding has ever been made in any court or judge for a like
order. That the reason why an eight days notice cannot be given is that the said election for said officers
mentioned in this proceeding will be held on the 14th day of December, 1897, and that the inspectors of
said election of said village were not appointed until the 3rd day of December, 1897, and that no special
term will be held within this judicial district in time to give said eight days notice previous to said
election.

Fred J. Durgan.
Sworn to before me this 6th day of December, 1897 – L. H. Kleeber, Notary Public.

2676. Doutney Concert – Benefit Baptist Church & S. S. - Maxwell Hall – Friday Evening, Jan. 15, ’86
[signed] Thos. N. Whitney. Admit One, Reserved Seat. [pink ticket] [Illustration]

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Hold Their Meeting Wednesday Evening. - Albert Rowe Elected President – A Lively Meeting – A War
Imminent and it is Liable to Break Out at Any Moment.
There is trouble brewing between the village Board of Health, and some of the village Directors, and it is
liable to break out at any moment.
The trouble is due to the appointment of Edward Bates as a member of the Board of Health to succeed
Martin M. Baker by the Board of Directors.
On New Year’s day, when the Board of Directors organized and made the appointments for the year,
Director Cunyes claimed that according to the village charter, the term of Martin M. Baker, who had
been appointed to fill the unexpired term of John H. Jones in the Board of Health, expired on December
31st, 1897. President Lasher was very reluctant in coinciding with Mr. Cunyes, but on motion Edward
Bates was chosen to succeed Baker.
As soon as it became known Mr. Baker consulted counsel and was advised that the state law governing
health boards sustained him and he then refused to give up his membership in the Board.
President Lasher, of the Board of Directors also consulted counsel and was advised that the election of
Mr. Bates was illegal according to the state law, and therefore refused to sign a certificate for Bates.
The matter was discussed by many and nothing was made manifest until the first meeting of the Board
of Health which occurred on Wednesday evening in the Directors room in Firemen’s hall, and although
the meeting did not last long, yet it was a rather warm one.
Those present were Messrs. Rowe, Baker and Elmendorf, of the Board, Directors Cunyes and Finger,
Assessor Richard Gibson and Edward Bates, whose appointment is responsible for all the strife.
The Board organized by electing Albert Rowe, president; M. M. Baker, vice-president; and J. S.
Elmendorf, secretary.
As Mr. Bates presented no credentials, President Rowe said he could not recognize his as a member of the board. Mr. Cuynes and Mr. Baker then indulged in an heated argument over the matter, Cuynes claiming that according to the village charter, Baker’s term had expired on December 31, ’97, and wondered why Bates had not received his credentials. Baker claimed the village charter says such was the case in elective officers and not appointive ones, and that he having been appointed, his term had not expired yet. After advising Mr. Bates to remain, Cuynes left the room very angry and saying that if the Board did any business it would not be recognized by the Directors.

The Board then proceeded to do business. Cuynes’ threat having no effect on them and on motion Dr. John H. Dewitt was chosen Health Officer at a salary of $150 per year.

On motion Lewis H. Kleeber was appointed registrar of vital statistics for the village, he to act as clerk of the Board without compensation.

On motion Alexander Lackey was appointed sanitary inspector at a salary of $50 per year.

On motion the first Wednesday night of each month was designated as the meeting night of the Board.

On motion the Board adjourned.


The annual meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. took place Thursday evening in their room at Fireman’s Hall. There was considerable strife among the members who were aspirants for office. The principal strife centered on the office of Second Assistant Foreman, for which position Patrick Doyle and Edward Morgan were candidates. Four ballots were taken, each of which resulted in a tie vote of 13 to 13. The Foreman, Dr. O’Dea, having the deciding vote, cast it for Mr. Doyle, electing him by a vote of 14 to 13.

The secretaryship was sought for by three candidates, Joseph W. Frankel, Edgar Myer and James Sweeney, which resulted the election of Mr. Sweeney. The result of the election follows: William Tracey, Foreman; Frederick Gradwohl, First Assistant Foreman; Patrick Doyle, Second Assistant Foreman; James Sweeney, Secretary; Isaac Lazarus, Treasurer; William Mac Mullen, Trustee; Isaac Lazarus, Delegate to State Association; Martin Cantine, Delegate to Hudson River Association.

A committee of eight was appointed to confer with a like committee from the other companies to arrange for the coming Fireman’s Convention and Tournament to be held in this village next June. Dr. T. F. O’Dea and William V. Burhans were added to the committee having in charge the matter of procuring a new truck.

Martin Cantine was nominated as candidate for First Assistant Engineer of the fire department.

At the adjournment, the elected officers did the honors.


At the regular semi-monthly meeting of the J. R. Tappen Woman’s Relief Corps, No. 171, G. A. R., held in their rooms, Russell Block Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 4th, the follow [sic] officers were duly inducted [sic] into office by Mrs. S. Antoinette Swart, the installing officer:

Mrs. Eleanor M. Barritt, President; Mrs. Maria C. Van Gaasbeck, Senior Vice-President; Mrs. Anie [sic] E. Van Gelder, Junior Vice-President; Miss Katharine R. Turck, Secretary; Mrs. Alida A. Wolven, Treasurer; Mrs. Charlotte D. Teetsel, Chaplain; Mrs. Annie M. Maxwell, Conductor; Mrs. Helen Simmons, Assistant Conductor; Mrs. Mary C. Hermance, Guard; Miss Katharine R. Turck, Delegate to the State Department; Mrs. Maria C. Van Gaasbeck; Alternate.

The official returns were duly sealed and forwarded to Department Headquarters at Corning, N. Y.
2680. First Annual of Rough and Ready Hose Co. No. 1 at the Phoenix Hotel Wednesday Evening Jan. 16th, '67. Admit to Dancing. [red ticket, crease marked] [illustration]

2681. Saugerties Daily Post. Jan 7th, 1895. [hand written] DIRECTOR MAKES A THREAT. - He Tells Several That no New Truck – Will be Purchased This Year Unless Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Comply With His Wishes and Refuse to Appoint Certain of its Members on the Committee. A startling story has just come to light which places one of the recently elected members of the Board of Directors in a condition, not very desirable. It is, that, previous to the meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., on Thursday evening, he approached several members of the company and informed them that if certain members of the company were placed on the committee to confer with the Board, relative to purchasing a new truck, the company would not get their truck this year. Such a threat as has been made is one of the most despicable ever uttered and those who were willing to sanction by their votes the purchase of the truck, in order to conserve and protect their homes should see that it is repudiated and that the purchase be made as soon as possible. His statement is a gross insult to the members of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and also to the taxpayers who voted to purchase the truck. The Director may find that in his dealings with the Village Board, he is but one and not as in common parlance “the whole thing.” If he thinks he is the “autocrat” of the village, he will find himself very much mistaken. It seems rather strange that a person elected to an office by the people, should attempt to disregard their wishes and adopt as his motto “autonomy” or “right of self rule.” He must remember that he is a servant of the people and that “public office is a public trust.” Indignation is at its highest pitch in the Hook & Ladder Co. over the fling of defiance made by this official and they are determined that no “one” man whether he be in position not, can dictate to them what they shall do. It is very evident that trouble will ensue, and the gentlemen who were referred to in the threat will, it is said, compel the Director to give then an explanation of the matter. Only a few days in 1898 have come and gone and a whole lot of strife and trouble is apparent in the village affairs.

2682. Troy City – One 5 ct. Fare Railway Company. [grey ticket] [illustration]

2683. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan 7, 1898. Letters From The People. To the Editor of the Post: An incident happened on Thursday evening last, at the annual meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., which should be made public. A new truck was voted to be purchased for this Co., by the taxpayers, at the recent charter election. When the matter came up of appointing a committee from the company to look into the subject of a new truck that would be most serviceable to the fire department, and give such information as they could obtain to the Board of Directors, Mr. Wm. V. Burhans name was immediately spoken of as being a person well qualified to be on the committee of eight, he being one of the oldest members of the company, and an ex-Chief of the Fire Department. As soon as Mr. Burhans’ name was placed before the meeting, one of the members arose, and stated that he had the highest regard for Mr. Burhans, but he had a statement to make before any action should be taken by the company, namely the had been approached by one of the newly elected members of the Board of Directors, and notified that if Mr. Burhans was placed upon any committee in relation to the new truck, he would see to it that the purchase of the truck was put off indefinitely – in other words – this Director would violate the will of the people as expressed at the polls, and substitute
his will for theirs, his head for the people’s! It would seem to me that Norman Cunyes was afflicted with a swelled head, and that after the Board of Directors and the public have condemned this actions, a steel band, well riveted, should be placed upon his brow, so that his imagination might not be lost to himself.

Mr. Burhans was placed upon the committee of eight by the unanimous decision of all members of the company present, and the company believes the balance of the Board of Directors will approve of their action in rebuking the dictations of an over efficacious swelled headed officer. A FIREMAN.

Saugerties, N. Y., Jan. 7th, 1898.

2684. First Grand Annual of Robt. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, at Maxwell Hall, on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 29th 1876. Tickets $1.00 ~ Music by Prof. Lee and Abram’s Full Orchestra of Hudson. [ticket, light green] [illustration]

2685. Post, July 24, 1906. [hand written] Outing at Lake Mohonk. Ernest Hassinger and wife, William Mattes and wife, James Teller and wife, and A. R. Burhans and wife went to Lake Mohonk to-day on an outing. They went to New Paltz via West Shore to Kingston, thence via. Walkill Valley. From New Paltz they went overland.

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Robert A. Snyder Hose Co., the pride of our village fire department, held their annual meeting on Tuesday evening at their rooms in Fireman’s Hall and after electing officers for the ensuing year enjoyed their annual banquet. The following were the officers elected:

Ernest Myer, President; Edward Moran, Vice-President; John A. Snyder, Foreman; Irwin Ronk, 1st Asst. Foreman; Robert Ballman, 2nd Asst. Foreman; Ernest Hassinger, Secretary; William Ziegler, Treasurer; Frank A. Jewett, Edward Snyder, Alfred Saam, Trustees; Samuel W. Merclean, Janitor; Michael Fitzgerald, Representative; I. Ronk, Delegate to State Convention; Clyde Van Steenburg, Alternate; Wm. Ziegler, Delegate to H. R. V. F. A.; Frank A. Jewett, Alternate.

Ernest Hassinger was recommended for Chief Engineer of the village fire department.

After the election the company marched in a body to St. Mary’s Hall where seven large tables were filled with turkey, oysters and other good things awaiting to be disposed of.

While the firemen and their guests seated themselves, Prof. Frank Martin’s orchestra discoursed several fine musical selections adding much to the pleasure and enjoyment of the occasion. The hall was not very warm and this seemed to have somewhat of a depressing effect on all present, although the viands which caterer Ziegler had prepared were eaten with much relish.

After all had thoroughly partaken of the bountiful repast and the inner man satiated and satisfied, cigars were passed around and amid the popping of the corks, a social time was enjoyed.

This was followed by speechmaking to which Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill, secretary of the Hudson River Volunteer Firemen’s Association, ex-Postmaster Charles S. Harvey and also Foreman of C. H. Evans Hook & Ladder Co., of Hudson, ex-Chief Engineer William H. Kolts, of Kingston, Supervisor John D. Fratsher, Hon. Robert A. Snyder and ex-Mayor Martin Cantine participated.

Mr. Coffin in his speech paid an eloquent tribute to the late Captain Ovid T. Simmons, and Mr. Snyder suggested in his remarks that hereafter an after dinner speaker should be procured for the company’s annual banquet.

The following are those who were present: Hon. Robert A. Snyder, Peter E. Bell, Elisha Paradise, John E. Bruckner, Henry A. Ohley, Ernest Hassinger, William Ziegler, Archie D. Smith, John A. Snyder, Ernest Myer, Alfred Saam, Fred T. Lewis, James Teller, Ezra Carnright, S. Yates Knight, William Rifenburg, Byron


The Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol held their annual meeting on Tuesday evening and it was decided not to recommend a candidate for Second Assistant Chief Engineer of the fire department. The following officers were elected: John Lang, Foreman; Denis McLaughlin, 1st Asst. Foreman; Jos. W. Reinhard, 2nd Asst. Foreman; Jeremiah P. Russell, Sec. and Treas.; William S. Manning, Rep. to the State Convention; J. P. Russell, Alternate; Samuel J. Adams, Delegate to the H. R. V. F. A.; John McCormick, Alternate.


At the regular meeting of J. R. Tappan Post G. A. R. No. 215 held on Tuesday evening, the following officers were installed by Post Commanders Eugene Barritt and J. S. Elmendorf. Eugene Barritt, Commander; Abram Turck, S. V. Com.; J. J. Arold, J. V. Com.; Jeremiah Teetsel, Chaplain; Gilbert Dederick, Surgeon; A. A. Post, Officer of the day; J. S. Elmendorf, Quartermaster; W. H. Burhans, Officer of the Guard; R. Bailey, Sergeant-Major; C. F. Van Keuren, Quartermaster Sergeant.

2689. Return After Five Days To – Johnstown Fire Department, Fred C. Treat, Treasurer, Johnstown, New York. [light blue with fireman emblems] [illustration]


At the regular meeting of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., held in their lodge rooms, Whittaker Building, Monday evening, Jan. 3d, the following officers were duly installed for the ensuing term. Philip C. Smith, Noble Grand; Alfred Teetsel, Vice Grand; Charles Clum, Recording Secretary; W. E. Wolven, Permanent Secretary; James H. Carew, Treasurer; Norman Cunyes, Conductor; Caleb Rowe, Warden; Winslow D. Van Etten, Chaplain; M. M. Schoenfeld, Right Supporter Noble Grand; James H. Hommel, Left Supporter Noble Grand; Wm. B. Field, Right Supporter Vice Grand; Byron Teetsel, Left Supporter Vice Grand; John Hotaling, Right Scene Supporter; Conrad Weinand, Left Scene Supporter; Stanley Van Aken, Outside Guardian; Ferris Fuller, Inside Guardian.

The installation ceremonies were performed by District Deputy Grand Master Charles Horten, assisted by E. M. Baldwin as Grand Marshal; Wm. V. Burhans, Grand Warden; Wm. B. Field, Grand Permanent
Secretary; James Smith, Grand Recording Secretary; Isaac N. Griffis, Grand Treasurer, and Charles H. Vedder, Grand Guardian.

2691. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 15, 1897. The rumor that the Union Citizens Party is about to disband, is not true. They are in the political arena to stay. Next spring they will nominate a full ticket for town officers and confidently expect to elect it. [picture of an anchor, leaning to the left with a rope tied around it.] [illustration]

2692. CORRESPONDENCE. - Why do the Corner Gang permit water from the springs on Columbus James property on the south side to overflow on to the sidewalks between the bridge and the old Raymond store? Is it because Columbus is the owner? ANTI-CORNER.

2693. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 14, 1897. – A Glorious Victory. - The People Triumph by Substantial Majorities. The Corner gang were turned down by the people today in a manner that can not be mistaken. They had become tired of the Ring bossism and desire a decent municipal government, and they are going to get it.
THE TELEGRAPH congratulates the people over their victory. [line drawing of a rooster, crowing] [illustration]

2694. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 14, 1897. –THE CHARTER ELECTION. – Victory Perches on the Banners of The Union Citizens Party. The charter election today called over 700 voters to the polls, one of the largest votes ever cast at a village election. The result follows:
For Directors,
WARD 1.
 McNally, 361
 Rogers, 319
 WARD 2.
 Finger, 353
 Cantine, 326
 WARD 3.
 Cunyes, 364
 Quick, 315
 For Treasurer,
 Eckert, 677
 For Collector,
 Crowley, 400
 Abeel, 280
 For Assessors,
 WARD 1.
 Gibson, 355
 Crump, 317
 WARD 2.
 Shults, 364
 Cornwell, 301
 WARD 3.
 Russell, 671
 For Fire Wardens,
Reynolds, 671
Hassinger, 671
Snyder, 671

APPROPRIATIONS.
For increase of General Fund, 91
Against increase of General Fund, 76
For increase of Road Fund, 96
Against increase of Road Fund, 82
For H. & L. Truck, 99
Against H. & L. Truck, 96

2695. First Annual Ball – of the Wolf Tone Literary Association – Yourself and Lady are solicited to attend a Ball at Mr. L. Lutzell’s – Mechanics’ Hall, Saugerties, N. Y., On Thursday Evening, December 29th, 1859
Managers - Hugh McEnor, Dennis Sullivan.
Floor Committee – Bernard Cox, John Regan, Charles O’Harra, Charles Smith. Admission $1.00. [ticket, green] [illustration]

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Saugerties has another sensation to add to its already large list, and the place is now becoming famous for them. The latest if as follows: A few weeks ago a young man names John O’Neil, of New York came to this village. He claimed he was a theatrical man connected with the Empire Theatre in that city. He was well supplied with money and, it is said, he had recently been bequeathed a legacy through the death of a relative. During his stay here he boarded at the Palmer House and spent his money lavishly for wines, etc.
Shortly after his arrival he formed the acquaintance of Miss Fanny Van Loan a young lady residing down town and invited her to accompany him for a carriage ride. She accepted the invitation and went out riding quite frequently afterwards.
He became so enamored with her that it is said he purchased her a bicycle. On Tuesday, November 2nd, O’Neil and Miss Van Loan drove to Kingston and while there were married at the parsonage of the Clinton avenue Methodist church by the Rev. Orville A. Merchant. They returned to this village and O’Neil asked his wife to board with him at the Palmer House. This she refused to do and remained at the home of her mother on Partition street.
One evening recently at the Palmer House O’Neil evidently began to realize what he had done and spoke in a manner indicated that he regretted very much that he had been married. In conversation with a POST reporter, the other evening O’Neil, when asked, “whatever prompted you to get married?” He replied: “I don’t know” On Sunday a strange young man was the guest of O’Neil and he was introduced as “Spike” Sullivan.
O’Neil in company with Sullivan accosted a young man down town and wanted to know if he couldn’t find Sullivan and himself a girl to go out riding. The young man told him he didn’t know of any. O’Neil was so anxious he wanted to hire a three seated rig and go down the road.
Their efforts were rewarded later and O’Neil and Sullivan went riding in company with Laura Kane, a young girl about seventeen years old and a married women [sic] named Trout, of Kingston.
About 5 o’clock Monday afternoon Laura told her mother that she had an engagement with a party on Market street. Mrs. Kane becoming suspicious followed her daughter and found her in company with
O’Neil. She followed them on Elm street and then lost sight of them. Thinking they had gone across the lots to the West Shore station, Mrs. Kane went to the station also. While Mrs. Kane was on her way to the station, Laura went to her home on McCarthy street and dressing herself in her best clothes went to New York on the steamer Saugerties with O’Neil, arriving there this morning. Mrs. Kane upon arriving at her home learned of her daughter’s escapade, and immediately telegraphed Chief of Police McCullagh, in New York to intercept the couple on their arrival. The chief placed the matter in the hands of the Gerry Society and an officer was in waiting at the boat and Laura was taken to the rooms of the society where she is at present, and Mrs. Kane was notified of Laura’s arrest. O’Neil was not arrested as he could not be found, and it is supposed that he had got wind that an officer would be at the dock and left the boat at an early hour. Mrs. Kane on receipt of the dispatch appeared before Judge Coon in reference to what means she should use to secure her daughter. The Judge gave her the necessary advice.

2697. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct 20, 1897. – A Bicycle Thief’s Poem. – Charles Sullivan the Escaped Prisoner Writes the Following.

Charles Sullivan, the bicycle thief, who was arrested at Newburg by Officer D. E. Abeel, some time ago and sentenced by Judge Coon to the Kingston jail for thirty days and later escaped with Lasher and Boylan, wrote the following lines while confined in the village lockup:

As I sit in my prison cell, My thoughts to home do wander; Of father, brother and sister Nell, I often sit and ponder.

How well I can remember, The first crime that was done; When Father did disown me, Would not recognize his son.

From bad to worse I quickly went, Until I reached the outcast level; Without respect for God or man, A good servant of the Devil.

The bicycle craze then set the pace, By which all men should travel; To get one, to be in the swim, Was a hard nut to unravel.

I got one and I got it quick, And to Saugerties I rode it; When drunk to a man was sold, But quickly back I stole it.

To Newburg it was shipped, I followed on the train; Because I could not ride it, The roads was bad from rain.

But Dave Abeel did follow, And quickly knew my mug; Then to Saugerties he brought me, And put me in the jug.

Now young man inclined to folly, Take a prisoners word as true; Don’t yield to the wine cup fancies, For that day you’ll surely rue.

Now my drunk is over, I set and moan, and repent; But that will never help me, For to prison I will be sent.

T’is better for a pence to earn, By working hard all day; Then to steal a million dollars, And in prison have to stay.

2698. Cotillion Party. Mr. John H. Boise Will be pleased to see yourself and Lady at His Hotel, near the Toll Gate, on Thursday Evening September 6th, 1860. Tickets, for Supper and Dancing, $2. If the weather proves stormy then the next fair day. [illustration]

2699. New York Herald, Sunday, December 12, 1897. – CHARLES MILLER, WORLD CHAMPION. – Plaudits of Thousands Greet Hale’s Successor to the Honors as He Wins the Greatest Bicycle Race That Ever Took Place. - Plucky Rice Gets the Second Prize Money – All Previous Cycle Records Shattered in a Protracted Contest That sapped the Strength and Turned the Brains of the Competitors.

Score at the End of the Six Day Race.

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Miller in the 142 hours rode 183 miles more than Hale’s championship record of last year, which was 1,910 miles.

2700. 2nd Annual Reception of the Colonial City Council, No. 1645, Royal Arcanum.
Pythian Hall, Cor. Wall and John Sts., Kingston, N. Y. - Thursday Evening, December 9th, ’97.
Entertainment, Refreshments and Dancing. -Single Admission 50 cents. [invitation, white with blue lettering] [illustration]

Floor Managers: James A. Decker, Augustus Ross.
Refreshments to order. Champlin Printer, Madalin. [invitation, white, gold and black lettering] [illustration]

2702. A Ball – will be given at the House of Mrs. Elizabeth Flaugaus, in Dutch Settlement, Tuesday Even’g July 3, 1877. Music by Detzel. Tickets, 50 Cents. [ticket, white] [illustration]

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2703. 1st Vice-President, THE HUDSON VALLEY
William A. Miller, Hudson, N. Y.
Volunteer Firemen’s Association
2d Vice-President,
Elton J. Palmer, New Paltz, N. Y.
3d Vice-President, President
John F. Tucker, Newburgh, N. Y. George Wachmeyer, Jr., Kingston, N. Y.
4th Vice-President,
Henry Van Bergen, Coxsackie, N. Y.
Executive Committee:
George H. Scott, Coxsackie, N. Y.
Oliver T. Simmons, Saugerties, N. Y.
Jonathan Deyo, Newburgh, N. Y.
Joseph C. Hurley, Kingston, N. Y.
Charles L. McArthur, Hudson, N. Y.
H. D. Laflin, Saugerties, N. Y.
Auditing Committee:
Joseph Solomon, Hudson, N. Y.
John McCausland, Kingston, N. Y.
William H. Hallock, Newburgh, N. Y.
Secretary	Charles G. Coffin, Catskill, N. Y.
Treasurer	Edgar H. Davis, Hudson, N. Y.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Extension Committee:
Harry Hall, Catskill, N. Y.
John F. Tucker, Newburgh, N. Y.  Catskill, N. Y., Dec. 31, 1897. [letterhead]
Charles G. Coffin, Catskill, N. Y.  [Oliver T. Simmons, is Ovid T. Simmons, AK]

2704. Rooms of Deluge Hose Company, No. 1, Newark N. Y., Dec. 21, 1897.
To the Officers and Member of
Snyder Hose Co.
Gentlemen: The members of the above Company desiring to procure a Hose Carriage and being really in need of financial assistance have decided to hold Masque Ball January 27, 1898, and in order to make it a success have decided to put up three door prizes consisting of a Fine Clock, Hanging Lamp, and Silver Sugar, Cream and Butter Set. So by purchasing the enclosed ticket you will not only confer a great favor upon us, but still have a chance for the prizes. Hoping to hear favorably from you, as a like appeal we have never refused. Yours truly, M. J. Flynn, Wm. Robinson, Walter Ellis, Geo. Crater, Floyd Moore, Charles Frey, Committee.
All remittances should be sent to Wm. Robinson, Treasurer, Newark, N. Y.
P. S. Please enclose prize coupon with money.

2705. Saugerties, N. Y., Sept. 10, ’91. M____. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, desire to have your co-operation with the company for holding the Fair at their rooms, Dec. 8th to 12th, and respectfully ask you to meet with the Committee of Arrangements Wednesday Evening, Sept. 16th, at 8 P. M. at the company rooms. By order of the Committee.  [illustration]

2706. Frank W. Elliott, Middletown, Regent Concordia Council, No. 1077. [card with Royal Arcanum seal] [illustration]

2707. Entertainment by W. A. Coles, The Humorist. For the benefit of Aretas Lodge, No. 172, I. O. O. F., Academy of Music, Monday Evening December 14, 1896, Tickets 25 cts. [ticket, red] [illustration]

2708. Seventh Annual Ball, Weiner Hose Company No. 6 at the Academy of Music, Christmas Night, Friday Evening, December 25, 1891 Tickets – 50 cents. Which includes dancing and entitles holder to one chance on Parlor Stove, 150 – John Knoche, Foreman, John Dolson, Secretary. [ticket, light pink] [illustration]

2709. Annex Ninth Annual Ball of the J. L. de Peyster Engine Company No. 1 of Tivoli, N. Y. – The pleasure of your presence with friends is requested at the Company s Annex Ninth Annual Ball, At Ames Hall, Wednesday Evening, February 17th, 1897. Music by Prof. Van Benschoten’s Orchestra Promenade Concert at 8:30 p. m. Ticket, including supper, $1.50. Committee of Arrangements: H. C. Bouton, W. H. Gruntler, H. Minkler. [invitation, white with aqua line drawing of a fire carriage] [illustration]

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2710. J. D. Feeter Hose Co., No. 2, Little Falls, N. Y. December 1, 1897. Brother Fireman: Wishing to appeal to your aid for the purpose of liquidating a large debt now hanging over us, we have decided to hold a GRAND MASQUE BALL on the evening of December 31, 1897, and we therefore enclose you a ticket for same. The price is $1.00, which can be remitted to either of the committee named below. Sincerely hoping you will assist us in this matter and favor us with your presence, with the assurance that if the opportunity ever present itself we will be very happy to reciprocate, we remain
Very truly yours, J. D. Feeter Hose Co., No. 2, Thomas Welsby, Secretary, G. W. Hogan, Treasurer. Committee

P. S. Now bear in mind, brother firemen, we have not loaded you up with a lot of tickets, but simply sent you one; therefor, remember, many can help one, where one cannot help many.

2711. James Purcell Hose Company. [firemanic emblem with ladder, lantern, horn, rope, ax, pick, and hat] [illustration]
Valatie, N. Y., November 23, 1897.
Brothers: --- Our company has been organized a little more than two years and is an independent body. We own our house and lot and our apparatus. Our expenditures have been larger than were contemplated and we find ourselves in debt. Several appeals have been made to us by our brother firemen for assistance and in every case we have responded with a remittance. No call has been unheeded. Now we appeal to our brothers to assist us in reducing out debt, which is large. We have decided to give a Concert and Ball on New Year’s eve, Dec. 31, 1897, and take the liberty to enclose a ticket, the price of which is One Dollar. We would be glad to have you retain it and send the money to our treasurer. Every little helps; one cannot help many, but many can help one. Will you aid us?
Send your remittance to Isaac Lamont, Treas., Valatie, N. Y., and accept our thanks in advance.


2713. Saugerties Council No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, Installation Supper, Jan. 26, 1898. [diamond shaped with hole in top corner, Royal Arcanum seal. [light beige] [illustration]

2714. Yourself & Ladies are respectfully invited to attend the Tenth Annual Ball given by the F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co., No. 1, Masonic Hall, Tivoli, N. Y., Friday Evening, February 18th, 1898. Music by Schofield’s Orchestra of Seven Pieces. Exhibition Drill at 6:30 pm. m. by H. D. Laflin Hose Company of Saugerties, N. Y. Promenade Concert at 9:00 p. m., supper served in dining room of the building. Dancing Ticket, Including Drill, $1.00 Supper Ticket, 25 cents.
Committee — H. C. Feroe, C. B. Stickles, H. C. Bouton, P. R. Peelor, Elmer Boice. [white with red line drawing of fire carriage, same as on the J. L. De Peyster invitation, previous page] [illustration]

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The Democratic County Convention assembled in the Court House at Kingston Friday morning and was called to order by Jacob D. Wurts, Benjamin F. Dickinson, of Shawangunk was elected temporary chairman and Henry E. McKenzie of Port Ewen Temporary Secretary. A. W. Williams, of Highland, W. H. Bedford, of Esopus and George C. Irwin, of Deming, were appointed a committee on credentials. A committee of three was appointed to make the temporary organization permanent. The convention then adjourned until two o’clock, and S. G. Carpenter, of Highland was chosen permanent chairman and Henry E. McKenzie, of Port Ewen, secretary.
Lawyer Jenkins wanted a committee appointed to name the new County Committee, but this was objected to by Counselor Dayton, of Marlborough, who thought [sic] the old was [sic] of naming them good enough, and Capt. O. T. Simmons, of this village, who enquired why the idea had been proposed. On Mr. Simmons' motion the resolution of Mr. Jeakins, [sic] was laid on the table. After the Assembly rules for voting had been adopted, Lawyer John E. Hardenburg, of Rosendale, nominated Ira M. Black as candidate for Sheriff. There being no opposition, his nomination was made unanimous. The nominee was brought before the convention, and he thanked them in a few words. Lawyer James Jenkins, of Kingston, nominated William T. Brodhead, of Kingston, for County Clerk. Henry A. Ohley, of this village, nominated our townsman, Postmaster E. M. Wilbur, and Dr. Lamoureé, of Highland, nominated A. W. Williams for the same office. A ballot was taken and resulted as follows: Brodhead, 47; Wilbur, 22, Williams, 3; Brodhead was declared the nominee. Josiah Keator, Eugene G. Patten, D. A. Steen, Richard Stokes and W. H. Rose were the nominations for Superintendent of the Poor. Patten secured the prize. William Lubey was nominated for Coroner and the convention adjourned.

2716. Tanz = Kranzchen. abgebalten am – Montag, den 25, Dezember 1876, im Lotate No. 614 East 9th Street, zwiden Avenue B and C. [ticket in German, purple] [illustration]

2717. Saugerties, N. Y., Dear Sir. You are cordially invited to be present at the annual banquet of the Robert A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 to be held at Ziegler’s Café, Tuesday Evening, January 4, 1898, at ten o’clock. Ernest Myer, President By request of --- [illustration]

2718. First Annual Ball of Laflin Hose Co., No. 2, at Butzel’s Hall, on Monday Evening March 29, 1875, Your company is respectfully solicited. Carriages will call at 6:30. Music by Samuelson’s Band of Poughkeepsie. [illustration]

2719. German Centennial Ball, A Grand German Centennial Ball will be held on Washington’s Birthday. Tuesday Evening. February 22d. 1876 in Lorenz Loerzel’s Hall, Good music will be furnished, All are invited. Tickets 50 cents. [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2720. Private Party of the Envelope Makers, at Reilly’s Academy, Friday Evening, October 27, 1876. Tickets Admitting Gent, & Ladies, $1.00 [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2721. Grand Squire, under the auspices of Saugerties Mænner Quartette, Monday Eve., April 25th, at Lorezel’s Hall. Music by Prof. Frank Martin. Tickets 50 cents. (Tickets are not transferrable.) [ticket, light green] [illustration]


2723. Centennial Ball – Your are respectfully invited to attend a Ball to be given at the house of Elizabeth Flaugaus, Dutch Settlement, On Wednesday Evening, November 1st, 1876. Tickets fifty cents. [ticket, cream beige] [illustration]

2724. Social Hop! – Yourself and a lady are solicited to attend a Social Hop to be given by E. E. Lasher, at Fellowship Hall, in Madalin, Dutchess County, on Thursday Evening, June 20th, 1867. Good Music Provided. Tickets $1. [ticket, white, black lettering] [illustration]
2725. Edgar W. Balding. Representing N. Y. Belting & Packing Co., Ltd., 26 Park Place, N. Y. [business card]

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Hall of Saugerties Council No. 1365, Saugerties, Jan. 14, 1898.
To the Grand Council of the Royal Arcanum of the State of New York: This is to Certify that Past Regent Ernest Hassinger, Whose address is Saugerties, has been elected our Alternate Representative to the Grand Council for the year ending Dec 31, 1898. Signed by Ernest Hassinger, Regent, Henry A. Ohley, Secretary. The Secretary will send this certificate, properly signed and sealed with the seal of the Council, to the Grand Secretary, with the Semi-Annual Report; also deliver duplicate to the Representative. [seal impression on light blue paper]

2727. Ulster Lodge No. 59, I. O. O. F.
Saugerties, N. Y., June 31, 1898. Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Tuesday, February 1st, 1898, at 1:30 o’clock p. m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother, Wm. T. Paradise. By order of Ernest Hassinger, N. G. C. H. Vedder, Secretary.

2728. Second Annual Grand Ball and Concert of Coxsackie Council No. 1552, Royal Arcanum, at Dolan’s Opera House, Thanksgiving Eve., Nov. 24, 1897. Music by Wagner’s Full Orchestra. Complimentary. [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2729. Christmas Celebration, for the benefit of the German Lutheran Sunday School, will be held at the church on Tuesday Evening, Dec. 25th, 1877. To commence at 7 o’clock. Tickets 15 cents. [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2730. First Annual Fair under auspices of Macdonough Lodge, No. 549, I. O. O. F., of Plattsburgh, N. Y., December 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1895. Season Ticket, 25¢. [ticket, orange with black lettering] [illustration]

2731. You and lady friends are hereby invited to attend the Pfingst Fest of the Saugerties Maenner Quartet at Lorezel’s Hall, Monday Evening, June 14th 1886. Presented by Mr. Ernest Hassinger. [ticket, light purple with black lettering] [illustration]

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2732. Yourself and Ladies are cordially invited to attend a Social Dance, Friday Evening, December 31, 1897 at St. Mary’s Hall, Saugerties, N. Y. Prof. Martin’s Full Orchestra. Concert from 9 to 9:30 p. m. Charles B. Cox, Chairman of Arrangements Reception Committee – Dr. T. F. O’Dea, chairman. Aids John McCormick, John McLaughlin, Henry Cox, James Sweeney, Harry Russell. Floor Manager, John H. Kearney. Aids James Dunn, Frank Ryan, Thomas Russell, Frank Underhill. Gentlemen Assessed $1.00 [three separate pieces] [illustration]

2733. The Catskill Band – With New, Catchy Music, and Neatly Uniformed, beg to state that they are prepared to acceptably fill any engagement with which they may be favored. Our Motto: Up-to-Date Music, Up-to-Date Prices. Wm. C. Greene, Leader, E. Crispell, Business Manager. [business card] [illustration]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

2734. John F. Cummings For Member of Assembly. [card]

2735. Seventh Annual Ball of Weiner Hose Company No. 6, at the Academy of Music, Christmas Night, Friday Evening, December 25, 1891. Tickets – 50 cents – Which includes dancing and entitle holder to one chance of Parlor Stove 344. John Knoche, Foreman, John Dolson, Secretary. [ticket pink with black lettering] [illustration]

2736. The Obert House, Catskill, NY - Cor. Bridge and Water Streets. P. A. Obert, Propr. [business card]

2737. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 26, 1898. – The Village Legislature. - Special Meeting Tuesday Evening – Laflin Hose Granted permission to use Fireman’s Hall – The Census. At a special meeting held at Fireman’s Hall, Tuesday evening, Jan. 25th, at 8 p.m. Present – President Lasher, and Directors Cornwell, Cunyes and Finger. Motion made and carried that the Laflin Hose Co. be granted the permission to use Fireman’s Hall during their fair, for one week, to commence Feb. 7, 1898, and to leave it in good order as they found it. Motion made and carried that the certificate of enumerators be accepted and placed on file and the books of the census be placed in the hands of the clerk to be disposed of as the law requires, and the Board wait a reasonable time for any objections. Motion made and carried that meeting be adjourned. Edson Finger, Clerk pro tem.

2738. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 13, 1898. Fire Department Candidates. – Meeting of the Committees on Wednesday Evening. William V. McCormick and Jonas Myer, of Laflin Hose, Irwin Ronk and Robert Ballman, of Snyder Hose, J. W. Frankel, Charles Slater and Thomas E. DeNike of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., the committees representing the above companies met in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms, Wednesday evening for the purpose of recommending officers for the village fire department for the ensuing year. Chief engineer William V. McCormick was chose chairman and J.W. Frankel, secretary. On motion the following were recommended to the Board of Directors for confirmation. Ernest Hassinger, Chief Engineer; Martin Cantine, 1st assistant Chief Engineer; Frank J. Dale, 2nd assistant Chief Engineer; Ernest Hassinger, Treasurer.

2739. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 13, 1898. – JOHN E. LASHER’S WILL. – The Deceased Leaves an Estate Worth $400,000. – His Sister Margaret, niece Cornelia and Son Alfred P., the Legatees – The Richest Man in Town. The will of the late John E. Lasher was offered for probate in Surrogate Bett’s court Wednesday and was admitted. It shows that the deceased was without doubt the richest man in our village and that his estate is valued at the same amount that the late William F. Russell’s was, although Mr. Lasher was much younger than Mr. Russell. It provides for the payment of all debts and funeral expenses and the payment of $10,000 to the deceased’s sister Margaret Lasher. A legacy of $51,500, together with the homestead, and furniture is given to his niece, Cornelia Lasher. The residue of the estate is bequeathed to his son, Alfred P. Lasher, who is also named as the executor. The entire estate is estimated to be valued at $400,000. An appraisement of the chattels of the deceased will be held at the homestead on Ulster avenue, on Thursday, January 20th.
Among the many visitors entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Germond at “Beaverkill Manor” New Year’s day were Mr. Ruppert, Mr. Bonner and Mr. Roeber, of New York, also George Palmer, Ernest Hassinger and Charles B. Cox, of this village.

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2741. Grand Opening Reception – R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, Fireman’s Hall, Saugerties, N. Y., Tuesday October 28, 1890. Tickets – 50 Cents. [ticket, light blue] [illustration]

The time is approaching when the respective political parties of this town will nominate candidates for the town offices.
When great political issues and questions of national policy are before the people, then party lines are drawn and on these lines of national polity or state policy according to their political faith, people give their suffrages.
In this coming town election, while there will be two parties, yet there can be no political issue of national importance upon which the Democratic or Republican party should divide.
The Corner Gang, hungry and thirsty for pap, having subsisted since last fall upon the diet of crow, are clamoring for offices, and are desirous of making Fratsher supervisor again, so that he can hold office all his life.
Fratsher’s record as Supervisor, and the amount of money he has received from the town of Saugerties as Supervisor, will hereafter be shown in the columns of the Telegraph in a clean and clear manner, and upon that record Fratsher must go before the people for a re-election.
It is in a time like this that the citizens of this town, whatever may be their belief in national elections, turn with practical unanimity to Mr. E. M. Wilbur, as the Moses who, in this coming election will restore the town of Saugerties to a clean and decent administration of the Supervisor’s office.
Mr. Wilbur does not seek this office, but it is his duty to retire his private inclinations, and become the standard bearer upon the Democratic ticket of all of the people against the candidate that the Corner gang may nominate. If Mr. Wilbur is nominated and elected, every one knows that there will be again a decent and efficient administration of the office, because in times gone by, he has made the best Supervisor that this town has had, and when he retired from the postoffice, it is with the approbation and regret of all the people.
The people demand that Mr. Wilbur should be their standard bearer, and if he will run in response to this great popular demand, the people will do the rest.

2743. Saug. Daily Telegraph, Jan. 15, 1898. [hand written] The marriage of Miss Bertha Parker, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Alton B. Parker, of Kingston, took place to-day at noon at the Church of the Holy Cross in that city, when she was united in the holy bonds of wedlock with the Rev. Charles Mercer Hall.
Admission was by card only. Among the guests present on the happy occasion were Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Dawes and daughter, Miss Daisy Whitaker and Joseph B. Sheffield, of this village.

To the Editor of The Post:
My attention has been called to an anonymous communication in the POST and also to a local item reflecting on my action in connection with the purchase of a new Hook & Ladder truck.
Permit me to state in reply that I believe that the people of this Village have confidence in my integrity, and in my desire to do whatever I think the best interest of the Village demands. And I believe the
fireman [sic] of this village know that I have always stood by them, and in the last election I voted for and urged people to vote for the appropriation to buy a new Hook & Ladder truck. The writer of the article in the POST concealed his name. Generally the assassin of character is a coward, and in this instance he is a coward and a sneak; he is a man who cannot look you in the eye. There is no doubt but what he is a member of the “corner gang,” a combination of a few ‘hangers on” who work together to get offices for one another; they cannot live otherwise; I do not wear a color of any kind; I shall do my duty honestly and fearlessly as I see it. I am now accused of objection to William V. Burhans serving on the committee to buy the new truck. I did object and do object and shall object; but the concealed boutit [sic] did not tell why I objected; it was because certain members of the Hook & Ladder Co., came to me, (I did not go to them) as a Director and objected to William V. Burhans being on the committee, and it was because I as a Village Director did not and do not consider him a proper person to be on the committee for reasons I do not care at this time to state publicly; he may serve on the committee but he will not do so with my consent. If there is a dollar in sight anywhere some member of the “corner gang” jumps after it like a frog after a red flag. Norman Cunyes.

2745. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 7, 1898. – Postmaster Burhans in Charge. William V. Burhans assumed the duties of Postmaster this morning. C. C. James ex-Deputy County Clerk will be Deputy Postmaster and Henry Cordes, of West Saugerties, clerk. Charles Wilbur will also be retained by Mr. Burhans for a time until the new employees get the “run of things.”

2746. Social Ball – A Social Ball will be held at Mrs. Michael Moor’s place in Unionville on Saturday evening, Oct. 30th 1875. Good Music will be Furnished. All are Cordially Invited. (white, black lettering) [illustration]

2747. First Annual Ball - The First Annual Ball of the Hawthorne Literary, Social and Dramatic Club, will be held at Loerzel’s Hall, Saugerties, Wednesday Ev’ng, Oct. 27th 1886. Good Music will be Furnished. Tickets, Fifty Cents. [ticket, bright green, black lettering] [illustration]

2748. Grand Fair & Festival to be held at National Hall by the Ladies of the German Zion’s Church, for the benefit of the new Church Building. Season Ticket, 25 cents. [ticket, light blue, black lettering, hand dated 1877] [illustration]


2750. Grand Excursion! of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1. To the Tri-County Fireman’s Convention at Hudson, N. Y., on Wednesday, October 3d, 1894. Tickets for Round Trip 50 Cents. [ticket, aqua green, black lettering] [illustration]

2751. Excursion to Catskill, R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, By Steamer Saugerties, Wednesday, October 5th, 1892. Music by Albany City Band. Tickets 50 cents. [ticket, red, black lettering] [illustration]

2752. Sam Klein with E. Reisenberger 124 12th street College Point, L. I. [business card]
John E. Lasher, one of our oldest and highly respected citizens died at his late residence on Ulster avenue early this morning within a few days of his seventy-second birthday, after a lingering illness. For a long time Mr. Lasher had been ailing with a kidney disease; and a few days ago it became very serious, the deceased being in spasms, the greater part of the time. Dr. Montgomery attended him constantly, but the age of Mr. Lasher, and the long duration of the disease precluded all medical efforts and death became conqueror.

John Edmund Lasher was born in the town of Woodstock on January 12, 1836, being a son of James Lasher and Ann Brink. He remained at his home assisting his father about the farm until he was 21 years of age, in the meantime improving every opportunity he had to get an education.

After attaining his majority he came to this village and entered one of the village stores as a clerk. Later he resigned his position to accept a similar one in his brother’s store at Coxsackie, his stipend for the first year being his board and clothes. The second year he received a salary of $50. He remained with his brother for five years familiarizing himself with all the business, which he hoped would proved salutary in the future, although the remuneration was small. It was in that little country store of his brother, that he moulded his career and fitted himself for the extensive business in which he had been engaged up till the time of his death.

He formed a partnership with Alfred Palmer in 1853 and began conducting a general merchandise business in Coxsackie. A large fire which took place at that time destroyed the whole business portion of the town, the deceased’s store being among the number. Business was resumed by them later and on January 1, 1857 Mr. Lasher returned to this village and became a partner in the firm of Shultis & Lasher, their place of business being where Lamb’s hardware store now is.

The principal business of the firm was the supplying of many cords of wood and ties for the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad. On January 1, 1862, Mr. Lasher retired from the firm, and entered business again by forming a partnership with Jeremiah P. Russell. They dissolved by mutual consent on January 1, 1867, Mr. Lasher retiring.

Having had extensive dealings with the New York Central Railroad, he realized that the forests hereabouts would not adequately supply the demand for ties. Knowing the southern states abounded in pine forests he made a large contract with the superintendent of the above company and started south on February 25, 1867. Through some delay he was obliged to miss his boat connections and while in that vicinage made the acquaintance of a Mr. Wadley, President of the Georgia Central Railroad from whom he received much aid which proved valuable to him in those states. Later he made a large contract with the Vanderbilts’ for 175,000 pine ties.

He was the first man to introduce southern pine railroad ties in the north, and he continued the business with his son Alfred P., up to his demise, and had supplied millions of ties to the Pennsylvania, Delaware & Hudson and other railroads.

By his strict and conservative business methods he accumulated a large fortune. Mr. Lasher has always been a kind-hearted and liberal citizen and many can attest to his philanthropic gifts, among which are a magnificent pipe organ to the Reformed church of which he had been a member for nearly forty years having been for a long time one of its Elders. To the First Baptist church he presented a beautiful bell, besides large contributions of money and he has also given the Methodist church at Shady, in the town of Woodstock a fine bell, while many other charitable objects have received from his competence. The deceased had been thrice married his first wife being Elizabeth Wilson, of Coxsackie, to whom he was married in 1841. She died in 1875, leaving one son, Alfred P., the President of our village. His
second union was with Mrs. Margaret Harder and the last one with Mrs. Helen Hazard, both of whom died without issue.

Mr. Lasher had also been quite a traveler, having visited all the states and territories in the union and also every Capital city, excepting Dallas. He has also visited Alaska.

One thing that has characterized him in all his business dealing has been the keynote of his success and that is his word was as good as his bond. The only contract existing between the New York Central Railroad and himself was a verbal one and he has never had a suit at law or ever been called as a witness or juryman.

In politics the deceased was an ardent Republican and always assisted the party in this place in many ways, contributing sums of money, purchasing for them a brass cannon and also a beautiful banner. In consequence of these gifts an organization was formed and named the Lasher Guards. His friendship was a large one, among which were the most prominent men of the country, Horace Greely in particular. He would never accept a public office, always preferring to enjoy the comforts of home.

When financial disaster threatened the reorganization of the Ulster County Savings Institution, a few years ago, he was urged to accept membership in the Board of Trustee which he did with much reluctance, appealing letters having been sent to him by Judge Parker and Hon. Augustus Schoonmaker. At the election of the Board, he was unanimously chosen vice-president and held the position until ill health compelled him to resign. He has also served as a Director in the First National Bank in this village.

His death is a great loss to our village for in him was there an exemplification of what good one could do with their wealth. He was an influential and upright citizen and one whose life will never fade from memory. He was also the oldest member of Coxsackie Lodge, F. & A. M.

The funeral service will be held at the deceased’s late resident on Ulster avenue Monday afternoon, at 2:30 o’clock.


A special meeting of the Board of Directors for the purpose of appointing census enumerators for the village. Directors Lasher, Cunyes, Finger and Myer present. President Lasher presided.

On motion five enumerators were ordered appointed for the following districts at the salary of ten dollars each, the complete returns to be in the hands of the clerk on or before the twentieth of January. On motion the clerk was ordered to procure the necessary books and enumeration blanks for the purpose from the Williamson Law Book Co.

Applications were received from Frank L. Burhans, Fordyce Osterhoudt, Jno. H. Wolven, I. N. Griffis, Irving Russell, Jerry Teetsel, Chas. Adams, Jas. Carew, D. Y. Smith, Robert Sickles, Wm. Base, Chas. McMullen and John C. Castree, and after balloting the following were appointed:

Ward No. 1. – Robert Sickles for all south side of creek.
Ward No. 2 – Jerry Teetsel for South of Main St. and East of Partition St., to the bridge.
Jno. C. Castree for east of Market St. and north of Main St.
Ward No. 3 – I. N. Griffis for all south of Main St., West of Partition St. to East of West Bridge St. to the bridge. Wm. Base for West of Market St., to Main St., north of Main St. to West Bridge St., and all on west side of West Bridge St.
On motion, Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.


The Village Board of Directors at the meeting Saturday night, confirmed the choice of the firemen for department officers as follows: Ernest Hassinger, of Snyder Hose Co., chief engineer; Martin Cantine, of
Washington Hook & Ladder Co., first assistant engineer; Frank J. Dale, of Laflin Hose Co., second assistant engineer, and Ernest Hassinger, of Snyder Hose Co., treasurer.

2756. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 24, 1898. – A NORTH RIVER VETERAN. – Capt. A. W. Hale Resigns as Captain of the Steamer Ulster. – After Over fifty-Four Years of Active Service as Sailor, Captain and Owner of Vessels Employed on the North River, Long Island Sound and Along the Atlantic Coast, He Retires From Active Service.

Capt. A. W. Hale has resigned his position as Captain on the Steamer Ulster for reasons best known to himself, and the company. The Captain has followed the water on the Hudson River, Long Island South and coast for fifty-four consecutive years. He commenced as cabin boy on a North River sloop and worked his way up from cabin boy to deck hand, and from deck hand to mate, and from mate to Captain, and when twenty years old he was Captain and part owner of the sloop called the Gov. Tompkin, and had held the position as Captain ever since on sail vessels until 1871. He then was hired by Capt. H. L. Finger to take charge of the steam propeller Leader. In 1872 he bought an interest in her, and in the Spring of 1873 he sold her to Capt. Jenks to run from Sing Sing. He then built a tug boat at Malden and called her the B. M. Freligh. He run her around New York harbor for seven years. He then disposed of her and took charge of the propeller Marino and ran her between Saugerties and Albany, and then the propeller Watch and then the David Reeves, and for a short time had command of the propeller Eagle. In 1886 he bought the schooner John S. Gilmore and ran her between Albany and Providence, R. I. He sold her in 1889 and was hired to take charge of the steam yacht Volanta for Mr. Gus. Sidenburg. In the fall and winter of 1891, Sidenburg build a new yacht. Captain Hale superintended the building of her and took charge of her until the fall of 1893.

In the winter of 1894 he was engaged by the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company to take command of their steamer Ulster which duty he performed satisfactorily until the eventful night, Nov. 11th, 1897, when his first pilot Ezra Whittaker, run her on the rocks below Cornwall. The captain was in his berth fast asleep at the time, and when the collision came, was thrown out of it very unceremoniously. He naturally supposed the steamer’s bow was all stove in after a collision with the rocks, and it certainly would have been if she had not been a substantial built boat. The Capt. kept a cool head and assured the passengers that there was no immediate danger. Consequently there was no excitement, and they were all landed safely, and the most of the freight and furniture were saved, and had the crew obeyed the orders and instructions of the captain, all would have been saved.

The Captain has always been very fortunate either by good luck or good management. In all of his river experience for over fifty years he never had but one bad disaster before the sinking of the Ulster, and that was the sinking of his vessel the Thos. Collyer in Hell Gate in the year 1857.

The Captain is getting well along in years and has concluded to retire to private life.

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2757. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 10, 1898. – CATSKILL MOUNTAIN I. O. O. F. – Have Their Installation At West Saugerties Saturday Night. – Large Delegations from Confidence and Ulster Lodge were in Attendance – A Fine Supper Served.

Catskill Mountain Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 487, of West Saugerties, was instituted in 1881, and is now seventeen years old. It has to-day a membership of eighty five, owns its own lodge rooms and has $3,000 invested. During its existence, but seven of its members have died and the sick benefits for the past year were but $39, and the lodge is in a very prosperous condition.
The lodge held a public installation of its elective and appointive officers in their hall on Saturday evening which was largely attended, large delegations being in attendance from Confidence and Ulster Lodges, of this village and also Bearsville Lodge. District Deputy Grand Master Charles Horton, of Rondout, and the following staff: Henry A. Ohley, Grand Marshal; Morris M. Schoenfeld, Grand Warden; James H. Hommel, Grand Permanent Secretary; Ezra Carnright, Grand Recording Secretary; Ernest Hassinger, Grand Treasurer and Isaac Griffis, Grand Guardian, did the installing in a highly creditable manner, the following being the officers: William H. Myer, Noble Grand; Abram Cole, Vice-Grand; Edward Bach, Rec. Secretary; Paul Snyder, Per. Secretary; Fred Mott, Treasurer; Stephen Cordes, R. S. N. G.; Sheldon Teetsel, L. S. N. G.; N. Spielman, R. S. V. G.; E. Burton, L. S. V. G.; W. Dubois, Conductor; Chauncey Mower, Warden; J. W. Dubois, Chaplain, James Hommel, R. S. S.; Oliver Holden, L. S. S.; C. Mautier, I. G.; J. Minkler, O. G.

At the conclusion of the installation brief speeches were made by District Deputy Horton, Morris Schoenfeld, Henry A. Ohley, George Bridgeman, Capt. U. E. Winans, Ernest Hassinger, James H. Carew, James Hommel and Stephen Cordes. The visiting brethren were then invited to partake of an elaborate collation which had been prepared by the good wives of the members and they did ample justice to it, the bracing mountain air having decidedly increased their appetites and from the way the excellent prepared good things disappeared it was very very evident that it was enjoyed.

After regaling themselves at the table, the boys returned to the lodge room and the members of Confidence Lodge has a merry time, musical and instrumental selections, being rendered by them, and when they left they carried with them words of appreciation over the very hospitable manner in which they had been entertained.


District Deputy Grand Patriarch Charles Horton, of Rondout, and the following staff: Ernest Myer, Grand Junior Warden; Thomas Tuttle, Grand Senior Warden; William E. Wolven, Grand High Priest; W. A. Bear, Grand Scribe and Edward Burhans, Grand Treasurer installed the appended officers of Thomas Wildey Encampment I. O. O. F. at their meeting Friday evening.

Charles H. Vedder, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; Jas. H. Hommel, Senior Warden; Stephen Bocker, Junior Warden; Robert Webber, Recording scribe; Ezra Carnright, Financial Scribe; Ernest Myer, Representative; James Smith, Jr., Alternate; Ernest Myer, John Lang, Jr., Ernest Hassinger, Trustees.

At the conclusion of the installation the Golden Rule degree was conferred on a candidate.


Saugerties! Dear Saugerties! though humble be thy name,
And as a place of residence still little known to fame.
Yet not above the Palisades, nor below to Long Island Sound,
Is such another lovely spot on all the Hudson found.
To the West the tall Catskills arise, on the East the Hudson glides,
While through thy rocky bosom pours a book that’s deep and wide.
To live is but to dwell in thee, to die from thee depart,
My closing days I’ll spend in thee for thou hast won my heart. – Mortimer Smith.

2760. Richard Mansfield, Actor, Playwright. Theatrical Manager. [Illustration]

2761. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 17, 1898. - VILLAGE LEGISLATURE. – Regular Meeting Saturday Evening, January 15 – All the Directors Present. - Officers of the Fire Department Confirmed – The Question of Lighting the Village Streets – Bids Asked For – Bills Ordered Paid, Etc. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, January 15th, 1898. Directors Lasher, McNally, Myer, Cornwell, Cunyes and Finger present. President Lasher presided. Minutes of last regular and special meetings read for information. Finance Committee reported condition of village finances to date, which was ordered accepted. On motion Clarence Merritt and James Gilmore were confirmed as members of Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, and Daniel Haines and James Dunn were reported expelled for non-payment of dues, and the communication was ordered received and filed and so recorded. On motion the following were confirmed as officers of the village fire department: Chief Engineer, Ernest Hassinger; 1st Asst. Chief Engineer, Martin Cantine; 2d Asst. Chief Engineer, Frank J. Dale; Treasurer, Ernest Hassinger.

On motion, the matter of insurance transferred to Eckert & Snyder on Empire Engine house and stone crusher, having been authorized by the old Board, the bill of Eckert & Snyder was audited. A bid being received from the Electric Light Co., for lighting the village, motion was made to lay same on the table, and amended to receive same, and a committee be appointed to investigate the question of village lighting and report. And a vote on the amendment resulted in a tie. On motion that the matter of the appointment of the member of the health board be laid over for two weeks was voted on and resulted in a tie. On motion it was ordered that Mr. Pultz be paid $5.00 for storing the roadroller and scraper until the first of May, 1898. On motion the chairman of the crusher committee was ordered to make an inventory of all the tools of the crusher, and Henry Kipper was directed to return the sledge which he allowed to be taken from the crusher during the past year. On motion the clerk was directed to notify the watchman not to allow tramps or any other person to use Firemans Hall for lodging purposes. On motion, the Clerk was directed to publish and post notices of the village enumeration, and advertise for objections and revision, and call a meeting of the Board on January 25th, for that purpose. On motion, a committee was appointed to investigate the matter of the present Electric Light franchise, and report at the next meeting. Consisting of Mr. McNally, Mr. Cunyes and Mr. Myer. On motion, the Clerk was instructed to advertise for bids for lighting the street for one year, with the privilege of renewal for three years. On motion, the respective attorneys were requested to furnish a statement of the total expenses up to date in the Hallenbeck and Gordon cases. Attention is called to the violation of ordinance 55, in relation to coasting in the streets of the village, and that the village officers are authorized to make arrests for all such violations.

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On motion bills were ordered sent Mrs. Battelle $2.00, Mrs. Winslow, $1.00, Town of Saugerties $1.00 for shoveling snow.

On motion, Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.


Captain William J. Snyder, of Mariner’s Harbor, Staten Island, formerly of this village, has been chosen by the Saugerties & New York Steamboat company to command their steamer Ulster now being partially rebuilt at Newburgh, succeeding Capt. A. W. Hale, resigned.

Captain Snyder is a man well qualified for the position having had over forty years experience on the North river in both sailing and steam craft. He is yet in his early sixties and probably has a number of years of usefulness still before him.

He was born in this village in the later thirties, being the second son born of the union of Capt. Henry Snyder and Sarah Ann Decker. When quite young he shipped about of the sloop Courier as cabin boy, then commanded by his elder brother, Isaac Snyder, and sailed two or three seasons with him in that capacity. Afterwards he became first mate of the sloop Henry Barclay, Captain Jeremiah Finger, and afterwards commanded her for a portion of the season. Both of these vessels hailed from Saugerties and were engaged in the bluestone carrying trade between this village, New York and Eastern ports. A year or so after this in company with Henry L. Finger and B. M. Freligh he purchased the propellers Watch and Leader and assumed command of the former vessel and a few years later sold his interest in the latter and purchased the full ownership of the Eagle which he employed in the carrying trade of the Ulster Iron works between this village and New York, continuing therein until the Works here changed hands and were dismantled.

He then sold the vessel to New York parties and engaged in the coal and lumber business with his sons at Erestina, Staten Island. A shore life being too tame for him after his early training he sold out his
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

interest in the concern to his sons and purchased a handsome pleasure steam yacht which he employed around about the island waters of New York harbor, conveying pleasure and fishing parties to and fro. He still owns this vessel, but will probably dispose of her in order to assume the duties of his new position.

It is probable Captain Snyder will remove to this village and again occupy his handsome residence on Washington avenue.

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Since the second year of the organization of this Association it has been the custom each recurring year to hold an annual reunion of its members which has taken the form of a sleighride and supper. In accordance with this custom a number of the members assembled at Fireman’s Hall Monday evening where conveyances were in readiness and a visit was made to the well-known hostelry [sic] of Mrs. Ebel at Glasco. Although the sleighing could have been better, yet upon the whole it was very fair. Arriving at Glasco, a genuine surprise was in store, Mr. James Williamson, one of the members of the New York Veteran Firemen’s Association, with his usual large hearted generosity, had secured the services of the Glasco Cornet Band to furnish music for the occasion, and a most pleasant occasion it proved to be. After a few hours spent in social intercourse, the company with their invited guests sat down to one of Mrs. Ebel’s famous Dutch suppers, to which ample justice was done.
After dinner speeches were made by Mr. Williamson, of the New York Veterans, Charles Mulford, of the New York Uniformed Exempt Fireman’s Association, Joseph W. Reinhard and others. After supper there was vocal and instrumental music in the ballroom, and at a seasonable hour the kind hostess and guests were bidden good night and the firemen returned home well satisfied with their fifth annual outing.
The participants were chief engineer William McCormick, William J. Finger, Charles Mulford, and James Williamson as guests, and the following members: John H. Hardenberg, Daniel N. Finger, Theodore Kistner, John Lang, Charles Koch, Joseph W. Reinhard, Denis McLaughlin, Frank Hansen, Edward Jernegan, Jeremiah P. Russell, Will S. Manning, Reuben Quick, John McCormick, Herman Gleisner.
Mr. Williamson and Mr. Mulford both stated it was the intention of their respective organizations to visit Saugerties in June next on the occasion of the Hudson River Fireman’s Association annual parade and tournament day.

The certificate of incorporation of the SAUGERTIES TELEGRAPH PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMPANY has been filed in the county clerk’s office. The object of the corporation is to circulate a daily and weekly newspaper and conduct a printing business. The amount of capital stock is $6,000 divided into 120 shares of $50 each. The principal office is to be in Saugerties and the duration of the company is to be fifty years. The directors for the first year, with the number of shares owned by each, are James T. Maxwell, 75; Robert A. Snyder, 15; Fred J. Durgan, 30.

2765. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 25, 1898. – A GENERAL ASSIGNMENT – Has Been Made by Philip A Lasher - The Liabilities Are Said to be Large.
Philip A. Lasher, the well known butcher and grocer, with stores at Rondout, Kingston and Saugerties, has made a general assignment for the benefit of his creditors, to Former Corporation Counsel John F. Cloonan. Monday evening the assignee and his attorney, William D. Brinnier, closed the Rondout store, their appearance causing consternation among the clerks and customers in the place at the time. The other stores of Mr. Lasher have also been closed by the assignee. The liabilities of Mr. Lasher are unknown, but it is said he owes thousands of dollars. Among the large wholesale grocery houses in New
York city and elsewhere, his orders for goods were always honored and his credit is said to have been almost unlimited. From a small business, a butcher shop at Glasco, Mr. Lasher built up a large trade, removing from Glasco to a small village in the Catskills, and thence to Saugerties, where he prospered greatly. Over a year ago he started a branch market in Kingston, on the corner of Wall and Pearl streets, and becoming encouraged by his success, opened another store in Rondout. He secured the contract to furnish meat and groceries to the boats of Romer & Tremper Steamboat Company and did so last season. It is claimed by some persons who should know, that Mr. Lasher did not make any money on this contract, and that the Rondout store was unsuccessful almost from the start. Some months ago another store was opened by Mr. Lasher at Catskill, but trade was poor in that village and he closed it a short time since. Mr. Lasher, ever since he started business, has demanded cash for everything he sold, and has hurt many local merchants, owing to his ability to sell goods at the lowest prices, something which merchants doing business on credit are usually unable to do. It is said, however, that he did not pay cash for the goods he purchased, but instead kept his creditors waiting for the amounts due them. The news of the closing of his several stores occasioned much comment about the city. – Kingston Freeman. – {Mr. Lasher’s liabilities are reported as being $5,000 and his assets $8,000. – Ed.}

2766. Ernest Hassinger – Saugerties, N. Y
F. A. S. N. Y.
Tri-County Firemen’s Association
Ex-Foreman R., A. Snyder Hose Co.
Ex-President S. F. D.
Treasurer, S. F. D.
P. G. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F.
P. C. P. Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F.
Saugerties Council, 1365, R. A. [card]

The long looked for event of the public installation of officers of Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, took place at Maxwell Opera House on Friday evening in presence of a very large audience. The Royal Arcanum orchestra, Joseph Reinhard, first violin; Luther Hommel, second violin; Charles Sickles, cornetist; Loreze Loerzel, clarionet; Albert Jones, trombone, and Miss Isabelle Cornwell, pianist, rendered an overture entitled “Silver Bells” which was received with much applause.
When the curtain ascended, the members of the Arcanum were seen seated on the stage in a semi-circle, with the officers in their proper places.
John A. Snyder announced the first number on the programme to be a solo by Mrs. Lillian Cloyd, leading soprano of St. James M. E. Church of Kingston. Mrs. Cloyd has a very fine soprano voice, and she was heartily encored at the conclusion of the solo and in response sang a humorous ditty entitled, “Cows in the Corn.”
Joseph Reinhard, Jr., rendered a violin solo, and in response to an encore, gave a very difficult rendition of Suwanee River with the bow held between his knees and the violin in both hands with its back towards. His effort was most enthusiastically applauded.
Grand Trustee, Nathaniel Hyatt, of Albany, addressed the assemblage on the benefits of the Order of the Royal Arcanum. He appealed to the home influence, said in substance that the man who makes no provision for his family cannot enter heaven with a clear conscience. He said in twenty years over $150,000,000 had gone to lift life’s burdens in families left fatherless. This money, left in the lap of the sorrowing mother or weeping wife, was a tribute of the richest blessing of this noble order which has

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done so much to give a silver lining to every cloud of grief, and urged his hearers to unite themselves with this fraternal order. Mr. Hyatt is an eloquent speaker, and his remarks produced a well defined impression upon the audience.
The orchestra rendered a selection entitled “the Home Circle” after which Mrs. Cloyd sang a pretty solo and responded with a humorous selection from the Japanese fan song in the Geisha.
The installation of the officers then took place, District Deputy Grand Regent Crist, of Coxsackie conducting the ceremony. Grand Guide William T. Rider, was directed to gather the officers’ jewels and to call up the officers elect. After this had been done, the Deputy Regent directed the retiring officers to vacate their chairs and surrender them to the officers elect. The following officers were then installed in accordance with the ritual of the Order:
C. W. Quick, Regent; Elisha C. Paradise, Vice-Regent; Joseph W. Reinhard, Orator; Ernest Hassinger, Past Regent; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Wm. H. Rivenburg, Collector; Edson Finger, Treasurer; Wm. E. Van Buskirk, Chaplain; Charles E. Abeel, Guide; Edgar P. Simmon, Warden; Charles Clum, Sentry.
Grand Trustee Hyatt, of Albany, in a few well chosen remarks presented Past Regent Ernest Hassinger with a Past Regent’s jewel of elegant workmanship, a gift of the members of Saugerties Council as an appreciation of his services as Regent during the past year. Mr. Hassinger was completely taken by surprise and briefly acknowledged the gift in appropriate language.
By special request Mrs. Cloyd sang a beautiful selection entitled “I Love You in the Same Old Way,” and in response to an encore sang two additional verses of the same song.
Grand Vice Regent Brown, of Brooklyn, delivered a forceful address on the merits of the Order, and made an affecting appeal to the ladies requesting them to urge their male protectors to unite themselves with the noble Order of the Royal Arcanum.
The orchestra played a farewell march and the audience slowly dispersed many of them repairing to Savings Bank Hall where a banquet was spread under the supervision of the mothers, wives and daughters of the members of the local Council. About three hundred people partook of the repast, which was a great credit to the ladies who had the matter in charge, Rev. Father Leonard, assistant pastor of St. Mary’s Church, who is a member of Saugerties Council, invoking the Divine blessing. After supper dancing was indulged in by the young people and all had a merry time.
Much praise is due Joseph Reinhard, Jr., for his painstaking in drilling the orchestra for the occasion and considering this was the first time they have appeared in public, their effort were duly appreciated and heartily applauded.
Delegations of the Order from Coxsackie, Catskill, and Kingston were present, the Kingston party, however, not arriving until near the close of the ceremonies in the Opera House, owing to delay in leaving Kingston with sleighs instead of taking a West Shore train. The whole affair proved a most thorough success and this first public installation of Saugerties Council will prove to be a red letter day in its history.
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Ernest Hassinger was appointed as a committee to procure Maxwell Opera house for holding the convention. He was also appointed as a committee to appear before the Board of Directors to ascertain what amount the Board would contribute toward defraying the expenses of the convention. On motion the second Tuesday night of each month will be the regular monthly meeting night of the committee. Ernest Hassinger was given the exclusive privilege of furnishing the official program for the convention.

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Saugerties, ___________187

Bro. __________

You are hereby notified that a _____ Meeting of this Court will be held on ____ day, the ____ day of _____ at _____ o’clock at Temperance Hall.

By Order.

Secý

Your Dues are _____ $2.00

Widow and Endowment Fund _____

Fines _____

For Non-Attendance at This Meeting, 50 Cents.

2770. The Fireman’s Herald. Dec. 1, 1898. [hand dated] This week we have added to our collection of prominent firemen the picture of Chief Hassinger, of Saugerties, NY, and Chief Dickinson of Cleveland, O.

2771. Second Annual Ball of Protection Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, Nelida Theatre, Catskill, N. Y. Thursday (Thanksgiving) Evening, Nov. 24, 1887. Concert from 8 to 9 o’clock. Music by the Pythian Orchestra of Kingston. Tickets $1.00, admitting Gentleman and Ladies. [ticket, red orange with black lettering] [illustration]

2772. New-Year’s Ball. At Stone and Lasher’s Hotel, Griffin’s Corner. On Wednesday Evening January 1st. 1868. You are Respectfully Invited to Attend. Music by Ford’s Band. [ticket, white, black lettering] [illustration]


Court “____” No. _____

We the undersigned, beg to Propose and Second

Mr. _____

By occupation a

Residing at _____ a _____

man, as a fit and proper person for admission into this Court, and hereby declare that to the best of our knowledge he is a sober and discreet person, of good moral character, in perfect health, and in no way disqualified from becoming a member of the Order. We also declare that so far as we can judge the said Candidate’s age is ___ years, that the age of his wife is about ____ years, and that she appears in good health.

We further hold ourselves responsible for the general truth of the above statements, in accordance with the 67th General Law.

Signed this ____ day of _____

______Proposer.
N. B. Previous to the Proposition of a Candidate, the Proposer and Seconded [sic] should ascertain that he has not been a Member of the Order in any other Court. If such has been the case, the Candidate cannot be proposed for re-admission in any Court until the sanction of his former Court has been obtained.

Any Brother proposing or seconding a Candidate who is unhealthy, or inadmissible from being of bad character is liable to be expelled the Order. All propositions must stand over to the next regular Meeting of the Court following that on which the proposition was made except as provided for in law 67.

Initiated on the ____ day of ____ 18 ___

2774. Second Annual of Empire Engine Co., 2, at Loerzel’s Hall, Saugerties, on Tuesday Evening, March 17th, 1870 E. Laverty, Sec. J. McCormick Ch’n. [ticket, with silver impression of two firemen and a fire carriage, black lettering] [illustration]

1. Promenade, Welcome All
2. Quadrille, Lafin Hose
3. Quadrille, Star
4. Waltz and Polka
5. Quadrille, Temperance
6. Schottisch and Mazourka
7. Les Lanciers
8. Polka and Gallop
9. Quadrille, Cheat
10. Quadrille, Minuet
11. Mazourka and Waltz
12. Le Lanciers
13. Quadrille
14. Caledonians
15. Kingston Reel
16. Mazourka, Redown
17. Quadrille, March

INTERMISSION
18. Quadrille, Firemen
19. Quadrille
20. Schottische and Waltz
21. Quadrille, Samuelson’s Own
22. Quadrille
23. Mazourka and Gallop
24. Quadrille, Boys in Red
25. Quadrille, Nine Pin
26. Les Lanciers
27. Polka and Schottische
28. Quadrille
29. Waltz, Schottische & Polka
30. Quadrille
31. Grand Quadrille
32. Home, Sweet Home  [illustration]

2776. Sixth Annual of Laflin Hose No. 2, Butzel’s Hall, Saugerties, Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th, 1868. [ticket, white black lettering]  [illustration]

A few friends paid a surprise visit to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, Russell street, Thursday evening, and a very enjoyable time was had. [hand dated]

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2778. New York Central Railroad Ticket. [illustration]

For the first time in the history of our Company, which has been in existence ten years, we feel compelled to appeal to you for assistance. We desire to uniform our members as well as furnish our rooms and trust the bond of friendship that exists between brother firemen will partially cover our much needed wants. With very few exceptions we have answered the appeals which have come to us from sister companies.
For the purpose of rendering us the assistance they deem we are worthy of the H. D. Laflin Hose Company of Saugerties, N. Y., will attend our Annual Ball on February 18th 1898. Mr. H. D. Laflin will personally command his Company and give us an exhibition drill. This company has the reputation of being one of the best drilled Companies in the State. We sincerely hope you will bear with us in this instance and would be pleased to have your Company represented.
Enclose one dancing ticket covering exhibition drill. Price one dollar.
Remittance may be made by check or Money Order to P. R. Peelor, Madalin P. O., Tivoli, N. Y., who will acknowledge receipt. Fraternally Yours, P. R. Peelor, Secy, Com. [letter]

2780. Ernest Hassinger
Life Member, F. A. S. N. Y.
Member H. R. V. F. A.
Ex-foreman R., A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 →CHIEF ←
Ex-President S. F. D.
Treasurer, Saugerties F. D.
Secretary R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1
P. G. Ulster Lodge No. 59, I. O. O. F.
P. C. P. Thomas Wildey Encampment No. 39, I. O. O. F.
Past Regent Saugerties Council, 1365, R. A.
Ex-President S. M. Q.
Honorary Member Saugerties Exempt F. A. [card]

2781. Ralph P. Barker
Life Member F. A. S. N. Y.
Life Member Tri-County F. A.
Life Member Greene County F. A.
Member N. Y. S. C. O. A. F.
Member Atlas No. 316, F. & A. M., of New York
Foreman F. N. Wilson Fire Co., No. 5, Catskill
President Veteran Fireman’s Assn. Catskill
Foreman (1854) Engine Co. No. 50, New York V. F. D.
Member (1849) Eagle Hose Co., No. 1, New York V. F. D. [card]

2782. Dr. W. F. Holmes, Dentist, 23 Wall St., Kingston, N. Y. [card]

2783. Ernest Hassinger has been appointed chief of the Saugerties, N. Y., Fire Department; Martin Cantine and Frank J. Dale assistants. [no date or paper]

2784. 6 and 8 William St. Albany, N. Y. – W. H. Keenah “The Fireplace” Old Ale and Cider a Specialty. Ale Drawn From the Wood. [advertising card] [illustration]


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2787. George L. Gaynor, Reporter Catskill Examiner, Catskill, N. Y. [business card]

2788. Seth Law, Mayor of New York, Ex-Pres. Columbia Univ. Copyright 1901, Pach Bros. N. Y. [illustration]

2789. Steam Propeller Jumbo, Hartford Conn. (Weight 17,000 lbs. the largest in the world.) [illustration]

2790. The Most Reliable House on First Avenue – John Ehrlich, Jr., Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloths, Bedding Stoves, Etc. For Cash or on Easy Terms, 188 First Ave., Bet. 11th & 12th Sts., N. Y. [business card]

2791. F. Schneider, 74 rue Gantois, Lille. [card]


2793. Calvin Rikert – Elmore Rikert, C. & E. Rikert, successors to Jacob Schaad, East Market St., Rhinebeck, N. Y. Livery Stables, Carriages for Picnics, Weddings and Funerals furnished at short notice and special rates. Conveyances Meet All Trains. All orders may be left at the office connected with the tables. [business card] [illustration]

2794. Hudson River Telephone Call 185-4 Day or Night – Citizen’s Standard Telephone Call 5-4 Day or Night. - Dr. W. J. Smith, Graduate American Vet. College, N. Y. Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist. No. 10
Main St., Infirmary, Boarding and Accommodation Stable. Kingston N. Y. [business card, name inside green circle in center] [illustration]

2795. T. F. Bane’s Lincoln House, Lunch and Sample Room, No. 159 Lincoln Avenue, Between 134th & 135th Streets, New York. Imported and Domestic Ales, Wines, and Cigars. Liquors bottled for family use a specialty. [business card, white with red lettering]


2797. William Stewart, established 1883 – Café and Pool Rooms, Dealer in Imported and Domestic Cigars – Fine Wines and Liquors – Bass and Old Ales and George Ringler’s Extra Lagers on Draught, 11 Colden St., Near First, Newburgh, N. Y. [business card, white with green shading, black lettering]

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2798. Telephone No. 214 – Charles P. Bragle, Undertaker, 292 Fourth St., Between Adam and Jefferson Sts., Troy, NY. [business card]


2800. George Degenhardt’s Hotel & Café, 107 West 42d Street, Steaks, Chops, and Cold Cuts, Imported and Domestic Beers on Draught, 3 doors west of 6th Ave., NY, Rooms for Gents only. [business card]

2801. Joseph Krieger, Representing M. Groh’s Sons, Brewers, 238 to 244 West 28th St., New York City. [business card]


2803. A Happy New Year - Mr. Augustus J. Rolle. [card]

2804. Henry Straub, Music Teacher, Chester Hill, 262 Primrose Avenue, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. [card]

2805. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 1, 1898. – In the Realm of Death – Those Who Have Departed and Gone Out From Us. The funeral services of the late William T. Paradise were held at his late residence on Partition street this afternoon and were largely attended. The Rev. W. F. Stowe, pastor of the Congregational church, officiated assisted by the Rev. F. H. Gates, pastor of the Baptist church. A male quartet of which the deceased had been a member, composed of William Mould, Edgar Myer, Edward Burhans and Benjamin F. Fellows sang “Jesus, Lover of my Soul.” The members of Ulster Lodge I. O. O. F. of which the deceased had also been a member for a long time attended in a body and performed the last sad rites over their departed brother at the Main street cemetery, Henry A. Ohley acting as chaplain and Ernest Hassinger as Noble Grand. The pall bearers were Wm. Mould, Edward Burhans, Edgar Myer, Robert Espey, William V. Burhans and George W. Terpening.

The Board of Directors held their regular meeting on Saturday evening, and did not award the contract for lighting the village streets as it was expected they would. Directors Lasher, Myer, Cornwell, Cunyes and Finger were present, Mr. McNally being the only absentee. There were also many spectators present. President Lasher presided. The minutes of the last regular and special meetings were read and approved after a slight correction had been made. C. D. Herring, representing the Welsbach Incandescent Lighting Co., of New York, appeared before the Board and agreed to light the village for $31 per lamp, and also agreed to assume all expense of repairs and lighting, the lights to be of 80 candle power. Albert Carnright, of the Saugerties Gas Co., submitted a bid for lighting the gas lamps at $16 per year, the village to bear the expense of lighting them. M. M. Baker, of the Saugerties Electric Light & Power Co., agreed to light the village streets as follows; 1000 candle power arc lights, $100 per year; 1200 candle power arc lights, $114 per year; 16 candle power, $13 per year; 20 candle power, $15; 24 candle power, $17; 32 candle power, $24 per year. The company also assume the lighting and repairs of the same. On motion an investigation of the bids will be made by the Board and a report will be made at the next meeting. On motion, Harry Brownson and Samuel Hallenbeck, Jr., were granted certificates of membership in the Snyder Hose Co. and William Doyle of Snyder Hose Co. was granted an exemption certificate. The following bills were ordered paid.

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The bill of William H. Burnett for painting the pole of the Empire hand engine amounting to $1.75 was on motion referred to the finance committee. The clerk was directed to notify S. J. Adams that unless the license for conducting shows was paid it would be revoked and also have the license collected from the show companies. The finance committee’s report was held over until the next meeting as was the report of the committee on the electric light franchise. An anonymous communication calling attention to the fast driving on the streets was laid on the table. The firemanic committee reported having examined the cistern in front of the Whitaker building on Main street but could not discover the leak. Isaac Lazarus, Martin Cantine and William Tracey, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., appeared before the Board in relation to the purchase of the new truck. The matter was referred to the firemanic committee and the chief engineer was added to the committee. A communication from Edward Ennis offering to light the village lamps at $25 per month was received and on motion was laid on the table. On motion the Welsbach Lighting Co. were given permission to exhibit a number of their lamps in the streets. On motion Board adjourned.

One illustration is sufficient to show the utter disregard manifested for all the rules of common fairness and even more than that, a violation of law. Charles Clum was elected a delegate from the village and as a matter of fact he resides at Glasco, and the law provides that the delegates shall be chosen from the district in which they live. Clum did not live in the district from which he was chosen, and it follows that his election was illegal and void. It is this way that the Republican machine crams down the throats of the people delegates ineligible for office and it is this utter disregard for the rights of the people that will cause them to rise up in the majesty of their right and turn out of power the corruptest machine in this county. How can any honest Republican support a ticket nominated in an illegal and wrongful manner like this?

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2808. Exempt Certificate. [illustration]

2809. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 9, 1898. The Weather, as Reported From the Corner Drug Store, Threatening and light rain to-night and Thursday; warmer. DIED HASSINGER – In this village, Feb. 9th, Alice, daughter of Ernest and Anna Louise Hassinger, aged 5 years, 5 months and 1 day. Funeral from residence on Partition street, Friday afternoon, at 2 o’clock. Interment Main street cemetery.

2810. Called Up Higher. Recent Deaths and Funerals In and About our Place. Alice, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, died at her home on Partition street about half past nine o’clock this morning. She had been sick for a short time with membranous croup. [no date or paper]

2811. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 12, 1898. – Funeral of Little Alice Hassinger. The funeral of Alice, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, was held Friday afternoon at her late home on Partition street. A large number of friends were present. The Rev. George H. Smith, pastor of the Methodist church officiated. Masters Otis Belch, Frederick Lewis, John Bates, John Davis, Irving Teller and Willis Davis were the pall bearers. The remains were interred in the Main street cemetery.

2812. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 17, 1898. – A Truck Man Here. John Kaiser, representing the Rumsey Truck Co., of Seneca Falls, was in town to day and conferred with Alderman Norman Cunyes, Chief Engineer Hassinger and the members of the truck committee of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Mr. Kaiser exhibited a miniature truck built of nickel, completely equipped with ladders, hooks, lanterns, etc., 46 inches in length and 12 inches in height. A large number of photos and designs of trucks were also shown. Mr. Kaiser will submit a bid to the Board of Directors.


2814. When Navigation Opened. Navigation on the Hudson, between New York and Albany, has opened. The following is a table of the opening and closing of navigation on the river entire for the last 10 years. 1888, opened April 7, and closed December 14. 1889, opened March 19, river open all winter. 1890, open all winter, closed December 21.
1891, opened March 24, closed December 24.
1892, opened April 1, closed December 22.
1893, opened April 1, closed December 6.
1894, opened March 18, closed December 24.
1895, opened April 2, closed December 9.
1896, opened April 7, closed December 19. [no date or paper]

About sixty people enjoyed the banquet tendered by James Williamson, the Glasco iceman, to the Williamson Cornet Band, of Glasco, and a number of friends at Moran’s Imperial Cafe, Friday evening. Chef Swart served an excellent menu and those present did justice to the good thing spread before them. Speeches, etc., made up the amenities of the evening.

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First assistant chief engineer Martin Cantine, Isaac Lazarus and William Tracey, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and chief engineer Ernest Hassinger representing the Board of Directors left town this morning for Hudson, Athens and Coxsackie where they will inspect the hook and ladder trucks owned in those places, in order to get information relative to the purchase of a new truck for the village.

The marriage of Charles Beers, the oldest son of James O. Beers, and Miss Clara L. McCormick, one of our highly esteemed young ladies, took place at St. Mary’s rectory on Saturday evening, the Rev. Father Murray performing the ceremony. Leonard O’Hara was the groomsman and Miss Alice O’Hara, bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Beers will make Newburgh their future home.

2818. SHEFFIELD PAPER CO. CASE. – A Hearing in the Matter Before Judge Clearwater. – A Question of Law Over a Certain Payment That was Promised to be Paid to the New York and Pennsylvania Paper Co.
A hearing was had before Judge Clearwater at his chambers in Kingston on Friday in the supreme court action of Agnes R. L. Sheffield as trustee under a mortgage or deed of trustee, etc, vs the Sheffield Paper Company, William H. Dickey as trustee, etc, and others.
It was an application by the New York and Pennsylvania Paper Company, William H. Dickey as trustee, etc. and others.
It was an application by the New York and Pennsylvania Paper Company for the payment of $2,475 out of the proceeds of the foreclosure of a trust mortgage of $107,000, upon the property of the Sheffield Paper Company in this village, claiming the New York and Pennsylvania company had advanced this amount to repair the dam supplying water power to the Sheffield Paper Company upon the positive assurance by William R. Sheffield, the president of that company, that it should be repaid out of the proceeds of the foreclosure sale before any other payments were made, and prior to the payment of the bondholders under that mortgage.
Maitland D. Shoat, secretary and Treasurer of the New York and Pennsylvania Company, was examined at length. The question of law presented by his testimony was briefly argued by Senator Charles Davis, representing the New York and Pennsylvania Company and by Hon. Peter Cantine and Benjamin M. Coon, representing the bondholders under the Agnes Sheffield mortgage. As Mr. Cantine is to sail for Bermuda Wednesday, counsel were given till the first of April to hand in written briefs. Judge Clearwater took all the papers and reserved his decision.
2819. Post, March 17, 1904. [hand written] John Koestner, a Former Saugertiesian, Expires From Cancer. Word received in town to-day stated that John Koestner, a former Saugertiesian, had died in St. Francis hospital, New York city, last Thursday, where he had been operated on for cancer of the stomach. Mr. Koestner was employed in the former Bohr shoe factory when living here.

2820. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 14, 1898. – SHEFFIELD PAPER CO. CASE. – A Hearing in the Matter Before Judge Clearwater. [Repeat of article copied above, see 2818 ]

Saugerties Post.
Irwin Ronk, Jas. R. Wood, Publishers and proprietors
Terms One Year in Advance $ 5.00
Six Months “ ” 2.50
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Delivered by carriers in this village at the rate of 10 cents per week. Single copies 3 cents.
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THE POST, Saugerties, N. Y.

The Democrats and Republicans held their caucuses on Saturday night and both parties nominated good men to be voted for at the coming spring election Tuesday, March 1st.
The Democrats held their caucus in the court room. Ernest Hassinger was elected chairman and Henry A. Ohley, secretary. The following are the nominations made:
For Supervisor, Edward M. Wilbur.
For Town Clerk, Lewis H. Kleeber.
For Justice of the Peace, Henry A. Ohley.
For Assessor, Ezra Carnright.
For Commissioner of Highways, Peter J. Turck.
For Oversee of the Poor, Herman Mittrach.
For Collector, Charles E. Cook.
For Constables, William V. McCormick, Henry B. Shader, Ira Pultz, Herman Behlke, Michael P. O’Rourke.
Inspectors Town Election
Dist. No. 1 – Frank Russell, James Teller
“ ” 2 – William Craft, Russell Cooke
“ ” 3 – Lawrence Kenney, Thomas Carthy
“ ” 4 – George B. Snyder, James Welch, Jr.
Inspectors Fall Election
Dist. No. 1 – Ernest Hassinger, Irving Russell
“ ” 2 – John H. Kerbert, George A. Griffis
“ ” 3 – John E. Mc Donough, Edward P. McCormick
“ ” 4 – Jacob E. Brown, Thomas Nolan
“ ” 5 – William Schoonmaker, Egbert Brooks
“ ” 6 – Stephen Bocker, George K. Crawford.
The Republicans held their caucus at the Phoenix hotel, C. S. Lowther being chosen chairman and Tompkins Hommel, secretary. Appended are the nominations
For Supervisor, Ebenezer L. Quick.
For Town Clerk, William E. Wolven.
For Justice of the Peace, Adam H. Lasher.
For Assessor, Byron L. Hallenbeck.
For Commissioner of Highways, George E. Carnright.
For Collector, Albert R. Freese
For Constables, David E. Abeel, Charles E. Abeel, Sanford P. Swart, David M. Valk, Michael Kenney
Inspectors Town Election
Dist. No. 1 – F. A. Jewett, S. W. Merclean
  “ ” 2 – Jesse Fiero, Lewis Knox
  “ ” 3 – Oliver Holden, James York
  “ ” 4 – Michael Briody, John C. Schermerhorn
Inspectors Fall Election
Dist. No. 1 – William Merchant, A. C. Norris
  “ ” 2 – Jesse Fiero, Lewis Knox
  “ ” 3 – George H. Morgan, Charles Sickles
  “ ” 4 – Watson E. Lewis, William H. Swart
  “ ” 5 – Stephen Cordes, John F. Austin
  “ ” 6 – Stephen E. Fiero, Aretas Sax

Michael Clerkin, a former resident of Saugerties, died in Greenville, New Jersey, Sunday. Deceased when here was employed by William Ziegler and was also connected with Washington Hook & Ladder Co. [no paper named]

2823. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 9, 1898. – Charles Davis’ Ratification Meeting.
The Republican delegates will meet Saturday night at the Phoenix Hotel to ratify the choice that Charlie Davis has already made, and afford an opportunity for the Lord high marker of the Gang to brand Charlie’s seal upon their person.
It was supposed that the party elected delegates and the delegates chose the best men for the offices, but Charlie has got his slate fixed out and the delegates will simply meet and ratify the slate.
It is said that the slate fixed up is Fratsher, Carnright, or Cantine for supervisor, Cusick for Highway Commissioner, Eddie Wolven for Town Clerk, William Base for Overseer of the Poor.
This is a nice lot of candidates to present for the suffrages of the people, and each one has been chosen for his sterling worth, his good citizenship, his service to his country and his eminent fitness for the office.
It is slyly whispered that Wolven, Cusick, Carnright and the rest of them have worn holes in Charlie’s stairway in running up and down in worship; but this must be untrue. And it must be that they have been selected because their country calls them, and that they are willing to sacrifice their own personal feelings to serve their country. It might be possible if any one would listen that one could hear all the people yelling for them to fill these offices, and they again one might listen and not hear anything but the tramp of feet on Charlie’s stairway.
These men should be commended in their willingness to sacrifice their personal interest and leave their business to obey their country’s call, and it may well be expected that they will all serve without pay, for they are patriots one and all. These men will run according to the slate and run well – the otherway.

2824. Presidents.
McKinley is a compound, made up of wind and sound,
He would like to favor Cuba, but wants to please all round.
Mark Hanna has him tainted with a love for millionaires
And if the rich man prospers, he cares not how the poor one fares.
He’s another Grover Cleveland, they are as much alike as peas.
Good for nothing on God’s earth but to sit and take their ease.
For real bang outs as rulers the United States beats all.
If a smart man runs for offices it’s the fool who gets the call.
We ought to have bellows as big as the United States
To blow the fools together when selecting candidates,
And the one who turned most somersaults, while whizzing through the air,
Just take up tenderly and place in the Presidential chair. Mortimer Smith, Saugerties, Feb. 9, 1898.

2825. Our First Postage Stamps “Fifty-One years ago – in July, 1847 –Uncle Sam issued his first postage
Hill, ‘father of the penny post,’ introduced the ‘sticking plasters’ as the stamps were contemptuously
called. John M. Niles, our Postmaster General at that time, tried heroically, but in vain, to move
Congress to authorize stamps for this country. His successor, Cave Johnson, was more fortunate, and
the bill desired was approved on March 3, 1847, the stamps not being issued, however, till August. Only
two values of the new stamps were introduced in 1847, a five cent and a ten cent stamp, bearing
respectively the portrait of Franklin in a bronze tint and Washington in black.

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At the postponed meeting of the Exempt Fireman’s Association held Monday evening, Feb. 14th, Ernest
Hassinger and Chester E. Blackwell were elected honorary members of the Association. The following
conference committee was appointed to act in conjunction with a similar committee from the other
companies, composing the fire department of the village, to arrange for the coming Tri-County
Fireman’s parade and tournament, to be held in this village June next: Edmund M. Wilbur, Alfred P.
Lasher, Edward Jernegan, Jeremiah P. Russell, Jeremiah Finger, Egbert Cooper and John H. Hardenberg.

Martin Cantine, Isaac Lazarus and William Tracey, the committee from Washington Hook & Ladder Co.,
having in charge the matter of selecting a new truck, accompanied by chief engineer Ernest Hassinger,
visited Hudson, Athens and Coxsackie on Monday and inspected the trucks in use in those places. The
unanimous choice of the committee was the truck in possession of C. H. Evans H. & L. Co. at Hudson. At
all the places visited the committee was most cordially welcomed by their brother firemen and
extended every facility to inspect the apparatus desired. At Hudson chief Granger invited them to his
home where they were royally entertained and shown one of the finest collections of firemanic badges
to be found in the State, the personal property of the Hudson chief. Chief Hassinger, of the Saugerties
fire department, also has a very fine collection of badges, but they “are not in it” with those possessed
by chief Granger. Before the choice of a new truck is decided upon, the committee will visit Po’keepsie,
Newburgh, Kingston and some other places with a similar object in view.

2828. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 21, 1898. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL – Regular
Meeting of the Board of Directors Held Saturday Evening, Feb. 19th. Amendments to the Charter
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Feb. 19, 1898, with all Directors
present. President Lasher presiding.
Crusher committee reported the crusher in need of some further repairs and protection, which had been attended to, and on motion Mr. McNally was authorized to make needed repairs to the tubes and other parts such as in his judgment might be needed in future.

On motion, the census enumerators were ordered paid from the license and dog fund.

Clerk reported collection of thirty dollars license from S. J. Adams.

Chief Hassinger and the H. and L. Committee reported the inspection of several trucks at Hudson, Coxsackie and Athens, and strongly recommended the Seagrave truck such as is now in use at Hudson as best meeting the wants of our village. The report of Chief Hassinger was endorsed by other members of the Committee and on motion said report was ordered accepted and filed. On motion it was ordered that Senator Davis be requested to prepare a bill for the Legislature asking that the present Charter be changed to read $4000 instead of $3000 in both General Fund and Road Fund as the amount to be raised annually and that the word ‘Three’ in section 23, page 15 of the charter and the words “For the next five years and thereafter not exceeding in anyone year the sum of three thousand dollars” in section 37, page 21 of the charter be stricken out.

Finance Committee reported on condition of village finances as follows:

We, the undersigned Finance Committee, respectfully report that we find the bills due and audited before Jan. 1, 1898 unpaid, as follows:

### GENERAL FUND.

- George W. Elting, $105.00
- Saugerties Gas Co. 58.66
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- Daniel Lamb, 48.86
- John Maxwell, lighting street lamps 46.00
- John Maxwell, " " " 46.00
- S. M. Gray, oil, 297.45
- Saugerties Evening Post, printing
  - Hallenbeck case, 160.65
- Saugerties Evening Post, printing, 43.50
- Paschke, surveying, 7.88
- Charles Abeel, 2.00
- Charles Abeel, night watchman, 26.00
- H. Krantz, " " " 26.00
- Eckert & Snyder, insurance, 46.00
- Theodore Cornwell, 1.70
- Saugerties Gas Co., 58.66
- Finger & Lewis, 19.45

**$1052.47**

### HEALTH FUND.

- Dr. S. L. Dawes, $50.00
- Dr. S. L. Dawes, 50.00
- Charles Davis attorney, 25.00
- Alexander Lackey, 8.00
- " " 4.00
- " " 20.00
- William Hommel, 14.75
- " " 27.00
- Albert Rowe, 38.00
- Martin Baker, 20.00
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

F. H. Gates, registering, 2.25
George W. Elting, printing, 12.00

ROAD FUND.
Ulster Blue Stone Co., stone, 86.52
John Maxwell’s Sons, stone, 2.40
" " " " " " 6.34
Finger & Lewis, 43.61

$138.87

We also find that the “General Fund” has been overdrawn to the amount of $9.53; the “Health Fund” to the amount of $10.79; and the “Road Fund” “License Fund” and “Dog Fund” show a balance in treasury, namely:
Road Fund, 318.26
License Fund, 37.87
Dog Fund, 12.96

The above report we find to be correction up to January 1, 1898.
Signed, Edson Finger, Jas. D. Myer, Norman Cunyes, Finance Committee,
Dated Saugerties, N. Y., February 19, 1898.

The following budget was made up for the assessors to be covered by the next tax levy:
AMOUNT NECESSARY TO BE RAISED THIS YEAR.
General Fund, 4000.00
Road “ 4000.00
Health “ 700.00
Ulster Avenue Bond due, 1000.00
Interest on balance of Ulster Avenue indebtedness, $4000 at 3½ percent, 140.00
Bond for general indebtedness due, 500.00
Interest on balance of general indebtedness, $8,500 at 4 per cent 340.00
Enumeration expenses, 100.00
Hook & Ladder Truck, 800.00

$11,580.00

On motion the Clerk was ordered to purchase a copy of the revised village charter from the Lawyers Corporation Publishing Co.

On motion, it was ordered that a bill be presented to C. C. James, for cleaning sidewalk in front of his property on West Bridge street, amount of $1.50, and that he be instructed to keep same cleaned in future.

The Board then went into executive session, to consider the question of street lighting.
A vote being taken on the question to put in 40 Welsbach lights, at $31.00 each, 21 gas lamps, at $16.00 and 50 oil lamps. The Welsbachs to be equally distributed among the six directors, and the extra lamp to be placed on Ulster avenue at the direction of the Board, resulted in a tie.
It was then, on motion, ordered that the contract be given to the Gas Company at $16.00 per lamp, and the present system continued for a period of one year.
Following are the bids in detail from the several light companies.

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To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors, Village of Saugerties, N. Y.:

Gentlemen:

We will light the Village of Saugerties with the following ways of lighting.
1000 C. P. arc lights from dusk until dawn every and all nights for One Hundred Dollars ($100.) per lamp, per year. 1200 C. P. arc lights from dusk until dawn every and all nights for One Hundred and Fourteen Dollars ($114.) per lamp, per year. If arc lighting is used not less than thirty (30) to be taken. We will light with incandescent lamps every where there is a gas lamp (44 in all) in the following candle power lamps.
16 C. P. every and all night, $13.00 per lamp per year.
20 C. P. every and all night, $15.00 per lamp per year.
24 C. P. every and all night, $17.00 per lamp per year.
32 C. P. every and all night, $24.00 per lamp per year.

at 16 candle power lamp is equal to a five foot gas burner. We assume all expense of repairs and keeping same lighted.

All contracts for lighting be for three (3) years.


To the Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors, Village of Saugerties, N. Y.:

Gentlemen:

We will furnish and erect at such locations as your Honorable Body may designate – forty or more of our eighty candle power Welsbach lights, furnish all lamps and appliances, furnish illuminant, men to light, clean, extinguish and keep the lights in good repair, including every item of expense, the light to burn from dusk until dawn every night in the year for the sum of ($31.00) dollars per light per year, the lanterns and attachments furnished by us are to be and remain our property, the contract to be for a term of one year with the privilege of renewal for a term of two years.

By investigation of our system of lighting and a comparison of the efficiency of our lights, also a comparison of prices with the electric lights you can readily see that your streets, (especially those where there is a great deal of foliage), can be lighted better with Welsbach lights, at a saving of about twenty-five per cent to your village.

Hoping to receive your favorable consideration, we are very

Respectfully yours,

We also hereby agree to light all lamps (40 to 44 in number), now lighted by gas, within ten (10) days after the contract with us is signed. Any additional lamps ordered by the Board will be lighted within 15 days after signing of contract.


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

Gentlemen:

The Saugerties Gas Light Co. will renew its contract with you on the same terms and conditions as those now existing under its present contract viz. We will furnish you with gas for one year, with the privilege of three years at sixteen dollars per lamp per year, for the present number of gas lamps now in use, or for any additional gas lamp or lamps that may be erected on the line of our mains, lamps to be lighted and extinguished at the expense of the village and to burn all night and every night in the year. This bid also includes and on the same terms and conditions the displacement of any oil lamp now on the line of our mains and the erection by you of a gas lamp in its stead.

Yours Respectfully, THE SAUGERTIES GAS LIGHT CO. By Albert Carnright, Pres.

The matter of selling the old truck was referred to the President and the Firemanic Committee, to arrange the sale to the best advantage.

The following bills were ordered paid.

GENERAL FUND.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Wm. H. Burnett, painting, $ 1.75
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 58.66
E. Hassinger, expenses of H. & L. Committee, 4.00
LICENSE FUND.
Wm. Base, taking census, 10.00
ROAD FUND.
Chas. Lewis, labor, 3.75
Ed. Bates, “ 1.50
John Johnson, “ 1.50
Jas. Dillon, “ 1.50
John Percks, “ 1.50
Jacob Peters, “ 1.50
Chas. Jones, “ .75
Thos. Hurley, “ .75
On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

The Tri-County Firemanic committee met in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms Monday evening for organization.
The meeting was called to order by chief Hassinger, who stated the object, and committee proceeded to
organize by choosing William Ziegler, president; William V. McCormick, Isaac Lazarus and Alfred P.
Lasher, vice-presidents; James P. Sweeney, secretary and Jeremiah P. Russell, treasurer. After discussion
of several minor matters, an adjournment was taken to Tuesday evening, Feb 22d, at the same place at
8 o’clock.

Louis Henry, a respected colored man who has resided at Tivoli for a number of years, died early
Monday morning from a complication of diseases, aggravated by exposure and lack of nourishment.
Funeral was held Wednesday from St. Paul’s Church, Rev. Mr. Evans officiating. Interment in the colored
burial grounds. During the past winter Lou Henry has occupied an old boat at the dock for sleeping
quarters and the exposure proved too much for his constitution. On Wednesday of last week, during a
raging snow storm, friends went to his abode and had to shovel the snow away in order to get him out
of the boat. He was taken to Morey’s Hotel, where he was tenderly cared for until he died. He was an
old soldier having been a member of Company I, 26 regiment, colored infantry volunteers, and enlisted
on Jan. 27, 1864, and was honorably discharged at Hilton Head, S. C., on Aug. 28th, 1865. He was 55
years of age.  Tivoli Times.

2831. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 24, 1898. – SUPERVISOR’S ANNUAL REPORT – Submitted By John
D. Fratsher, Our Supervisor. – Complete and Detailed Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of Town
Moneys – A Good Report and Balance on Hand.
To the Board of Town Auditors of the Town of Saugerties, N. Y.
GENTLEMEN – I herewith submit my report as Supervisor for the year ending Feb 22d, 1898.
GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT.
To check received from Collector Cook, $9,924.84
To paid overdraft, as per report Feb 22. 1897, $152.37
Paid Town Warrants 1896, 7.50
Paid Town Notes $5,000, interest $179.45, 5,179.45
Paid Town Warrants 1897, 4,545.39
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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

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Paid C. M. Swart, poormaster, 800.00
Paid E. F. Hommel & Co., license rebate, 22.22
Paid First National Bank, two special warrants, 57.93
Paid John Daley, error in assessment, 4.00
Paid First National Bank, note and interest for new iron bridge at Overbagh’s, 957.49
Paid bridge account, overdraft, 34.59
Balance, 387.92

**DOG FUND ACCOUNT.**

By balance on hand, Feb 23, 1897, 4.76
By check received from John W. Lent, Collector, 65.70
By check received from C. E. Cook, Collector, 131.40
Total, 201.86

To paid Alex France, sheep damages, 10.00
Paid Theo F. Martin, sheep damages, 12.00
Paid Wm. M. Chidester, sheep damages, 12.00
Paid Elijah Felter, sheep damages, 12.00
Paid John H. Stewart, sheep damages, 32.00
Paid Peter T. Minkler, error assessment, .50
Paid Cyrus Margison, error assessment, .50
Paid Thomas Conroy, error assessment, .50
Paid Alexander Aman, error assessment, .50
Paid S. L. Dawes, error ass’t, .50
Paid J. G. Finger, error ass’t, .50
Paid J. B. Addams, error ass’t, .50
Paid Benj. Emerick, sheep damages, 33.00
Paid Michael Longendyke, error assessment two years, 1.00
Paid Theo F. Martin, sheep damages, 10.00
Paid Benj. Emerick, sheep damages, 10.00
Paid John S. Post, error ass’t, .50

Balance, 136.00

**ROADS AND BRIDGES.**

By notes First National Bank, as per resolution, 3,000.00
To paid E. P. Simmon, commissioner of highways, 3,000.00

**STONE CRUSHER ACCOUNT.**

By notes, First National Bank, as per resolution, 2,000.00
To paid E. P. Simmon, Commissioner of highways, 2,000.00

**NEW BRIDGE ACCOUNT – GLENERIE.**

By notes, First National Bank, as per resolution, 3,300.00
By check from Excise Fund account, 34.59
Total, 3,334.59

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To paid A. Brown, contractor, $1,633.72
Paid E. P. Simmon, commissioner of highways, 972.47
Paid labor as per vouchers, 303.90
Paid for extra Stone Coping, 52.56
Paid John Pfennfer, balance for land, 25.00
Paid E. B. Codwise, civil engineer, 16.44
Paid Horse Hire, 30.50
Paid expense account as per resolution, 300.00
$3,384.59

The Supervisor, pursuant to resolution of Town Board, has made one new note, dated December 1st, 1897, in favor of W. H. Eckert, cashier, for three thousand four hundred thirty-six and 50-100 dollars with interest to be paid from the receipts of the Excise Fund when receivable from the County Treasurer, in May, 1898, thereby saving a direct tax levy upon the real and personal property of the taxpayers.

RECAPITULATION.
Balance on hand Feb 22, 1897 $ 948.66
Receipts from all sources, 30,271.55
Total $31,220.21
Disbursements per vouchers 30,420.59
Balance on hand Feb 22, '98 799.62
All of which is respectfully submitted. JOHN D. FRATSER, Supervisor.
Feb. 22d, 1898.

State of New York, }
Ulster County, } ss.
Town of Saugerties }
We, the undersigned, members of the Town Board, do hereby certify that we have examined the above account of John D. Fratsher, Supervisor, and confirmed the same with the vouchers in support thereof and find the same correct in all respects.
Dated Feb. 22nd, 1898 – Benjamin M. Coon, James Fiero, Cyrus Fuller, Adam H. Lasher, Justices of the Peace, Lewis H. Kleeber, Town Clerk.

2832. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 28, 1898. – NEW HOOK & LADDER TRUCK. – Will be Built by Rumsey & Co., of Seneca Falls. – They Were the Lowest Bidder and also Give the Best Truck – It will be Completed by May 1st.
When Washington Hook & Ladder Co., one of our crackajack village fire companies goes out on parade, on the occasion of the annual parade of the Hudson River Valley Firemen’s Association in June they will draw a beautiful new truck, which doubtlessly will be the finest hook and ladder truck in the Hudson River Valley.
It will be built by Rumsey & Co., of Seneca Falls, and that firm guarantees that when it will be completed it will surpass everything along the river and we believe that will carry out their contract to a letter.
For some time the truck committee at Washington Hook & Ladder Co., have been gathering information relative to the purchase of a new truck. Visits in connection with the chief engineer, representing the Board of Directors were made to Athens, Coxsackie, and Hudson, and the trucks owned in these places were inspected.
The committee upon their return recommended that a Seagrave truck, similar to the one owned at Hudson be purchased.
A few days after a representative of the Rumsey Co., arrived in town and exhibited a miniature nickel truck, which when built to a full size would make a fine apparatus. The committee examined it and were
very favorable impressed with it and Mr. Kaiser decided to submit a bid for building the new truck, notwithstanding, that a Seagrave truck had been recommended to the Board of Directors. The truck committee and the Board of Directors held a meeting in the Directors rooms on Saturday evening for the purpose of deciding what truck should be purchased, there being two bidders. The Rumsey Co presented three bids, the first being for the building of a channel steel frame truck with standard ladders at $900; the second a channel steel frame truck with half trussed and standard ladders at $950; the third bid was for a trussed framed truck, and all trussed ladders at $975. The Seagrave Co. presented one bid, the amount being $1,000. When the specifications were read it was found that the Rumsey truck was far superior to the Seagrave and the equipment on the Rumsey would almost double that on the Seagrave, the Rumsey having eight ladders, while the Seagrave had only seven. Before the decision was made, Mr. Kaiser, of the Rumsey Co., was given the privilege of explaining the construction of his truck, and he did it in a satisfactory manner. He strongly advocated the standard ladder instead of the trussed ladder.

Mr. Harvey, of the Seagrave Co., also gave a brief idea of his truck and claimed that the trussed ladders were the best. After some discussion on the question of ladders, it was decided to purchase a Rumsey truck, providing, Mr. Kaiser would furnish two trussed ladders and all the rest standard ladders for the sum of $900. Mr. Kaiser was sent for and readily assented to such, and the Board of Directors decided to purchase a truck of Rumsey & Co., the design to be similar to the model exhibited. The action of the committee will be confirmed by the Board of Directors at their meeting on Saturday night, March 5th.

The new truck will be completed by Mar. 15, and will be painted cream color with gold trimmings and will be handsomely nickel plated. It will be equipped with eight ladders, one of which will be a fifty foot extension ladder, Rex extinguishers and all other modern appliances.

Mr. Kaiser, in speaking said that Rumsey & Co. have for a long time desired to place one of their latest trucks in this valley and that when the truck arrives here the people will have something they may feel proud of.

As the appropriation calls for but $800 and the new truck will cost $900, Washington Hook & Ladder Co. will advance the requisite $100 and when the old truck is sold be reimbursed for the amount.

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2833. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 26, 1898. – CHARGES REFUTED! – Amounts the Supervisor and Assessors have Received. FALSE STATEMENTS ANSWERED. – Erroneous and Malicious Statements in Friday’s Telegraph Disproved by Facts and Figures – This Towns Expenses as Compared with other Towns in the County.

The Saugerties Telegraph, yesterday, in bolder type than the writer had honest courage, the article being anonymous, made a malicious and absolutely false charge against honorable, respectable and eminent officials and citizens of the Town of Saugerties. Charges which it must have known to be lies, and which it ought to be ashamed to publish. Let us examine the charges. An itemized statement of the amount the present supervisor of the town received from the town is as follows:

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Sale of buildings, $20.00
Making County bill, $842.32

It must be remembered that Mr. Fratsher was Chairman of the board of Supervisors and as such more than the usual duties of supervisors is imposed upon him by law and for which he is allowed by law $4 per day and mileage.

The bills of $407.13 were sworn to and audited by the Board of Town Auditors and paid by the town, and the bills of $842.32 were sworn to, audited by the Board of Supervisors and paid by the county.

Mr. Fratsher earned the money he was paid, he rendered good and faithful service for it to his town and county, and according to the work he did, and the service he rendered, he was paid, and it ill-becomes an anonymous newspaper to insinuate anything to the contrary.

The Board of Supervisors of which Mr. Fratsher was chairman, did not give the Saugerties Telegraph any county printing, believing in the interest of economy, that one newspaper in Saugerties was sufficient to do the county printing. Perhaps this is why the Telegraph is doing what it can to injure the Republican ticket at the coming Town Meeting. But how does Mr. Fratsher’s bill compare with other Supervisors’.

The present candidate for Supervisor on the Democratic ticket was Supervisor in 1890, 1891, 1892, and for these three years his bills amounted to $1,713.76 or an average of $571.23, and during this time Mr. Wilbur was neither chairman of the Board of Supervisors nor did he serve on important committee work.

But Mr. Fratsher rendered the Town of Saugerties a great service in the last Board of Supervisors. He succeeded in having a large reduction made in the equalized value of the Town of Saugerties, and so successfully has he been in the management of town affairs that every taxpayer felt it in a reduced rate of taxation the past year.

Honest, efficient, capable and successful public service should have and does have recognition among the best class of our citizens and it is left for those who are actuated by unworthy motives, and under the cowardly cover of an anonymous newspaper to attempt to detract.

The next lie nulled: The assessors of the Town of Saugerties received for the year 1897 the sum of six hundred and thirty dollars, not six hundred and ten dollars, and that amount is not nearly twice as much as the highest amount paid by any other town in the County of Ulster.

We quote the official figures:

The Town of Wawarsing, assessed value $1,161,535 paid its assessors $579.32.
The Town of Ulster, assessed value $1,161,483 paid its assessors $542.
The Town of Rosendale with assessed value $1,272,637 paid its assessors $384.00
The Town of New Paltz with only $700,991 assessed value paid its assessors $352.30.

Saugerties in 1897 was assessed at $3,362,765, and the real fact is that in proportion to its assessed value, it paid its assessors less than any Town in the County with two exceptions.

This is the largest town in Ulster county and the assessors, for that reason, have to do more work than those in any other town. They have been paid no more than they honestly earned, and if any one says otherwise, he is maliciously falsifying the facts, and if he, whoever he is, will put his charges over his own name the attention will be given to him personally.

The next lie: The Town of Saugerties is not in debt one dollar, the Telegraph knows it, even if its democratic editor does not. The Telegraph published the Supervisor’s report, and there is shows just as plainly as facts and figures can that there is no town debt, and that in order to relieve the town of a tax for building the new iron bridge below Glasco, the sum of $3,000 was temporarily borrowed to pay for the bridge, until May when the money is to be received from the Excise Fund, and then for this newspaper to call the Board of Town Auditors, men who have lived all their lives in this town, lived openly and above board, each one a taxpayer and each one having the respect of the community, and
have for years been faithful guardians of the people’s money, a crowd of ring politicians is so low, vulgar and insulting that it deserves the condemnation of all respectable citizens.
The Saugerties Telegraph for many years, by its honest and eminently respectable course, earned a good newspaper reputation and had the support of a large number of citizens and former residents of this place. When the late change of ownership took place, the policy of the paper was changed and a person who announces himself as the friend of David B. Hill and charged with the duty of breaking up the Republican party in the Town of Saugerties, is made its editor, and one of the stock-holders, whence he comes, or who he is, is immaterial, he has already several troubles of his own, and the paper has allowed the most vulgar and malicious abuse of citizens and public officials, and always in an anonymous way. Up to this time no notice had been taken of these articles because it has generally been agreed that no attention ought to be paid to them, but forbearance has ceased to be a virtue, and if it is to be war, why then war it will be.

2834. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 25, 1898. - Obituary – Rev. Joseph B. Danielson. The following obituary notice is printed in the Windham County (Conn.) Transcript of this week.
“Without pain or distress, like as a tired child drops to sleep in a mother’s arms, the pure soul of Rev. Joseph Danielson left its earthly environment on the morning of February 20 and entered into eternal peace and rest. Our departed friend was a man of strong Christian faith and of clear and decided convictions. In his work as a citizen and a minister of “good news” to men he was always the courteous gentleman and the faithful, gentle and loving pastor, whose tender and helpful consolation will now be remembered with comfort in many homes. In every community where he was located he was counted on the side of good government, of religion and of all worthy causes. Mr. Danielson was born in this town April 20th, 1835 and his early education was obtained here. He secured a collegiate education at Amherst and studied theology at the Andover seminary. He was married Nov. 1, 1865 to Miss Frances Weld, daughter of Dea Stowell and Ludentia (Whitmore) Weld, and leaves three daughters.
Mr. Danielson had five pastorates, four years at Sacarappa, Me., eight at Saugerties, N. Y., nearly twelve at Southbridge, two at Widsor [sic] Locks, and nearly seven at Southington. In all of these places his labors were blessed with revivals. At Southbridge he had the happy privilege of receiving, on one Sabbath, more than half a hundred into the church under his care. It may truly be said that his life work to his Lord and Master was one of more than average success. By hard study and wide reading he kept abreast of the times, and his sermons and Bible readings were always interesting, instructive and infilled with spiritual power.
Soldier, lay thy weapons down; Quit the sword and take the crown, Triumph! All thy foes are vanished; Death is slain, and earth has vanished.”

2835. At a meeting of the stockholders of The Saugerties Telegraph Printing and Publishing Company held this 25th day of February, James T. Maxwell was chosen president; Robert A. Snyder, treasurer, and Fred J. Durgan secretary. It was voted to retain Edward Jernegan as the general business manager for the company. [no date or paper]

2836. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. March 3, 1898. - READY FOR THE ENEMY. - Should the Spaniards Invade Saugerties. - The Sharpshooters will be put on the Air Line and the Grand Army Men at the Lower Creek. Saugerties does not fear an invasion from the Spanish in case war is declared with Spain. Enterprising and far-sighted citizens have made all arrangements for protecting our harbor. It is proposed to take the Democratic and Republican gun squad cannons and place them on the dykes at the entrance of the lower creek and with charges of seidlitz powder blow the enemy out of the water before the village is bombarded.
The fire bell will give warning of the approach of the Spaniards, and extra cars will be run on the new electric road to take the timid and fearful to the Driving Park where they will be protected by the “Sons of Rest.”
The Epworth Guards will be stationed on Freligh’s hill and they will endeavor to help keep the treacherous Spaniards from making an assault on “Fort Melius” north of Burhans’s dock.
J. R. Tappan Post G. A. R. will be placed on the ferryboat Air Line, which is well adapted for naval service, not alone that she is a veteran, but because of the windows on the sides, through which the “old vets” can pick off the gunners of the enemy.
The Air Line will be assisted in her cruise by McNally’s tug, the H. L. Finger which will be turned into a torpedo boat. With this protection the harbor will be safe and no invasion can be made in this direction. Should the Spaniards decide to land at the Long Dock they will be met by Laflin Hose Co., in command of Col. H. D. Laflin, mounted on horses and they will hold the enemy in check until the arrival of the monitor on wheels. This will be made out of Sam Swart’s oil tank and will have port holes in front and on the sides. It will also be equipped with a rapid fire self-acting gun that can shoot four ways at once and discharge a thousand bullets at the same time.
As a matter of extra precaution the monitor will be provided with a “Munsey’s magazine,” as there will be no danger of blowing up.
The Exempt Firemen will be quartered in the flats and with the old Empire engine pour forth a fusillade of water that will completely drown the Spaniards.
Washington Hook & Ladder Co. and Snyder Hose Co. have been assigned to guard the government light house so it goes without saying that we will be well fortified. Now let the enemy come.

2837. Mr. Charles V. A. Decker, Kingston, NY. [card]

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To the Editors of The Post:
DEAR SIR: - As I haven’t five or six thousand dollars to buy a newspaper with to express my views and as I haven’t drawn out of the people of the County some forty or fifty thousand dollars, I desire to say a few words in your very decent and reputable paper, which by the way has never attempted to abuse descent [sic] and reputable citizens. I noticed on the sheet which is charged with stealing other people’s editorial, and which seems to be run for the benefit of the few and not the many, an article in large print about the taxpayer, and a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, and I want to state my reasons why I shall as a taxpayer support Ebenezer T. Quick and the balance of the Republican ticket on Tuesday next. Edmund M. Wilbur, as I understand, has been Assessor of the Village for some seven years, has been Town Clerk, Supervisor for three different terms and last but not least, has just left a fat office where he has drawn about ten thousand dollars for himself and family, having appointed both his boys as clerks on entering the office, and during the last four years has laid low and hasn’t done much hustling to help his democratic brothers when running for office and has been recommended very highly (that he should remain in office) by this same lying sheet The Telegraph. His opponent Ebenezer L. Quick, familiarly known as “Doc” Quick, is a man that has not held any office with compensation attached and I think it is time the wheel went around and with “Doc” Quick as Supervisor, we will have a man that will look after the interests of our town as well as any man and do it thoroughly and honestly. Mr. W. E. Wolven, for town clerk, is a young man who, after a sad accident, was so crippled that he could not remain in the mill. What did he do and how has he done it? He had a widowed mother to take care of. He started a little business and by honesty and thrift has been able to care for and provide a home for his mother. He is poor, while Mr. Kleeber owns his own home and has a
very lucrative business, employing several men. He has had the office and now wants more. James Carew, Byron Hallenbeck, Adam Lasher, Albert Freese and George Carnright are reputable and honorable citizens, as is the balance of the ticket. But the Telegraph says we must have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people! Now, who is behind the Telegraph; who are its stockholders, and who are its officers? Who writes its editorials? It is a great combination. Bob Snyder, the ex-collector, ex-supervisor, ex-financial clerk of the legislature, ex-postmaster of the legislature, ex-member of assembly, having served two terms, and last but not least ex-sheriff of Ulster county, and who when he returned with a very large boodle in his pocket, informed the people who were his friends, democrats and republicans alike, that he could not do anything political for them as he was out of politics, and very politely referred them to those that were still in it. Now, who are his cronies; who are the men that he consults with and who are the men who write the editorials of this abusive sheet? Why, people say Carroll Whitaker and Durgan. Carroll is a darling and for political scheming he thinks he is the real thing. You interfere with him and he will lie about you and give you a look as much as say, I will drive you off the face of the earth. He is known by many as the political gorilla. His politics is like Jacob’s coat of many colors. He don’t make any money out of politics; oh, no! I am informed that he made about six thousand (6,000) dollars last year, a pretty sum, isn’t it? Quite a large bunch out of the state for his service in the Russell estate collateral inheritance tax, I could imagine him singing as he came out of the comptroller’s office that old song; there are no flies on me. Well, I will not discuss him. I don’t care to dignify him, but he is a nice crony for the president of the first national bank to consult with, and I should advise the president, Bob Snyder, to invite the directors of the said bank in and give them a lunch with his friends, Carroll and Durgan, the pale faced Durgan, the late arrival, who thinks he is running the town, a man who hasn’t been here long enough to know the names of the streets. Wonderful fellow, who goes about looking wise, and alas for the town, doing about as he pleases, and don’t fail to abuse decent people, but he being of mushroom growth, will die young. A nice gang. They should be called the “Whitaker Gorillas.” They desire a government of the people, by the people and for the people, do they? Oh, no! not much. A government of Carroll Whitaker, by Bob Snyder and for Durgan. That’s what they are after, and they struck a real good thing when they struck little Jimmie Maxwell and with a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull all together, how they do work him. I would just like to have a statement from Jimmie what is has cost him up to date and I would like to have Dave Hill’s bill itemized. Dave Hill who Mr. Durgan says he represents and Jimmie he is studying economy: he has had the Italians taking off top all winter while the people of the Clove set by their stove at home without work. The people who made money for himself and his good father before him. Oh poor Jim, who would envy him, and Bob Snyder whom the Republicans done so much for, is running a paper in the interest of the Democratic party. When did you change your politics, Robert? YOURS, A TAXPAYER.


Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 28, 1898

To the Editor of The Post:

SIR: - This morning the Kingston Leader takes up the discredited lies of the Telegraph and adds to it other malicious lies. I say malicious because the Leader knows that what it states is not the truth. The reference to the Leader’s article to my mileage charge are absolutely false, and an inspection of my itemized bill published in the Supervisor’s proceeding for 1897 will so show. On Feb. 25th the mileage charge relates to that date and Feb. 24th, and the charge in the proceeding below the date August 9th relates to August 2nd, August 9th and August 30th. Now the Leader knows this as well as I and it is only because it deliberately desires to misrepresent the truth at this time that is says what it does. I am perfectly willing that the newspapers should make such comments on my official action as they desire. One thing I shall insist on and that is that they shall not misrepresent the facts, and if they do I shall take such proceedings as I may be advised. I am not running for the office of Supervisor this spring, but
Ebenezer L. Quick is and is in every way able to look after the affairs of the Town of Saugerties, at home and at Kingston, and the people of Saugerties will make no mistake in electing him. And it is well known that they should know that the great efforts of the Leader and the Telegraph to elect a democratic Board of Supervisors is caused to a great extent by the desires of the County Clerk and the Sheriff to have friends on the Board of Supervisors when their county bills are to be examined and audited. Yours Truly, John D. Fratsher.


The Saugerties Bicycle Club held their annual election of officers for the ensuing year last Saturday evening, at which time the following officers were elected: President, Ernest Myer; Vice-President, Wm. V. Burhans; Treasurer, William Ziegler; Secretary, Charles Clum; Captain of Runs, Herbert Van Buskirk; 1st Assistant, Edward Snyder; 2d Assistant, Harry Brownson; Color-bearer, John Hallenbeck; Bugler, Arthur Van Steenberg.

The club is contemplating the building of a cycle path from the village to meet the new Kingston road, in the near future. They expect to increase their membership during the coming summer, and a new club uniform will be adopted. A big race meet will be held, at which event some of the best amateurs in the country will participate. Lovers of good bicycle racing will remember the fine sport the club furnished at their meet last July, and it is safe to say that this year will surpass all previous ones, and the finest amateur talent in the country will be seen here.

The sole aim and object of the club is to the betterment of the roads in and around the village, and a more worthy project could not be considered. The Question of “Good Roads” is one every good citizen should interest himself in; bicycle riders do not alone enjoy the pleasures derived from riding on a good road, as people who go carriage-riding, as well as pedestrians, all enjoy the benefits that are obtained from good roads.

2841. Ernest Hassinger. [unlabeled illustration]

2842. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. March 7, 1898. – THE ROUNDER’S COLUMN. – The Venerable Writer’s Budget of Interesting Notes. - Paragraphs that Every Reader will Enjoy About the General Parlance of the Day.

Well, Well for an old man I feel pretty good and what a beautiful day Sunday was, how I did enjoy it; the sun shining so brightly. I felt like singing, “Spring, spring, gentle spring.”

Passing the Palmer House barn, I heard a voice singing. I stopped to listen, it was a hymn, and as I listened a melodic voice pealed on the good old strain I heard in childhood, “Peace on earth, good will toward man” I thought to myself, can that be Durgan. I peaked in and there I saw a colored lad picking at an old banjo. What a contented look he had on his face, so happy, so child-like, I could not help thing [sic] how happy little Durgan would be if he would put away ambition, and the words of the great Cardinal came to me, “Put away ambition, for by it the angels fell.”

I met a republican this morning and I said, why so happy. I don’t see that you have anything to feel proud of. His answer came quickly, “Oh, yes, we have, we saved George Carnright and Albert Freeze out of the wreck and also the constables, quite a victory under the circumstances, and last, but not least, some republicans have shown up in unenviable positions.

I sometimes think is life worth living; well I don’t know, oh, yes, come to think it is, if you practice after some people, hate your neighbor all you can, etc.
How I would like good feeling to go all around. Your neighbor glad to see you; but alas in Saugerties it cannot be rows going on, neighbors glaring at neighbor, rows here and there and everywhere. What will be the consequences; taxes in the morning, taxes at night, taxed to death and out of sight. Shall I move? No, I am getting old and the troubles make me weary. When some of the troublemakers die you will all be happy, but I have got to grin and bear it as I am nigh on 79.

Irwin Ronk claims Durgan tried to do him out of his position with the telephone company. Well he is not the only one who Durgan has tried to do out a position. He threatened little Percy Wygant, but Percy is a boy of iron, plenty of sand in the back of the neck. He told Durgan he could not do him and he couldn’t,

Well Durgan, you and your set make me think of the Immortal Lincoln’s words: “You can fool all of the people part of the time, a part of the people all of the time, but you can’t fool all the people all of the time.

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“Eminence” comes high. That is demonstrated in Saugerties, although until the Post, the organ of the notorious “Corner Gang,” made known on Saturday night, nobody knew what it was that cost the town so much. But the Post has settled it and “eminence” is what the town officials of Saugerties all possess, and the Supervisor has more of it on hand than anybody else. Such men as William F. Russell, Fordyce I. Laflin, Nathan Kellogg, Thomas Maxwell, Dr. Thomas L. Dawes, Robert A. Snyder, Seaman G. Searing, Uriah Van Etten, Albert Carnright and Edmund M. Wilbur have represented the town in years gone by— but none of these was “eminent”, for none of them got $1,249 from the taxpayers in one year. It remained for Mr. Fratsher to come up to the standard in the respect.

Friday the Telegraph printed the following pointed remarks about the affairs of the town:
It is not a question of tariff or currency:
It is a matter of dollars and cents to the overburdened taxpayers of the town.
The present Supervisor of the town of Saugerties received from the town and county for the year 1897 the sum of one thousand two hundred and forty nine dollars and thirty-two cents ($1,249.32,) the largest amount ever allowed to any Supervisor in the entire history of the county of Ulster.
It is at the rate of about four ($4) a day for every working day in the year.
The Assessors of the town of Saugerties, for the year 1897, received six hundred and ten dollars, nearly twice as much as the highest amount paid by any other town in the county of Ulster.
The Town Board have overwhelmed the town with debt and the balance that the report shows on hand is the balance of $3,000 borrowed by the town to meet the extravagant expenditures of the present crowd of ring politicians who control the Town Board.
These are the facts taken from the official reports and any taxpayer can find the same facts by examining the reports.
The town of Saugerties wants a “government of the people, by the people and for the people.”
This called for action and the “Gang” at once got together and prepared for their organ what they labelled a “refutation.” The main point in the “refutation” is that the town officials are, all of them, “honorable, respectable and eminent.” As the Telegraph’s figures are not disputed, it follows that “eminence” comes from getting big bills paid by the taxpayers. Another part of the “refutation” showed that the Assessors’ bills were not double the amount of any other town in the county, but did show that they were nearly double the charges in the Democratic town of New Paltz and Rosendale and nearly $100 more than in the corrupt Republican town of Wawarsing, these towns being selected as the very
highest. Another part is that the town is not in debt, although it is admitted that $3,000 was borrowed for the Glasco bridge and has not been paid – “but the excise money next May will be enough to pay it.” But the “refutation” reaches its most sublime height in that part treating of Supervisor Fratsher’s bill. After showing that he received $407.13 from the town and $842.32 from the county, without even having done any detective work, like the eminent representative from Plattekill, the Post says:

It must be remembered that Mr. Fratsher was Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and as such more than the usual duties of Supervisors is imposed upon him by law and for which he is allowed by law $4 per day and mileage.

Yes, it must be remembered. Bearing this in mind, we turn to Supervisor Fratsher’s itemized bill and find that out of it $207.21 is for services as chairman of the Board. And for what does he charge this amount? For 32 days he was engaged at $4 a day in signing warrants. One day he attended a sale of county bonds. One day he signed county bonds. One day he was engaged in “converting county coupon bonds into registered bonds.” The balance of the $207.21 is mileage, traveling to Kingston and back. On Feb. 25, when he came down to sign county bonds, the Chairman must have forgotten his fountain pen at home and had to go back after it, as he gets in mileage for two round trips between Kingston and Saugerties. On August 9 he found that the task of “converting county bonds” required even more travel, as he gets in mileage for three round trips. Perhaps he had to consult with the boss of the “Corner Gang” and the telephone wasn’t in working order. Anyway, he made the three trips and it is a wonder that he found time between trains to do the “converting” at all. “Converting” seems to require a vast amount of travel.

The Post is right. Mr. Fratsher is “eminent.” He has discovered a new way to bleed the taxpayers, and that, in the opinion of the “Corner Gang” makes a man truly great, for they have been at it all their lives and they must rejoice in the success of their pupil. Mr. Fratsher’s entire bill for services as Chairman marks him as the originator of a new way to make bills big. No other Chairman ever made such a charge. In fact no other Chairman ever spent more than a few days in signing the warrants that Mr. Fratsher put in 32 days on. Why is this? Is Mr. Fratsher such a slow writer or did the last Republican Board make so many more appropriations than any of its [sic] predecessors? In 1891 Walstein Childs, a plain farmer from Shawangunk, was Chairman of the Board. He signed all the warrants ordered by a Democratic Board in six days, and his whole bill against the county was just $161.66. The next year his bill, covering all services as Chairman, was $287.96. But he was not “eminent” for in two years his bills amounted to less than half of what Mr. Fratsher got in one year and he did in six days what it took Mr. Fratsher 32 days to do. But after the special services as Chairman are disposed of there is left over $1,000 for services as one of the rank and file of the Board; within a few dollars of being as much as the astute gentleman from Plattekill got with the aid of $250 for detective work. Mr. Fratsher’s bill is enough to make the Plattekill “detective” turn green with envy when he realizes that the gentleman from Saugerties is so much more “eminent” than he.

But what of a Board of Supervisors that audits such an outrageous bill? Is it not as bad as the maker of the bill, the “eminent” Mr. Fratsher?


The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held in their rooms Saturday evening with all the Directors present.
The Assessors met with the Directors and were instructed to include in their present tax levy all uncollected taxes of last year, also the cost of the laying of curb, gutter and sidewalks in front of the Van Santvoord Roosa property which was laid by the village.
The Street Commissioner reported the streets generally bad. A reward was ordered to be offered of $5.00 for the conviction and arrest of any person or persons meddling with or turning out the street lamps. The Directors confirmed the report of the Firemanic and Hook & Ladder committee which had decided on the purchase of a Rumsey truck and signed the contract for new truck at $900 delivered as per specification in the bid. A donation of $200, in addition to the $100 already allowed by law for the annual inspection, was voted for the fire department to help cover the expenses of the coming Hudson River Volunteer Firemen’s Convention. It was ordered that an engineer be employed to establish a grade for curbing and guttering on both sides of East Bridge and Hill streets, also from the Episcopal church east to the corner on both sides. And the property holders were ordered notified to set curb and gutter within 90 days or the village would so at their expense. Complaint was made in regard to the condition of the sidewalks on Livingston street and the matter was referred to the street committee. The Board of Water Commissioners submitted their annual report and suggested that owning to a deficiency in the receipts they would impose a fire protection tax on all buildings within 500 feet of a hydrant to meet this deficiency. They also notified the board that they were ready to surrender the Treasurer’s duties to the village Treasurer as now prescribed by law. The Treasurer’s bond was fixed at $20,000. John Maxwell was given the contract for lighting the streets at $46.00 per month. An oil lamp was ordered placed on Elizabeth street midway between the two corners. It was further ordered that the oil be stored at James M. Styles’ place on Montross street as heretofore. Board adjourned.

2845. Jan. 4, 1906. – For a Lodge of Rebeccas. A lodge of Rebeccas may be organized in Saugerties soon. It is for the ladies only and those eligible for membership, must be a wife, daughter, sister or mother of an Odd Fellow. A public meeting in the interest of the new lodge, will be held in Confidence lodge rooms, Tuesday evening, January 16th. Past Master Spooner will be present and also the past president of the Rebecca assembly of the state. Both will make addresses and a male quartette will sing. Prof. Briggs will be the accompanist. [hand dated, no paper]

2846. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. March 5, 1898. – “PRETTY TOUGH FACTS” – Our Friend Durgan in a New Role. – He Can Not Stand the Dose he Gives Others and Does Not Hesitate to Stoop to Anything. An effort has recently been made in Saugerties by a young lawyer to have Irwin Ronk removed from his position as superintendent of the Hudson River Telephone Company in this village. After making a strong effort to get the public to denounce Mr. Ronk, and failing absolutely, the lawyer went to Albany, where he secured an interview with ex-Senator David B. Hill, to whom he told his supposed troubles. He told ex-Senator Hill that in order to insure success for the Hill Democracy in Ulster county, is was absolutely necessary for him to be placed in charge, as he not only wielded influence, power and unlimited wealth, but was the most popular champion of the Democratic party. At the same time he secured the services of Deputy Attorney General Hasbrouck, for whom he had professed friendship, and began a series of petty annoyances from Kingston. As an initiatory step in his future political career he said it was necessary for him to secure control of the telephone line in this village. As soon as the results were known the young lawyer, it is said, communicated with ex Senator Hill, and told him that it was solely due to his influence that the Democratic party won, not only in the town of Saugerties, but in
Ulster county. The results of the conference with ex-Senator Hill before town election, or of various
secret plots with other well-known politicians, have not yet been made known.
F. J. Dargan has announced himself as the candidate of the Democratic party for district attorney next
fall. Mr. Dugan says that he is supported by all the prominent members of the Democratic party
throughout Ulster county. – Kingston Freeman.
I am in possession of the fact substantially set forth above. Mr. Durgan did go to ex-Senator David B.
Hill and claim that THE POST was “pounding” him daily, and he has told about the streets that in less than
three months I would not be the manager of the Hudson River Telephone Co., as he had the influence
to have me removed at any time he might see fit. I desire to say right here that the officers and directors
of the Hudson River Telephone company are men with brains and such men was Durgan and Carroll
Whitaker cut no ice with them. It strikes me that when such a combination as the above get together to
injure one’s business and standing, they are stooping pretty low. Yours, I. Ronk, Mgr. H. R. Tel. Co.

Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., elected the following officers Friday evening: William
Ward, chief patriarch; James Smith, high priest; William J. Stewart, senior warden; Otis Snyder, junior
warden; Robert Webber recording scribe; Ernest Hassinger, financial scribe; William E. Comfort,
treasurer; S. F. Barker, representative.

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Important Business at its Meeting Saturday Night. – Contract Made for New Truck – Water
Commissioners Annual Report – Bills Ordered Paid, Etc.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening March 5th, 1898, with all Directors
present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
The village assessors were called to meet with the board for instructions to include in the next leavy [sic]
all taxes uncollected in the year previous and also the cost of having curb and gutter and sidewalk in
front of the property of Van Santford Roosa, on John street.
Street Committee reported the streets in generally bad condition especially Mill St. and recommended a
ballast of ashes by the Street Commissioner.
On motion a reward of $5.00 was ordered offered for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons
meddling with or putting out the street lamps of the village and notices to that effect were ordered
posted.
Matter of filling up the holes in the road in various places was reported to the Street committee to
repair.
Crusher Committee reported progress on repairs.
Firemanic Committee reported that at the meeting of the joint committee of the Firemanic committee
and the H. & L. committee the Rumsey truck had been selected at a cost complete of $900.00 and
allowed that the Directors were to turn the old truck over to the H. & L. Company to dispose of to meet
the deficiency under the appropriation of $800.00, and all in excess of $100.00 to be returned to the
village, the H. & L. Company pledging itself to advance the $100.00 if the old truck is not sold in time to
pay for the new truck. On motion the report was ordered read and accepted and the contract signed
with the Rumsey people for a truck as per the specification embodied therein.
On motion, the bid of the Seagrave people was ordered returned, same being asked for.
Chief Hassinger appeared before the Board and asked for a donation from the Board to assist the fire
department at the coming Tri-County Convention in June, and on motion, $200 in addition to the $100
allowed by law for the annual inspection was voted for this purpose, making $300 in all.
President reported that bill of changes in Charter had passed the Senate, and was being pushed fast as possible.

Communication from C. C. James in regard to the bill of $1.50, for cleaning his sidewalk, was ordered received and filed and on motion, an engineer was ordered employed to make a survey for the purpose of curbing and guttering on East Bridge street and Hill street, both sides. And property owners were ordered notified to curb and gutter same within 90 days, or village would do same at their expense. This was also ordered from the Episcopal Church, east to the corner, both sides. Complaint from C. C. James in regard to the condition of sidewalk on eastern end of Main street, south side of Curley property, occupied by Mr. Slater, was read, and the matter was referred to the street committee.

A communication was read from the Board of Water Commissioners, stating that under the new law the village treasurer must act as treasurer of the board of Water Commissioners, and on motion, same was ordered received and filed and the treasurer was ordered notified to act as treasurer for the Water Commissioners, and to receive all monies and books of the present treasurer, and report the same to the Directors.

The Water Commissioners submitted their annual report as follows:

*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 Saugerties Water Commissioners, showing the receipts and disbursements from Jan. 1st '97 to Jan 1st, '98.

1897, to Jan 1st 1898

1897 Jan. 1st

To cash on hand, $214.30

“water rents collected, 4,807.54

“proceeds of 6 main extension bonds of $500 each bearing interest at 4 per cent per annum dated June 30th, 1897, sold to The Ulster County Savings Institution, 3,125.00

To cash advanced, 277.91

$8,196.84

$8,474.75

CR

By paid Supt. salary, 699.96

“office rent and expenses, 248.97

By paid repairs, 127.70

“supplies, 31.08

“furniture, 23.81

“taxes, 220.59

“rebate, 4.41

“printing and stationary, 45.55

By paid tools, 26.07

1,387.64

By paid interest on bonds due July 1st '97, $1,540

By paid interest on bonds due Jan. 1st '98, 1,600
By paid bond No. 2, due Jan. 1st '98, $1,000

By paid for the extension of water mains in the following streets, viz; Burt street, 199 ft- 7, 1 ¼ pipe; Post street, 780 -4, 1 ¼ pipe; Elm and Dawes streets, 720-4, 1 ¼ pipe; Ann street, 12-4 1 ¼ pipe; Lafayette street, 12-4 1 ¼ pipe; West Main street, 662-4 1 ¼ pipe – 2168 st. [sic] Washington avenue, 456 ½, 1 ¼ pipe; Market Street, 528 ½, 1 ¼ pipe; McCarthy street, 300 ½ 1 ¼ pipe; Main street, 540 ½, 1 ¼ pipe; 13 new gates, 7 new hydrants $2,947.11

Water rents uncollected Jan. 1st '98, $236.66

Tools, safe, pipe, furniture and other supplies on hand as per inventory Jan 1st 1898, $1,291.65

We would further report that the total indebtedness of the village for water works on the 1st day of January, 1898 is the sum of $79,000, as follows: 76 water bonds of $1000 each. We would further report to your honorable body the following estimated receipts and disbursements for the present fiscal year as follows:

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<td>To running expenses for year, estimated,</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td>By estimated income from water rent,</td>
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<td>Accounts due and collectable,</td>
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At a regular monthly meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners held Thursday evening March 3d, '98, all the commissioners being present. The following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the estimated deficiency for the present fiscal year, to meet the interest and bonds growing due Jan. 1st, '99, it was further Resolved, That the Board proceed to levy an assessment for fire protection to cover the estimated deficiency as per the Village laws of the state of New York, Page 168, Section 230, which reads as follows:

A building, and the lot upon which it stands, in or on which water from the water works is not used, situated within five hundred feet of a hydrant may be assessed by the Board of Water Commissioners for fire protection. Notice of the proposed assessment and that the Board will meet at a time and place
specified therein to hear objections thereto, must be served upon the owner or occupant of the building at least ten days before such meeting.
The Board shall meet at the time and place specified in the notice, and after hearing objection, shall compete such assessment, the Board shall make a certificate thereof, and deliver the same to the Village treasurer.
The treasurer may receive such assessment for thirty days without fee, after that time an action may be brought to recover the assessment, or a special warrant may be issued therefore, or the amount may be included in the next annual tax levy.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
Yours very respectfully,
Saugerties Water Commissioners, H. C. Bogardus, Sec.

On motion the Treasurer’s bond was fixed at $70,000.00 and the matter was placed in the hands of the Finance Committee to secure same from the Treasurer.
On motion a double crosswalk was ordered placed on North side of West Bridge Street between Luke Mc Carthy’s and the paper mill property.
Bids for lamp lighter being read the contract was on motion given to John Maxwell for the ensuing year at $46.00 per month.
On motion Mr. Finger was allowed some tram stone for use on his street, he to place the same at his own expense.
On motion an oil lamp was ordered placed on Elizabeth street about midway between Livingston street and Ulster avenue, and Mr. Lasher was ordered to purchase the lamp.
On motion the lamplighter was ordered to examine the condition of the gas jets and report at the next meeting.
On motion ordered that the oil be stored with James Styles as before.
On motion ordered that the Street Committee secure bids for oil.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Chas. Lewis, “</td>
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<td>Chas. Jones, “</td>
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<td>Jas. Crump, 1 month salary Street Commissioner,</td>
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<td>John Maxwell, street lighting,</td>
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<td>Lawyers Co-Operative Publishing Company, Village Laws,</td>
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Bill of James Teller of $1.75 was referred to finance Committee.

On motion adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.


While the better element of citizenship in Saugerties had doubts up to the last moment whether or not they would be able to administer a stinging rebuke on Town Meeting Day to the Corner Gang who for so
long a time have dictated who and who should hold public office, and who and who should not, their doubts were dispelled after the result of the election had been learned. While many regret that it was necessary to punish so good a man as Ebenezer L. Quick, the Corner Gang candidate for Supervisor, in order to inaugurate a better state of affairs in our town government, yet all honest men rejoice in the result. If Quick studies his best interests in future he will refuse to allow himself to be used as a tool by the Gang to run for public office when none of their boasted leaders dare to. Quick probably knows by this time what public sentiment means.

Another victim selected for sacrifice by the gang was William E. Wolven, their candidate for town Clerk. Eddy, as he is familiarly known by his friends, had for several years been an aspirant for town clerk, and when the Gang’s nomination was a sure election, he was put off from year to year with promises and he coveted place was given to somebody else. This year when the Gang thought it was a good chance to kill him off, they placed him on their ticket. They knew beforehand he was doomed to defeat, and that is why they gave him the nomination.

The canvas has been very much delayed at the village polls and at the time of going to press we have been able to secure the figures on the town ticket only down as far as constables. The vote follows. Democrats are marked thus *.

For Supervisor, Dist. 1 2 3 4
Ebenezer L. Quick, 291 112 86 129
* Edmund M. Wilbur, 545 100 182 197

For Town Clerk,
William E. Wolven, 445 249 123 122
* Lewis H. Kleeber, 394 125 143 196

For Justice of the Peace,
Adam H. Lasher, 348 262 126 131
* Henry A. Ohley, 477 214 134 193

For Assessor,
Byron L. Hallenback, 346 275 129 132
* Ezra Carnright, 483 203 132 100

For Commissioner of Highways,
George E. Carnright, 436 209 127 142
* Peter J. Turck, 402 218 137 196

For Overseer of the Poor,
James H. Carew, 359 274 132 144
* Herman Mittrach, 466 207 ‘18 177

For Collector,
Albert R. Freese, 382 293 127 152
* Charles F. Cooke, 434 192 139 171

The majorities are as follows:
Wilbur* 461; Kleeber* 19; Ohley* 151; Carnright, *assessor, 126; Carnright, Com. of Highways, 18; Mittrach* 69; Freese, 18.

2850. Additional Election News.
The board of canvassers at the village poll did not complete their labors until 7 o’clock last evening. The vote for constable is as follows:

Charles E. Abeel, 389 288 131 140
Michael Kenney, 362 288 131 142
David E. Abeel, 391 287 128 142
Sanford P. Swart, 354 289 130 145
All the Republican constables are elected.

Three questions for appropriating money was submitted to the electors with the following result:

Question No. 1 – Shall the sum of $2,000 be raised for roads and bridges for the ensuing year?

Affirmative, 1079
Negative, 433
Majority for 646

Question No. 2 – Shall the sum of $2,000 be raised for operating Stone Crusher for the ensuing year?

Affirmative, 891
Negative, 316
Majority for 575

Question No. 3 – Shall the sum of $2,000 be raised to pay bills now due for repairing road and bridges in 1897?

Affirmative, 778
Negative, 361
Majority for 417

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I came down street rather late one night recently and on arriving at the square at Market and Main streets I found several young men standing there. It was very evident that something was amusing them intensely as their laughter could not be suppressed. I wondered at their merriment, but it did not take me long to discover the cause. One of our very young legal lights had become very kittenish, and was furnishing more amusement that any show that has been in Maxwell Opera House in a long time.

Speaking of the amusement furnished these young gentlemen reminds me that I have noticed several men standing at about the same place on other evenings and at about the same time, and from what I can find out they were well paid for their trouble.

In going about the several places of business calling on old friends and spending my leisure hours during the day, I have heard considerable talk in regard to the coming firemen’s convention, and from the expression of those whom I have heard speak, I am satisfied that it will far excell [sic] any convention ever held by the association.

This puts in mind, I understand, that the veteran firemanic hustler, Peter Hassinger, is compiling one of the most complete fire records ever produced in this village, besides a complete record of all lodges. This book is going to be the official program of the convention and I am informed that more than three thousand copies will be circulated. This book no doubt requires a vast amount of work and I do not know anyone better qualified to furnish the desired information than Peter. He surely should be supported in his undertaking. The Rounder
Edwin Gould of New York, has contributed $100 to the Saugerties Bicycle Club fund which was created for the purpose of building a bicycle path from the Ostrander place to Glenerie. While out riding in company with Martin Cantine where the work is in progress he inquired what was going on, and on being informed, told Mr. Cantine he would contribute towards its completion and the result was the $100 gift.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Police Patrol held in their room at Fireman’s Hall, Tuesday evening, March 8th, Samuel J. Adams was appointed a member of the general committee of conference having in charge the completion of arrangements for the forthcoming convention and tournament of the Hudson River Fireman’s Association to be held in this village in June next. The following gentlemen were elected honorary members of the Association: James Williamson, of New York Veteran Fireman’s Association, Charles Mulford, of the Uniformed Company Exempt Fireman’s Association of the City of New York, and John Humphrey and Robert Casey, both of this village.

A meeting of the general firemanic committee was held Tuesday evening in the rooms of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., at Fireman’s Hall. Chief Engineer Hassinger reported that the village authorities had voted $300 toward helping to defray expenses of the coming parade and tournament, and reported progress on securing a proper place in which to hold the convention. The committee on prizes reported progress, and the selection of the souvenir button was left with them to procure suitable samples, and report at the next meeting. The meeting adjourned to Tuesday evening, March 22d, at which time several of the sub-committees will probably be ready to make reports in regard to the progress made in the discharge of their several duties.

2855. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. March 9, 1898. - “That Telephone Story.”
Tuesday’s Telegraph contained what purported to be a dispatch or communication from Henry E. Hawley, General Manager of the Hudson River Telephone Co., stating that Mr. Durgan and David B. Hill did not ask to have Mr. Ronk removed as manager of the company here. We never claimed they did, but do say that a complaint was made to Mr. Hawley that THE POST was pounding Mr. Durgan, and this complaint was made through Mr. Hill and a directors of the company. They did not ask Mr. Hawley to remove Mr. Ronk, but did ask if something could not be done to make THE POST stop pounding Durgan. The information furnished by several reliable citizens that Durgan had made his brags he was to have Mr. Ronk removed, caused considerable comment and naturally found its way into the columns of other papers having correspondents in this village. [article on this page twice]

2856. They Like Steamed Clams.
The regular meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., held on Tuesday evening, was largely attended. After the meeting a banquet was served of which steamed clams was prominent on the bill of fare. It is unnecessary to say that the members of Snyder Hose like clams. [article on this page twice, no date or paper]

The coterie of ring politicians, known at the Corner gang, have met at the hands of the people a most terrible and crushing defeat in Tuesday’s election.
The voters of the town of Saugerties tired of corruption and political villainy have served notice upon these men that they must retire to private life.

It is the verdict of all the people irrespective of their political faith for better government, and a cleaner administration of town affairs. It was not a question as THE TELEGRAPH has said before of tariff or currency. It was a matter of clean and decent administration of local affairs.

The verdict is fraught with most disastrous consequences to the men who have hitherto controlled this town and village; it is a notice to them that they must hereafter and forever remain in obscurity, and that their race has been run and lost. Their political star has attained its zenith and now sunk in the dark clouds of defeat and terrific rebuke and will never shine again.

THE TELEGRAPH extends its congratulations to Mr. Wilbur and mindful of the honest and efficient administration which has characterized all of his public life, believes that he will as Supervisor of this town continue to be an ideal public official.

Mr. Kleeber has made the best Town Clerk that Saugerties has had, and his reelection was a fitting recognition of his past services.

There has been no mistake in electing Mr. Ohley for Justice of the Peace. He is peculiarly fitted for this judicial office, and his personal integrity will always be an assurance that in his Court all will have equal rights, and THE TELEGRAPH believes that the ermine has fallen upon shoulders worthy to receive it. It has been a great and glorious victory.


After playing to hard luck, says Durgan to Jimmie, it’s unconstitutional, thinking Jimmie would be of the same opinion. Jimmie thought he meant wide tires, but he meant the size of his pocket book.

Carroll then says to Robert: “It’s a slick move,” introduce me, we will get in on the ground floor, using Jimmie’s pile to grind our own axes, and becoming more influential, you know with influence wealth follows.

This is a soft berth we have struck says Carroll to Robert. I think Durgan is of too little influence, and brains to associate with us, besides he does not compare with me, as a legal Enlightener, and Jimmie might be induced to become a member of our band of Gorillas. Still on second thought, I thing [sic] we had better give Durgan the “glad hand” for the present, Jimmie took the hook, the rest was easy.

Robert and Durgan watched with Jimmie for political reform, while Carroll says to himself; can it be possible I have allowed such a soft mark to escape me so many years. I must go to the sea shore as soon as the weather will permit, and there by the wild waves will I map out my future, and Jimmie’s finish.

THE ROUNDER.


To Edward Jernegan, Saugerties Telegraph, Saugerties, N. Y.

No application has ever been made by ex-Senator Hill or Mr. Durgan for the removal of Irwin Ronk as manager of the Hudson River Telephone Co. at Saugerties and any story published in papers to that effect is false and untrue. Henry E. Hawley, General Manager Hudson River Telephone Co.

2860. Old Jake Hart, one of the most noted and oldest members of the Volunteer fire department of the city, and of whose sudden death Monday, the New York papers are all talking to day. Served in same Company No. 29 (The Roysters) with our friend Jimmy Williamson, now of the Glasco Ice Co.


John C. Clark, a son of the late Michael Clark, of this village, died at his home in Brooklyn last week from lung trouble. He had been a stone cutter by occupation. He leaves a wife, one daughter, and two
sisters, Mrs. M. E. Donlon, of this village, and Mrs. G. M. Connolly, of Malden, and one brother Miles, of this village, to survive him. He was in his 62nd year.

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Ernest Hassinger was taken suddenly ill on Monday at his home on Russell street. He was suffering great pain and Dr. Diedling was summoned. He found that Mr. Hassinger had an attack of acute indigestion, and after administering medical aid, succeeded in relieving him.

2867. Brooklyn Heights R. R. Co. B D Bridge Division, 2 ½ c. AE 682113. Signed by Sec’y & Treas, [ticket, light brown, name is illegible.] [illustration]

Among first class passengers to perish by the sinking of the French liner Bourgogne on the morning of the 4th of July, as told in yesterday’s TELEGRAPH, were Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Fiston, their daughter Miss Marie Fiston, and son Master Frank Fiston. Mrs. Fiston was a niece of Mr. E. B. Goodrich of this village. The family took passage on the ill-fated steamer for Havre with the intention of spending the summer in Europe, but fate decreed otherwise.

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2870. A. Seldner, District Passenger Agent, West Shore Railroad and New York Central and Hudson River R. R. Kingston, New York. [business card]
2871. Edward Tice, 14th Sep Co. N. G. S. N. Y. “Kingston City Guards” Kingston N. Y. [card with gold drum and crossed rifles, canteen and saddlebag] [illustration]

2872. Coxsackie Council No. 1552 R. A. Ladies’ Night, Dolan’s Opera House, Feb. 17 ’98. Yourself and escort are cordially invited to be present – By order of Committee. [invitation] [illustration]

2873. Post, April 16, 1908. [hand written] Ernest Hassinger has returned from the Democratic State convention in New York.

2874. Tenth Annual Ball of the F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co., No. 1, (formerly T. J. L. De Peyster Engine Company) to be held at the Masonic Hall, Tivoli, on Friday Evening, February 18th, 1898. The H. D. Laflin Hose Co., of Saugerties, N. Y. will give an exhibition drill at 8:20 P. M. – Music by Schofield’s Orchestra of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Grand March at 9:00 p.m. Tickets $1.00 including drill. Committee: - H. C. Feroe, C. B. Stickles, H. C. Bouton, P. R. Peelor, Elmer Boice. [ticket, white with black lettering] [illustration]

2875. American Fire Engine Company, Seneca Falls, NY and Cincinnati, Ohio Steam Fired Engines, Fire Apparatus and Supplies. 243 Broadway, New York; 178 Devonshire St., Boston; 59 First St., San Francisco. [business card, white with black lettering] [illustration]


2877. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F. Saugerties, N. Y., Jan. 31st, 1898 – Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Tuesday, February 1st, 1898 at 1:30 o’clock P. M. for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother, Wm. T. Paradise. By order of Ernest Hassinger, N. G., C. H. Vedder, Secretary.

2878. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F. Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 21st, 1898 – Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Tuesday, February 22d, 1898 at 2:00 o’clock P. M. for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late Brother, Chas. L. Maines. By order of Ernest Hassinger, N. G., C. H. Vedder, Secretary. A $1 funeral fine will be collected for non-attendance.

2879. The Situation. March 7th, 1898. Will you tell me what it means, All this talk behind the scenes, Has our leading man no courage left at all? Must the people sit and wait In their weak and nervous state, Oh be careful Mac, our government may fall. Our congressmen were ready, With nerves so strong and steady They waited for that message but in vain, Can it be you are ensnared By the men who put you there
Or to please them did you put it back again?

First Chorus
You promised us on Monday We were sure to have it Wednesday
But four more days we’re left to sigh and fret:
For Mark Hanna and his band Have held the upper hand.
And the message hasn’t gone to Uncle yet.

Our citizens we know Could leave Havana long ago
When our Counsel told them all it was unsafe;
Yes they knew our good ship Maine Was blown up by treacherous Spain
And that war was apt to come at any time
Your also knew on Monday What your lines would be on Wednesday
whether they’d have peace or warlike tones;
Was Lee’s telegram a fake? Or was it for Mark Hanna’s sake.
That you kept that little message Mac, at home.

Mac be careful what you do, Now it all depends on you,
To relieve the people of this awful strain;
Don’t postpone it any more,
Give us peace or give us war,
But be sure our nation’s honor you maintain,
Don’t let Wall street brokers lead you,
Don’t let Hanna, Mac, deceive you,

He has held you in his clutches long enough
Break away now from the few, And uphold our flag so true,
Then you’ll end this little game of setback bluff.

Last Chorus
Rest yourself on Easter Sunday, But be sure and send it Monday,
Remember if you don’t you are to blame;
What the people Mac will do, God himself does only know,
If you dare to put that message back again.

Compliments of J. O. C.

2880. A. Perkins Mitchell, Hudson, NY. [card white with blue lettering]

2881. Twenty-first Annual Convention of the New York State Firemen’s Asso’n, August 18, 1893, Admit One to Reviewing Stand. [ticket, light beige with maroon lettering] [illustration]
2883. 24th Annual Convention of the N. Y. S. Volunteer Firemen’s Ass’n, at Lockport, N. Y., August 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 1896. Entertainment.
Clam Bake, Wednesday, August 19th, at Rogers’ Grove, 5 o’clock, P. M.
Delegate’s Ticket, Not Transferable. [ticket, blue with black lettering] [illustration]

2884. 24th Annual Convention of the N. Y. S. Volunteer Firemen’s Ass’n, at Lockport, N. Y., August 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 1896. Entertainment Grand Tournament - - Fair Grounds, Thursday, August 20th, at 1 P. M.-- $2200 in Cash Prizes. Delegate’s Ticket, Not Transferable. [ticket, yellow with black lettering]


2886. Washington’s Birthday Ball – Social Ball at the hotel of A. Sammons, Rosendale, (Washington’s Birthday,) Monday Evening, Feb. 22d 1875. Yourself and Lady are respectfully invited to attend. Music by Prof. Hammons’s Full Band. [ticket, white, black lettering] [illustration]

2887. Second Grand Annual Ball, under the auspices of the Wolfe-Tone Total Abstinence Benevolent Society, to be held at Maxwell Hall, Saugerties, Friday Eve’ng, Oct. 27th, 1876. Good Music will be Furnished. Tickets $1. [ticket, white, black lettering]

2888. Mac Elroy’s - Mirror of Ireland and Comedy Co., For the Benefit of the Order of Red Men, at Maxwell Hall, Saugerties, on Wednesday Evening, Oct 22d, 1873. Reserved Seats, .40 Cts. [ticket, white, black lettering]


2890. New-Years Ball, At Stone and Lasher’s Hotel, Griffins Corners, On Wednesday Evening – January 1, 1868. You are respectfully invited to attend. Music by Ford’s Band. [ticket, white, black lettering, well worn]

2891. Hudson City Council, No. 1221, Royal Arcanum. Yourself and Lady are respectfully invited to attend a Moonlight Sail, under the auspices of Hudson City Council No. 1221, Royal Arcanum, On the Steamer Favorite, Thursday Evening, July 23, 1896.
Tickets: Gentleman and Lady, 75 cents, Additional Lady, 25 cents. Com. Ruluf Neefus, Geo. T. Clark, Edmund Spencer, R. Freeland Miller, D. C. Neefus, Jr. Boat will leave promptly at 8 o’clock. [invitation, white, blue lettering]

2892. Yourself and Ladies are respectfully invited to attend the Concert and Pic Nic of the Hudson Maennerchor, Monday Afternoon, September 3d, 1888, in Jones’ Grove, Concert commences 2 o’clock sharp. Arrangement Committee. [invitation, white, red lettering]

2893. Sixteenth Anniversary of the United German Lodge No. 303, I. O. O. F., Will be held at Englert’s Hall, Wednesday Evening, January 4, 1888. Music by Goeller’s Orchestra. Tickets, 50 Cents. (Admitting Ladies and Gentlemen.) Complimentary [in red lettering across purple ticket, black lettering] [illustration]
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2894. First Annual Ball, of Washington H. & L. Co. No. 1, at Savings Bank Hall, Thanksgiving Eve, Nov 25, 1885, Tickets 50 Cts. [ticket, blue, black lettering, emblem with crossed ladders, hat and other apparatus] [illustration]

2895. Donation Visit – Yourself and family are hereby respectfully invited to make the Rev. H. C. Longyear a Donation Visit at his residence on the afternoon and evening of Dec. 18th 1869. Respectfully yours. Committee. [white, black lettering] [illustration]

2896. 1762-1895 Washington’s Birthday Celebration! Grand Concert and Entertainment by St. Mary’s School Children St. Mary’s Hall, Friday and Saturday evenings, Feb. 22 & 23, ’95, at 7:30 o’clock. Reserved Seat – 35 Cents. [ticket, red, black lettering] [illustration]

2897. This Ticket Admits bearer to enter the game of Verbreke de Blumen Topf, (Breaking the Lower Pot) Only for Ladies, Name Excursion J. B. S. & Sons. [hand dated Sept 14, 1888, ticket, pink, black lettering] [illustration]

2898. A Grand Celebration Monday July the 5th, 1886 at the Pebble Rock House, Plattakill Clove, NY. James Dolan, Proprietor, Good Music and Good Order is our Motto. Come one Come All! Supper and Dance. [ticket, white, black lettering] [illustration]

2899. Fireman’s Union Hall, Christmas Eve, (Friday December 24th 1886) Maxwell Hall, Saugerties. Music by Prof. Ed. Wilkinson’s Full Orchestra of Ten pieces. Tickets Including Dancing $1.00 Admit Bearer [signed] H. A. Ohley, Sec. Union Com. [ticket, red, black lettering] [illustration]

2900. Catching “suckers” and “shiners” is fun for the business-man as well as the small boy.

2901. For Commissioner of Excise – for vacancy. [bottom of column, nothing else]

2902. Third Grand Concert and Ball, of the T. J. Manning Association at Union Hall, Monday Evening January 23d 1893. Receipts of tickets for the benefit of the Firemen’s Home. Tickets, Admitting Gent and Ladies, Fifty Cents. No. 2300. Committee of the Firemen’s Home, Edward Stephenson, George W. Irish, Orange S. Ingram, Chas. S. Rogers, John Courtney. [ticket, beige, black lettering] [illustration]

2903. Field Games at the Saugerties Driving Park, Monday May 31st, Decoration Day, Game called 2:30 P. M. sharp - Grand Stand Ticket Admission 35 Cents. [ticket, grey, black lettering] [illustration]

2904. Social Ball – A Social Ball for the Benefit of the German School of Saugerties will be held at Loerzel’s Hall, Monday Evening May 17th 1875. Good Music will be in Attendance. Tickets, 75 Cents. [ticket, purple, black lettering] [illustration]

2905. Celebration of the Sixty-Fourth Anniversary of Odd Fellowship, at Confidence Lodge Room, Saugerties, N. Y. April 26th 1883, at 8 P. M. Admit One. [ticket, pink, black lettering] [illustration]

2907. Grand Fair Laflin Hose Co., No. 2, of Saugerties, N. Y.  Whitaker Building - Main Street.  May 1st to 6th, '93.  Season Ticket, 50 Cents.  No. 643.  [ticket, green, black lettering]  [illustration]

2908. Chief Emblem  [illustration]

Ernest Hassenger, Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department was the guest of Chief Michael J. Rafferty Sunday. - Kingston Leader.

2910. Third Annual Ball Cigar Makers International Union, No. 84, of Saugerties, N. Y., at Loerzel’s Hall. Easter Monday Night, April 6th, 1896, Tickets fifty cents. [ticket, lilac, black lettering]  [illustration]

2911. Chief Engineer Hassinger has received smoke protectors for use of the fire department. [no paper or date given]

2912. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY.  Nov. 3d, 1898.
Charles McCormick and Ernest Hassinger rode their wheels to Catskill Sunday.  When half the distance they got soaked with the rainstorm.


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2914. May 31, 1888 – Rev. J. P. Lichtenberg (subject of illustration)
When the dispatch arrived in Utica, Monday announcing that Rev. J. P. Lichtenberg and entire family were lost, and that the parsonage and church were destroyed at Johnstown, Pa., it cast a gloom over the entire city, and caused deep sorrow to the thousands who knew Mr. Lichtenberg, and his family, and who by long association were greatly endeared to them.

Rev. John P. Lichtenberg was born in Cassel, Germany.  After receiving a university education he came to this country and entered the Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia.  In 1869 he graduated and was ordained a minister, his first call being to Saugerties, Webster [this word hand crossed out, underneath the word] Ulster county, this State.  In 1878 he was called to take charge of the Lutheran Zion Church, this city.  Recently he resigned and accepted a call to the pastorate at Zion's German Lutheran Church, Johnstown, Pa., to which place he removed one month ago to-day, with his wife and four children.  He was installed as pastor there the Sunday before the flood.

During Mr. Lichtenberg’s administration here he baptized 1,680, confirmed 750, officiated at 512 marriages and 584 funerals.  Just before his departure 100 of Mr. Lichtenberg’s lady friend in the congregation called on him and presented him with a bouquet and purse.  The flood [last two words handwritten at the bottom]

Rev. J. P. Lichtenberg, of Johnstown, Pa., Pastor of the German Zion Lutheran Church, who perished in the Great Flood.  May 31, 1889. [hand dated, line drawing, illustration]

Below will be found some extracts from The Brooklyn News of Oct. 4th, regarding the visit of Brooklyn Uniformed Degree Camp No. 2, to this village of Sept. 26th.  Passing over the trip up the river, the New says:
“The bugle sounded on the Ansonia to turn out at 5 a.m., which they all promptly did, looking as cheerful and bright as if they had enjoyed a delicious night’s sleep. – When ready to fall in they found the committee on board awaiting to conduct them to their headquarters in Ulster Lodge rooms 59. Headed by the band the Camp marched through the village in fatigue uniform to the admiring gaze of the early risers. At the rooms they were most heartily welcomed by Wm. H. Raymond, D. D. G. P., who had been the instigator of their visit, and whose constant and untiring attention to the comfort and enjoyment of the comrades and their friends will never be forgotten by them, and his assurance that they would find there the Patriarch’s tent always open ready to extend hospitality, and that it would be seen to that none went away hungry was not vain boast. He announced the arrangement for the day. They were then dismissed and conducted to their respective hotels and found a bounteous repast awaiting them, to which all did full justice. The morning was taken up in carriage driving to the noted resorts in the vicinity, and in visiting the mills and factories. At the paper mill the whole process of paper making was exemplified and samples taken away of various specimens, among others a fine stout piece of white paper manufactured from wood. Of the drives the one to Mt. Airy was the first choice, and the Airy House they they [sic] found themselves 1,500 feet above tide water, and below them one of the most magnificent views in nature’s portfolio. The House (which was closed for the season) is located on a spur of the Catskill Mountains, and they claim the view around equal to any in the highest Catskills. We can easily believe this; it was simply superb, the rich rolling ground, the fertile valleys, the silver Hudson in the distance, was an enchanting sight.

Dinner was a repetition of the bounteous morning repast with a variety of dishes to please the most dainty. The young ladies who attended the tables seemed to anticipate the wants of the guests, and Bro. Raymond was persistent in his efforts to make the boys eat double their usual rations; do try more; if you think of anything do call for it; now do please enjoy your dinner.

The Encampment Branch started from the rooms of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, some 100 strong, headed by a fine band. The members of the Subordinate Lodges formed in the elegant rooms of Confidence Lodge, No. 51. Ulster Lodge has a membership of 238; Confidence, 141; Catskill Mountain Lodge, No. 487, 80. They also had a splendid band. The oldest inhabitant said he had never seen the streets of Saugerties so full as on this occasion.

During the march the procession was photographed from the tops of buildings three times, and twice on the parade ground, a large field of some 30 acres, which was cleared for the exhibition drill. The members of the Lodges and Encampments marched around the field in single file and formed a large square, on every side of which were spectators three and four lines deep, and every stage, wagon and she, or point of advantage to obtain a good view was covered. The gay colors of the summer dresses of the ladies and the handsome regalia of the Order made a splendid spectacle. – The drill occupied some half hour. The forming of the cross, the star, the chain and the wheeling called forth loud cheers and applause. The ground was in a very rough and wild state, as a field that has been ploughed and covered with long grass and weeds generally is, and was very tiring to the Comrades, and the twisting of ankles in the ruts often caused a loss of step and break of line, which was always, however, valiantly overcome. The parade was finely done, and they presented a grand appearance when drawn up in a line, with their magnificent banners waving and the band at their head to be photographed.

After parade the procession returned to the rooms, where they were again welcomed and addresses made by Wm. H. Raymond, P. G. P. and Bro. Carrol Whittaker, of Confidence Lodge, highly complimentary [sic] to Brooklyn U. D. Camp, whose visit they anticipated would not only cause quite a boom in the Order at Saugerties, but might lead to the organization of a U. D. Camp. Grand Rep. Jacobs and P. G. M. De Witt C. Langdon also responded to calls made on them for speeches. Commander Sutter, on behalf of the U. D. Camp No. 2, returned the hearty thanks of himself and members for the magnificent reception and fraternal welcome that had been extended to them by the
Odd Fellows of Saugerties and the great kindness they had experienced from all, which had far exceeded all expectations. That the visit had been one of endless enjoyment and they were all gratified beyond expression. The meeting closed with the singing of the doxology, and supper at the hotels followed, which was simply a repetition of the magnificent hospitality of the morning and noon feasts. As the boat left at 7 the comrades were prevented attending a ball which had been gotten up in honor of their visit. Some few however, did stay over to enjoy it. At bugle call the Camp again formed in fatigue uniform and headed by their band, took up their march for the boat, giving three times three cheers to their hosts. On the march to the boat they were accompanied by apparently all the inhabitants, who followed each side exchanging kindly words, and joining in the choruses to the martial tunes of the band while playing “Marching thro’ Georgia,” “Red, White and Blue, etc.” All along the route were volleys of fireworks, Roman candles and rockets, and we believe what is termed the feat of “painting the village red.” was ably accomplished. Great credit is due to the committees for the able manner in which their programme was arranged and carried out. Words cannot express the delight the visit gave the Brooklyn Camp, or their thanks for the generous hospitality and [bottom of page lines missing] of the three Lodges, as well as the Encampment, appointed committees to assist Bro. Raymond in carrying out his arrangements to make the visit the success he achieved, and he was ably assisted by among others Chief Patriarch Elisha Paradise, Isaac N. Manning, N. G. of Ulster Lodge 59, Wm. Sickler, V. G. of Confidence 51, and as Marshals P. C. P. Jernegan, P. G. Henry Hildebrandt and Paul Snyder.

The “Brooklyn Boys” pronounced unanimously this excursion exceeded in enjoyment all previous ones, and had not thought it possible to crowd so much fun and enjoyment in so few hours. They hope their brothers in Saugerties will make a return visit, either in or out of uniform, and when they do – well, we hope to be there to see the fun.

2916. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 6, 1883.
Mr. Ernest Hassinger, deputized by District Deputy Grand Patriarch W. H. Raymond, went to Kingston on Friday last and installed the officers elect of Excelsior Encampment, No. 21 I. O. O. F. of that place.

2917. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 29, 1897.
At the ball given at Catskill on Thanksgiving night by Protection Hook & Ladder Company of that place, a silver cup was offered as a prize to the best lady waltzer. In the contest there were four lady waltzers, and the prize was secured by Miss Sophia Jacobs. Her partner was Ernest Hassinger, of this village. The judges were Col. O. V. Sage and William Burns.

2918. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 18th 1890.
A very sad drowning accident occurred at Plattekill, in this town, on Sunday morning last. At about nine o’clock George F. Brink, a son of Charles Brink, a farmer who resides near the Plattekill creek, went with his horse and buggy to the creek, a few rods from the house, for the purpose of washing the wagon preparatory to driving to church. He was followed by a person named William Yake, a farm laborer, who went to assist him. George drove into the creek as he had done many times before, but the stream had become so augmented by the heavy rains and was running with such force as to deceive him and he was suddenly plunged into too deep water for either the horse or wagon to retain a hold on the bottom of the creek and all three were quickly swept down stream. The young man sprang upon the horse, evidently in hopes of urging the animal to swim to shore, but the current was overpowering and they and the wagon disappeared under the water. Mr. Yake, who witnessed the accident, at once returned to the house and summoned help. The dead horse and the wagon were soon recovered, but the body of Mr. Brink could not be found until Tuesday morning, when it was recovered near the spot where the accident occurred. The deceased was 25 years of age and was a young man with a large circle of friends and acquaintances. He was unmarried.
2919. Married 1890 [date hand written] In this village, by the Rev. Frederick Leedin, Jun 29th, Augustus A. Kherr and Miss Katie Hassinger, all of this village.

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2920. Kingston Daily Leader, Kingston, NY, Wednesday, Feb. 6. – To The Other Shore –
Death of William H. Raymond of Saugerties – Brief Biographical Sketch of his Prominence in Odd Fellows Circle. [hand dated 1889]

One of the oldest, best known and most respected residents of Saugerties, William H. Raymond, died at the residence of Captain Robert Whittaker, on Partition street, at 8:10 A. M., on Tuesday, February 5. The deceased was aged about 67 years, and the cause of death was heart disease, which he had been afflicted for nearly thirty years. The illness which immediately preceded his death was of seven weeks duration, during which he exhibited the same patient fortitude and calm peacefulness which were characteristic with him through life. The recipient of tenderest care and attentiveness from loving relatives and friends who surrounded his dying bed, and whom he directed regarding the minutest details of his funeral, he passed quietly away.

The deceased was born at Athens on the Hudson, on July 19, 1821. His parents were Lemuel and Fannie Raymond, of French descent, his father being the direct lineal descendent of Count De Raymonde of France. Mr. Raymond moved from Athens to Glasco with his parents in 1826, and resided there until 1830 when the family took up their residence in Saugerties, which at that time was but a small hamlet. Here the parents died and left their son to battle alone in the world. He received a meagre common school education, and in 1845 he engaged in mercantile business, which he pursued successfully for about 23 years, retiring from business in 1868, on account of ill-health, with a snug competence. In the hope of physical improvement he then went to Winfield, Wisconsin where he spent about two years, and although a stranger, he soon won the esteem of his fellow townsmen, who elected him to the office of Justice of the Peace, which he filled capable until his return to Saugerties in 1879, where he has ever since resided. He was one of the most prominent members of the Order of Odd Fellows, for this district, being a member of Ulster Lodge, i. o. o. f., No. 59, of Saugerties, and also of Thomas Wildy Encampment, No. 39, and having filled at different times every office in those lodge. He was at the time of his death a Past District Deputy of this district, also Permanent Secretary of the above lodges and District Deputy of the Encampment. His active interest in lodge matters throughout the district, in which he instituted many new lodges, added to his especial devotion to the details and welfare of the home lodges, to which he gave his entire time in later years, made him a prominent figure in local Odd Fellows circles whose labors will be gratefully remembered.

Mr. Raymond was unmarried, his only immediate relatives being two brothers, Captain Charles P. Raymond who is engaged in the towing business in Brooklyn, and Edward L. Raymond, who is the merchant and postmaster at Rankin, Mich., and who is now lying at the point of death. The deceased was a consistent member of the Baptist Church for many years, having been baptized in 1840. A notable event in connection with his baptism is the fact that it occurred in the Saugerties creek in mid winter, an opening being cut through the ice for that purpose. The funeral will be under the auspices of Thomas Wildy Encampment, and will be held at the Saugerties Reformed Church at 2:30 o’clock on Thursday afternoon, February 7. As requested by the deceased, the funeral sermon will be delivered by Rev. E. W. Sherwood, of Snug Harbor, N. Y., assisted by Rev. Mr. Conklin pastor of the Saugerties Baptist Church. The remains will be interred in the village cemetery on Main street.
At the meeting of the village Board of Directors Thursday evening last, the following fire department officers were appointed for the present year: William Ziegler, Chief Engineer; Louis J. Butzel, First Assistant; Henry A. Ohley, Second Assistant; Ernest Hassinger, treasurer.

At a recent meeting of the village board of Directors, Louis J. Butzel was appointed chief engineer of the fire department: Henry A. Ohley, first assistant engineer; ... L. Lewis, second [bottom of column, no more]

2923. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 6, 1889. – Funeral of William H. Raymond –
The funeral of the late William H. Raymond took place from the Reformed Church yesterday afternoon under the auspices of Thomas Wildy Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F. The Odd Fellows assembled at the lodge rooms and were organized as a lodge of Sorrow. The Encampment assumed charge of the ceremonies. The Chief Patriarch appointed Henry A. Hildebrandt, Marshal; Ernest Hassinger, Assistant Marshall; Charles W. Taylor, Out Side Sentinel; Horace Carle, Inside Sentinel. The bearers were Louis J. Butzel, John Seamon, Wm. C. Plass, Peter T. Whitaker, Alexander A. Finger, Benjamin Duvall and Robert Schmidt, they having been selected as such by Mr. Raymond previous to his death.
The procession numbered 243 Odd Fellows which acted as an escort to the remains from the residence of the deceased to the church and from thence to the place of interment.
The services in the church were impressive, the sermon being by the Rev. D. W. Sherwood, of Mariner’s Harbor, S. I. (not Snug Harbor, as has been published) whose text was from Titus 3:17. The music was by direction of the choir of the Baptist Church. The Revs Wortman and Conklin assisted at the services. The burial was according to the beautiful ritual of Odd Fellowship, and was the same ceremony which the deceased had many, many times, officiated himself. The interment was in the Main street cemetery.

The turnout last night of the C. H. Evans Hook and Ladder Company, in all their splendor of uniform, was a pretty sight and Warren street was thronged with people when the procession moved. The Germania Band, of Pittsfield, Mass., supplied the music, and at the head of the procession were Chief Engineer Elting and Assistants Rogers and Lahr. Following the band were a number of citizens who went along with the firemen to enjoy a sail on the steamer General and pay a visit to the firemen of Saugerties. There was a large crowd of people at the steamboat landing to see the excursionists off, and when she steamed away from the dock the trim vessel looked as though she had aboard all the people she could conveniently carry.

AT SAUGERTIES
Saugerties, June 10. (Special) The “Hooks” were given a royal welcome when they landed here to-night. It was an event of which the whole town had been talking for nearly a week past. The entire fire department of the village turned out to receive “our boys,” and their showy and appropriate uniforms attracted much attention in the parade. The enthusiasm was immense. The whiz of skyrockets, the fumes of burning powder, the glare of Greek fire and the good natured struggling of the people made it a scene to be remembered. All over the village the “Hooks” and their guests received a vigorous welcome. The trip down the river was made very enjoyable by the band playing, and the return will be as pleasant if nothing unforeseen [sic] happens to mar the occasion. H.
2925. In this village, by the Rev. Robert Conklin, Aug. 14th, George ... and Miss Mary Simmons. [bottom of column, paper torn]

2926. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. June 28, 1889. – Married.
In this village, by the Rev. J. N. Ramsey, June 27th, Mr. Ernest Hassinger and Mrs. Louisa Christian, all of this village.

2927. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. June 29, 1889. – Serenaded. – Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger the Recipients of a Serenade from a Host of Friends.
Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger were serenaded at their home on Jane street by a host of personal friends who assembled to congratulate them on their marriage. The fire department and the Saugerties Männerchor assembled at Firemen’s Hall, and shortly after nine o’clock, headed by the Saugerties Brass Band, proceeded to the residence of the newly wedded pair and tendered them the compliment of a serenade. The Männerchor sang very nicely and the band discoursed its best music. Several fools shot off firecrackers, and a few pounded on the pans and blew fish-horns. Mr. Hassinger took good care of his guests.

Ernest Hassinger has at his residence on Jane Street a very handsome miniature park and Christmas tree. The tree hangs full of ornaments and is brilliantly lighted with wax candles. The park would astonish Barnum at the number and variety of animals, while Eugene Blatchford would go into ecstacies over the great display of the finny tribes swimming in the fish pond. Mr. Hassinger invites all the little children in the village to come and see this curiosity free of any charge.

2929. The Evening Post, Saugerties, NY. June 12, 1890. – Card of Thanks.
The Saugerties fire department take this opportunity of thanking the people of the village for their generosity in illuminating and decorating their premises on the occasion of the reception to the Hudson firemen. Also our thanks extended to Mr. Barry for elegant bouquets contributed for the occasion. Isaac Lazarus, Albert Rowe, R. D. Suderly, Committee of Arrangements of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. Ernest, Hassinger, Samuel W. Merclean, Philip H. Davis. Committee of arrangements of Snyder Hose Co.

The Saugerties Männer Quartette and invited friends enjoyed themselves last night in their rooms at the Savings bank building. The occasion was “fasnacht.”

2931. Married - In this village, by the Rev. Robert Conklin, April 29th, Isaac N. Griffis and Miss Emma Snyder, all of this... [rest lost, hand dated 1891, possibly Emma]

2932. The Election Inspectors. – The Town Board Meets And Appoints Inspectors of Election Under the New Ballot Law.
The Town Board, consisting of Edmund M. Wilbur, Supervisor, Scott Van Buskirk, Town Clerk, and Samuel Merclean, Benj. M. Coon, David W. Hommel and Adam H. Lasher, Justices of the Peace, met on Saturday last and appointed the following persons to act as inspectors of elections under the provision of the new ballot law:
District No. 1 - Joseph Keenan, Homer Russell, David W. Maxwell, Edgar G. Whitaker and John C. Davis.
District No. 2 – Thomas Maxwell, Benjamin M. Coon, Mynderse Freligh, James Teller and William Tepe.
District No. 4 – Charles Clum, Patrick Maxwell, Michael F. Keeney, Martin Sexton and John F. McCarthy.
District No. 5 – Robert Lent, Elmer Swart, William H. Swart, William C. Plass and James Welch, Jr.
District No. 6 – William Longendyke, Nathan Carle, Charles Green, Peter Shoemaker and Sanford Cunyes.
District No. 7 – Christopher S. Lowther, Chester Short, John Fatum, Egbert D. Brooks and Dennis Dunn, Jr.
District No. 8 – Stephen Cordes, Paul Snyder, Orville Carn, William Schoonmaker and David Schoonmaker.
District No. 10 – E. P. Simmon, Melvin Snyder, P. St. John Colman, Herbert M. Hover and Charles L. Barringer. [hand dated October, 1890]

The new Board of Village Directors met in their room at Firemen’s Hall last night in response to the call of the clerk of the old Board for organization which was effected as follows: William R. Sheffield, President; Theodore B. Cornwell, Vice-President; Mynderse Freligh, Clerk. The following appointed were made: George H. Morgan, Street Commissioner; Patrick Maxwell, Lamp Lighter; Ernest Hassinger, Janitor Firemen’s Hall; William Persons, Care City Clock.

2934. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 12th, 1891.
Benj. M. Coon has been appointed, by the Town Board, Police Justice to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Samuel Merclean.

2935. Sporting – Bob Haight of Hudson and Jim Quinn of Kingston, light-weight pugilists, fought for $250 a side and the door receipts, near Schenectady on the night of the 12th inst. [hand dated Feb, 1891.]

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Mr. Hassinger placed the booklet for the Firemen’s Convention into this scrapbook, except for the cover page, there are 3 pages in aqua blue stock, which are the other covers. There are 64 numbered pages in the booklet, each will be labeled as to page number. Underneath each booklet page Mr. Hassinger has saved cards, notices and some newspaper clippings. There are two copies of this booklet at the Saugerties Public Library. [Pages 20 and 21 have been removed from the scrapbook and can be seen in the illustration section, but are not indexed.]


2937. Don’t Miss Crockett’s Big Meet, Poughkeepsie, Decoration Day May 30, 1898, All the Fast Men will be there. [circular, gold, like a seal with serrated edges] [illustration]

Drum Major, J.D. Morris. Musical Director, Jas. T. Young,
The Finest Uniformed Corps in the State.

[business card, white with red and blue lettering]

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2939. Page 1 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A full line of Adams’ Compound Extract of Sarsaparilla is a splendid medicine for this time of the year. Pleasant to the taste.
Adams’ Kidney and Bladder Cure.
Is the best medicine for kidney and bladder trouble in the world. It is composed of purely vegetable ingredients which are being used every day by the most successful Physicians. We also have a full line of Drugs and Medicines at the most reasonable prices.
“The Museum Drug Store,” 208 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

2940. Page 1 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

2941. Page 1 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Every day witnesses arrival in our store of great quantities of new and desirable Goods. Every day witnesses their departure. If prices were not right, if qualities were not good, if assortments were not complete, in short if merchandise was not in every way desirable, we would not be, as always are, Very, Very Busy! Novelties in French Cut Glass, Novelties in Sterling Silver, Novelties in Clocks, in fact, leaders in all Novelty Goods pertaining to the Jewelry trade. Sporting Goods, Musical Instruments and Fine Stationery. Jewett’s, 3 Porter Block.

Thomas J. Barritt was born in the village of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1818, where he remained with his parents until the fall of 1832, when he shipped as a boy on the barque Vermont for a three years whaling voyage, which business he followed for 14 years, passing through the various grades aboard ship from boy to master and sailing over the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian oceans. He gave up seafaring life in 1846, and came to Saugerties in 1852, entering into the book, stationery and newspaper business in the building now occupied by him corner of Main and James streets. In November, 1855 he was chosen as the first Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, serving on year. [T. J. Barritt, illustration]

2943. Page 1 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

2944. Mr. Ernest Hassinger, You are invited to attend a Reception given by the members of A. M. Ostborn Hose Co. No. 2, at the Opera House, Friday Evening, April twenty-second, eighteen hundred ninety-eight. [invitation, white, black lettering, name hand written] [2945. Athletic Entertainment, For Benefit of Court Ossining, No. 256, Forrester’s of America, at Olive Opera House, Sing Sing. Thursday Night, June 30, ’98. Reserved Seats. The Entertainment will consist of Sparring Bouts between “Tom” Broderick and “Jack” Delaney, “Pinky” Evans and Wm. Gray, Frank Rowe and T. Gray and the final by Two Local Boxers. There will also be Clog Dancing by the Gray Brothers, Champions of Westchester County, and other attractions. [ticket, light yellow, black lettering, handwritten word Complimentary.] [illustration]
2946. Page 2 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Headquarters for Firemen. Market Street Hotel, F. A. Yerger, Proprietor, 12 Market St., Saugerties, N. Y.
Fine Line of Wine, Liquors, Beer, Cigars, Etc.

2947. Page 2 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Eckert & Snyder, Fire, Life, Accident, Steam Boiler, Plate Glass, and Employer’s Liability Insurance,
Largest and Best Companies. Office First National Bank, Saugerties, NY.

2948. Page 2 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
James D. Majilton, Central Livery Stables. First-Class Turnouts at Reasonable Rates. Telephone
Connections with Both Barn and House. Main Street, opp. Hotel Saulpaugh, Catskill, NY.

2949. Page 2 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Furniture, Money Saving Specials. “The nimble six pence is better than the slow shilling.”
Our Prices. - 20 per cent. lower than any house in the county.
The oldest furniture store in Saugerties. We are undertakers as well. Belch & Keenan, Opposite
Butzel’s. Saugerties, N. Y.

2950. Dr. Rudolph Diedling, (Office formerly occupied by Dr. Dawes)
Office Hours 8 to 9 A. M. 2 to 3 P. M. 7 to 8 P. M. Saugerties, N. U. “Ich Spreche auch Deutche.”
[business card, white, black lettering]

2951. 1892 Annual Picnic and Summer Night’s Festival. 1898 Columbia Hose Co. No. 1 At Stimmel’s
Pavilion, Whitestone, L. I. Tuesday Evening, July 12, Music by Sause’s Celebrated Orchestra. Tickets,
Admitting Gentleman and Lady, 50 cents. Committee: George Kefer, Foreman, Joseph Burke, Albert G.
Robbins, Benjamin F. Cheeseman, George Niemeyer, H. C. Buncke, Secretary. [ticket, ivory, black
lettering]

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2952. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
The word Yale is perfection in itself.
$50 Yale Bicycles $50
Are the Acme of Perfection. The World-Famous Monarch, $60, $50, $40
The High-Grade Wolf-American. $80, $65, $50. H. S. Browson, Agent, Saugerties, N. Y.

2953. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
I. Lazarus, Leading Tailor, Clothier and Gent’s Outfitter. Full and complete line of Ladies’ and Gents’ Fine
Footwear. 100-102 Partition St. Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

2954. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
National Express Company, Quick Time and Low Rates. The Facilities of the Company for Conducting Its
Business in Every Respect are Unequaled.
Orders for Purchase of Goods at any place will be promptly Executed. Money Paid by Telegraph at
Lowest Rates. Cable Transfers to Europe. Money Orders and Traveler’s Cheques issued payable at
20,000 places in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and Elsewhere.
Printed Matter, Parcels carried at Special Rates.
Merchandise Packages carried for Single Charge to almost every Express Point in the United States. Drafts, Checks, Notes, Etc., collected. Shipments to and from Europe, by the fastest Ocean Steamers.

2955. Page 3 of Convention Booklet.

2956. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Attention Company! When going through Quarryville, halt at Mike’s Wayside Inn, Where your will find a full line of the best Ales, Wines, Liquors and Cigars, Refreshments, of all kinds in the season. Michael O’Rourke, Proprietor Wayside Inn, Quarryville, N. Y.

2957. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Glenerie Falls Hotel, (Formerly Martin’s,) Glasco, N. Y. Open the year round. A handsome Bowling-Aley for the accommodation of clubs, and private parties is now completed and in fine order. The large hall, just completed, will be let to private parties and for public meetings on reasonable terms. Best of accommodations for transient boarders. Large pavilion and picnic grounds on the premises. C. Schoentag, Proprietor. [illustration]

2958. Page 3 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Spatz Bros., manufacturers of Mineral Waters, Also Extracts for Baking Purposes and Ice Cream. Cor. Cross St. and Ulster Ave., Saugerties, N. Y.

2959. Established 1859 Anderson & Jones, Manufacturers of Fire Hats, Fatigue Caps, Belts, Shirts, Badges, Signals, Lanterns, Trumpets, New Fire Certificates, &c, For Active or Exempt’s. 190 Grand Street, New York, Mar 19, 1989. [letterhead, white, red lettering, picture of a circled hose encompassing a firemen’s hat and fatigue cap, a trumpet and the words Chief Engineer]

2960. The female Cashier’s Advantage.
Omaha Dame – There now. The Woman’s Journal says women are more reliable in positions of trust than men are.
Husband – How do they make that out?
“From statistics. It is known that where 100 men abscond not more than one woman can be found who is in the least dishonest. Now, explain that if you can.”
“Well, the women have no extravagant wives.” – Omaha World.
2961. Page 4 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Palmer House – G. W. Palmer, Commercial Men’s House, Saugerties, N. Y. Buss to All Trains and Boats. Livery Attached. [illustration]

2962. Page 4 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

2963. Welcome Delegates. Kindly accept this Badge as a remembrance of your visit with us. The center is made from products furnished by The United Indurated Fibre Co., the balance by Niagara Paper Mill of Lockport, N. Y. Compliments of General Committee. Aug 18 19, 20 and 21, 1896. [white, red lettering]

2964. The Empire Band of Heath, N. Y. will furnish music for Parades, Picnics, Excursions, Etc., for the coming season, at reasonable prices. The organization is equipped with bright new uniforms, latest and best music, and first-class instruments. Howard Burhans, Director and Manager, Heath, N. Y.

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2965. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Go To L. H. Kleeber’s Barber Shop for a First-class Shave, Etc. No waiting, Four Artists to attend to your wants. 123 Partition Street. Bet. Central Hotel and Ziegler’s Cafe.

2966. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
L. De Puy Davis, Davis’ Omnibus Line and Livery. The only ‘Bus Line that connects with all Boats and Cars. [illustration]
First-class Livery in every respect. Information will be cheerfully given to the traveling public at the office 162 Partition St., near Main St., where all the latest railroad guide maps of New York City, etc. will be found. When you travel do not forget where you get your information and ride with DAVIS.

2967. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
The Boston Store. Dry Goods and Fancy Gods. Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

2968. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
David E. Abeel, Auctioneer, And Real Estate Agent, Saugerties, N. Y. People will do well by calling on me.

2969. Page 5 of Convention Booklet.
OFFICERS OF THE SAUGERTIES FIRE DEPARTMENT.
Ernest Hassinger, Chief Engineer
Martin Cantine, First Assistant Engineer.
F. J. Dale, Second Assistant Engineer.
Ernest Hassinger, Treasurer.

DIRECTORS OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES.
A. P. Lasher, President.
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James Dederick, Clerk.
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Eugene Barritt, Second Vice-President.
Irwin Ronk, Secretary.  J. P. Russell, Treasurer.
VILLAGE BOARD OF HEALTH.
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J. S. Elmendorf.
Dr. J. H. De Witt, Health Officer.
Alex Lackey, Sanitary Inspector.
L. H. Kleeber, Secretary and Register of Vital Statistics.

TOWN OFFICIALS.
E. M. Wilbur, Supervisor.
L. H. Kleeber, Town Clerk.
B. M. Coon, Jesse Fiero, A. H. Lasher, Cyrus Fuller, Justices of the Peace.

2970. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
William E. Wolven, dealer in Cigars, Tobacco, &c. Sunday and Daily Papers. Also agent for William Weston’s Troy Steam: Laundry. And Notary Public for Ulster County, N. Y.

2971. Page 5 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Be You a Saint or Be You a Sinner, Drop in Lasher’s Market And Buy Something Good for Dinner. Market Street.

Albany City Band and Orchestra, C. H. Collins, Director and Manager, Headquarters 466 Broadway, Office 72 ½ Hudson Ave. First-class music furnished for all occasions. All the latest popular music in manuscript. Albany, N. Y. May 20th, 1898, Chief Engineer “Saugerties Fire Dept.” Picture of C. H. Collins, Composer and Arranger. [letterhead] [illustration]
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2973. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
J. D. Fratsher, C. E. Rightmyer

2974. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

2975. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Gus. Kehr, Tonsorial Parlor – All Work pertaining to the business done in strictly First-Class manner. 113 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

2976. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
2977. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. R. Burhans, dealer in Ice. [illustration]

2978. Page 6 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement, advertising logo, circular]
Every Trial Insures Satisfaction [spaced around outside of circle]

At a meeting of the Saugerties Bicycle Club held at Ziegler’s Tuesday evening, Myron Bedell, John O. Sweet and Ernest Hassinger were elected members, and it was voted that the club procure uniforms. For this purpose a committee was appointed to select the style and quality of goods for the same and report at a future meeting. Preliminary steps were taken looking towards arrangement for the coming
[bottom of column, nothing else]

At the annual meeting of the Esopus Bathing Club held at Ziegler’s Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: William O. Sickles, President; William Liddle, Vice-President; William Ziegler, Secretary and Treasurer; Robert Bollman, [sic] Frank A. Yerger, Byron Hallenbeck, Trustees.
The affairs of the Club was reported in a prosperous condition and its property on the banks of the upper Esopus is to be repaired and put in readiness for use at the opening of the bathing season.

2981. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 2, 1898.
Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger looks stunning attired in his new bicycle suit. By the way, Peter is quite a wheelman.

2982. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 15, 1898.
The official souvenir program of the coming Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association will be one of the finest publications of its kind ever produced in this state. Mr. Hassinger compiled the statistics and has but a few blank spaces left for advertisements. It will be to the interest of every business man to secure space in this publication.

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2983. Page 7 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
The Big Dry Goods, Carpet, Millinery and Cloak House. All Goods sold at LOWER PRICES than any other house in Ulster, Greene, Columbia or Dutchess Counties. REED & REED The New York Store, Saugerties, N. Y. “The Big Store with Little Prices.”

2984. Page 7 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Patronize The Shoe Store of Saugerties, John C. Davis & Company, all the leading styles of SHOES AND OXFORD TIES For men, women, Boys and Children. Russet Shoes. In all the latest styles. John C. Davis & Co.

2985. Page 7 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
James Russell, successor to S. G. Searing. Dealer in Stoves, Ranges and Hardware. Agricultural Implements, Etc. 191 Main St., Saugerties, NY.
863 Page 7 of Convention Booklet. – List of Fires.
March 31, 1849, E. & D. Kearney’s store, south side of creek.
April 10, 1849, Edward Laverty’s barn, south side of creek.
May 19, 1849, Abram Van Vliern’s store, corner Main and Bridge streets.
June 17, 1851, Mark Devlin’s house, Partition street.
July 25, 1854, old engine house in Jane street.
September 13, 1854, Saugerties steamboat store house.
May 18, 1859, Peter B. Myer’s tannery.
April 2, 1861, Butzel, Betz & Jernegan stores on Main street.
May 10, 1861, Jesse F. Bookstaver’s house and barn, south side of creek.
February 25, 1863, Duboise and Howe cooper shop, store house on dock.
November 28, 1864, John Dederick barn, back of the Exchange Hotel.
March 28, 1867, James Van Keuren’s foundry, Market street.
April 2, 1867, L. Ziegler’s barn, Partition street.
October 27, 1868, the Union Store, Partition street.
October 10, 1870, Adam Finger barn, Market street.
December 10, 1871, Martin Kilroy and W. McKiefry, barn.
July 19, 1872, the Sheffield paper mill.
December 8, 1872, L. Loerzel house, Partition street.
June 2, 1873, S. VanSantvoord Roosa hotel on Mount Marion.
July 4, 1873, Peter P. Schoonmaker barn, Main street.
April 12, 1874, L. Loerzel’s house on fire.
April 18, 1876, the Saugerties lead mill.

2987. Page 7 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

2988. Page 7 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
John Rovegno, dealer in Foreign and Domestic Fruits, 128 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

2989. Saugerties, N. Y. ______ 189__ No. ____
THE SAUGERTIES BANK
Pay to the Order of ________________________________ $ ___
_________________________________________________Dollars

New York [light blue]

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2990. Page 8 of Convention Booklet
J. R. Tappen Post, No. 215, G. A. R.
~ Organized April 27, 1881 ~
Meets First and Third Tuesday Evenings, Russell Block, Main Street, Saugerties.

CHARTER MEMBERS
*Ira Swart Dr. J. H. Reed *F. A. Van Wart
W. H. Maxwell H. C. Renner J. Van Buskirk
Carrol Whitaker Levi Shaw Lyman Waters
D. W. Hommel *J. W. Van Gelder Theodore Winchell
Dr. W. Kemble R. W. Sickler *deceased
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

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- Robert Bailey, Sergeant Major
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**Chart of Members**

- S. Antoinette Swart, 1891-92-93
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**OFFICERS 1898.**

- Eleanor M. Barritt, President
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- Lucy C. Van Tassell, Assistant Guard
- Addie E. Van Gelder, J. V. President
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An Auxiliary to J. R. Tappen Post, G. A. R.

~ Organized February 18, 1891~

Meets First and Third Tuesday Afternoons Each Month, Russell Block.

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Mrs. Charlotte Carnwright

2992. John Olson, Manufacturer of Fire-Hats, Belts, Shirts, Caps and all Fire Department Equipments, No. 114 Chrystie St., New York. Established 1867. [business card, white, black lettering, red fire hat]

2993. Grand Stand Ticket, Admission 10 Cents. Saugerties Bicycle Club, Saturday, Jul 19th, 1896 [circular, looks like a bicycle tire, light beige with black lettering] [illustration]

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2994. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Go to Manning’s The Oculist of Saugerties. To get your eyes fitted on scientific principles. The largest stock of ... Gold, Silver and Nickel Spectacles ...to be had in Saugerties. Also an elegant line of WATCHES, CLOCKS and many novelties in jewelry and silverware. Fine and complicated Watches Repaired by an experienced watchmaker. All work guaranteed. Will. S. Manning, Saugerties, N. Y.

2995. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Established in 1848 –
Butzel’s the Saugerties Dry Goods Store.
Dress Goods, Matings, Wall Papers, Millinery.
Our Motto, Only Reliable Merchandise. No Trash at any Price. Largest Stock in our city. BUTZEL’S

2996. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
David Ebel’s Hotel, First-class Accommodations, Rates $1.00 per day, $7.00 per week. Glasco, NY.

2997. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. -- List of Fires
Oct. 20, 1876, Josiah Myer’s tannery.
Dec. 22, 1876, J. L. Cunyes’ house, corner Main and Washington avenue.
Sept. 21, 1877, Thomas Hillis’ house, south side of creek.
Oct. 26, 1877, Whitaker Building on Main street.
June 22, 1879, S. Hallenbeck House, Turnpike street.
July 26, 1882, J. W. Davis barn, near old Lutheran Church, Ulster ave.
Aug. 24, 1882, Reformed Church parsonage.
Sept. 2, 1882, Rosepaugh & Sweet store on fire.
Dec 10, 1883, Rev. Father O’Flynn House, Montgomery street.

2998. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. -- List of Fires
April 16, 1884, Jacob Crows’ barn, Malden ave.
June 28, 1884, Paper mill roof.
July 15, 1884, Jacob Brede & Co. barn.
July 21, 1884, Out building of Phoenix Hotel.
Feb. 18, 1885, Saugerties Casino Skating Rink on Elm street.
April 16, 1885, John Phillips’ house, foot of McCarthy street.
Aug. 13, 1885, Glasco ice house.
Nov. 30, 1885, Peter Curley house on fire, corner Market and Livingston street.
Dec. 24, 1885, Frank Speir house, the old Cruger place near Glasco.
March 24, 1886, T. J. Barritt store, Main street.
July 16, 1887, B. M. Freligh wagon house on fire, Washington ave.
June 13, 1888, George Burhans’ blacksmith shop, Livingston street.
July 7, 1888, W. L. Darbee barn, Market street.

2999. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Spalding Bicycles, $50.00 ... At ... $50.00
Wheels on Exhibition at the Shoe Store of R. B. Overbagh. Also, A line of Christy Saddles. Russell &
Snyder, Agts.

3000. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Wesley Shultis, dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Crockery, Glass and Stone Ware, Fish and Provisions.
Depot for all kinds of Salt, and for Crocker’s Flour, the Best Flour Made. The Highest Price paid for
Butter and Eggs. All Goods Warranted to be as Represented, or the Money Refunded. Russell Block,
Next door to New Post Office. Saugerties, N. Y.

3001. Page 9 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Have Another – firm estimate on your order and then come and get ours. That is one way to find out
what a real estimate it. We do PRINTING, cheap because we have low expenses. We do only one class
of work – work that urges comparison. Geo. I. Crum, Fine Book and Job Printing, 61 Partition Street,
Saugerties, NY.

3002. 24th Annual Convention of the N. Y. S. Volunteer Firemen’s Ass’n, at Lockport, N. Y., August 18th,
19th, 20th 21st, 1896. Entertainment – Excursion, Wednesday August 19th Meet at the head of Locks at
1:30 P. M. Delegate’s Ticket Not Transferable.

3003. Liveries. Established 1838 - trade mark – The Warnock Company, Uniform Outfitters, Samuel M.
Warnock, Edward J. Kindler, Walter I. Joyce, 304 Fifth Ave., New York. [business card, white, black
lettering] [the trade mark is a raised arm, in armor holding a mace]
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3004. Page 10 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Dr. T. F. O’Dea, Veterinary Surgeon and Dentist.
Telephone Connections. Office: Central Hotel, Saugerties, N. Y.

3005. Page 10 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Go To Myer & Carnright for choice – GROCERIES and PROVISIONS. 85 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3006. Page 10 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
“Let’s Go into the Bargain Store.”
There’s a world of meaning in that oft’ repeated phrase. People have learned if they want the best, that
is the place to look for it, and they are sure to find prices right.
STAPLES AND FANCY GROCERIES, Fine China, Crockery, Bric-a-Brac, Glass, Tin, Wooden Ware, House
Furnishing Goods and Notions. Emerick Bros., 199 Main St., Saugerties.
We make a specialty of good COFFEE. We can suit you, our price is right. Jacob Hardenburgh, 96 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

Ride a Columbia Chainless $125 and be up to date. Columbia Chain Wheels $75, Hartford, $50, Vedette, $40 and $35. Complete line of sundries on hand at prices to suit the times. Repairing a specialty. All work well done at reasonable prices. A fine line of WHEELS FOR RENTING PURPOSES. R. E. Young, 92, Partition St.

Oct 18, 1855, The Empire Fire Engine arrived here on steamer Robert L. Stevens.
Nov. 22, 1856, The Saugerties Fire Department made their first annual parade in a torch light procession this evening. Rough and Ready Engine Co. and Empire Engine Co. took part. The parade was headed by the Kingston brass band.
1861 – Rough and Ready Hose Co., No. 1 of Saugerties, was organized and changed their name to R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, on Sept. 2nd 1876.
Minnehaha Steamer Co., No. 1 of Saugerties was organized in 1873 and the steamer came here on the 9th of June, 1873.
Oct 5, 1874, Star Hose Co., No. 3 of Saugerties was organized and changed their name to Sheffield Hose Co., No. 3 on Sept. 2nd 1876.
June 19, 1868, The old Rough and Ready hand engine of Saugerties was sold to the village of Coeymans. The first time the fire hydrants of the Saugerties Water Works Co. were used at a fire was at Geo. Burhans' blacksmith shop on Livingston street, on June 13, 1888.

Charles Quase, House, Sign and Ornamental Painter, Paper Hanger, and Decorator, 26 Ulster Ave., Saugerties.

Herman Mittrach, Merchant Tailor All work guaranteed, and made up in the best of style. 117 Partition St., Saugerties.

C. A. Slater Cafe, Cor. Market and Livingston Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.


Henry Lynk, Contractor, Carpenter and Builder, 56 Market Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

Fair of C. H. Evans Hook & Ladder Co. No. 3, at the Opera House, Hudson, Cash Door Prize $100.00 Cash Door Prize
In addition to the above there will be each evening a SPECIAL Door Prize, The holder hereof is entitled to a chance in all of the above mentioned prizes.
Monday, Dec. 7th, Tuesday, Dec 8th, Wednesday, Dec 9th Thursday, Dec. 10th. [ticket, yellow, black lettering with seal embossed]

3016. Seventh Annual Ball of Weiner Hose Company No. 6. At the Academy of Music, Christmas Night, Friday Evening, December 25, 1891. Tickets 50 cents. Which includes dancing, and entitles holder to one chance on Parlor Stove. John Knoche, Foreman, John Dolson, Secretary, 143. [ticket, pink, black lettering] [illustration]

3017. Two mallets hanging from the ends of a metal holder which is shaped with one circle on each end and one circle in the middle. [white, with mallets and holder in gold]

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3018. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
EDGAR BLACKWELL – Dealer in Beef, Veal, Lamb, Pork, Mutton, Hams, Poultry, Etc. Game in Season. 126 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3019. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Byron Hallenbeck, MASON and CONTRACTOR. Estimates furnished in all branches of the trade. Residence, Ulster Avenue, Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

3020. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
William H. Burnett, carriage, Sleigh and Sign Painter – First-Class work a specialty.
64 Ulster Ave., Adjoining old Lutheran Church. Saugerties.

3021. Page 11 of Convention Booklet – List of Fires -
Nov. 19, 1888, Jacob Brede & Co., house on fire.
Dec. 16, 1888, Reformed Church basement.
May 26, 1889, F. Suderley cellar, Partition street.
Dec. 20, 1890, John Kleeber home, Partition street.
May 21, 1891, Catholic Church.
May 25, 1891, Anton Schatsinger house.
June 13, 1891, C. W. Taylor cook house, south side of creek.
June 20, 1891, George W. Washburn, barn.
July 7, 1891, Mrs. Germond barn.
Nov. 29, 1891, E. J. Lewis house on fire, Partition street.
May 12, 1892, Dr. Geo. Houghtaling office, Main street.
Sept. 2, 1892, J. Teller wood house, Russell street.
Jan. 22, 1893, H. D. Laflin barn, West Bridge street.
Feb. 19, 1893, Ocean House, foot McCarthy street.
Sept. 4, 1892, Cyrus Burhans barn, Washington avenue.
Sept 7, 1893, Catholic church steeple.
Dec. 22, 1893, S. W. Merclean house, Main street.
Jan. 23, 1894, Fuller & Crump factory on dock.
March 28, 1894, P. Foland barn, Ulster avenue.
Nov. 21, 1895, Dr. M. H. Wygant office, Main street.
Nov. 27, 1895, C. F. Suderley bake shop.
3022. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
THIS curiosity was first discovered by Saugertians about 1872 or ’73 and ever since the natives when
not rattled by mushroom advertising, have, really worshiped it as a god send. Many attempts have been
made to kill it, but it still lives and is really health. You should go see it.

3023. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Finger & Lewis – Lumber, Line, Lath, Shingles and Cement, Lackawanna and Cumberland Coal, Mixed
Paints, Etc. Office and Branch Yard, Cor. Livingston and Market Streets.

3024. Page 11 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Dr. A. M. Bowman, Dentist, Porter Block, Main St., Saugerties, N. Y.
All Operations in Dentistry executed in a skillful manner and guaranteed in every particular.

3025. Representative’s Card
At a meeting of
__________ Co. No. ____________________________ of ____________________________
on the ______ day of _______ 189____
Mr. ____________________________________________
was appointed to represent said Company at a meeting of the
Tri-County Firemen’s Association
to be held in ____________ on the ___ day of ________ 189____
__________________ Foreman. ____________________ Secretary.

3026. John J. O’Brien,
Member Osborne Hose Co., No. 2.
“ Firemen’s Ass’n, S. N. Y.
“ Hudson River Valley F. A.
“ Greene County F. A.
“ Athabascan Tribe, No. 251, I. O. R. M.
Ex-Member Protection H. & L. Co., No. 1
“ “ Catskill Drum Corps. Catskill, N. Y.
“ “ Catskill Athletic Club. [card]

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3027. Page 12 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Telephone Connection – A. Rowe, Manager
Schwarzschild and Sulzberger Beef Company, Beef, Sheep, Veal, Hog Products, Etc. Saugerties, N. Y.
Packing Houses, New York and Kansas City. Albert Rowe, Manager. [illustration]

3028. Page 12 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Tivoli Hotel, Tivoli-on-Hudson, N. Y., Best of Accommodations, Newly Furnished. Good Sample Room.
Stable in Connection. ~ Rates $1.50 per day. ~ P. H. Morey, Proprietor.

3029. Losty’s Golden Stairs Hotel – and Summer Garden. First-Class Dancing Pavilion Attached.
Choice Wines, Liquors, Lager, Ale and Cigars. Water St., foot of Union St., Catskill, N. Y.
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Good Music and Dancing Every Week. M. Losty, Propr. [business card]

Cortland, 1888
Plattsburg, 1889
Watertown, 1890
Herkimer, 1891
Niagara Falls, 1892
Coney Island, 1893
Member F. A. S. of N. Y. 1873 [emblem is gold with a red center, card]

3031. Two swords hanging from the ends of a metal holder which is shaped with one circle on each end and one circle in the middle. [white, with swords and holder in gold]

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3032. Page 13 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
JOHN O. SWEET, dealer in High Grade Bicycles and Sundries. Renting and Repairing a Specialty. Agency for the Celebrated Tribune Wheels. Also a full line of Medium Grade and Cheap Wheels.

3033. Page 13 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Shoes, Hats, Gloves, Not only the Finest Grades, but Good Wearing Medium-Priced Goods. Agent for Guyer’s Self-conforming Derbys, and Dent’s Gloves. Neckwear at 25 and 50 Cents, in all the newest styles and colors. R. B. Overbagh.

3034. Page 13 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
NORMAN CUNYES, Practical Mason and Contractor. Estimates give on Buildings Complete. Also, Slate Mantels, Hearth Floors, Facing tiles of every description, and Terra Cotta Chimney Tops, Trimmings furnished and set at reasonable prices. Orders for Jobbing promptly attended to. Residence 27 Ulster Avenue, Saugerties, N. Y.

3035. Page 13 of Convention Booklet.
LIST OF FIRES (continued from page 11)
March 16, 1896, Reuben Quick, Barn, Elm street.
March 23, 1896, F. Pidgeon chimney, Main street.
Dec. 18, 1896, Fireman’s Hall on fire.
March 2, 1897, C. F. Suderley bake shop.
June 28, 1897, Geo. Seamon out house, John street.
Oct. 25, 1897, C. F. Suderley bake shop.

EX-PRESIDENTS OF THE H. V. V. F. A.
George H. Scott, Coxsackie.
Charles G. Coffin, Catskill.
Tjerck J. Rifenburg, Kingston.
H. A. Ohley, Saugerties.
George Wachmeyer, Jr., Rondout.

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Kingston, Oct. 7, 1890
Hudson, Oct. 6, 7, 1891
Catskill, Oct. 4, 5, 1892
Saugerties, Oct. 3, 5, 1893
Hudson, Oct. 2, 3, 1894
Coxsackie, Oct. 1, 2, 1895
Kingston, June 16, 17, 1896
Newburgh, June 15, 16, 1897
Saugerties, June 21, 22, 1898

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.
Geo. W. Washburn, President.
Howard C. Bogardus, Secretary.
Peter Canner, Treasurer.
S. Yates Knight, Superintendent.

3036. Page 13 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
ALBERT CARNRIGHT, Wholesale and Retail Commission Dealer in Flour, Feed and Grain. Baled Hay and Straw. Partition Street, Corner Jane, Saugerties.

3037. Page 13 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Charles McNally, GENERAL FREIGHTING AND TRANSPORTATION, Coal, Stone, Brick, Lumber and Wood. Saugerties, N. Y.

3038. Second Annual Grand Ball and Concert of Coxsackie Council, No. 1552, Royal Arcanum, at Dolan’s Opera House, Thanksgiving Eve, Nov. 24, 1897. Music by Wagner’s Full Orchestra – Complimentary - [ticket, white, black lettering]

3039. S. J. Fuhrman, Manufacturer of Ribbon Badges, Silk Banners, Flags, Military Regalia, Society of Church Goods, &c. 326 Lackawanna Ave., Scranton, Pa. [business card, yellow, black lettering]

3040. Two sabers hanging from the ends of a metal holder which is shaped with one circle on each end and one circle in the middle. [white, with sabers and holder in gold]

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3041. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Dr. J. H. REED’S Pharmacy 88 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3042. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. B. Preston, dealer in GROCERIES AND PROVISION, And all kinds of Produce. Try my …. Bridal Veil … and … Jones’ Superlative Flour …. Partition St., opp. Phoenix Hotel.

3043. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3044. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Quick Bros. & Co., PRACTICAL HORSE SHOERS. Repairing and Jobbing of all kinds at short notice. Wagons made to order of any style or size. Livingston Street, Cor. First.
3045. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
Established 30 years MEAT MARKET, I Sell THE Best Quality of Meat at the very Lowest Prices. A share of your patronage is solicited. JOHN W. SHULTS, 133 Partition Street.

Picture Ernest Hassinger, Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department. [illustration]

3047. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  

3048. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
H. Cohen’s Son, Practical Tailor, Established 1847.

3049. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
John Kleeber, FINE Boots and Shoes, Repairing Sole Leather and Findings. 120 Partition St., Saugerties.

3050. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
John A. Lowther, Carriage and Sleigh Builder, Repairing Neatly Done. Shop – Over Quick Brothers, Livingston St.

3051. Page 14 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
A. D. Myer – GENERAL CONTRACTOR. Carpenter and Builder,... Saugerties, N. Y.

3052. Ninth Annual Ball of the J. L. de Peyster Engine Company, No. 1. of Tivoli, N. Y.  
The pleasure of your presence with Friends, is requested at the Company’s Ninth Annual Ball, At the Tivoli Hotel Parlors, Friday Evening, Nov. 20th, 1896.  
Music by Prof. Van Benschoten’s Orchestra. Promenade Concert at 8:30 p. m. Tickets, Including Supper, $1.50. Committee of Arrangements: P. R. Peelor, H. C. Bouton, C. B. Stickles. [ticket, white, black lettering, light red fire carriage] [illustration]

3053. Yourself & Ladies are respectfully invited to attend the Tenth Annual Ball given by the F. S. Ormsbee Engine Company, No. 1, (formerly J. L. dePeyster Engine Company) to be held at the Masonic Hall, Tivoli, N. Y., Friday Evening February 18th 1898. Music by Scofield’s Orchestra of seven pieces.  
Exhibition Drill at 8:20 P. M. by Laflin Hose Company of Saugerties, N. Y.  
Promenade Concert at 9:00 P. M. Supper Served in Dining Room of the Building.  
Dancing Ticket including Drill $1.00, Supper Ticket, 25 Cents. Committee: H. C. Feroe, C. B. Stickles, H. C. Bouton, P. R. Peelor, Elmer Boice. [ticket] [illustration]

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3054. Page 15 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]  
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SAMUEL HALLENBECK, JR. Mason and Builder. Estimates cheerfully given and Jobbing Promptly
Attended to. Residence on Elm St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3056. Page 15 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Quaker Bicycles. Finest Appearing ... Easiest Running.
Look them Over. On Sale and Inspection at the Shoe Store. JOHN C. DAVIS & CO.

3057. Page 15 of Convention Booklet
H. A. Ohley, Ex-Chief of Saugerties Fire Depar’t. Ex-President of H. V. V. F. A.
President Tri-County Association 1893-4-5. Chief Engineer Saugerties Fire Department 1891-2, one of
the organizers of Snyder Hose Company. Interested in fraternal work as well as firemanic; Secretary of
Ulster Lodge, No. 193, I. O. O. F.; Past Regent and Secretary of Saugerties Council, No. 1,365, Royal
Arcanum; Past District Deputy Grand Master and Past District Deputy Grand Patriarch of Odd Fellows: a
manufacturer of cigars and proprietor of the smoke house, 124 Partition street, Saugerties. N. Y.

3058. Page 15 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A Rolling Stone Gathers no Moss. It is said. That is the reason we continue to furnish Fine Groceries,
Canned Goods, Wines and Liquors, the best brands of Flour milled, etc., at the old stand, where we have
done a successful business for eighteen years past. We exercise great care in the selection of goods,
always looking for the BEST.
PROMPT DELIVERY to any part of the city. THEODORE B. CORNWELL, McCarthy Street Saugerties, N. Y.

3059. Page 15 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Photographs. Portraits in all the latest styles of finish. Carbonette Photographs our specialty. Special
attention given to the photographing of Children. Our Photos do not fade. G. H. Phillips, Next to Savings
Bank. 208 Main St.

May 1st to 6th, '93. Season Ticket, 50 Cents. No. 642. [ticket, green, black lettering] [illustration]

3061. A Riddle – Evil to him who evil thinks...
Letitia has a large one, and so has Cousin Luce:
A child has a small one, _tho’sharp enough for use!
_A child may have a little one enclosed within a clout:
In fact, all females have one, no girl is born without.
But man, no boys, nor buck nor bear, nor ram was ever known
To have one, either large or small, to rightly call his own.
All fowls have one, not cocks of course: and though prolific breeders,
The fact that fish have none is known to piscatorial readers.
Hermaphrodites have none: mermaids are minus too:
Nell Gwynne possessed a doubled share, we read, if books are true.
Lasciviousness there has its source: harlots there use apply:
Without it lust has never been, and ever love would die.
‘Tis used by all in nuptial bliss, in carnal pleasure found.
Destroy it life becomes extinct, and word is but a sound,
Beneath a soft and glossy curl, each last has one in front;
To find it on an animal, you at the stern must hunt.
Now tell what the object is, but pause before you guess it:
If you are a mother, maid or man, I swear you don’t possess it.

3062. Crossed American Flags on circular piece of paper.

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3063. Page 16 of Convention Booklet

ULSTER LODGE NO. 59, I. O. O. F.
Instituted at Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., March 12, 1846.
Meets Every Thursday Evening
Following are the Officers and Members of 1898.

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3064. Robert J. Sutherland.
Chief, Fire Dept. C. I. F. D., Coney Island, N. Y.  [card, beige, black lettering, gold fire steamer pulled by two horses]

3065. Herbert Warringer, Tivoli, N. Y. [card]

3066. Laclede Co. Poultry Ass’n. Annual Show, Lebanon, MO. Dec, 16-21, 1895. [rooster in the center. [imitation ribbon]

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3067. Page 17 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
House Newly Furnished Throughout ... Meals Served on American and European Plans.

3068. Page 17 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
FRANCIS M. MURPHY, Under Maxwell’s Opera House, Saugerties, N. Y.
PLUMBING, Gas Fitting, Heating and Ventilating all classes of buildings.
Steam and Hot Water Heating a Specialty, Electric Bells, Batteries and Annunciators. [illustration]
3069. Page 17 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
WILLIAMSON’S Glasco CORNET BAND
One of the Finest Equipped Bands in the County, Music Furnished on Short Notice. Prices Moderate.
Address Leader of Band. Telephone Call 37-2. Glasco, N. Y.

3070. Page 17 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
P. H. DAVIS, Saugerties, N. Y.
General Insurance Agent, Fire, Life and Accident.
Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York.
Standard Accident, of Detroit, Michigan.
And Some of the Largest Fire Companies doing business in This State.

3071. Dennis G. Tierney,
D.G. C. R. Grand Court of N. Y. R. of A.
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3072. New York Central R R - George F. Hanford, Traveling Passenger Agent. Albany Station, Albany, N. Y. [business card]

3073. Picture of unidentified woman in fancy dress with feathered hat. [illustration]

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3074. Page 18 of Convention Booklet.
Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M.
Date of Charter, December 23, 1850.
Regular Communications Every Wednesday Evening in Russell Block, Saugerties.
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3075. Ewen McIntyre, representing A. McIntyre, Wholesale Fish Salt and Provisions, Albany, NY, P. O. Box 367. Miller’s Agent for Matchless Flour. [in red, upper left corner, business card]

3076. George Wachmeyer, Jr., Kingston, NY. President Tri-Co. Firemen’s Assn. 1896-1897. [card]
3077. New York City, New York State Horticultural Society, Aug 1896. [imitation ribbon, pear, apple, plum and bunch of grapes pictured]

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3078. Page 19 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
ALL DEPARTMENTS COMPLETE.
Russell Block, Cor. of Main and Market Sts., Saugerties. N. Y.

3079. Page 19 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
LOERZEL BROS., Agents for Fitzgerald Bros, & Co.’s fine
ALES and LAGERS. Hotels and Families Supplied.

3080. Page 19 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

The parade will form on Partition street, right resting on Lafayette, at 10:30 o’clock and will be in charge of Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger and Aides. Partition to John, to Main, to Partition, to McCarthy, to Hill, to East Bridge, to Underwood, to Valley, to Barclay, to Burt, countermarch to Church, to Hill to McCarthy, to Partition, to Jane, to East Bridge, to Main, to Second, to Livingston, to Market, to Main, to Malden avenue, countermarch to market and dismiss.

3082. Page 19 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Guggenheim Bros., Cleveland, Ohio, Sole Proprietors. E. Salberg, Eastern Representative.

3083. Page 19 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
E. MORAN, Dealer in Fresh and Salt Meats, Groceries, Etc., Poultry and Game in Season...
Ulster Ave., Telephone Call, 34-3 - Saugerties, N. Y.

3084. L. E. Lansing, Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., No. 1. Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [card]

3085. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, Season Ticket, 50 Cts. Fair, Dec. 8-11, 1891.
This ticket entitles the holder to a chance for drawing of a Parlor Suite. 149. [ticket, white, black lettering] This is the Ticket that won the Parlor Suite at the Fair. [hand written below] [illustration]

The officers of the Saugerties Circle, No. 504, P. H. C. were installed Wednesday evening by Isaac M. Griffis, local deputy. They are as follows: Past President, Jonas Myer; President, J. Harry Hill; Vice-president, Milton Hill; Guardian, Adelia Legg; Chaplain, Ella Baldwin; Secretary, James W. Kearney; Accountant, Minnie Wolven; Treasurer, Charles Holsapple; Guide, Chester Tymeson; Companion, Etta Baldwin; Porter, Emma Yake; Watchman, Edward Krout.

Pages 20 and 21 of Convention Booklet removed from scrapbook, see illustrations, not indexed.
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R. A. Snyder Hose Company, No. 1.
Saugerties, N. Y.
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Irwin Ronk, First Assistant Foreman, J. A. Snyder, Foreman. Robert Ballman, Second Assistant Foreman.
Ernest Myer, President. Edward Moran, Vice-President. William Ziegler, Treasurer. [Illustrations]

3088. Thursday, August 18, 1898. Bijou Theatre, at 8 P. M. For Delegates and Firemen Only. No Ladies Admitted. Entertainment – Delegate’s Ticket, Not Transferable. [Stamped] Executive Committee. 1898. [Ticket, gray, black lettering, stamp purple] [Illustration]

3089. Thursday, August 18, 1898. Grand Tournament STOW DRIVING PARK, Contest Begins at 10 A. M. Entertainment – Delegate’s Ticket, Not Transferable. [Stamped] Executive Committee. 1898. [Ticket, light pink, black lettering, stamp purple]

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Edward Hayes  E. C. Paradise

3091. Ex-President Thos. A. Raymond. [illustration]
3092. Ex-President Orange Ingram. (Deceased) [illustration]

3093. Identification Card.
Name, ____________
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Member of Saugerties Council No. 1365, Royal Arcanum. In case of accident of sickness sway from home, please notify ________________ or Henry A. Ohley, Secretary, Saugerties, N. Y.
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3094. Page 24 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
When You Want FURNITURE Telephone 104-4
In Elegant Designs, Superior Finish, Finest Quality at Manufacture’s Prices – Then Step In
WACHMEYER’S,
Goods Delivered Free to Your Station. Rondout, N. Y.

3095. Page 24 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
PISTON AND ROTARY STEAM FIRE ENGINES.
Fire Department Supplies, Hose Carriages and Carts, Heaters, Steam and Power Fire Pumps,
Line drawing of the “Metropolitan” Engine. Illustrated Catalogue Sent Free Upon Application.
AMERICAN FIRE ENGINE COMPANY.
Holroyd, Herman H. Wefel, Jr.
Agent for Pacific Coast, E. S. Chapman, 14 Fremont Street, San Fransisco [sic]
New York Office, 243 Broadway.
Boston Office, 178 Devonshire Street. SENECA FALLS, N. Y. [illustration]

3096. Building in Binghamton, NY, on chain and hanging from a gold bar. [illustration]

3097. Ohio Masonic Home, with Home Sweet Home, on chain and hanging from a gold bar. [illustration]

3098. To the Delegates: We enclose three tickets which we hope you will use personally. We trust that
no delegate will embarrass the committee by mislaying his ticket and using his badge as a passport.
No person will be admitted to any of the entertainments provided for the entertainment of the
delegates without a ticket. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. [card, light orange, black lettering]

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3099. Page 25 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Van Buskirk’s Livery – 122 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y. Livery, Board and Accommodation Stables.
VAN BUSKIRK & DEDECKER’S First Class Buss and Cab Line – Connecting with all Trains and Boats.
Orders promptly attended to. Telephone Call 19-2. [illustration]

3100. Page 25 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
EAGLE HOTEL, A. E. and J. S. Winne, Props. 22-32 Main St., Kingston, N. Y.
Omnibus Meets West Shore Trains. Electric Cars Pass the Hotel.

3101. Page 25 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
HOTEL EICHLER, A. Eichler, Prop. opposite West Shore Railroad Depot, Kingston, N. Y.

3102. Page 25 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Clinton House, A. A. Terpenning, Proprietor, Kingston, N. Y.

3103. Barbecue Aug 17, 1898, Stow Driving Park, Executive Committee 1898. [yellow, circular with hole
in top middle]

3104. PALACE CAFE. Restaurant and Sample Room, 502 Warren St., Hudson. N. Y. Robert Elting,
Proprietor. Picture of the bar. [illustration]
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Sunday morning two parties from Saugerties visited Rhinebeck and took dinner at Vernon Lake’s Hotel in that village. One of the parties consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barritt and daughter Miss Julia, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Murphy, Miss Satie Shults and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rowe and daughter enjoyed a carriage drive to their destination, and the other party consisting of James A. Greene, W. V. Burhans, Chauncey E. Rightmyer, J. William Lackey, Leonard B. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger rode there on their wheels. A Sunday ferry at Saugerties and good roads in Dutchess county tend to make such trips both pleasant and enjoyable.

3106. Page 26 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Here We are Again – Buy a Nice “ANDES” RANGE
Also a full line of Gas and Oil Stoves at Rock-Bottom prices. I am sure they will please you.
Also estimates cheerfully furnished on Plumbing, Steam, Hot Water and Gas Fitting. Very low prices for good first-class work. Also Tin Roofing and Furnace work done at very moderate prices.

HENRY E. WIEBER,
56 Broadway, Rondout, N. Y.

3107. Page 26 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
INSURANCE – Life – Fire – Marine – Accident.
JOHN McCausland
Real Estate Agency Down go the rates on
Boiler Insurance, Plate Glass Insurance
Accident Insurance
Do Not Renew Any Insurance Without Giving Me a Chance to Figure for You. Companies are the Very Best.
John McCausland
Insurance – and – Real – Estate – Agency,
Cornell Building, Ferry Street. Kingston N. Y.

3108. Souvenir, Cotton States & International Exposition, Atlanta, 1895. Picture of black woman with basket on her head. [imitation ribbon]

3109. Residence of W. Granger. [photograph] [illustration]

Every company of the fire department of the village of Saugerties, N. Y., are hereby notified to appear at Fireman’s Hall, September 13th, at 1:30 o’clock for annual inspection. By order of Ernest Hassinger, Chief Engineer

3111. Post, 1898. [hand dated] Attention Snyder Hose
Every member is requested to assemble at the rooms on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o’clock in full uniform for the purpose of participating in the inspection and parade. John A. Snyder, Foreman. E. Hassinger, Sec.
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3112. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
W. H. RYDER, Sole Agent, 304 Wall St., Kingston, N. Y.

3113. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3114. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
EAGLE HOTEL   YOU WILL FIND THE BEST OF Wines, Whiskies, Brandies and Cigars in town. Also, Accommodations for Transient Travelers, Meals at all Hours, John Reynolds, Proprietor.

3115. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. RECORDS
The old wood bridge here was built in 1840, and was taken down in the fall of 1874 and a new iron one was built in its place, which was finished and opened to the public on the 30th day of December, 1874, Feb. 8, 1857 – The old stone dam here was broken down by the freshet and a wooden one was built in its place and finished on June 13, 1857.
Jan. 3, 1870 – The Brooklyn bridge was commenced and was finished and opened to the public May 24, 1883.
Dec. 10, 1878 – Large freshet in upper creek 14 ½ feet of water on dam.
Feb. 22, 1875 – Company A., Twentieth Battalion, N. G. S. N. Y. turned out the first time in Saugerties with their new gray uniforms and new breach loading guns.
Feb. 10-11, 1883 – The Cornell dock and store house and the steamer City of Catskill burned up at Rondout, N. Y.
Feb. 7, 1891 – The Electric Light and Power Company of Saugerties turned on the electric light the first time this evening.

3116. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Mt. Marion Hotel, Alex. Bevier, Prop. Mt. Marion, Ulster Co., N. Y. Good Accommodations for Guests. While Out Pleasure Driving Call and See Us.

3117. Page 27 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
HOTEL BARMANN, Isaac Carman, proprietor. Finest Assortment of Wines, Liquors, Cigars, Etc. to be found in the city.
Two lines of Electric Cars pass the Door.
Two Blocks from West Shore R. R., W. V.
Cor. Broadway and Cedar St., Kingston.

Celluloid Badges, Buttons and Medallions
Silk Flags & Banners
For Presentation a Specialty.
Catskill Mountain Lodge, No. 487.
I. O. O. F.

Was instituted at West Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., Oct. 13, 1880.
Meets every Saturday evening in their hall.
No. of members 84.

Officers of 1898.
William H. Myer, noble grand
Abram Cole, vice-grand
Edward Bach, Jr., rec. secretary
H. W. DuBoise, permanent secretary
Fred. Motts, treasurer

Stephen Cordes, R. S. N. G.
Sheldon Teetsel, L. S. N. G.
George D. Burton, conductor
Albert Doyle, Warden
Nathan Speelmon, R. S. V. G.

Edward Burton, L. S. V. G.
James Hommell, R. S. S.
Oliver Holden, L. S. S.
Charles Mauterer, I. G.
Joshua Minkler, O. G.

Past Grand.
Paul Snyder
Marshall Snyder
Geo. E. Snyder
Solomon Snyder
Charles D. Snyder
Frank W. Backer
J. H. Rightmyer
James Hommell
Henry Pepper
John Laymon
L. W. Field

P. A. Rightmyer
Addison Overbaugh
James A. Myer
A. W. Burton
Wm. E. Wolven
Wm. J. Schoonmaker
Chancey M. Mower
Chester Short
Edward Bach, Jr.
Herman W. DuBoise
Fred. Mott

Members.
Mott Brower
Benjamin Bont
Charles E. Cole
James W. Cole
Andrew Cole
George H. Cole
Harvey Cole
Ira M. Chidester
Jesse Doyle
James Delamater
Phillip Deringer
Harmon E. Dibble
Ed. W. Freer
Thomas Garvey
Wm. Hill
Wm. R. Hill

Albert W. Hommell
Peter J. Hyser
Peter Hyser
Jacob Krum
Charles Laymon
Melford Lindsly
Michael McCabe
Edgar Minkler
Jonas L. Mower
Peter W. Minkler
Samuel S. Myer
Charles Rightmyer
Samuel Rightmyer
J. S. Snyder
Fred. Snyder
Raymond Snyder

Henry S. Schalk
Harvey Speelmon
Amos Snyder
Frank Smith
D. Schoonmaker
David D. Schoonmaker
John V. Scribner
John H. Shultis
Fordace Saxe
James E. Taylor
George G. Vogle
Levi Wolven
Jacob W. Wolven
William Wyom
Geo. S. Young
Charles Ziegler
3120. Court Ossining, No 256, Foresters of America. If not delivered in 3 Days, return to John J. Lynch, Financial Secretary, Lafayette Avenue, Sing Sing, NY. Emblem, Liberty, Unity, Benevolence & Concord, Two American Flags, and silhouette of a deer between two trees. [return address label from an envelope] [illustration]


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3123. Page 29 of Convention Booklet
J. BREDE & CO. Bakery, Confectionery and Ice Cream. 34 and 122 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y. John F. Bruckner, Jacob Brede and A. G. Voerg. [illustrations]

3124. National Monument Committee, Room 80, 454 Nassau Street. Address all correspondence to Paul Latzke, Secretary National Monument Committee, Room 80, 154 Nassau St. New York. Sub-Committee on Firemen. Hugh Bonner, Chief of Greater New York Fire Department. C. E. Swingley, Chief of St. Louis Fire Department. Wm. C. M’Afee, Chief of Baltimore Fire Department. James Foley, Chief of Milwaukee Fire Department. [letterhead]

3125. Chief E. S. Hosmer. [illustration]

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3126. Page 30 of Convention Booklet
Saugerties Council, No. 1,365, Royal Arcanum. Instituted April 24, 1891. Meets at Whittaker Building, 184 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y. Meets Second and Fourth Friday of each month at 8 P. M. Following are the Officers and Members of 1898.

REPRESENTATIVES
Representative to Grand Council, J. W. Reinhard. Alternate Representative to Grand Council, Ernest Hassinger.

OFFICERS
C. W. Quick, Regent; E. C. Paradise, Vice-Regent; J. W. Reinhard, Orator; Ernest Hassinger, Past Regent; H. A. Ohley, Secretary; Wm. H. Rifenburg, Collector; Edson Finger, Treasurer; Wm. E. Van Buskirk, Chaplain; Charles E. Abeel, Guide, E. P. Simmons, Warden, Charles Clum, Sentry.

MEMBERS.
David W. Maxwell	Horace Carle	Ira Fiero	S. Lyman Dawes
David W. Hommel	Jos. W. Reinhard	John T. Washburn, Jr. Charles Clum
Edgar P. Simmons	J. Henry Schneider	Wm. V. Burhans Wm. Myer
John A. Snyder	Adolph Voerg	Foster B. Morss Elisha Paradise
S. Lyman Dawes  Lewis S. Hommel  August Poleschnier  Peter Canner
Chas. Clum  John C. Davis  Wm. H. Helm  Rufus Carle
Wm. S. Myer  Ernest Hassinger  Wm. H. Rifenburg  Thomas B. Belch
Elisha C. Paradise  Christian Hornung  Harry E. Paradise  PAST REGENTS
Peter Canner  C. W. Quick  Jesse Moore  Edgar P. Simmons
Rufus Carle  John Lang  Wm. D. Edwards  Jacob H. Decker
Thos. B. Belch  Bennet Rose  Robert Webber  Charles Clum
Emory J. Kelly  Alexander Snyder  Wm. W. Whitaker  Edson Finger
Geo. P. Myer  Byron Hallenbeck  CHARTER MEMBERS  Wm. E. Van Buskirk
Jacob H. France  Wm. A. Chapman  David W. Maxwell  H. A. Ohley
Edward L. Seaman  Chas. P. Smith  David W. Hommel  Jos. W. Reinhard
Edson Finger  Frank Ecker  Edgar P. Simmons  Ernest Hassinger
Henry A. Ohley  Chas. E. Abeel  John A. Snyder
J. W. Tompkins  Leonard B. Howard  Homer Russell, (Deceased)
Wm. E. Van Buskirk  Fred. N. Moulton

WHAT IT HAS DONE.
Organized at Boston, Mass., June 23, 1877 with members....................9
Membership December 31, 1897..................................................195,105
Membership March 31, 1897.......................................................196,227
Councils, 1,793. Grand Councils..............................................22
Benefits paid in 1897.................................................................$5,210,822.80
Benefits paid in 1898 to March 31..............................................$1,394,134.14
Assessment No. 1 realized.........................................................$45,308,179.42
Assessment No. 256 laid February 1, 1898, realized over.............$319,000.00
Average assessment per member in 1897...................................$1.64
Number of Assessments in 20 ½ years......................................253
Highest number in any one year................................................17
Average age of members, years.................................................40
Death Rate in 1897, per 1,000....................................................9.43
Ex. to benefits paid in 1897......................................................2 1-4 per cent.
Expense per member, 1897.........................................................$0.62
Expense per capita, 1897, per $1,000.........................................$0.21
Net increase in members, 1897................................................4,844
Initiated in 1897...........................................................................12,880

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN
1. – The man who does not belong to a great brotherhood is not in accord with the spirit of the age.
2. – Every man needs protection for his family in case of sudden death.
3. – The Royal Arcanum offers the opportunity to unite with a Grand Brotherhood, and supply the
   financial protection at the lowest possible cost.

COST TO JOIN

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47  2.96  
48  3.10  
49  3.26  
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51  3.80  
52  4.00  

3127. Facsimile of a Confederate Bill. [illustration]  

Papers incorporating the Saugerties club have been filed with the Secretary of State, and at a meeting of the Board of Directors, Saturday evening, Howard Gillespy was chosen president; B. Taylor Harris, vice-president; Charles Clum, secretary and Frank Russell, treasurer. The club starts off very propitiously with about forty members. The rooms in the Davis block will be handsomely furnished and will make a cozy club home.  

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3129. Page 31 of Convention Booklet  
Picture and Signature of Robt. A. Snyder  
Perhaps no man in the Town of Saugerties has more extensive business interest than Hon. Robert A. Snyder, a man who by 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
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

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 times later in his life, he occupied various positions on boats 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 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 Manufacturing Company, and is its largest stockholder. He is also President of the Saugerties Steamboat Company, having been elected to the office at the organization of the company in 1888. For ten years he has been President of the First National Bank of the 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 1879. He was chosen Postmaster of the Assembly in 1878. In 1884 he was elected Financial Clerk of the Assembly.

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 re-organized, and to-day is one of the finest appearing fire companies in the state, and the crack company of the Saugerties department. [illustration]

3130. Application for Membership in the L. A. W.

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Secretary, League of American Wheelman:

Dear Sir, Enclosed you will find $2.00 for initiation Fee and Dues in the League of American Wheelmen, for One Year next ensuing. I Hereby Certify that I am Eligible to Membership in the L. A. W. under the provisions of the Constitution, and I refer to the two League Members names hereon.

Name____________________________
Street or Box ______________________
City or Town ______________________
State __________________  Club _______________

Write plainly, autograph signature not required, printing preferred, or enclose personal card.
Send this application with two dollars (fees and dues) to Abbot Bassett Sec’y 540 Atlantic Ave., Boston, Mass. [card, white, with red and blue lettering and decoration] [illustration]

3131. The Veteran Firemen of Waltham. The “Watch City.” [illustration]

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3132. Page 32 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

Chas. G. Braxmer, Mfg. Jeweler, No. 10 Maiden Lane, New York. BADGES [stylized shooting star]

3133. Page 32 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

Cedar Grove Hotel – The house is elegantly furnished and is a Popular Summer Resort. First-Class Hotel Accommodations. Conveyance to meet guests at Saugerties boats, free of charge.
Good Livery Attached.  G. M. Connolly, Proprietor.  Malden-On-Hudson, N. Y.
P. O. Box 39.  [illustration]

3134. Page 32 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Fashionable Dress Making, at home or by the day, Terms Reasonable.  Miss Blanche J. Palmer, 55 Ulster Ave., Saugerties, N. Y.

3135. Page 32 of Convention Booklet
Companies Who are Expected To Participate in the Parade.
W. S. C. Wiley Hose Co., Catskill
Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., Po'keepsie
Niagara Steamer Co., Po'keepsie
Exempt Fire Association, N. Y. City
Centennial Hose Co., Peekskill
Relief H. & L. Co., Rhinebeck
Ormsbee Steamer Co., Tivoli
De Peyster H. & L. Co., Tivoli
Morton Steamer Co., Athens
H. W. Roger Hose Co., Hudson
Hoysradt Hose Co., Hudson
Lafayette Hose Co., Valatie
Philmont Hose Co., Philmont
Osgood Steamer Co., Troy
Cordts Hose Co., Kingston
Excelsior Hose Co., Kingston
Geo. H. Scott H. & L. Co., Coxsackie
Twaalfskill Hose Co., Kingston

3136. Page 32 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Hudson River Furniture Company, agents for Eclipse Wheels, $40 and $50.  Barnes’ White Flyers. $50.

3137. Page 32 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Go to JOSEPH C. WOLVEN, for a Good Shave and a Fine Hair Cut.  The Best Five and Ten Cent Cigars in Town, Also Confectionery.  Mellenville, Columbia County, N. Y.

3138. Democratic State Committee, Hoffman House, Borough of Manhattan, N. Y. City.
Frank Campbell, Chairman, John N. Carlisle, Secretary, John F. Gaynor, Treasurer, C. R. De Freest, Clerk, L. H. Wager, Sergeant-at-Arms.
Executive Committee, P. H. McCarren, Chairman, Perry Belmont, John W. Webber, John F. Carroll, John Whalen, Andrew C. Fields, Francis J. Molloy, C. N. Bulger, Sylvester S. Taylor, John J. Kennedy.
Ex-Officio.  Frank Campbell, John N. Carlisle, John F. Gaynor.
C. R. DeFreest, Thos. E. Benedict, Secretaries.  New York City, October 8, 1898.  [letterhead]

3139. Jas. B. Kilsheimer, Regent.  [illustration]
3140. Page 33 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

M. J. MADDEN, Wholesale Dealer and Direct Receiver of Bourbon, Rye and Wheat Whiskies, Importer of Fine Gins, Brandies and Cigars. The Oldest Liquor House in Ulster County, 26 Broadway, Co. Mill Street, Rondout, N. Y.

3141. Page 33 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

JAMES TELLER, Ex-Foreman of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. Manufacturer and Dealer in Heavy and Light Harness. Also Baum’s Horse and Stock Food. Porter Block, Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

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Companies Who are Expected To Participate in the Parade.

Star Hose Co., New Paltz
Ulster H. & L. Co., New Paltz
Leonard Steamer Co., Newburgh
Lawson Hose Co., Newburgh
Durkee Hose Co., Fort Edward
Rescue H. & L. Co., Athens
Two companies from Rensselaer
R. A. Snyder Hose Co., Saugerties
Washington H. & L. Co., Saugerties
Laflin Hose Co., Saugerties
Exempt Firemen’s Ass’n, Saugerties.

CHIEF ENGINEERS.

1871 – William C. Mitchel
1880-81-85 – B. M. Freligh

The above names were omitted from page 64.

3143. Page 33 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

Wm. Granger, Pres. The “Chief” Ale S. W. Granger, Treas.

GRANGER HUDSON CREAM

And Brewers of the Celebrated India pale, Burton, Porter, Stock, and other Fine Ales. Sold in Five Gallon Kegs for Families.

Recommended by Physicians for Family Use

New York Depot, 12th Avenue and 34th Street.

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Joseph W. Frankel. One of Saugerties’ rising young sons is Joseph W. Frankel, who 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 that 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 not only well known in Saugerties, but has a large circle of friends in the surrounding towns and cities. [illustration]

3145. E. P. Gleason, President of the Gleason & Bailey Manufacturing Company. [illustration]


3147. J. C. Ryan, With the Gleason & Bailey Manufacturing Company. [illustration]

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3148. Page 34 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Ohio’s Leading Brewery, Crowned Wherever Exhibited.

3149. Fire Commissioner Thomas W. Hough. [illustration]
3150. Ex-Chief Frank Cole, Ithaca. [illustration]
3151. James H. Haight, Chief of the Peekskill, N. Y., Fire Department. Re-elected for the fourth time. [illustration]

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3152. Page 35 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
1873-1896 SEAMON BROS. Furniture and Funeral Directors. The Oldest, The Most Reliable, Over Twenty Five Years at the Helm. Cor. Main, James and Jane Streets, Saugerties, N. Y. [line drawing of the building, illustration]

3153. Page 35 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Peter Barmann, Lager Beer, Ale & Porter, BREWERY, Bottling Establishment, Foot of Clinton Avenue, Kingston, N. Y. [illustration]

3154. Charles Higham, Chief Middletown, N. Y. Fire Department. [illustration]
3155. Daniel Schmitt, First Assistant Chief Middletown Fire Department. [illustration]
3156. E. A. Lorentz, Second Assistant Chief Middletown, N. Y., Fire Department. [illustration]

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3157. Page 36 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
PIANOS. E. WINTER, ORGANS
Kingston, N. Y.
Oldest and Largest House Along Hudson River.
Pianos to Rent. Pianos taken in Exchange.

3158. Page 36 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
S. M. Gray, jobber in GROCERIES and dealer in FLOUR, FEED AND GRAIN. Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

3159. Chief L. P. Webber, of Boston. [illustration]
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Dennis McLaughlin, First Assistant Foreman, John Lang, Foreman, J. W. Reinhard, Second Assistant Foreman.

Officers and Members of the
Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association.
Organized November 21, 1892.
Meetings the First Tuesday in Every Month in Fireman’s Hall.
Officers and Members for 1898.

John Lang, Foreman. Dennis McLaughlin, First Assistant Foreman
J. W. Reinhard, Second Assistant Foreman J. P. Russell, Secretary and Treasurer.

MEMBERS
S. J. Adams  J. H. Hardenburgh  F. L. Osterhoudt
Edgar Blackwell  Frank Hansen  John G. Palmer
Samuel Cohen  Edward Jernegan  Charles Quasse
Egbert Cooper  J. T. A. Jewett  Reuben Quick
John Dorian  Charles Koch  Wm. Stanley
J. Finger  Theodore Kistner  Philip Smith
Edson Finger  W. S. Manning  C. Whitaker
Wm. L. Finger  Philip Mattes  E. M. Wilbur
D. N. Finger  John McCormick  M. H. Wygant
Samuel Gilmore  James Merchant  F. A. Yerger
Herman Gleisner

HONORARY MEMBERS
T. J. Barritt  Ernest Hassinger  Alex. Lackey
C. E. Blackwell  Fred Hildebrandt  Ira Lewis
Robert Casey  John Humphrey  Charles Mulford
Mitchell Dawes  H. D. Laflin  James Williamson [illustration]

3163. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec 7, 1898. – Cigarmakers Elect Officers. – Saugerties Union, No. 84, Choose Officers for the Ensuing Year:
At a meeting of Saugerties Union, No. 43, held Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year; John G. Palmer, President; I. J. Potter, Vice-President; George Gordon, Financial and Corresponding Secretary; John Gilmore, Recording Secretary; Charles Yacke, Treasurer; Charles Anderson, Sergeant-at-Arms; Eugene Coon, John G. Palmer, Delegates to the trade and Labor Council.

3164. THE NEW YORK ICE CO.
2 Cortlandt Street,
{177 Washington St.
Factories {525 East 18th St.
{514 East 116th St. New York
Represented by James Gardner. [business card]
3165. A. W. Dolfini. [illustration]

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Officers of Washington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Saugerties, N. Y. 1898.
F. Grathwohl, First Assistant Foreman; Patrick Doyle, Second Assistant Foreman
William Tracy, Foreman; I. Lazarus, Treasurer, T. F. O’Dea, Ex-Foreman. [illustrations]

3167. Geo. E. Martin, with Consolidated Ice Co. Foot Franklin St. N. R. New York. [business card]

3168. John T. Meder. [illustration]

3169. C. W. Heartley, 766 South 20th Street, Newark, N. J. Representing The Norwich Pharmacal Co.,
Manufacturing Pharmacists, Norwich, New York. [business card]

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3170. Page 39 of Convention Booklet
WASHINGTON HOOK AND LADDER CO. No. 1.
Organized July 28, 1884.
Following are the Officers and Members for 1898.
Wm. Tracy, Foreman. Fred Grathwohl, First Assistant Foreman.
Patrick Doyle, Second Assistant Foreman. J. P. Sweeney, Secretary.
I. Lazarus, Treasurer. L. H. Kleeber, Wm. Mc Mullen, Trustees.

Charles Buckley  S. B. Lang  Eugene Peck
M. J. Barry     Edward Lawler  Frank Quick
Michael Clirkin  James Ledwith  Geo. B. Snyder
Herford Coon    Edgar Myer    Henry Schneider
F. F. Clausman  Charles McCormick  C. S. Slater
Edward De Nike  Edgar Morgan  John Scanlon
Joseph Frankel  John McLaughlin  Thomas Tuttle
George Gippert  Jacob Mullin  Wm. E. Wolven
D. G. Gail      T. F. O’Dea    Charles Whitaker
Fred Hildebrandt James O’Hara  John Weinand
Peter Kemble    George Peters

HONORARY MEMBERS
Wm. V. Burhans  Theodore Kistner  Albert Rowe
Herman Gleisner  Jacob Lange  R. D. Suderley
H. A. Hildebrandt Wm. Mattes  E. F. Walker

3171. Page 39 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
ZIEGLER’S CAFE, Partition Street, Saugerties – Wm. Ziegler, Prop.
Agent for Bartholomay Brewing Co’s Rochester Lager. Christian Moerlein Brewing Co., Cincinnati Lager
and C. H. Evans & Son’s Hudson Ales. [illustration]

3172. Chief J. W. Dickinson. [illustration]
3173. Pungent Paragraphs
A Family Tie – Twins.
Well Handled – The pump.
A Cultivated Ear – An ear of corn.
How to Grow Fat – Breed Hogs.
Quicksilver – The nimble sixpence. [sic]
Motto for the Married – Never despair.
The worst kind of Sipping – Gossiping
When is a woman like a gun – When she bangs.
A social glass which ladies are addicted – The Mirror.
There is on European city that is naughty, and it’s Nice.
Ghosts must come from no man’s land.

3174. When Was Christ Born?
Although December 25th is the date universally agreed upon throughout Christendom as the one upon which to commemorate the birth of the Savior, it seems certain that this is not the exact date of his birth. Indeed the actual date has never been fixed and it is impossible to arrive at any certain conclusion on the subject. There is difficulty in accepting the 25th of December as the correct date, December being the height of the rainy season in Judea, when neither flocks nor shepherds could have been at night in the fields of Bethlehem. The early fathers of the Christian church had their own troubles trying to fix the date, some holding it to be one time, others another. The first time Christmas was celebrated on December 25 was at Constantinople in A. D. 379. It was not until the middle of the fifth century that the 25th of December was generally observed by Christians as the day of the Nativity. The Armenians still celebrate on January 6th, Epiphany and Christmas.

3175. Clarence W. Seamans, Manufacturer Remington Typewriters. [Illustration]

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3176. Page 40 of Convention Booklet
Alfred P. Lasher
Among those who have been 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 Co., 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.
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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. [illustration]

3177. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 17, 1898. –DIED.
DAVISON – At Glenerie, Dec. 16th, George P. Davison, superintendent of the Ulster White Lead Co. at Glenerie.
Funeral services from his late residence at Glenerie Monday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Interment in the family plat, Wiltwyck cemetery, Kingston.

3178. Death of George P. Davison.
The community was shocked this morning to learn that George P. Davison, Superintendent of the White Lead Co. at Glenerie had died the night before after a brief illness. Mr. Davison for many years successfully conducted the above works, taking charge shortly after the death of the late Cornelius Battelle, and has resided for many years at the place where he died. When the White Lead Co. was gobbled up by the Lead Trust, the works were dismantled and Mr. Davison was left in charge of the property. He was a genial companion and a good citizen and there are those besides his immediate family circle who will mourn his departure.

3179. Grand Excursion To Poughkeepsie Boat Race, by steamer Herman Livingston, Friday, June 26, 1896, at 12:30. Tickets One Dollar. William Smedberg. [ticket, red, black lettering] [illustration]

At the annual meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of the Evangelical German Lutheran Church, held Wednesday evening, Jan. 4th, at the residence of Mrs. Joseph W. Reinhard, on Jane street, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Oscar Krauch, President; Mrs. Herman Gleisner, Vice-President; Mrs. John Dietrich, Secretary; Mrs. Andrew Jacobs, Treasurer. The next regular meeting will be held at the parsonage.

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3181. Page 41 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Established 1888 - S. WEINER’S SON. I. N. Weiner, Direct Receiver of Bourbon and Rye Whiskies, Importer and Wholesale Dealer in Wines, Liquors and Cigars. 12-14 Hasbrouck Avenue, Rondout, N. Y.

3182. Page 41 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Only the Very Best for Every Guest. Newly Furnished Throughout. THE SAULPAUGH (Formerly The Windsor.) Albert Saulpaugh, Prop. and Manager, Main and Brownson Streets, Catskill, N. Y.

3183. Page 41 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
THIS PROGRAMME was printed by The Saugerties Post, Ronk & Wood, Props. JOB WORK OF ALL KINDS.

3184. Page 41 of Convention Booklet
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE ESOPUS BATHING CLUB OF 1898.
William G. Sickles, President; William Liddle, Vice-President; William Ziegler, Secretary and Treasurer. Byron Hallenbeck, Robert Ballman, F. A. Yerger, Trustees.

3185. Page 41 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3186. Page 41 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

The private parlor of the Exchange Hotel was transformed into a bridal parlor Sunday afternoon and a wedding was solemnized there, the parties being James P. Welsh, of Kingston, and Mary L. McLaughlin, of Catskill. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas Cole, rector of Trinity church. The bridesmaid was Miss Daisy M. Archer, of Catskill, and M. J. Maher, of the same place was groomsman. A wedding dinner was enjoyed at the hotel and the couple left amid showers of rice for Catskill about five o’clock.

The funeral of the late John F. Bruckner took place from the German Lutheran Church yesterday afternoon, and was very largely attended. Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows escorted the remains from the residence to the church, and from thence to the Main street cemetery, where the Odd Fellows’ ritual for the burial of the dead was briefly given, owing to the intense coldness of the weather. Henry A. Ohley officiated as chaplain. The funeral services at the church were of a very solemn and impressive character, and were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Oscar Krauch. The pall bearers were all selected from among the Odd Fellows, and were as follows: Stephen F. Barker, Harvey Snyder, Charles Miller, Morris M. Schoenfeld, Elisha C. Paradise, William Chidester, John Lange, Sr., and William H. Tenbroeck.

3189. Grand Opening Ball ~ Yourself and Ladies are respectfully invited to attend the Grand Opening to be given by the J. W. de Peyster Hook & Ladder Co., No. 1 at the new Watts de Peyster Firemen’s Hall, at Tivoli, N. Y., on Thursday Evening, December 29th, 1898. Music by Bayer’s Orchestra of Pokeepsie. Tickets including dancing and supper, $1.25. Executive Committee – Fred Frayer, Frank Price, Edward Sturges, Jr. Floor Committee – Claud Potts, Howard Feroe, George C. Feroe. [ticket, white, black lettering. Firemen’s decorations, hat, crossed ladders, lantern, etc., in aqua] [illustration]
3193. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
William Mould, Monuments, Saugerties, N. Y.

3194. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Buy Your Watches, Clocks and Jewelry at the KEMBLE JEWELRY STORE, and News Depot. Repairing at Cut Rates.

3195. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
William Merchant, manufacturer of FINE CIGARS, and agent for Weston’s Steam Laundry.

3196. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
FOR A GOOD SHAVE AND HAIR CUT AND THE BEST 5 AND 10 CENT CIGARS GO TO J. W. REINHARD’S, No. 130 Partition St., Saugerties.

3197. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
S. SAVAGE, Hand-Made Footwear, Repairing Carefully attended to. 90 Partition Street.

3198. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Brass and String Music, For All Occasions, CHAS. SICKLES, Saugerties, N. Y.

3199. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
James Merchant, Wholesale Dealer in CIGARS TOBACCO, PIPES, 184 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3200. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Chas. F. Hentshel, Merchant Tailor, And Repair Shop, Prompt Service, Good Work, Low Prices. 16 Jane St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3201. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
HERMAN GLEISNER, Carriages, Wagons and Sleighs. Repairing a Specialty.

3202. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
E. L. Cooper, Photographer, Porter Block, The Only Ground Floor Studio, Saugerties, N. Y.

3203. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Charles E. Hamlin, Dealer in all kinds of Oil, Gasoline, and Star Floor Oil. Jane Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3204. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. A. POST, Carpenter and Builder, Jobbing a Specialty. 170 Main Street.

3205. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
P. Mattes, The Barber, 105 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3206. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Chas. Lusk, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in CIGARS, TOBACCO, PIPES, ETC. 115 Partition Street, Saugerties, New York.
3207. Page 42 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Miss Maggie Wood, Headquarters for Fine Millinery, 192 Main St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3208. Not Transferable - Mr. Ernest Hassinger and wife - You are respectfully invited to attend the Fifth Annual Masquerade Ball of the Deutscher Unterstuetzungs Verzein, Nelida Theatre, Thursday Even’g, Feb. 2, 1899, past experience guarantees this will be the most attractive and successful event of the year. Music by Prof. Ernst’s Orchestra. Committee – John Rohwedder, F. A. Stahl, John C. Bordt, Wm. Kruger, Henry Hansen, John Golterman, Ernest Peloke, August X. Franz, Henry Schmidt.

3209. NOTICE.
A Costumer from New York will be in attendance for those who desire to hire costumes. Prices of Costumes, $1, $2, $3, and $4.
Carriages will be furnished free of charge
Carriages will not go out of the corporation.
Orders for carriages must be given to F. A. Stahl, E. Mink, J. Golterman, or A. X. Franz before 12 M.
Parties ordering must be ready at time specified.
Grand March at nine o’clock.
No one will be allowed on the lower floor unmasked.
No one will be allowed on the lower floor without dancing tickets.
Gallery Tickets 25 cents.
Special lady’s dancing ticket 35 cents.
Dancing ticket for lady and gentleman $1.00.
Supper will be furnished on the stage.
Tickets on sale at Klepser’s Bakery, Frank Knoll’s, F. A. Stahl’s, E. Mink’s, A. X. Franz’s, John Golterman’s and of any member of the committee.
Invitations must be presented at the Theatre door.
[A part of the above invitation.]

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3210. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
R. S. GIBSON, Grocer, East Bridge Street, near Ferry, Saugerties, NY. Straight Goods and Straight Dealing.

3211. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
FRANK ROWE, dealer in Beef, Veal, Lamb, Pork, Smoked and Salted Meats, Poultry and Game, Butter and Eggs. Cor. Main and Partition Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.

3212. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
RUFUS CARLE, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Flour, Feed, Groceries and Provisions. The Best of Screened Coal. Mt. Marion, N. Y.

3213. Page 43 of Convention Booklet
PROGRAM
Wednesday, June 22nd. Parade at 10:30 A. M.
ASSOCIATION PRIZE DRILL AT 1:30 P. M.
$100 to First. $50 to Second. Three Drill Companies to enter.
ASSOCIATION HOSE RACE AT 2:30 P. M.
$50 to First. $25 to Second. Three companies to enter.
ASSOCIATION HAND ENGINE CONTEST AT 3:30 P. M.
SPECIAL PRIZES
Open to all Visiting Companies taking Part in the Grand Parade on Wednesday June 22.
A $40 handsome Silk American Flag to each of the Three Finest Appearing Companies in line.
A $40 handsome Silk American Flag to the Company having the largest number of Uniformed Men in line.
A $40 handsome Silk American Flag to the company having the Handsomest Hose Carriage in the line.
A $40 handsome Silk American Flag to the company having the Handsomest Hook and Ladder Truck in line.
A $40 handsome Silk American Flag to the Finest Appearing Company of Exempts in line.
Other Special Prizes will also be given.
Saugerties Companies barred from all prizes.
Association Rules to govern all Contests.

3214. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A Big Revival in Business in 1898.
We are in the Swim with a NEW LINE OF GROCERIES. Complete Line of Salt and Smoked Meats.

3215. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
S. B. Lang, Dealer in Wines, Liquors, Ales, Foster Beer and Cigars,
Retail, at Wholesale Prices, Orders Received by Mail. Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

3216. Page 43 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
DANIEL LAMB, Hardware, Tinware, Stoves. Agricultural implements, Saugerties, N. Y.

3217. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec 17, 1898. – I. O. O. F.
Thomas Wildey Encampment No. 39, Elects Officers for the Ensuing Term.
The following officers were elected for the ensuing term in Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39.
I. O. O. F. on Friday evening, Dec. 16th: James H. Hommel, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest;
Stephen F. Barker, Senior Warden; Robert Espey, Junior Warden; Robert Webber, Scribe; Ezra Carnright;
Financial Scribe; Henry A. Ohley, Treasurer; John Lang, Sr., Ernest Hassinger, Ernest Myer, Trustees;
Chas. H. Vedder, Representative to Grand Encampment; Ernest Myer, Proxy Representative.
The officers elect will be installed into their respective offices by District Deputy Grand Patriarch Ernest
Myer on Friday evening, Jan. 6, 1899.

3218. Picture, canoe in foreground, Diamond Head, Oahu, Hawaii in the distance. [illustration]

3219. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 19, 1899. – Tested the Hose.
Snyder Hose Co. tested the fire hose in their possession Tuesday afternoon on Washington avenue using
the new nozzle purchased by chief Hassinger last year. All the hose was found to be in excellent
condition and the nozzle, which is a combination one, throwing either a spray or a solid stream at the
option of the pipeman, gave the best of satisfaction.
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3221. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
VAN BUSKIRK BROS., Wholesale and Retail Druggists, corner of Main and Partition Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.
[illustration]

3222. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Frederick Yahncke, General Carting and Trucking, 55 Livingston St.

3223. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
CLARE FINNEGAN, dealer in Tobacco, Cigars Confectionery and Stationery. McCarthy St., Saugerties, N. Y. Agent for Middleton’s Silver Teas, Coffee, Baking-Powder.

3224. Page 44 of Convention Booklet
LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS OF THE HUDSON VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN’S ASSOCIATION.
Citizens’ Hose, Catskill
A. M. Osborn Hose, Catskill
F. N. Wilson Fire, Catskill
Wiley Hose, Catskill
Veteran Firemen’s Assoc’t’n, Catskill.
Mackawomuc Engine, Athens
Rescue Hook & Ladder, Athens.
G. H. Scott Hook & Ladder, Coxsackie
D. W. Morgan Hose, Coxsackie
Coxsackie Hose, Coxsackie
Hamilton Steamer, Coxsackie.
Cornell Hose, Kingston
Clinton Hose, Kingston
Excelsior Hose, Kingston
Exempt Firemen’s Assoc’t’n, Kingston
Rescue Hook & Ladder, Kingston
Rapid Hose, Kingston
Twaalfskill Hose, Kingston
Wiltwyck Hose, Kingston
Webber Hose, Kingston
Weiner Hose, Kingston.
Laflin Hose, Saugerties
Exempt Firemen’s Asso’t’n, Saugerties
Snyder Hose, Saugerties
Washington Hook & Ladder, Saugerties.
Star Hose, New Paltz
Ulster Hook & Ladder, New Paltz.

3225. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
JOHN LANG, Practical Horse Shoer and General Blacksmithing, 170 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3226. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
L. P. HAGADORN, General Machinist. Repairing of all kinds promptly attended to. BOILERS and ENGINES Bicycles, Guns, Lawn Mowers and Saws a specialty. Shop Entrance on Post Street. Saugerties, N. Y.
3227. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Get Acquainted With Us. We want you to become better acquainted with us; our methods of doing business; we want you to see what we have to sell. We assure you that you will be given a very cordial welcome. We often have two or three varieties of an article, and there is more satisfaction if you know exactly what you are getting. Come in person to-day, to-morrow – any day, and give us your order.
MYRON BEDELL, Groceries and Crockery, 186 Main Street. Free Delivery;

3228. Page 44 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
FANCY GOODS AND TOYS, Mrs. E. Jernegan, 188 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y., Largest and Finest Selection of Toys in town. Games, Dolls, Doll Carriages, Express Wagons, &c.


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3231. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3232. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Go To SWART BROS., for your Choice Groceries Provisions and Highest Quality of Canned Goods, Saugerties, N. Y.

3233. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
JOHN ZIMMER, Fancy Groceries, Candies and Segars, Cor. McCarthy and Dock Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.

3234. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
MRS. WILLIAM H. ECKERT, Millinery, No. 190 Main St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3235. Page 45 of Convention Booklet
LIST OF ORGANIZATIONS OF THE HUDSON VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN’S ASSOCIATION.
Edmonds Hose, Hudson.
Evans Hook and Ladder, Hudson.
Exempt Firemen’s Association, Hudson.
Hoysradt Hose, Hudson.
Phoenix Hose, Hudson.
Rogers Hose, Hudson.
Washington Hose, Hudson.
LaFayette Hose, Valatie.
LaFayette Engine, Valatie.
James Purcell Hose, Valatie.
Palmer Steamer and Hose, Kinderhook.
Fire Department Ass’n, Newburgh.
Leonard Steamer, Newburgh.
Lawson Hose, Newburgh.
Morton Steamer Co., Athens.
Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., Po’keepsie.
Young American Hose, Po’keepsie.
Cortland Hook and Ladder, Peekskill.
Relief Hook and Ladder, Rhinebeck.
Columbia Hose, Peekskill.
Columbia Engine Company, Peekskill.

3236. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. H. Knaust, FLORIST. Vegetable Plants of all Kinds in the Season, Bridge Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3237. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
H. A. HILDEBRANDT, Hardware, Tinware and ANDES Stoves and Ranges. Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3238. Page 45 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
SEBASTIAN KLEEBER, Centerville Hotel, Fine Wines, Liquors and Segars.

3239. V. M. C. ROYAL ARCANUM 1105
LELAND OPERA HOUSE Matinee Tuesday April twenty-fifth (2 p. m.) Ladies’ Ticket. [ticket, white, black lettering]

3240. Thomas Timmons, Peekskill Steam Laundry, Peekskill, N. Y. [business card]

3241. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, N. Y. March 1, 1899. – At Hassinger’s Cigar Store. What is said to be the second largest and handsomest collection of firemanic badges and souvenirs in the State, is on exhibition at ex-chief engineer Hassinger’s cigar store on Partition street. The walls are literally covered with badges, buttons, photographs of prominent firemen at home and abroad, etc., and the whole collection is handsomely framed and tastefully arranged. Mr. Hassinger has been many years gathering them together, and to say he is justly proud of them is drawing it rather mildly. Among them is a frame containing the portraits of all of the ex-chief engineers of the Saugerties fire department, living and dead.

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3242. Page 46 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Runnymede Club Whisky is bottled in bond under direct supervision of the United States Government, guaranteeing the age and absolute purity of each and every bottle of this product as certified by the stamp. Makes adulteration impossible. It is obtainable where the best whiskies are sold. If not at your dealer’s notify us and we will tell you where to get it. R. F. BALKE & Co. Distillers and Bottlers in Bond. Louisville, Ky. USA.

3243. Page 46 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
WE ARE SOLE MANUFACTURERS of the Celebrated High Grade Brands of Seamless Cotton, Mildew Proof, Rubber Lined Fire Hose, EUREKA, a triple hose, PARAGON, a double hose, RED CROSS, single hose.
Also manufactures of “CARBOLIZED RUBBER FIRE HOSE.” Prices and Samples on Application. Eureka Fire Hose Co., 13 Barclay Street, New York.

3244. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, N. Y., April 19, 1899.
If you enjoy Smoking a Good Cigar, one that is made of the best tobacco, you should try our “Bouquet De Havana: 10 ¢.
“Silver Lace “5 ¢.
“Pearl Beauty” 5 ¢.
or “Our Pet” 5 ¢.
A full line of TOBACCO & Smokers’ Articles
Give me a call. Ernest Hassinger, Brede Building, 124 Partition Street.

3245. V. M. C. Royal Arcanum, Albany, N. Y. 1399
Reception to the Grand Council of the State of New York
at Odd Fellows Hall, Tuesday Evening, April twenty-fifth. Reception from nine to ten P. M.
Dancing from ten to one. Admit Bearer and Ladies. [invitation]

3246. Odd Fellowship – The Ulster District in a Flourishing Condition – Three Saugerties Lodges are Included in It.
The following statistics obtained from District Deputy Grand Master W. I. Staples gives in detail much valuable information of interest to members of the Order. The figures are taken from the last semi-annual report of the several lodges of the district of which the three Saugerties Lodges show satisfactory results.

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3247. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Moerlein’s Celebrated Cincinnati Lager on Draught and all the leading brands of Wines, Liquors and Segars . F. Wm. TEPE’S .

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3248. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Come boys, it is time now
We all had a drink.
But where can we get it?
The best, let me think:
Oh, I know a place, its on
Main street and James.
The proprietor is Harry
And he has earned fame
For selling good liquor
That’s way above par
With all that is beautiful,
Beer and Segars
Barrett Building, opposite post office.
Ales, Wines, Liquors and Segars  HARRY THOMAS, Prop.
N. B.  Liquors Retailed at Wholesale Prices.

3249. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Hello! Hello! “Where do you get you Groceries, Flour and Feed? We get ours of BROWN & POST. Fine

3250. Page 47 of Convention Booklet
   ATTORNEYS.
   Peter Cantine, Office Russell Block.
   Charles Davis, Office Davis Block.
   M. F. Kenney, Office over Corner Drug Store.
   F. J. Durgan, Office Brede Building, Partition Street.
   C. Whitaker, Office Whittaker Building, Main Street.
   Benj. M. Coon, Office Russell Block.
   Egbert Whittaker, Office Whittaker Building.

3251. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
   Central Hotel, PETER HENNEGAN, Prop., 127 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3252. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
   HOWARD & VALKENBURGH, Carpenters and Builders.  Residence: 49 Ulster Ave., Saugerties. Estimates
   furnished for all kinds of Carpenter Work. Jobbing Promptly Attended to.

3253. Page 47 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
   M. J. COHEN, Hotel Sunnyside, Kingston, N. Y.

   Ernest Hassinger has received from Otto Huber, of New York, a large number of pretty badges to add to
   his handsome collection. Mr. Huber is a member of the Franz Schubert Singing Society, which picnicked
   at Schoentag’s Labor Day. Among the collection is a primer from the big gun on the cruiser New York.
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The Glasco Cornet Band went to Stuyvesant this noon on a steam yacht to celebrate Jimmy Williamson’s birthday at that place. The yacht landed at the Saugerties Long Dock and took Ernest Hassinger and Henry A. Ohley, two of Saugerties’ ex-chief-engineers along with them.

3256. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 29, 1899. – Chief Haight’s Photograph.
Ernest Hassinger received this morning a photograph of Chief Engineer James A. Haight, of the Peekskill fire department showing the chief in full uniform. It will be placed in Mr. Hassinger’s gallery of photos which contains pictures of the leading firemen of the state.

Thing & Co.’s contest for the most popular fireman in the city of Kingston as shown by the number of papers containing coupons bought by the contestants and their admiring friends ended Saturday. LaRue Weber winning with 39,216 votes to 21,764 for Col. C. V. Hester and 17,825 for Irving L. Nestell, the nearest competition. Thousands of papers printed specially for the occasion, were sold toward the close of the contest.

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H. D. LAFLIN HOSE COMPANY NO. 2.

H. D. Laflin, Captain. William J. Gordon, Foreman.
Harry Stewart, First Assistant Foreman. Thomas Bradley, Second Assistant Foreman.
J. E. McCormick, Secretary. C. Finnegan, Financial Secretary.
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Charles Derby     William Keenan  John Rovegno
Edward Dillon     George Lutz     M. F. Sexton
M. E. Donlon      Edward Lynk, Jr. Christopher Stauss
Frank J. Dale     Benjamin Lutz   Delwin Tompkins
Winslow Develin   Burton Lasher   William Yahncke

[illustration]

3259. Paul Kruger, Pres. of Transvall. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3260. Leo XIII Pope of Rome. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3261. Muzaffar Ed-Din, Shah of Persia. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3262. Leopold II, King of Belgium. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
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 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 at the Boston Latin School and at Pittsfield, 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. Afterward 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’s 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 the 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.

Warren St., New York
M. V.L. Mr. E. Hassinger, Chief Fire Dept. Feb. 9th ’99. [letterhead] [illustration]

3265. Gen. Alfaro, Pres. of Ecuador. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3267. Page 50 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
E. J. Lewis
F. T. Lewis
E. J. LEWIS AND BRO., Manufacturers of and Dealers in all Grades of
Fine Cigars, 87 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3268. Page 50 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
N. Van Steenberg, Job Printer and Stationer, also dealer in Cigars and Tobacco. Market St., Saugerties,
N. Y.

3269. Page 50 of Convention Booklet
RECORDS
March, 1828 – The Ulster Iron Mill here was put in operation and they were shut down June 28, 1884,
and were sold to Wm. R. Sheffield on July 6, 1886.
Oct., 1827 – The paper mill here was put in operation.
May 18, 1887 – The Saugerties Water Works Co. commenced to lay their pipe at the bridge and got it
laid and let the water in on Oct. 24, 1887.
Nov. 20, 1884 – Formal opening of the Casino Skating Ring of Saugerties on Elm street.
Nov. 10, 1884 – The Saugerties Driving Park was opened the first time to drive on.
June 22, 1885 – Dr. Carver Wild West show on Saugerties Driving Park.
June 16, 1886 – The steamer Herman Livingston commenced to run from Saugerties to Hudson.
Nov. 18, 1889 – The steamer City of Kingston left New York city. She went by the way of Cape Horn.
She arrived at Seattle February 19, 1890.
May 28, 1883 – The tow boat Caswell sank in the Saugerties creek near the ferry slip. She was raised
again May 30, 1883.
Sept. 28, 1886 – The steamer Saratoga ran on the flats near Tivoli.
July 18, 1887 – The Day Boat New York made her first trip for New York to Albany.
Aug 29, 1886 – The steamer Daniel Drew burned up at Kingston Point.
Aug 2, 1884 – The Day Boat Eagle of the Albany and Newburgh line, burned up near Milton.

3270. Page 50 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
CHARLES ZIEGLER Leader of the Quarryville Brass Band. This Band will furnish first-class Music at low
prices. Send for prices to Charles Ziegler, Quarryville, N. Y.

3271. Page 50 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
JAMES REYNOLDS, Crystal Lake House, Fine Wines, Liquors and Segars. East Bridge St., Saugerties, N. Y.

Jesse Moore, Hunt Co. Incorporated
Sole Proprietors Jesse Moore Whiskies. Established 1853, Consolidated 1896.
225 West Main Street, Louisville, KY.
Mr. Ernest Hassenger, Chief Fire Dept., Saugerties, N. Y. Jan. 27th 1899, Dear Sir: [letterhead]

The Exempt Firemen’s Association elected officers at their meeting Wednesday evening, as follows:
Philip C. Smith, foreman; Herman Gleisner, first asst.; Chas. Freder, second asst.; W. R. Freeligh, secretary;
D. N. Finger, treasurer; Wm. L. Finger delegate to State F. A.; John Lang, alternate; John H. Hardenberg,
delegate to H. R. V. F. A.; Charles Freder, alternate. Following the business, the Exempts repaired to Martin’s cafe, where they had refreshments, liquid and otherwise.

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3275. T. Chaffers, Carpenter and Builder, 178 South Eight Street, Removed to 244 Havemeyer St. near B’way. Bet. Driggs and Roebling St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Jobbing A Specialty. [The Removed ... sentence is ink stamped on the card]

3276. Humbert I., King of Italy. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3277. Victoria Queen of England. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

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3278. Page 52 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement] We Are Ready On a larger and grander scale than ever before, as a visit to our mammoth establishment will reveal. Novelties abound in every style and form of furniture known. Our prices the lowest. Furniture and Carpets Mantels and Parquet Floors Best Values, Always the cheapest, Exclusive The largest variety.
Designs, Finest Workmanship,
Latest Styles
We wAnt your tRade
Call and be convinced we are the Leading and Largest Up-To-Date House in the State.
STOCK & CORDTS
82-84-86 Broadway Electric Cars 43-45-47 Ann St.
Pass the Door.
 RONDOUT, N. Y. [illustration]

3279. Edouard Müller, Pres. of Switzerland. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

3280. Darbee & Clum, Successor to Donlon & Darbee, REAL ESTATE and INSURANCE P. O. Box 317, Saugerties, N. Y. Life, Fire, Marine, Accident and Casualty Insurance. Loans Secured. Tenants Found. Hudson River and Catskill Mountain Real Estate A Specialty. [illustration]

3281. Katahoin. [colored picture of a vessel, flying American Flag] [illustration]

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3283. Page 53 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3284. Page 53 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Dr. W. F. Holmes, DENTIST, 313 Wall St., Kingston.

3285. Page 53 of Convention Booklet
Martin Cantine, First Assistant Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department. [illustration]

3286. Page 53 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Wm. H. HOMMEL, JR., AUCTIONEER, Notary Public, Real Estate and Insurance Agent. Residence 251 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3287. Page 53 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
GEO. MADDEN & Co. Sole Agent for Ehret’s Extra Lager Beer. And the Chief Ale, Granger Hudson Cream. 9-11 Cornell St., Kingston, N. Y.

3288. Page 53 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
G. M. BRINK, Call for G. M. Brink’s SEGARS, 275 Fair Street, Kingston.

3289. Dr. W. F. Holmes, Dentist, 23 Wall St., Kingston, N. Y. [business card]

3290. Portifirio Diaz, Pres. of Mexico. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3291. Mutchhito, Mikado of Japan. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3292. George I., King of Greece. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

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CONFIDENCE LODGE NO. 51, I. O. O. F.
Instituted at Saugerties, N. Y., on March 13, 1849.
Meets Every Monday Evening in Whittaker Hall, Main Street, Saugerties
Following are the officers and members of 1898.

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3294. Christian IX, King of Denmark. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3295. Tsaitien, Emperor of Chins. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]
3296. Dr. Campos, Pres. of Brazil. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

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3297. Oscar II, King of Sweden and Norway. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

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3298. Page 55 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
MANSION HOUSE  John E. Lasher, Proprietor.
Broadway and Strand. Rondout, City of Kingston, N. Y.
The Leading Hotel in the City.

3299. Page 55 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Valley Farm AERATED Bottled Milk and Cream  THOROUGHBRED HOLSTEIN CATTLE  Cheshire Swine~
Plymouth Rock Fowls  Frank Pidgeon, Proprietor.

3300. Page 55 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Allen and Montgomery Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.

3301. Page 55 of Convention Booklet
RECORDS
Aug. 1 1893 – The Kingston City electric cars commenced to run the first time and on December 7, 1894,
the Colonial City ran their first car.
April 30, 1874 – Joseph Waltz killed his keeper, Charles Ernst in the Catskill jail. Waltz was hanged May
1, 1874.
March 9, 1885 – The Irving Club of Saugerties was organized and was sold out at auction Dec. 31, 1894.
March 18, 1890 – Bismarck resigned as Chancellor of Germany.
April 17, 1860 – Heenan and Sayres fought 42 rounds in England and it was declared a draw. The police
broke in the ring.
Dec. 11, 1897 – Ending of the six days bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, New York. Miller, 2,093
miles, 4 laps; Rice 2,093 miles, 5 laps; Schinner, 2,000 miles, 7 laps.

3302. OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE OF THE H. V. V. F. A.
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Committee – Harry Hall, Catskill; John F. Tucker, Newburgh; Charles G. Coffin, Catskill.

3303. Page 55 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. W. Dolfini & Co., 140 Nassau St., New York
THE “MIDGET” SMOKE PROTECTOR
Best Respirator Ever manufactured.
Price complete with Goggles .... $3.50
THE NEW VENTILATED ALUMINUM HELMET. Lightest and Strongest Fire Hat Made. Weight 12 Oz, no
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FIRE AND POLICE STORM COATS, Absolutely waterproof.... $5.50
We handle anything and everything in the Fire Appliances, from Hats to Apparatus.
Write for circulars. [illustration]

3304. Page 55 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Wm. E. KIPP, Saugerties, N. Y. Stable Supplies, Harness, Whips Etc., 5A Horse Blankets.
Repairing Neatly Done.

3305. Firemen’s Convention, Yonkers, Thursday August 17, 1899.
Grand Tournament Empire City Track, Contest Begins at 10 A. M. Delegate’s Ticket. [ticket, pink, black lettering]

3306. Firemen’s Convention, Yonkers, 1899
TO THE DELEGATES,
We enclose three tickets which we hope you will use personally. We trust that no delegate will embarrass the committee by mislaying his tickets and using his badge as a passport.
No person will be admitted to any of the entertainments provide for the entertainment of the delegate without a ticket. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. [ticket, light brown, black lettering]

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3307. Page 56 of Convention Booklet
Edward Lynk, Jr., Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department, 1894. [illustration]
E. J. Lewis, Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department, 1895. [illustration]
Wm. V. Burhans, Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department, 1896. [illustration]
T. B. Belch, Ex-foreman of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, No. 1. [illustration]
Louis Yerger, Chief Engineer of the Saugerties Fire Department, 1872-1877. [illustration]
F. D. Wygant, Ex-Vice president of the R. A. Snyder Hose Company, No. 1. [illustration]

3308. Firemen’s Convention, Yonkers, 1899. Tuesday August 15, Entertainment, Music Hall, at 8 P. M. For Delegate’s Only. No ladies Admitted. Delegate’s Ticket, Not Transferable. Executive Committee, 1899. [ticket, red, black lettering]

3309. Firemen’s Convention, Yonkers, 1899, Outing Iron Steamboat, Wednesday, August 16, 1 P. M. Leave Peene’s Wharf, North Beach. Executive Committee, 1899.

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3310. Page 57 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Interest Commences the First of Every Month.

3311. Page 57 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Saugerties and Hudson WINAN’S Passenger and Freight Line Time Table of the Steamer HERMAN LIVINGSTON.

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THE SUNDAY TIME will be the same as week days, except on the first Sunday of each month when the boats will not make the morning trip. Boat To Let for Moonlight Excursions.

3312. Page 57 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Headquarters FOR FIRE HATS AND SUPPLIES. The lightest weight Hat for Parade use in existence, new cloth top; Parade Belts, Fatigue Caps, Duty Hats, Shirts, Etc. Exempt Fire Certificates. Send for Catalogue. ANDERSON & JONES 190 Grand Street, NEW YORK

3313. Page 57 of Convention Booklet
Saugerties Mænner Quartette, Officers and Members.
Theodore Kistner, President.
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Charles Quase, Secretary.
John Lang, Treasurer.
George U. Peters, Color Sergeant.
Herman Gleisner, Matre De Plaisier.

3314. Page 57 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3315. Page 57 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
R. B. Overbagh W. E. Simmons
SAUGERTIES PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Established 1893 as a Union Free School District, by the consolidation of the Common School Districts, Nos. 10, 15 and 21. Chartered by the Regents of the University of the State of New York in 1896 as SAUGERTIES HIGH SCHOOL
Board of Education.
Louis J. Butzel, Peter Canner, Martin Cantine, T. B. Cornwell, W. I. Barbee, John C. Davis, S. M. Gray, A. P. Lasher, E. J. Lewis.
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RATES OF TUITION
Grades 1, 2, and 3, $12 per year. Grades 4 and 5, $18 per year. Grades 6 and 7, $24 per year. Grade 8, $27 per year. High School, $30 per year.
The people of the Village of Saugerties 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 are now continuing their studies further at college. In June, 1898, the second class will be graduated. This class contains two young men and six young ladies. Of this class, at least four expect to enter college in September next, and two to enter 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 or college preparatory education.
The schools are well equipped with all necessary working apparatus and each is provided with a library for supplementary 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 complete 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.
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3322. Wilhelmina, Queen of Holland. [colored picture inside oval with flag of country] [illustration]

3323. Mid-Winter Fair, of the GLASCO CORNET BAND to be held at Band Rooms, Glasco, N. Y. Feb 28, March 1, 2, ’98. Door Prize a Beautiful Rocking Chair. Admission 10 cents. Ticket No. 569. [ticket white, black lettering] [illustration]

3324. “The Adventures of Lady Ursula.” Kingston Opera House, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 8 and 9 - For the benefit of the Kingston City Library. Tickets $1.00 No. 963, This ticket can be exchanged at the box office for Reserved Seat. [ticket, orange, black lettering]

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3325. Page 59 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
B. Taylor Harris, President
ULSTER BLUE STONE COMPANY, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
North River and Pennsylvania Blue Stone
280 Broadway, (Stewart Building) New York
Quarries and Works at Malden, N. Y.

3326. Page 59 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Imperial Cafe, 196 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y. Meals Served at All Hours. Finger & Mann, Proprietors.

3327. Page 59 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
JOHN TAYLOR, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Fish, Oysters and Clams
Fruit, Vegetables, Etc. 37 Partition St.

3328. Page 59 of Convention Booklet
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
of the
Saugerties Bicycle Club.
Ernest Myer, President
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Edward Snyder, First Lieutenant.
H. S. Brownson, Second Lieutenant.
John Hallenbeck, Color Bearer.
A. Van Steenburgh, Bugler.

3329. Page 59 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Dr. Wygant, DENTIST Main St., Saugerties, N. Y.
TEETH EXTRACTED and Filled absolutely without pain.
GAS, VITALIZED AIR, and Local Application to Gum for Painless Extraction.
GOLD CROWNS and Bridge Work a Specialty.
ALL WORK GUARANTEED
OFFICE Over Overbaugh’s Shoe Store.

3330. Page 59 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
ATTENTION FIREMEN! Cafe and Wine Room. Board by the day or week.
Feigenspan’s Ale and Lager. John Sinnott, Prop., Cor. Partition and McCarthy Sts., Saugerties.

3331. Democratic State Convention Saratoga Springs, Tuesday Sept. 11th, 1900 11 o’clock A. M.
Admit the bearer. John N. Carlisle, Secretary, Frank Campbell, Chairman Democratic State Committee.
KEEP THIS TICKET it reserves seat Section F. A- 2 for you during the convention. ALTERNATE.
[Ticket, red, black lettering]

3332. GRAND EUCHRE benefit of The Catholic Church at Walter’s Hotel, Cairo, N. Y. Saturday Evening,
August 25, 1900. Tickets 50 cents. [ticket, light gray, black lettering]

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3333. Page 60 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Gay’s Commercial Hotel, Corner of Main and church Streets, Catskill, N. Y.
Headquarters for all Western Stages. Electric Bell, Local and Long Distance Telephone
Celebrated Peil Beer on Draught. $2.00 per Day, GAY BROS. Proprietors. [illustration]

3334. Page 60 of Convention Booklet
Thomas Wildey Encampment No. 39, I. O. O. F.
Was Instituted at Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., March 27, 1868
Following are the Officers and Members of 1898
C. H. Vedder, Chief Patriarch, James Smith, Jr., High Priest, Jas. H. Hommel, Senior Warden
Ernest Myer, Representative, John Lang, Ernest Hassinger, Ernest Myer, Trustees.

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3335. First Annual Ball, of the Saugerties Basketball Team, St. Mary’s Hall, Wednesday Evening, October 24, 1900. Admission 50¢ per couple. Extra Ladies, 15¢
Committee of Arrangements: Harry Brown, Stephen Dickhout, Edward Phillips, Chas. Davis. [illustration]
3336. Thirtieth Anniversary of United German Lodge No. 303, I. O. O. F. will be held at Washington Hall, Wednesday Ev’g, January 18, 1901. Music by Brown’s Orchestra. Tickets, admitting ladies and gentleman, 25 cents.

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3337. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
J. K. Merritt. A Large Store, big assortments, good dry goods and low prices, by close application to business and hard work we go ahead. We solicit your patronage, J. K MERRITT.

3338. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
DOYLE’S Baggage Express Connects with Boats Daily. Carting and Trucking of all Kinds. Special Attention paid to Moving Furniture, Safes, Pianos, etc.
Telephone Call 22-2
Office 98 Partition Street. Saugerties, N. Y. Wm. Doyle, Proprietor.

3339. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
H. T. Keeney, General Insurance Agent. Saugerties N. Y.

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RECORDS

The first steamboat that came in the Saugerties creek was the C. Vanderbilt in 1837. April 7, 1845 – The steamer Swallow struck a rock near Athens and sank. Over one hundred lives were lost.
July 28, 1852 – The steamer Henry Clay burned up near Yonkers.
Sept. 4, 1852 – The steamer Reindeer blew up at the Malden dock.
1860 – The ferryboat Air Line commenced to run from Saugerties to Tivoli as a ferry.
Dec. 5, 1861 – The steamer Isaac Newton burned up.
June 8, 1894 – The steamer Berkshier burned up near Krum Elbow.
Oct. 3, 1866 - The steamer Evening Star sank at 6 a. m. 259 lives were lost and 24 were saved.
Dec. 1, 1875 – The steamer Sunny Side sank at Hyde Park, 11 lives were lost.
July 14, 1882 – The steam yacht Yosemite ran into the steamer C. Vanderbilt and cut her in two near the Rondout light house.

3341. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Clinton House. During the Convention stop in and see the proprietor of the Clinton House, where you will find choice ... Ales, Wines, Liquors and Cigars, always on hand. DENNIS McLAUGHLIN, Proprietor. McCarthy Street, Opp. West Bridge.

3342. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
... A Self-Made Man...
You may be, but you are an OLD STYLE MAN unless you have your Linen laundered in modern Steam Laundry Style and Finish. You get the best at the Saugerties Steam Laundry. A. J. Shear, Proprietor.

3343. Page 61 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
A. L. DECKER, CAFE 107 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.
3344. Julius V. Burgevin. [Illustration]

3345. Circle Des Étrangers De Monaco, No. 198. M Copper, Egbert & 2 filles. [Circular with hole on the left side, greenish white with black lettering] [Illustration]

3346. League of American Wheelmen, 1899-1900
Ernest Hassinger Saugerties, N. Y. No. 132724, June 10 Abbot Fassett, Secretary. [Membership card]

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3347. Page 62 of Convention Booklet. [Advertisement]
If you want to be sure that you are smoking a clean cigar not made in filthy tenement house or State Prison shops or Chinese, see that this Label is on the box. Union-made Cigars. THIS LABEL is a LIGHT BLUE COLOR, and is ON THE FRONT OF THE BOX. SMOKE ONLY UNION BLUE LABEL CIGARS. [Illustration]

3348. Page 62 of Convention Booklet. [Advertisement]
First National Bank, Saugerties, N. Y.
Capital,  $200,000
Surplus and Profits,  48,000
OFFICERS
Robert A. Snyder, Pres.
   James T. Maxwell, Vice Pres.
   Wm. H. Eckert, Cashier.
   John A. Snyder, Teller.

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Wm. H. Eckert
Banking Hours, 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.
Saturdays, 9 to 12 a. m.

3349. Page 62 of Convention Booklet. [Advertisement]
M. J. BARRY, FLORIST, Ulster Conservatories, Saugerties, N. Y.

3350. Page 62 of Convention Booklet. [Advertisement]
Balance Woven, Largest Manufacturers of FIRE HOSE in the world. Patentees and Sole Manufacturers of WAX and GUM TREATED Fire Hose. [Illustration]

3352. Entertainment At Confidence Lodge Rooms, Wednesday, Feb 29th, Admission 25 cents. Complimentary. [ticket, green black lettering] [illustration]

3353. Page 63 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Seneca Falls Fire Apparatus Works.
RUMSEY & CO., (LIMITED) SENECA FALLS, N. Y.
Manufacturers of Hook and Ladder Trucks, Hose Wagons, Hose Carts.
Hose Carriages, Combination Hook and Ladder Trucks, and Chemical Engines. Hand Fire Engines. Combination Hose Wagons and Chemical Engines.
Water Works for Cities and Villages.
FIRE PUMPS for Mills and Factories. Hose and Fire Department Supplies. [illustration]

The Peekskill Democrat of Saturday, besides containing an extensive account of the firemanic doings in that town last week, contains excellent half tone pictures of Col. H. D. Laflin, Judge H. A. Ohley and ex-Chief Ernest Hassinger, of this village. Ohley was one of the judges of the special prizes at the tournament.

At the annual meeting of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., held Friday evening, Dec. 15th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Stephen F. Barker, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; Robert Espey, Senior Warden; John Seamon, Junior Warden; Robert Weber, Scribe; Ezra Carnright, Financial Scribe; H. A. Ohley, Treasurer; James Smith, Jr., Representative; Henry A. Ohley, Proxy; Ernest Myer, John Lang, Sr., E. Hassinger, Trustees.

Jonathan Deyo, president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association, has named the standing committees for the ensuing year as follows: Executive – H. D. Laflin, Saugerties; George H. Scott, Coxsackie; Irving L. Nestell, Kingston; Chas. L. MacArthur, Hudson; Fred S. Bieber, Poughkeepsie; Thomas Timmons, Peekskill. Auditing – Fred Stephan, Jr., Kingston; Edgar H. Davis, Hudson, Ernest Hassinger, Saugerties.

Everett Christian, step son of Mr. Ernest Hassinger, was given a surprise party on the arrival at his home Monday evening, the occasion being the anniversary of his fourteenth birthday. There was a number of his young companions gathered to greet him, and a merry time was the result. He was the recipient of a number of handsome presents at the hands of his friends.

3358. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
J. SMITH ELMENDORF, Confectionary, Ice Cream, Fruits and Nuts, 215 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y.
3359. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
J. HANSEN’S SON, Manufacturer and Dealer in Carriages and Sleighs, Buggy Tops, Sun Shades, Canopy Tops, Tricycles, BICYCLES, VELOCIPEDES, Toy Wagons Buckeye Hand Carts, Umbrellas and Harness, 38, 40 and 42 Livingston Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3360. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
Miss M. J. YOUNG, Dress Making, 61 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y.

3361. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
C. P. FRANKEL, Ladies’, Gents’ and Children’s Furnishings. Exclusive Agency for “Perfection” Shirtwaists and Wrappers. 103 Partition St.

3362. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

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1859       James Maines
1860       Joseph M. Boice
1861       Wm. R. Shultis
1862       William Hanna
1863-66-67 H. D. Laflin
1864       I. Rosapaugh
1865 –73-74-75-86-87-88 B. M. Freligh
1869       Wm. C. Mitchell
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1876       Jacob L. Williams
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1889       William Ziegler
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1895       E. J. Lewis
1896       Wm. V. Burhans
1897       Wm. V. McCormick
1898       Ernest Hassinger

3364. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
GEORGE E. YERGER, Practical Tailor and dealer in Cloths, Casimeres, Vestings, &c. Cutting, Cleaning and Repairing at reasonable prices. 37 Livingston Street, Saugerties, N. Y.
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3365. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
GEO. BURHANS, The Livingston Street BLACKSMITH, Established in 1822.

3366. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]

3367. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
G. DEDRICK, Metal Worker and Dealer in Stoves, Tinware, Hardware, &c., Cor. Partition and Post Sts., Saugerties, N. Y.

3368. Page 64 of Convention Booklet. [advertisement]
GEORGE McNALLY, General Contractor, Carpenter and Builder, shop and office 57 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y.

3369. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 13, 1900 – Christening of a Child
At the close of the services at the German Lutheran church, Sunday evening, Ernest Augustus Kehr, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Kehr, was christened. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger acted as sponsors. Rev. Mr. Krauch officiated.

3370. Third Annual Moonlight Excursion, North American Lodge, No. 115, Knights of Pythias, of Saugerties, to Poughkeepsie. Wednesday August 28 1901. Tickets 50 cents. [ticket, green, black lettering] [illustration]

3371. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 8, 1901. – Heat Caused His Death.
William H. Simmons, of the Glasco Ice Co., was overcome by the heat while riding on a trolley car at Clifton Park, N. J., last Friday afternoon and taken to a hospital, where he died shortly after. Mr. Simmons was 71 years old, and was favorably known here.

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3373. W. Holt Apgar, Supreme Regent. [line drawing, illustration]
3374. W. A. Griffith, Grand Regent. [illustration]
3375. Dr. Sanford Hanscom, Medical Examiner-in Chief. [illustration]

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3376. LOERZEL BROS., Sole Agents for PABST MALT
James Everard’s World’s Fair LAGERS AND ALES. Hotels and Families Supplied. [blue stock, cover of the convention booklet.]

3377. W. O. Robson, Supreme Secretary [illustration]
3378. J. Y. Bicknell, Grand Secretary. [illustration]
3379. Carriage of Wiltwyck Hose Company. [illustration]
The funeral of the late George Hollinger was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock from the residence
on Livingston street and at 3 o’clock from the German Lutheran Church on Market street.
The remains were escorted to the church by Laflin Hose Co., No. 2, of which the deceased had been a
member, and by delegations from Washington H. & L. Co., and the Exempts. The firemen were in
uniform wearing fatigue caps and white belts.
The procession was headed by chief engineer Hassinger and his assistants Cantine and Dale and with the
Laflins in the lead led the cortege to the church where the impressive ritual of the Lutherans for the
burial of the dead was observed, pastor Bouck officiating, who delivered a very touching sermon and
very appropriate music was rendered by the choir.
The services being conducted in the German language prevents a more extended notice of the
ceremonies at the church. At the conclusion of the services, the remains were escorted by the firemen
to their final resting place in the German Lutheran cemetery on Ulster avenue, the committal of the
body being in charge of the pastor of the church.
The bearers were William Mattes, Herman Gleisner, Alfred Saam, Augustus Kehr, Lewis H. Kleeber and
Henry Schneider.

3381. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 16, 1898. – The Rounder Once More – The Old Gentleman
Briefly Reviews Doings in Town.
Well, I am once more able to be about and I am told that since I have been confined to my house “Bert”
(Peter Carroll’s “Bert”) has roasted me in the paper. Well, all I can say is “Bert” don’t know any better,
and I have grave doubts if the venerable manager of Peter’s paper has either.
I did not suppose when I commenced contributing for The Post that the owners of any local newspaper
would copy the style I had adopted, to say nothing of allowing everything to write for its columns.

While walking down town on morning, I met a “shyster” wearing a straw hat, and I said to myself “what
sort of a caprice is he?” Then the act dawned before me that he is always wanting to attract attention.
A gentleman met me and said, swelled heads who walk about with nothing in them seem to be
eschewed by pedestrians owing to the vacuity which exists in their minds. That this young man with a
smooth face has a very superficial brain is a conceded fact.

By-the-way what about the town official who was to be hauled over the coals. It looks as though
someone has been called off.

That reminds me of the old saying, “People who live in glass houses should not throw stones.” Possibly
some more might be said in regard to certain legal transactions that some parties would rather have left
unsaid.

If there any charges to be made against any town or county official and it amounts to anything, and the
chief of any Gorillas have any fault to find, let them spit it out.

By-the-way what in the world has become of Durgan, he has been unusually quiet of late. Since his
failure to paralyze the juries at Kingston with his flood of language he has become obscure.

I have been so busy lately that I have not had time to write up all that has impressed me, but as I was
leisurely walking through the streets, the other day, enjoying the beautiful Spring morning, and thinking
how grateful we should all feel for being being [sic] allowed to live in such a delightful community, the
“pale face” passed me, and I thought to myself he looked much paler than he had in the past. Mornings like these should enliven spirit, but I feel the “king of the gorillas” in taking the “dough” has made the “pale face’s” chances of success less bright and his mind depressed. But cheer up “pale face,” you are not the only one he has “done.” I have lived here a great many years and personally studied with a great deal of thought the character of most of our people. Go upon bended knees again to the “king,” when there is any “dough” in sight, unfold your plans to him; receive from his hands advice that would befit coming from a “saint,” then watch with what reluctance he will to his bosom gather that “dough,” and divide with you – Nit. THE ROUNDER.

3382. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 12, 1898. – A MAJESTIC AFFAIR. - Such was the Private Masquerade Monday Evening. – A Large Crowd, Brilliant Music, Ludicrous and Unique Costumes Filled St. Mary’s Hall at the “Bal Masque.”

Since its erection St. Mary’s Hall has been the scene of many brilliant dances and fashionable soirees, but it is doubtful if there was ever an event there which surpassed the bal masque given on Monday evening. It was a recherché affair and it was an occasion long to be remembered by all who were present.

There were about forty couple [sic] present who participated in the festivities of the hour. Prof. Martin and his corps of musicians discoursed music in an entrancing and delightful manner and all were fully aware of it and embraced every opportunity to while away the pleasure of the evening tin the whirl of the waltz, two-step or lanciers.

The scene from the gallery where many spectators were seated, was a picturesque one indeed. The winsome votaries of the terpeschorean art attired in their ludicrous and grotesque costumes with their countenances concealed behind masks glided oér the polished floor, tripping the light fantastic with much grace and precision, and the artistic and exquisite manner in which their habiliments were arranged was quite deceptive and it was difficult to ascertain who each one was.

The dancers which were scattered about the floor represented frogs, cowboys, queens, flower girls, clowns, old women, dudes, sailors, nurses, etc., and each one was arrayed in an extremely unique style. At half past eleven o'clock the masks were removed and much merriment prevailed. [actually prevailed]

Charles McCormick, John Hallenbeck, Edward Snyder and Herbert Van Buskirk, represented frogs; Ford Myer, a Turk; John Castree, David Canner and Eugene Myer, sailors; Arthur Van Steenberg, Harry Brownson, Harry Russell, John McLaughlin and Hertford Coon, colored dudes; Carroll Sweet, yellow kid; John M. Adams, cowboy; John A. Snyder, old soldier; James Teller, Dutch boy; Charles Adams, acrobat; Clyde Van Steenberg, prince; John Schoonmaker, Uncle Sam; Harry Keeney and Benjamin Merritt, clowns; Charles W. Davis, Lord Fauntelroy; Jacob Bruckner, J. E. Tyson and T. B. Belch, old women; Edward Moran, spook; Fred Lewis and Benjamin Davis, sweet sixteen maidens; David W. Maxwell, bicyclist; Bessie Adams and Matie Carnright, Red Riding Hood; Mrs. W. E. King, Mrs. James Teller, Mrs. T. B. Belch and Mrs. John A. Snyder, nurses; Mrs. J. E. Tyson, queen; Mrs. J. W. Laskey, peasant maid; Ida Rightmyer, night; Anna Hotaling, old woman; Essie Finger and Chlole [sic] Lackey, witches; Anna Potts, Bertha Carnright, Agnes Shults, Ethel Gray, Mabel Voorhees, Bertha Potts, Carrie Bruckner, Satie Shults, Mrs. Edward Moran, Nina Suderley, Anna Rowe, flower girls; Mrs. E. J. Lewis, Blanche Palmer, Katie Russell and Emma O’Hara, Japanese girls.

Other dancers who were elaborately dressed were: Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Dickinson, Katherine Turck, Mrs. H. T. Keeney, Nellie Davis, Belle Winfield, Laura Davis, Carrie Alexander, Olive Decker, Jennie Abeel, Emma Yerger, Mrs. Nora Krows, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Fratsher, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Shults, Mrs. E. T. Myer, Ida Belle Myer, John O. Sweet, Harry Abeel, Martha Carnright, Dr. T. F. O’Dea, Jacob Hardenburg, Luther Hommel, Archie Smith and Harry Hill.
3383. Composer and Arranger Piano Tuner
C. H. COLLINS, Director and Manager ALBANY CITY BAND –
Composer of
“Oriental America,”
“Empire State March,” 406 Broadway
Etc. Albany, NY
Residence 72 ½ Hudson Avenue.
[business card, grey, black lettering]

Patriotism held full sway in this village on Saturday evening, and the people were held thrilling in its grasp.
It fluttered in the hundreds of star spangled banners which proudly floated through the village, it shone out in an enthusiastic gleam on the faces of the populace, it belched forth in the roar of the cannons, it emblazoned their banner. It was effulgent in the red fire which illumined the skies, and it was inspiring in the music of the band.
It was a demonstration that savored of what constitutes the true American spirit. The old veterans of the rebellion as they marched by caused many a one to reflect and cogitate as to the horrors of war, and also to inculcate within their breasts that fealty and love for our dear flag under which freedom is granted to all.
The streets were thronged with crowds, and about nine o’clock the parade started from Phoenix Hotel, headed by the Saugerties military band who had been actuated by patriotic motives and gave their service gratis.
They marched up Partition, Main and Market streets, amid the blazing of red fire, barrels and the effluvium of the cannon. On Main street a volley of guns pealed forth from the cannon and the glass in front of Chin Chu’s laundry and Kipp’s store was broken.
The Tappan Post veterans carried a banner on which was inscribed, “Rally around the flag boys, rally once again,” 1861-’65-’98, and the way they turned out, was an assurance that all would stand by “Old Glory.”
The parade was given in honor of the capture of the Spanish vessels, by the “Nashville” and “New York” of our navy and was arranged by the members of J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R.

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3385. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 23, 1898. – A FIERCE CONFLAGRATION. A Barn of Wellington Porter’s in Flames. - Extinguished After a Short Fight by Our Firemen – No Insurance on Building or Contents.
Excitement was rampant in ton this morning. About eleven o’clock smoke was discovered issuing from the barn in the rear of Waterbury’s feed store in which Mr. Waterbury kept his horse, etc. An alarm was immediately sounded, and Snyder Hose Co., and Washington Hook & Ladder Co., were at the scene of the conflagration in a few minutes, quickly followed by Laflin Hose Co. Two streams from the hydrant in front of Van Buskirk’s were poured on the barn which burned fiercely for a short time, but was soon extinguished.
The barn contained a quantity of baled hay and a feed cutter of Mr. Waterbury’s on which there was no insurance. The barn was the property of Wellington Porter, who also carried no insurance. The origin
of the fire was unknown, it having started between the burned barn and the barn of Uriah Van Etten
which adjoins.

EMBERS FROM THE RUINS.
A notable fact was the efficiency of our water works, the pressure being such as to soon succeed in
preventing what might have been a large fire, as there are a number of barns in close proximity to the
burned one.
The new Hook & Ladder truck was initiated into service, and the ladders, hooks, etc., did effective work.
Several of the firemen were thoroughly drenched with the hose several times while pulling down the
doors.
It would be an advisable thing if the Exempt police patrol would keep the crows back at the fires
hereafter. They preclude the work of the firemen considerably.
This is the first fire Mr. Porter has ever had. It is his custom never to insure any of his property.
Laflin Hose Co. was much incensed at the action of the chief in refusing to allow them to attach their
hose to a hydrant.

3386. Henry Clay Frick, Captain, Steel and Coke Manufacture. [illustration]
3387. John Jacob Astor, Real Estate Capitalist. [illustration]
3388. John Warne Gates, Steel Manufacturer, Capitalist Speculator. [illustration]

3390. Hudson Fire Alarm
The following is the location of the Fire Alarm Boxes, as re-arranged.
  3 – Paper Car Wheel Shop.
  7 – Southeast corner Franklin Square.
  8 – North Front, foot of Chapel.
  9 – Warren and First streets.
 10 – Partition and Second streets.
 12 - State and Second streets.
 13 – Allen and Third streets.
 14 – Warren and City Hall Place.
 15 – East Court and Allen streets.
 16 – State and Fourth streets.
 17 – Warren and Fifth streets.
 18 – Washington and Franklin streets.
 19 – Sixth street and Cherry Alley.
 21 – No. 4 Park Place.
 22 – Eighth and Columbia streets.
 23 – Warren street and Worth avenue.
 24 – Columbia street and Prospect avenue.
Box No. 4 – Special call to Reformatory, to be answered only by Rogers Hose No. 2, and Hook & Ladder,
without apparatus.
-> When No. 25 is sounded on the fire alarm it will be a special military call for the members of Twenty-
third Separate Company to report to the Armory.

3391. The Columbian University requests the honor of your presence at the Seventy seventh Annual
Commencement, Wednesday evening, June the first, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight at eight o’clock.
Convention Hall, Washington D. C.
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Doctors of Medicine.
George Kasper Baier  Pearl Loewe Gunckell  Wright Rives, Junior
Thomas Pinkney Chapman  Avediss B. Herald  George Henry Schwinn
Carl Anson Clemons  Charles Norman Howard  George Reuben Sorrell
Elmon Allen Adams Cook  Philip Weatherly Huntington  John Matthew Tracey
Thomas Dowling, Junior  Carl Schurz Keyser  Delbert Arthur Welles
William Nimmo Fisher  Paul Ewing McDonald  Charles Stanley White
William Watmough Greer  Frederick Henry Morhart  W. E. Whitson
Thomas Allen Groover  C. Wesley Cox  Richard Fenner Yarborough

3392. Mr. John M. Tracey. [card]

3393. A FEW REASONS Why I am Going to Newburgh in ‘97.
Because the Fire Department will celebrate its centennial anniversary.
Because I have had an invitation to be there and help make the event a “howling” success.
Because Newburgh firemen are hustlers – and I am a hustler myself.
Because they say Washington refused a crown when he lived there; perhaps it may be offered to me, I want to refuse two. [sic]
Because I shall have lots of company, and I am a jovial sort of a chap, personally.
Because “Grate Skott” says it’s the proper thing to do and “Grate Skott” knows.
Because all the girls at Newburgh are crazy to see me. They are a pretty lot of females, and do so love the firemen.
Because the Raines bill closed all the saloons and there isn’t one with a license in the city. Hence, there will be no temptation to get full.
Because I can’t go there when they have their next centennial.
Because I can go to s’m’other town another year.
Because the State Association hasn’t been held in the Hudson Valley for 14 years and I think is ENTITLED TO HAVE IT IN ‘97.

3394. GRANGER’S Combination Cultivator and Planter.
The Best in the World.
1. It goes in full depth.
2. You can ride if you wish.
3. When properly used the point does not wear off, but becomes harder when entering the soil.
4. It should not be used long at one time; if so, the temper will draw, and it will become too soft for use.
5. It plants its seed deep when the soil is suitable.
6. The planter never becomes clogged when in motion.
7. It is adjustable in size and works so easily that a girl of sixteen can use it without any trouble.
8. Warranted to work if properly tested.
9. I can be used as a churn and furnishes its own cream.
10. The sack in which the seed is carried is so nicely fitted that when emptied it refills itself in a short time.
11. All Grangers in good standing have adopted them, and their wives will not keep house without one on the premises. It is impossible to live happy without one.
12. They will last a lifetime without bring repaired, if only used on the owner’s farm; rented ground is liable to be foul and corrode the plow, or render it unfit for use.
13. The rules prohibit any member from running the planter into his neighbor’s soil.
14. The Grand Master will furnish old maids and widows with the planter to try it. If they don’t like it they needn’t take it.
For further information call on “Grate Skot” from Koxsaukee.

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The village fire department made a very creditable parade through some of the principal streets Wednesday evening, in honor of the reception of the new service truck for use by Washington Hook & Ladder Co. They day had been warm and pleasant and the mud in the streets caused by the recent rains had almost entirely disappeared.
In the early evening the companies assembling at Fireman’s Hall and shortly before 8 o’clock the procession started. It was led by two carriages in which were seated the village authorities, Mayor Alfred P. Lasher, being particularly conspicuous by wearing the uniform of his company, the Exempts. Then came the Quarryville Cornet Band, followed by Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger, and his Assistants, Martin Cantine, and Frank Dale.
The companies lined up as follows: The Exempts, Laflin Hose Co., Snyder Hose Co., drawing their beautiful parade carriage, and the Washington Hook & Ladder Co. with their elegant new service truck, drawn by a large team of horses. The line of march as published in THE TELEGRAPH of the day before, was followed out, and the firemen were heartily cheered and welcomed all along the line by the great crowds of people lining the sidewalks. Many of the streets were ablaze with colored lights and bonfires, and the streets were gayly decorated with American flags and red, white and blue bunting.
After the parade, the Washingtons royally entertained their brother firemen at Fireman’s Hall and it was a late hour before they dispersed to their homes.
The new truck is indeed an elegant piece of workmanship, fitted with all the modern appliances and is a useful as well as an ornamental addition to the fire fighting apparatus of the department. It is mounted with all necessary ladders of the most approved pattern, signal lights, fire extinguishers, hooks, lock and door breakers, picks, axes, etc. It is a piece of mechanism of which our people as well as the company which has it in charge may justly feel proud. In the parade it was universally admired and favorable commented on by all who saw it. It is safe to say upon the whole that it is the handsomest service truck to be found anywhere in the Hudson valley.

Amid the illuminations of blazing barrels, the effulgence and brilliancy of red fire, the decorations of bunting and the splendor of the Star Spangled Banner, the citizens, tout ensemble of our village on Wednesday evening gave homage to one of the finest volunteer fire departments to be found in the state.
It was indeed a fitting demonstration to be accorded to Washington Hook & Ladder Co.’s new truck, which by the way, is the peer of all the fire apparatus of a similar kind along the Hudson river. The parade started about eight o’clock and lasted nearly two hours, ovations and enthusiasm greeting all the companies as they passed by the crowds that were congested on the sidewalks every where. The formation and order of the parade was as follows:
Board of Directors in carriages,
Quarryville Band,
Chief and Assistants,
The line of march was as follows:
Fireman’s Hall, to Lafayette, to Market, to Main, to Partition, to McCarthy, to Hill to Burt, countermarch at Washburn’s to Valley, to East Bridge, to West Bridge, to Main, to A. P. Lasher’s, countermarch, to Washington avenue, to Russell, to Partition, to Fireman’s Hall.
The truck is 22 feet long, the frame being built of channel steel, with trusses and anchored on the bottom sides. It has five arches for carrying ladders and each arch has four sets of rubber rollers. The ladders are held in place by an improved lock.
The wheels are made of strong wood with solid metal hubs and are equipped with three inch tire. It also has Concord axles and Mirrel steel springs. There are three wire baskets on it one in back of the drivers seat for rubber coats, one under the frame for tools and one in the rear for incidentals. It also has a fine brake.
It has side steps with mud fenders, and has nickled plated lanterns on each side of the drivers seat. There is a pole for hand and one for horses. The tool box is under the frame.
The following are the equipmentation: the truck: One fifty foot extension ladder, one twenty-five foot wall ladder, one twenty-eight foot wall ladder, one sixteen foot truss, roof and wall ladder, one twelve foot truss, roof and wall ladder, two twelve foot ladders with trough hooks, two plain head fire axes, two pick head axes, two wall picks, hammer heads, one 3 tine fork, one four tine fork, one improved door opener, two shovels, two steel crowbars, one tin roof cutter, two plaster hooks, with stout poles, one large pull down hook, poke and chain and 75 feet of rope, one electric wire cutter, two 3 gallon Rex fire extinguishers, one improved hoisting hook and rope, ten buckets, found nickled plated tubular lanterns, with patent bulls eye reflectors, and a double stroke gong with can be operated by driver or hand.
The painting is elaborate, it being finished in cream with gold and lavender trimmings. The name of the company is on all the ladders and tools.
SPARKS FROM THE RED FIRE.
Snyder Hose Co. drew their handsome parade carriage and were the recipients of much applause.
Laflin Hose Co. in their difficult and intricate evolutions while marching were the object of much admiration.
“It’s just elegant,” exclaimed one young lady, as the new truck passed by, and she voiced the unanimous sentiment of the entire populace.
The members of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. smiled continuously all during the parade and they had good cause too.
Saugerties has a just claim to having the finest truck in the Hudson Valley. It’s a fact.
“Remember the march,”- “Will we ever forget it,” so said one of the firemen.
At the residence of Mayor Lasher, first assistant chief, Martin Cantine, Hon. Peter Cantine, Col. H. D. Laflin, Frank Pidgeon and S. J. Adams, three cheers were given with much animation.
The reception by the people shows that our department is one that they appreciate.
“Hats off,” to the Hooks, so said the citizens, en masse, for they own a truck that is a beauty.
The Quarryville band seemed to never get winded, for they played incessantly. They’re all right.
The Snyder Hose men wore their big hats.
The carriage of Snyder Hose looked pretty with its lanterns all lighted.
Lorezel’s team of bay horses which drew the truck were driven by Jimmie Ledwith. The team is one of the prettiest in town.
“My what a sounds [sic] that gong makes” said Nixie Whitaker who operated it.
The truck showed up handsomely and when the big parade occurs in June, there’ll be none that can out shine us. After the boys arrived at the truck house, tired and weary from their long march, they were regaled with refreshments and cigars, which the Hooks had provided for them. Capt. H. A. Hildebrandt who rode in one of the carriages, wore a large smile. He is lionized by the Hooks and when they passed him, he kept his eyes riveted on them. The boys hold a warm place in his heart. The handsome picture of George Washington on the truck was the cynosure of all eyes. It seemed as if George wanted to tell the people how happy he was in having such a crack company named after him. The Exempt’s those sturdy old fire fighters of bygone days were not forgotten by the crowds. They were cheered liberally and they deserved it too. Col. Laflin waving an American flag in front of his residence was greeted with loud hurrahs. A bevy of pretty maidens who stood in front of Davis’ shoe store said at the soldierly bearing of the Laflins approached, “there they come, now we’ll clap” and they did it enthusiastically. The children of First Assistant Chief Cantine, seated in a miniature patrol wagon attracted much cheering from the firemen. The Laflins were right in their glory. The pretty figures they executed were much admired.

3397. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. May 31, 1898. – Boots Van Steenburg, The Eccentric Character, no More – Brief Sketch of His Career – He Now Sleeps In Trinity Cemetery. Tobias H. Van Steenburg generally known as Boots, died on Monday morning at his late residence at Flatbush, Ulster Co., N. Y., at the advanced age of seventy-four years. His parents were Abram T. Van Steenburg and Annie Hasbrouck Van Steenburg, were old residents of Kingston, living on Wall Street, to whom were born five children, Tobias, Rufus, Caroline, Jane and Nancy, Tobias being the oldest of the children. The three sisters together with the brother Rufus are the surviving members of the family. The early history of this remarkable character is as follows: Tobias learned the carpenter trade with his father and became an expert at his business, commanding large wages, from which he gave liberally to the support of the gospel, especially St. James M. E. Church in Kingston, that persuasion being his choice, and to which he was a faithful adherent, while the parents were members of the Old Dutch Church afterwards the armory, and now the Catholic Church, opposite to the present First Reformed Church., Dr. Gosman being the pastor. At the time Jenny Lind was singing in New York Tobias heard of her fame and resolved to see and hear her and if possible to have an interview with. Accordingly he gathered his accumulated means, went to New York, heard her wonderful voice and resolved to have an interview with her at her hotel. Sending up his card Miss Jennie Lind came to the reception room – heard his favorable comments and also his persuasive proposition for a conjugal union. The proposition for matrimony was cordially but promptly rejected, and disappointment at once affected his mind. In order to bring her to immediate terms, he concluded to buy off the crowd that had assembled for the evening’s entertainment and was successful [sic] in relieving himself of all his money and also of increasing the attendance. Tobias returned home much cast down and then began the business of buying and selling small wares, and very soon became a liberal contributor to religious enterprises again. The next move was the purchase of a hand organ, and continued this business until he drifted into speech making, and during the war of the rebellion he exhausted his vitality in fervent exortations [sic] for the maintenance of the Union and never failed in securing an audience and soliciting collections. He traveled on railroads and upon steamboats without a ticket and his passport was his familiar declaration “Pe-on-ns-on five cents for the Union.” His name “Boots,” was a nick-name given him from a circumstance of a twenty-five cent silver piece which was concealed in his boot. During the war, when Theodore Westbrook was Congressman, Erastus Cook, William S. Kenyon, Augustus Schoonmaker and other lawyers of Kingston conceived a well-planned joke for Congressman.
Westbrook, who was a faithful friend of Tobias. They raised sufficient funds only to send Tobias to Washington to visit Westbrook. Congress was in session. Tobias saw Westbrook in his seat and he made his way to him, accosting him as follows; “Hello Theo! how does it go! All eyes were immediately turned upon the visitor. Westbrook understood the joke and seated him. As soon as a speaker had finished his address Tobias rose, held up his pocket testament and was interrupted in his speech by the Chair, when Westbrook explained the situation and the business went on. Tobias was most royally entertained by Westbrook for a few days and then returned his friend to Kingston. This is only one of the many instances in his career.

After the death of his parents he made Flatbush the home where he has lived a hermit’s life subsisting by his daily collections and orations. He was known near and far and had many warm friends who understood his weakness. It may be truthfully said of him that he was a sincere, truthful, honest, industrious and strictly sober man, with no guile in his heart and he was a constant church goer. His habit from boyhood was to carry a testament in his side pocket near his heart and when tempted to do wrong his immediate reply was that that book forbid it. His early christian [sic] training by his exemplary christian [sic] parents had never departed from him. Of the little he possessed never did one go away hungry, from his humble home, and he’s divided with many a traveler. Those who have befriended Tobias Van Steenburg will never regret their help to one who was so unfortunate as to be mentally affected. The funeral was held from the Flatbush Reformed Church this afternoon at 2:30 o’clock, the Rev. T. De Witt officiating in the presence of a large audience. Interment was in the Barclay Heights cemetery in a plot the gift of J. T. Washburn. Up to this time no less than five hundred people have called at the store window of J. K. Merritt to see his picture which is draped with mourning.

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3398. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 31, 1898. – Imposing Ceremonies. – The Masonic Monument at Kingston Dedicated.

The monument erected in Montrepose cemetery by Rondout Lodge, No. 343 F. & A. M., was unveiled and dedicated Monday afternoon with imposing ceremonies. A large crowd of people had gathered to witness the unveiling. A number of brethren of Ulster Lodge, No. 126, of this village was present as was also visiting brethren from lodges at Ellenville, Walden, Poughkeepsie, Catskill, Albany, Hudson and Newburgh.

The monument is of Barre granite, high polished, a corinthean fluted column, similar in shape to those used in the lodge rooms. It’s length over all is 25½ feet. The length of fluted column, is 16 feet. The diameter of ball at top is 2 feet.

The Grand Lodge officers and members of the visiting lodges were introduced to the members of Rondout Lodge in Masonic Hall the Strand. At 11:45 the procession was formed, headed by a platoon of police, followed by Gartland’s Band, of Albany. In the wake were the members of Rondout and Kingston Lodges, and visitors. The Grand Lodge officers followed in carriages. The monument was unveiled by Tiler John A. Johnston, who gave the first subscription toward the monument. The monument was presented to the lodge by Palmer A. Canfield and accepted by Master Marks Jacobs. Grand Secretary John B. Alliger gave a historical sketch of the lodge.

The dedication ceremonies proper were then performed and the square, level and plumb applied. The corn, oil and wine were then poured upon the monument. The ceremony was performed in ample form and was very interesting and imposing. All present then joined in singing, “Nearer My God to Thee,” after which Grand Master Sutherland made an eloquent address. At the conclusion of the address the proclamation was made by the Grand Marshall and the public grand honors given. The doxology was sung and the ceremonies closed by benediction by Chaplain Burrows.

The Masons then marched to Masonic Hall, after which they proceeded to Griffith’s Hall, where an elaborate spread awaited them. Many short addresses were made at the banquet.
3399. AT THE DRIVING PARK - Field Day Sports on Decoration Day. – Good Afternoon’s Sport – Great Time Made in the 220 Yard Dash Unless Some One is Mistaken.

The field day sports at the Driving Park on Monday were witnessed by a large crowd of people. A number of Kingston people being present. Edward Phillips, of this village, carried away several of the finest prizes amid the applause of his many friends. Either the course was short in the 220 yard dash, or else the time keepers erred, as the time announced, 20 4 5 seconds, beats Wefer’s world’s record of 21 1-5 seconds. Loaing was the chief feature of the bicycle races. Following is the complete summary:


One Mile Bicycle Race – First heat, Preston, first; Stoddard, second. Time 3:02 1 5. Second heat, Carter, first; Snyder, second. Time 3:15. Final heat won by Carter; Stoddard, second, Snyder, third; Preston, fourth. Time 3:17 1-5.


Running Broad Jump - Won by Phillips with a jump of 16 feet and 10 inches, Lord, second, with a jump of 15 feet and 9 inches. Herbert, third, with a jump of 14 feet.

Two Mile Bicycle Race – First heat; Carter, first; Stoddard, second. Time, 6:36. Second heat: Johnston, first; Preston second. Time 7:17 2-5. Final heat won by Carter; Stoddard, second; Preston third; Johnston, Fourth. Time 7:17 2-5.

440 Yards Run – Won by Phillips; Lord, second; MacLeod, third. Time 55 2 5 seconds.

Half Mile Run – Won by MacLeod; Keator, second. Time 2:35 2 5. Only two started.

One Mile Relay Race – Lord, Maner, Robinson and MacLeod, of the New York Military Academy, beat Herbert, Keator, Preston and Carter, of Kingston Academy. Time 4:30. Won easy. The team of the Saugerties high School withdrew.

The prizes won by Phillips were four gold medals. [no date or paper]


Washington Hook & Ladder Co. turned out Thursday evening with their new truck for practice. It was taken to the lot of Frank Pidgeon on Main street and unloaded of its ladders and other fire fighting apparatus. The fifty foot extension ladder was raised against the large barn on the premises, the first section just reaching the eaves, and then the extension was quickly sent up into the air, the extreme tip of the ladder reaching about twenty-five feet above the peak of the barn. It was found to meet all the requirements promised by the makers and the members of the company were well pleased with its workings. Chief engineer Hassinger was present and said he felt satisfied that the department is now in possession of a truck for service that is probably equal to meet any emergency that may be required of it. The exhibition was witnessed by a large number of spectators who were evidently much pleased. It was generally remarked that the trial of the ladders should have taken place in front of some of the large commercial houses on Main or Partition streets instead of at a barn. However, it is not too late to give it another trial in the near future at one of the other of the places suggested.

3401. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. June 23, 1898. – Morgan’s Body Found. -In the River on Wednesday – He was Drowned from the Gamecock.

Wednesday morning about 10 o’clock the crew of the tug C. D. Mills, of Cornell’s line, discovered the body of a man floating in the Hudson river near Kingston Point. It was secured and towed to the dock of the ice house at that point. Coroner Buckley was notified. When he arrived the body was removed from
the water, and Dr. C. F. Keefe examined it. It was at once thought the body was that of Ebenezer Morgan, a brother of the captain of the schooner Gamecock, which was run into and sunk at Glasco last Saturday night by the steamer Adirondack. The man was apparently about 40 years old and of medium height. He had dark hair and sandy moustache. He wore a checked suit, and had on overalls. Undertaker Murphy took charge of the body, and later some of the relatives of Mr. Morgan from Glasco, identified the body positively and had it sent to that village.

-> Saugerties boats leave New York from foot of Bloomfield street.
3403. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. June 18, 1898. – Meeting of the General Committee. – Additional Special Prizes Voted and a Reception Committee Appointed.
The General Firemanic Committee held a special meeting last evening in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms and voted to offer three additional special prizes two to be silk American flags and the other optional, either a similar flag to the above or a cash prize of $35. These prizes will be awarded to three additional companies for finest appearance in the parade and are in addition to the three prizes already offered by the Committee for that purpose, making six special prizes in all.
Chief engineer Hassinger and first assistant engineer Cantine were appointed a committee to receive the guests of the Saugerties fire department on the day of the convention and parade, after which an adjournment was taken to Monday evening next.

3404. Why He Was Rejected.
The soul of a rajah who had been released from the cares of this world and an uncongenial wife presented himself at the gates of paradise.
“Have you been in purgatory yet?” demanded Brahma.
“No, but I have been married.”
“Enter then. It is the same thing.”
At this moment another soul arrived, who begged Brahma to allow him also to enter.
“Softly, softly. Have you been in purgatory yet?”
“No, but neither has that other fellow. He died the same day I did.”
“Very true, but he had been married.”
“Married, indeed! Why I have been married three times.”
“Away, then, to the lower regions!” said Brahma sternly. “Paradise is not made for imbeciles.”

The members of J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R. and their wives and daughters who compose the Woman’s Relief Corps, gathered around the festive board at the Phoenix hotel on Wednesday evening and enjoyed their annual reunion and banquet.
The occasion was made a delectation by the concert given by the Saugerties band, the latest and best musical compositions being rendered in a transcendent style.
The supper was an elaborate one and Host Turck eclipsed his former efforts in order to place before the old veterans, a spread that was indeed delicious to partake of.
The dining room was prettily draped with Old Glory and bunting, and over the door was the motto “Welcome G. A. R. Long Life and Always Live Happy Under ‘Old Glory’”.
After the supper had been eaten with great satisfaction, then came the feast of reason and flow of soul, old memories being recalled and made real in vivid word pictures. Old battle hymns were sung and many humorous anecdotes of life in the camp were given producing much levity and laughter.
At the conclusion of the festivities, Mrs. Austin Wolven, ex-President of the Woman’s Relief Corps, arose and making a brief speech presented Mrs. Abram Turck with a beautiful silver glove case as a token of the esteem to which she is held by the corps.

Mrs. Turck was taken by complete surprise, but was equal to the occasion and responded in a very appropriate manner. Those who were seated at the tables were:


“Old Glory” will float at the head of every fire company that participates in the parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s association at Saugerties, in June next. If it don’t, the neglect will rest with the organization failing, as the executive committee at the suggestion of Secretary Charles G. Coffin, yesterday decided to request that it be done.

Saugerties isn’t a very large place – not quite 5,000 inhabitants, but what it lacks in size its people make up in patriotism, and it was the idea of the local committee to award American flags, instead of cash prizes to the finest appearing companies in line on June 22, that give Mr. Coffin his cue.

The officers and executive committee of the Hudson Valley association were summoned to Saugerties to meet with the local committee for the purpose of doing something to offset the threatened opposition of Buffalo Bill’s Wild West show, which the citizens feared would entirely eclipse the firemanic manifestation. But the committee had nothing to do with this matter, after meeting, for it turned out that Bill was booked for Kingston the week previous, and would undoubtedly have forgotten that such a place as Kingston existed before the crowds would have chance to swoop down on the Saugerties supply of red lemonade and fresh roasted peanuts.

The meeting of yesterday was an interesting one, however, and all were benefited by being present. The attendance was large, and the proceedings interesting. Besides the local committee had a most excellent opportunity of showing the open-handed hospitality they expect to extend to thousands in June. There were present: President George Wachmeyer, Jr., of Kingston; Vice President John T. Tucker of Newburgh; Secretary Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill; Treasurer Edgar H. Davis of Hudson; State Treasurer George H. Scott, Coxsackie; Col. H. Dwight Laflin, Saugerties; Joseph C. Hurley, Kingston. The local committee consisted of William Ziegler, president; A. P. Lascher, J. Lazarus, William McCormick, vice-presidents; James Sweeney, secretary; J. P. Russell, treasurer; J. A. Snyder, Henry A. Ohley, E. J. Lewis, Irwin Ronk of the Post, Ernest Meyer, Ernest Hassinger, William Doyle, Edgar Meyer, Isaac Loughran, L. H. Kleeber, F. Grathwohl, John McLaughlin, Henry Schneider, Edward Lawler, William McCormick, William Gordon, J. C. Castree, G. Reynolds, J. P. Russell, J. H. Hardenburgh, E. Jernegan of the Telegraph, E. M. Wilbur, J. Finger, S. J. Adams and E. Cooper.
After preliminary business had been disposed of, the meeting having been called to order at the rooms of Snyder Hose company, at 4 p. m., Secretary Coffin made a report of what he had done, what had resulted and what he expected. If the latter is but half verified the column of firemen will have to march out on some country road in order to get a chance to start – and to end – well, the town won’t be half big enough.

He has written to the chief engineer of every fire department in 12 counties, extending from Saratoga and Washington on the north, to Westchester and Rockland on the south. In all, about 200 new companies have been entered into correspondence with, asking them to elect delegates, pay $2 initiation, and become interested in the H. V. V. F. A. The first company to respond was Davy Crockett hooks, of Poughkeepsie, and their money was the first received by the enlarged association. Young America Hose company of Poughkeepsie, has notified the secretary that it will be represented, having voted to join. Chief Bieber of the same place, is also a prospective member. Poughkeepsie intends entering the lists as the next convention city. It is needless to say Newburgh will join hands with her sister city, in return for past favors. Mr. Coffin said that if nothing is heard from any of the companies by May 1 a second letter will follow the one just sent out, and the neglectful ones will get epistle No. 3 on June 1. He thinks it is the frequent dripping on the rock that wears it away, and keeping everlastingly at it may land even the most disinterested fire company within the lines of the H. V. V. F. A. Mr. Coffin exhibited his plans for certain schedule work and convinced all that he was certainly the right man for the right place, and judging from the fact that he states his 17 year-old daughter acts as his proxy in doing the work outlined, she must be a veritable treasure for the association and one who deserves recognition of some sort at the annual convention.

Then came the consideration of the subject of prizes. The Saugerties people wanted to throw the drill prize open to the state. The executive committee said nay, there could be no more Newburgh rackets played on the association, when an open competition with the world was announced. The field was a large one from which to draw, and there can be found drill companies enough to place the most exacting within the boundaries of the association lines. The local committee thereupon announced the association prizes to be for drill, hose race and engine test, the hook and ladder test being omitted. Prizes will come within the $600 limit stipulated by the association. There will be a number of side issue prizes, which will be independent of the schedule.

It was voted to admit Delaware county to the list of eligibles, the county being more in the Hudson valley than anywhere else.

In the course of the discussion on prize drills, it was stated by one who is supposed to be well-posted, State Treasurer Scott, that in the entire state of New York, and he might add the United States, there could not be found a finer looking body of men, better disciplined, finer costumed, more gentlemanly in their bearing, adepts at racing and proficient in drill than in the 13 counties represented by the association. This led to the investigation of drill teams alone, and it was found that one-half the most prominent in the state are within the territory belonging to the association - Knickerbocker hose of Waterford, Fake hooks of Lansingburgh, Durkee hose and Satterles hose of Fort Edward, McCrary steamer of Cohoes, Bailey hooks of Bath, Edmonds hose of Hudson, Rescue hooks of Athens, Osgood steamer of Troy, Farnum steamer of Troy, Monhagens of Middletown. In hose racing competition it would be impossible to count them, so numerous are they. There was an expressed determination yesterday among the firemen to do away with professionalism, so far as practicable, and some strenuous efforts will be put forth the shut the objectionable teams out in June.

The one theme much talked of at the meeting was the new hose carriage Wunder is making for Wiltwyck Hose company of Kingston. Wunder has carte blance and an unlimited contract, provided he doesn’t run it over the convention date, in which to complete the beauty in gold, silver and nickel, that is to eclipse the beauties of Kingston’s Clinton, Poughkeepsie’s Phoenix, Newburgh’s Ringgold, Peekskill’s Columbian and Tarrytown’s Hope. Wunder says he can do it, and the Wiltwyck boys say he must.
The Saugerties department will not compete in the prize events, and there may be a novelty introduced in the selecting of finest appearing companies. It is hinted that as no one has a finer or better judgment than ladies, three of the five members of the committee on award may be of the gentler sex. They won’t embarrass the marching phalanx of brave firemen, however, for they will not know whether it is so or not, until after the show is ended and the prizes awarded.

The hotel accommodation will be very meagre, and the first companies to secure accommodations will be the fortunate ones. The Cortlandts of Peekskill have secured one of the hotels already. There was much surprise expressed yesterday that Newburgh had not already spoken for accommodations, as the up river departments responded so generally to the invitation to take part in the centennial parade of ’97. The executive committee will meet again before the annual session in June.

3407. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 1, 1898. – ALBERT DE FOLLETT RETURNS. After an Absence from His Home of Three Years. Says His Mind Was Blank – Wandered all over the Country – An Injury Destroyed his Memory – Found in a Printing Office.

Alfred De Follett, at one time superintendent of the printing department of the Saugerties Manufacturing Co., who after his departure from this place suddenly disappeared, has returned to his home in Brooklyn after an absence of three years. The New York Herald speaks of the affair as follows. Albert De Follett, the last three years of whose life has become a blank, returned Tuesday to the wife who had vainly searched for him and had about given up hope of ever seeing him again. He left his house, at No. 294 McDonough street, Brooklyn, on September 19, 1895. He was out of employment, and had and engagement to meet persons in Albany, who had promised him a position as superintendent of a printing establishment. He is a printer by trade.

The wife received a letter from him a few days later, in which he wrote that his mission had failed. All trace of him was lost until about five months later, when Mrs. De Follett received another letter, from a stranger, who reported having seen her husband in a hospital in Buffalo.

This clew was followed up, but De Follett had left the hospital about a week before the Brooklyn friends traced him there. They learned that he had been brought in as a patient, having injured his head in a fall.

In the hospital his memory left him, and he could give no account of himself or of his previous life. He even forgot his own name. How he came to leave the hospital while in this condition has not been learned.

It seems, however, that he was next in Connecticut, where he had obtained a position as instructor in printing in a school for manual training. Then he travelled for a Connecticut business house, and then he came to Manhattan, where he has since filled a position as superintendent of the printing department of a stationery house. There he was recognized two weeks ago by Alfred Thomas, a former clerk at the Phoenix hotel in Saugerties, this State, who knew him intimately.

It was through this clerk that Mrs. De Follett learned of her husband’s address. She went to see him with friends from the Tabernacle Baptist church, of which he had been a prominent member. De Follett had been known in his place of employment as “Ellsworth,” but why he assumed that name he cannot tell, he says. Although his mind had been a blank concerning the past, his wife states that it is now perfectly clear, and he recognized her very soon after she began talking to him. Of his son, now dead, he seemed to have no recollection whatever.

The wife told these facts Tuesday evening at her present home, No. 50 First Place. She said that her husband, who was all that a good man could be, would be under the same roof with her again to-day. She declined to state where he was employed, and she seemed to be laboring under great mental excitement.
3408. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. June 20, 1898. – SATURDAY NIGHT’S HORROR. - The Schooner Gamecock Cut Down by the Adirondack. – Ebenezer Morgan and Horatio Morgan Lose their Lives by Drowning.

About 11 o’clock Saturday night, the little schooner Gamecock, owned by Capt. Ebenezer Morgan, of Glasco, was run into by the steamer Adirondack of the Albany and New York night line opposite Glasco and was cut down to the water’s edge. Capt. Morgan and his son Horatio, were knocked overboard and drowned. William Morgan, who was at the wheel at the time of the collision was also thrown into the water but was rescued by a boat that put off from the steamer and taken to a New York hospital. He was severely bruised but was able to return Sunday and is now at the home of his son Edward in this village.

The Adirondack was bound down the river, the Gamecock which had left Cornwall that afternoon was bound up the river with a cargo of coal consigned to parties at Athens. The collision occurred off the village of Glasco, near the west bank of the channel.

According to the statement of Captain Roe, of the Adirondack, his vessel was running down stream at the usual rate of speed when the pilot saw on the port bow the red light of a sailing vessel bound up and running fast before a fresh southerly breeze. When distant about four to six hundred feet from the steamer the red light disappeared, and the pilot saw that the sailing craft, which he made out to be a small schooner, had changed her course, and that a collision was imminent.

He immediately blew one blast on the whistle and rang to reverse the engines. The two vessels crashed together nearly head on, the bow of the schooner scraping along the port bow of the steamer.

William Morgan was found under the stern of the steamer, badly cut, and half stunned, having passed under one of the revolving wheels. He was dragged aboard and received every attention, while the crew of the steamer’s boat continued to search for the two missing men, of whom no trace could be discovered.

While this was going on it was discovered that the schooner, which had evidently sustained but little damage, was drifting down stream, and a boat was sent after her while the steamer came to anchor. The schooner was soon recovered, and after she had been brought to anchor and proper lights had been placed on her the Adirondack continued on her course.

The captain of the schooner gave a version of the accident which does not agree with that of Captain Roe. According to him he was beating up the river on the west shore with all lights properly displayed when the steamer, which had no right of way, deliberately ran into him. The night, he said, was perfectly clear, and there could be no excuse for the failure of the pilot on the steamer to see the schooner’s course.

Stories told by some of the passengers on the Adirondack make it appear that the steamer was not clear of blame. Mortimer Norden of No. 156 East Sixty-sixth street, said he was in his stateroom when he was aroused by the shock of the collision and immediately ran on deck. The steamer, he said, was then over on the west side of the river and far out of her usual course. He heard the crew of the schooner crying for help in the water, but at least twenty minutes elapsed before a boat was launched, and ever after it was lowered it was useless, because the crew acted as if they had never been in a boat before.

J. S. Bittner, of No. 9 West 118th street, New York city, who was on deck at the time, said that after the collision was imminent, the pilot merely rang to reduce speed, and the engines were not reversed for some minutes. Mr. Bittner also said that there was a disgraceful delay in lowering a boat to rescue the drowning crew of the schooner.

Efforts have been made to recover the bodies by grappling but so far without success, and it is probable they will not raise to the surface until after the ninth day.

The schooner did not sink and now lies on the flats near the upper ice house at Glasco. This morning, Phillips, the photographer, went to Glasco and took a photograph of the vessel and some of the surrounding scenery near the place of the accident.

According to custom the Odd Fellows of this town on Sunday observed their Memorial Day with appropriate services. In the morning a detail from the several lodges visited the Main street, Lutheran, Episcopal, Katsbaan, West Camp, Malden, Glasco, Flatbush and Plattekill cemeteries and strewed flowers over the graves of deceased members of the order. In the village cemeteries eighty-six graves were visited and probably an equal number in those outside of the corporation limits.

In the evening Odd Fellows assembled in the lodge rooms of Ulster Lodge in Brede Block, and the assemblage was called to order by Past Grand William E. Van Buskirk, who stated the object of the gathering in a few well chosen remarks. Past Grand Thomas B. Belch, of Confidence Lodge and Past Grand Lewis B. Adams, of Ulster Lodge, were appointed marshals to conduct the procession to the Opera House, where the services were to be held. Among the lodges participating were Ulster and Confidence, of this village; Catskill Mountain, of West Saugerties; Hendrick Hudson, of Catskill; Christian of Red Hook; C. S. Clay, Kingston, Kosciusko, Artemas and United German, all of Kingston. District Deputy Grand Master Charles Horton, of the Ulster District, was also present.

On arrival at the Opera House it was found to be well filled with people, mostly ladies, who had come to witness the proceedings in accordance with the invitation issued by the Memorial Committee. Seats had been reserved for members of the order and these were quickly filled. The stage was occupied by Past Grands to the number of about fifty. Also seated with them were the Rev. Dr. Wortman, of the Reformed, Rev. Geo. H. Smith of the Methodist, and Rev. W. F. Stowe, of the Congregational, whose churches had omitted the usual evening service in order that their congregations might attend the Odd Fellows’s service.

As the Odd Fellows marched into the hall the Royal Arcanum orchestra played Hail Columbia. The exercises began with singing of the Odd Fellows opening ode which is as follows:

Brethren of our friendly Order,
Honor here asserts her sway,
All within our sacred border
Must her high commands obey.
Join, Odd Fellowship of brothers,
In the song of Truth and Love,
Leave disputes and strife to others,
We in harmony must move.
Honor to her courts invites us -
Worthy subjects let us prove -
Strong he chain that here unites us,
Linked with Friendship, Truth and Love;
In our hearts, enshrined and cherished,
May these feelings ever bloom -
Failing not when life has perished,
Living still beyond the tomb.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. George H. Smith, pastor of the Methodist Church, after which Past Grand Norman Cunyes introduced the speaker of the evening, Alfred R. Guthrie, of Albany, Past Grand Master of the State of New York, who delivered an entertaining and interesting address of about one hour’s length. His allusion to the beautiful story of the love between Jonathan and David and the conduct of the good Samaritan in extending relief to his unfortunate fellow traveler, was an object lesson in the principles of the order which to be thoroughly understood requires the teachings and practices in vogue.
among the fraternity. The discourse was listened to with rapt attention by the large assemblage from beginning to its close in which Mr. Guthrie proved himself to be an eloquent and entertaining speaker. The Odd Fellows closing ode was then sung as follows:

Brothers, we thank you all,
For this your friendly call,
Our hearts to cheer;
May peace her influence shed
And heaven its wings outspread,
To guard each brother’s head
From pain and fear.
Good night! and, as you go,
Bear hence and fully show,
Stamped on your breasts,
The seal of Friendship pure,
And Love through life t ‘endure
And Truth, which still secure
With honor rests.

Rev. W. F. Stowe offered the closing prayer and the audience dispersed.

3410. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 28, 1898. - The Tivoli Fireman’s Case. – Argued Before Judge Clearwater at Kingston on Saturday.

Judge Clearwater has denied the application of Colonel J. L. de Peyster Hose Co., No. 1, of Tivoli, Dutchess county, for an injunction restraining Philip Peelor, chief engineer of the fire department of Tivoli, from suspending the foreman of that company. It seems there is much friction between Colonel de Peyster and the village authorities. The hose company is named after the colonel and sides with him, and it is claimed by the village authorities that it has been insubordinate and neglected its duties. Last week, Chief Peelor issued an order suspending the foreman for insubordination. The company asked Judge Clearwater to grant an injunction restraining the chief from executing this order. The judge holds that the rule invoked by the judges of the appellate division of the supreme court in the first department in reversing Mayor Van Wyck’s order removing the commissioners of the East River Bridge does not apply to this case, for the reason that all the commissions in cities of this State exercise the powers entrusted to them independently of the Mayor, and can therefore only be removed for malfeasance in office. Fire companies on the other hand discharge their duties strictly under the personal supervision and direction of the chief engineers. The latter, therefore, must of necessity be clothed with large discretionary and disciplinary powers.

That it is necessary for the maintenance of an efficient fire department that a chief engineer be permitted to exercise these powers without interference by the court, and that so long as he acts within the sphere of his authority, the count ought not to interfere, even though it thought the engineer had committed an error of judgment. He thinks it would be rather difficult to conduct an efficient and effective fire department under the supervision of a justice of the supreme court.

3411. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. July 1, 1898. – Voyage of the Oregon. – A Sailor Describes Her Wonderful Trip Around the Horn. From the Newburgh Register.

Haney Carter, the well known florist, has received a letter from his cousin, James E. Orton, who is one of the crew of the United States steamship Oregon. The letter is dated “Off Santiago de Cuba” June 21. It came through the mails as a sailor’s letter under the provision that makes the forwarding of soldier or sailor mail without prepaying postage, on the writer placing his name on the envelope and forwarding it through the commanding officer or chaplain. Mr. Orton describes the wonderful trip of the Oregon
from San Francisco to Key West, by way of the Straits of Magellan, inside of 70 days and remarks incidentally that this trip, fast as it was and made under the most adverse of circumstances, proves conclusively that the canal is sadly needed at the Isthmus of Panama, which would have saved several weeks of precious time and have reduced the danger of accident and capture just that much. After describing the cordial and hearty welcome accorded the Oregon by the fleets everywhere, Mr. Orton continues:

"On the 6th of this month (June) we had the first show to fire our guns at the enemy, and the way in which we were cheered, after a few shots from the heaviest guns told us we were not by any means the worst shots in the fleet, for one of our shots dismounted a couple of guns and another from the after 13-inch gun blew something up, for we could see debris flying in the air for several minutes after, and then to cap it all, after the greatest trip on record, and the finest of big gun firing our marines were the first to land on Cuban soil with the flag of our dear nation,” (Here follows some information of a private character, and the writer then concludes.)

“This is all I can write at this time, and I hope that the next letter I send you will contain a description of the capture of this post, which will be done with the co-operation of and assistance of the army, whose transports are coming in sight from the point at which I am now seated. Thing are lively down here just now and decidedly interesting.”

3412. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 1, 1898. – FROM AN EXEMPT FIREMEN. - His Letter of Appreciation Sent to the Post. – He Tells of the Showers, Pretty Girls, the Thunder and Lightning – All Well Pleased With the Trip.

Evidently from all accounts the members of the Exempt Firemen’s Association, of New York, who participated in the big firemen’s parade here on June 22d, had an enjoyable time, at least the appended letter speaks for itself.

OAK LAWN, OAKDALE, June 28th

Dear Mr. Editor:

Your package of papers came duly to hand for which please accept my heart felt thanks. Our dear old boys wish to be remembered to all your kind town people for the warm reception tendered them on that happy day in June. Not forgetting the dear little maidens who deigned to smile on all that is left of the old fire fighters who bore the heat and burden of fire battle in days and nights long gone by in the big city. The happy hours passed in the sunshine of your kind hearts will long be cherished in our reclining years. Even your Heavens shed tears of joy, and thundered its artillery over your beautiful little town in honor of our presence. When on our march your flowers remembered us with a friendly nod by the wayside, while dressed in their sunburst of diamonds, and kissed us with a perfume of a passing memory. Memory will fondly long linger o’er the happy hours passed in your beautiful little town, set in emerald and kissed by the ting [sic] waves of the Hudson.

Good bye sweet day, good bye.

They glow and charm, thy smiles and tones and glances, Vanish at last, and solemn night advances.
Ah could’s thou yet, a little longer stay.

Good bye Sweet day
Yours Very Truly,
Alfred A. Fraser.


On Friday evening, July 1st, D. D. G. P. Ernest Myer installed the officers elect of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F. He was assisted by the following grand officers:
The following officers were then installed for the ensuing term:
James H. Hommel, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; Stephen F. Barker, Senior Warden; Robert Espey, Junior Warden; Robert Webber, Scribe; Ezra Carnright, Financial Scribe; Henry A. Ohley, Treasurer; Wm. Mc Mullen, Inside Sentinel; H. A. Ohley, Guide; Robert Webber, 1st Watch; W. E. Barker, 2d Watch; S. F. Barker, 3d Watch; E. Paradise, 4th Watch; John Lang, 1st Guard Tent; H. Gleisner, 2d Guard Tent; Wm. E. Wolven, Ernest Myer, C. H. Vedder, Finance Committee.

After the ceremony of the installation had been gone through with, the Encampment suspended labor until Friday evening, Sept. 16th.

3414. Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., Governor of New York. [illustration]

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3415. Residence of C. S. Rogers. [illustration]
3416. Inauguration Governor of New Jersey, John W. Griggs. Essex County Republican Committee. [paper ribbon] [illustration]

3417. Saugerties, N. Y. Sept. 19, 1898.
Dear Sir: Grand Regent Howard C. Wiggins will visit Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, Friday Evening, Sept. 23, 1898. You are cordially invited to be present. By Order of the Regent. H. A. Ohley, Sec. [invitation, cream color, black lettering]

3418. Member, St. James Young Men’s C. Y. A. Society. July 4, 1894. [paper ribbon, illustration]
3419. Cut out half tone picture of a fireman’s horn. [illustration]
3420. Cut out of what appears to be the holder at the top of a ribbon. [in paper]
3421. Branch No. 4, District 2, St. P. A. of A. Elizabeth, N. J. [paper ribbon]

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3422. The Chief Ale, For Health and Pleasure. All Firemen Who Like Fine Ale Should Drink It. [illustration]

3423. For Assembly Vote for Jacob Rice, The People’s Candidate. [illustration]

3424. Cut out of a fireman’s hat. N. Y. ~ C. G. Braxmar. 47, Cortlandt St. [hand written in pencil on the picture, C. F. Olpp]

3425. Cascade Hose Carriage No. 1, Little Falls, N. Y. [illustration]

3426. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 27, 1898. – Leave it in Rondout, Next Time. Friday, Aug. 25th, the Kingston Freeman made a senile, driveling attack upon the manner of conducting the Saugerties Democratic primaries and upon the men who were represented there.
The entire article was absolutely a continuous succession of falsehoods and nothing contained in it is true except the names of the delegates and chairman, and the Freeman must have told this small grain of truth by mistake.
The article is a slander upon the inhabitants of this village and if printed in any other paper than the Freeman would be resented in no uncertain way, yet such is the reputation of the Freeman that to be traduced in its columns is an honor.
The Freeman says the room was saturated with the odor of bad whiskey. This statement is a lie. A more orderly, sober and reputable number of men never assembled together in a convention than were present Thursday evening, and if there was any smell of vile whiskey there it was Rondout whiskey which is generally conceded to be vile, and was imported here by the Freeman’s representative and exhaled by him into the fresh, pure air of Saugerties, and this also may be an explanation of the other maudlin utterances contained in the article too ridiculous to need any denial.
Mr. Pidgeon contested all the primaries hotly and made a good fight and has stated that he was treated fairly and had no complaint to make.
We have no doubt that the Democratic party of the town of Saugerties can conduct its conventions and name its candidates for office without any advice or suggestion from the Kingston Freeman.
This sort of lying misrepresentation is the best kind of campaign material for the Democratic party and the Freeman’s article has disgusted and nauseated all decent people irrespective of party.

3427. John D. Rockefeller, Modern Croesus, Founder Standard Oil Co. [illustration]

William Stevens, of Albany, a former resident of Saugerties, his parents having been the owners of the California house on Partition street years ago, committed suicide at Catskill by jumping in the Catskill creek on Friday afternoon. Stevens had been stopping at the Palmer House the last few days and on Thursday morning he left town on the 10:41 train for Albany. Instead of going home he alighted from the train at Catskill. He staid there until Friday when, it is supposed, he went to the creek and did the rash act.
His body was discovered floating near the Hopkins place on West Main street at 7:30 o’clock, by Albert Anderson, and his clothes and appearance indicated he had been in the water but a short time. Coroner Longendyke was notified and took charge of the remains. In the pockets of his clothes was found a check book from which a check had been given on September 1. On the stub was the name of George W. Palmer. The coroner telephoned Mr. Palmer Friday evening and learned the identity of the man. The dead man’s relatives have been notified. Mr. Stevens when here appeared to be slightly demented, and was constantly talking. He was subject to heart disease and while at the Palmer, was stricken with it one evening and nearly expired. He was of short build and wore a full beard.

3429. Raffle for a $20.00 Rifle - Tickets 10 cents. J. Heaney. Nov 25. [ticket, purple, black lettering]

3430. The Republican, Hudson, NY. July 13, 1898. - A GRAND INSTITUTION - Notable Improvements at the Fireman’s Home. An Outlay of About $1,200 Shows Wondrous Results - The Building as it is To-day Has All the Comforts of a Big Hotel and Fifty Veterans Live There – Room Being Made to Accommodate More.
The improvements that have been underway at the State Firemen’s Home in this city for the past three weeks were practically completed yesterday, and it will make one’s eyes open in wonder to see what
has been accomplished. From cellar to attic the pink of neatness is everywhere apparent, and there is a
tinge of luxury that makes one feel he is not in a charitable institution but in one of the big summer
hotels. All the comforts of life are there – elegant bathrooms, billiard parlor, reading and smoking
rooms, spacious dining hall, grand reception parlor, broad verandas with plenty of easy chairs, and
handsomer sleeping apartments than are found in many of the so-called best hotels in this State.
The family of veterans comprise just fifty, the last one to arrive the present week being from Kingston,
and they are the happiest lot of mortals that ever congregated under one roof. Some of the old fire
fighters say they had an abhorrence to being cared for at the Home when their friends interceded to
have them come here. They had a dread of the poor house. The Firemen’s Home, let it be understood,
is no pauper home and never will be. It is not conducted on any such principles, but on a much broader
scope, and to prove the assertion it is only necessary to say that to deprive any of the inmates of the
comforts, the liberty, and the care that is given them in times of illness, would be to send them to their
graves. They would actually grieve themselves to death were they compelled to have [sic] the
institution, and any one of the brave old fellows you meet there will tell you so.
Now about the improvements. All the outer work on the building has been given two coats of paint,
with the exception of the veranda floors which are oiled till they shine with the polish given them. The
very best lead has been used by the painters, and experienced mechanics only have been employed to
do the work. The building looks fine. It is surrounded by flower beds, beyond which sweep broad
lawns, and around these are winding driveways almost as white as the driven snow, made so by the use
of clam and oyster shells, crushed by a large stone roller kept for the purpose. There is a barn and
outbuildings on the grounds, and to the north on a beautifully shaded knoll is the graveyard where three
old veterans are buried, a neat tombstone marking each grave.
Conspicuous on the broad piazza in front of the building is the oldest hand engine in the State. The relic
came from Plattsburgh and is in an excellent state of preservation. It is well cared for by the “boys,”
who take pleasure in looking after it, for about it and on the rear piazza they gather these warm summer
days when not off for a stroll and relate old times and give experiences that are as varied as they are
interesting. They are a gentlemanly lot of people, and their courtesy at all times is in keeping with their
pleasant home.
Now let us go inside. What do we see first? A broad entrance finished in cherry and glistening like a
mirror confronts the visitor. Straight ahead across the broad hall is the grand staircase of polished oak
and flanked on either side are elegantly furnished apartments, those on the south side being reserved
for the Superintendent and his family and those on the north side being the drawing-room and dining-
hall. The side walls and ceiling are painted in delicate tints that blend with each other and make a
pleasing effect. The furnishings of the drawing-room are complete and equal to any in the city, while
the dining-hall with its seven long tables covered with dainty spreads, a bouquet of flowers in the center
of each, and set off with glassware, cutlery and china, is as inviting as any hotel affords to its guests.
Here the artist has been at work too, for the ceiling and side walls are newly decorated in oil tints that
have produced a pretty effect. Meals are served three times each day, and nothing but wholesome food
is offered at the tables.
The Home has its own bakeshop, its own laundry, its cold storage rooms for the preservation of meats,
etc., makes from a 160 light machine all the gas used to illuminate the entere [sic] building, and has a
kitchen that any housewife would be delighted to enter.
Up stairs is where the “boys” have their rooms, and what pretty rooms they are! These are similar in
size, but monotony is broken by having no two painted alike. Each room is decorated in three tints, all
light colors, and to go from one to the other and note the difference, which is quickly discerned, is one
of the surprises in store for those who occupy them as well as the visitor. The rooms are all nicely
furnished, and the sheets and spreads are as white as the enamel on the iron cots. One of these rooms
was furnished by Miss Lula Rogers, daughter of Col. Charles S. Rogers, the resident trustee of the Home,
and at her own expense it was decorated. It is in pale blue and gold. This room has two cots. One of
the occupants is Mr. Henderson, of Poughkeepsie. The other is reserved for Captain Almon Snyder, of
this city, who is at present out of town. Several fire organizations have also furnished rooms at their
own expense, and President George H. Anderson of the Firemen’s Home Association, has likewise
endeared himself to all volunteer firemen by doing the same thing.
The dormitory on the north end of the building affords a magnificent view of the Hudson river and the
Catskill mountains; but for that matter a splendid view of both can be obtained from the front piazza, on
account of the peculiarly beautiful location of the Home. – The dormitory however, is to be converted
into rooms, as there is a pressing necessity to make further accommodations for new comers.
On the upper south end of the building is the hospital ward with its reclining chairs, snow-white cots,
and serviceable things specially adapted to this department. It is lighted by windows on three sides and
is the most cheerful looking room in the building. The oil tints used on the walls and ceiling are very
delicate and pleasing to the eye.
The bath rooms are models of elegance, new porcelain tubs having just been put in, and the toilet
rooms show the same care and attention by not omitting them while the general fixing up was going on.
It required two and one-half tons of lead to do the painting. Two coats were given the outside work and
three coats the entire inside. Not a room was left out by the painters. Chester Thornton with a corps of
his men did the outer work, while Crawford Blake had charge of the inside work. The latter had to assist
him such artists as Cherry McArthur, Mellen Miller and Roy Du Bois. The entire cost of the
improvements was about $1,200.
Superintendent Byron Drowne and his estimable wife appear to be the right pair to look after the Home
and take care of the old fire fighters. They are kind and considerate, yet exacting when it becomes
necessary, have the capacity to realize what is required of them to successfully run the institution, and
are very active in looking after the hundred and one details that are everyday life at the Home. “God
bless them,” the old veterans say, and we will add, “may they live long and prosper.”
The Home is indeed a great institution, greater than a good many of our citizens realize. It brings to
Hudson money that is spent here, helps merchants and tradesman in innumerable ways, and yet it is
only in its infancy. Col. Charles S. Rogers, the resident trustee, devotes a part of each day to visit the
Home, and without the valuable services he renders we doubt very much whether the Home would
enjoy the prestige it does to-day. He has, however, had a valuable assistant in Major John B. Haggerty,
of Plattsburgh, who quite frequently visits Hudson, and the two deserve a great deal of credit from the
firemen throughout the State for what they have done for this noble institution.
The Board of Trustees will have a meeting at the Home to-day, and it is thought likely that the matter of
building a wing on the main building will be brought up for consideration.
The Sunday services, which had to be stopped when the improvements began, will be resumed next
Sunday, when Rev. Charles T. McDaniel, pastor of the North Sixth street Lutheran church, will officiate at
the Home.
To-morrow a visit will be paid the Home by the Veteran Firemen of Poughkeepsie, who are coming here
on an excursion. Chief Granger and Assistants Wise and Davis, with delegations from each fire company,
will escort the Poughkeepsie veterans and their friends to the Home and let them see what a great
institution the volunteer firemen of New York State have in Hudson. [Illustration of the home]

Asa Brazee, aged 63 years, who has been living at Ellsworth Almy’s in the town of Broome suicided in a
novel way Thursday, Aug. 24th. He failing to appear at supper time, a search was made. He was found
dead with his head in a pool of water about eighteen inches deep.
Mr. Brazee had gone in the field, and selecting a marshy spot, dug a hole about two feet deep and three
feet long, after this had filled with water he tied a handkerchief over his eyes, folded his arms and lying
down put his head under the water and drowned. He had been in poor health for a number of years and became despondent. The funeral service was held Sunday week at the Franklinton M. E. church. – *Mountain Gazette*.

Mr. Brazee was formerly a respected citizen of our village and carried on business here for a number of years. Of late years he was the victim of an incurable blood disease, and stated for friends when here but two month [sic] ago that he suffered almost unbearable torture. – Ed.

3432. Half tone picture of a fireman. [no date, or newspaper, not identified] [illustration]


Tuesday evening the charter members of Saugerties Lodge, No. 373, American Order United Workmen, assembled in Confidence Lodge room and were duly instituted. The ceremony was performed by A. Rockerfellar, Supervising Deputy of the Eastern Division of the State of New York, assisted by Grand Deputy G. J. C. Adams, of Albany.

After the completion of the institution ceremonies an election for officers was held and they were duly installed into office. The list is as follows:

Wm. G. Sickles, Past Master Workman; Harry W. Walker, Master Workman; Archie Kearney, Foreman; James Teller, Overseer; Harry Brownson, Recorder; Nathan Van Steenberg, Finance Receiver; Edward Moran, Receiver; Harry Teller, Guide; Charles Slater, Inside Watchman; C. King Burhans, Outside Watchman. Trustees – Dr. Rudolph Diedling, one year, Dr. Fred. D. Wygant, two years; John G. Palmer, three years.

Sixteen new members were elected and the lodge adjourned to meet again on Tuesday evening of next week at the same place.

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3434. Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F. Saugerties, N. Y., Feb. 21st, 1898

Brother: You are hereby notified to meet at the Lodge Room, Brede Building, on Partition Street, in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Tuesday February 22d, 1898, at 2:00 o’clock P. M., for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, Chas. L. Maines. By order of Ernest Hassinger, N. G., C. H. Vedder, Secretary. A $1 funeral fine will be collected for non-attendance.

3435. American Day Celebration at Newark, N. J. 1896. [picture of a ribbon]


3437. The Evening Enterprise, Poughkeepsie, NY. June 23, 1898. – POKEEPSIE PRIZE WINNERS. Davy Crockett and Niagara Return With Laurels Justly Won. A WELCOME TO THE VICTORS. Fireworks and Bon Fires in Honor of the Fire Laddies – Crockett Won Two Beautiful Flags and $35 in Money – Niagara Brought Home $100 in Prizes.

Pokeepsie’s representatives, after carrying off the honors at Saugerties, on Wednesday, received a hearty welcome home last night.

The victorious Davy Crockett and Niagara Steamer companies arrived on the 8:15 ferry from Highland and were received by the stay-at-home members of Crockett, who turned out in the old uniform and carrying brooms over their shoulders.

At the head of their line, Crockett carried two handsome silk American flags, which were awarded to them for being the finest appearing company and having the largest number of men in line, and in
Foreman Baumbusch’s inside pocket jingled $35 in gold which was awarded to Crockett for the best hook and ladder truck. The third prize was a silk flag, but a Walden company which won the $35 in cash, preferred to have a flag and Crockett, having won three, consented to exchange one of the flags for the money prize.

The Niagara boys also had $100 in prizes. In the drill contest and hose race Niagara was the only competitor and the committee awarded to them the prizes, $50 in each contest.

The victorious companies marched up Main street through a sea of fire. At the houses of Crockett and Niagara there were brilliant displays of fireworks and enthusiastic welcomes for the prize winners.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

Finest Carriage – Wiley Hose, Catskill.
Finest Appearance – First, Davy Crockett; second, Cordts Hose, Kingston; Third, Orange Engine, Walden; Fourth Relief H. & L., Rhinebeck; Fifth, Ormsbee Engine, Tivoli; Sixth, Morton Steamer, Athens.
Finest Hook and Ladder – Davy Crockett.
Most Men in Line – Davy Crockett

Association Prize Drill - $100 to first, $50 to second. Three companies to enter. Special prize of $50 awarded to Niagara Steamer Co., of Pokeepsie. No other entries.
Association Hose Race, 2:30 p. m. - $50 to first, $25 to second. Three companies to enter. Special prize of $50 awarded to Niagara Steamer Co., of Pokeepsie.

On the march up Main street last night, Niagara performed some fine drill evolutions, which reflected great credit to their drillmaster, Dr. H. F. Parker, and themselves.

A LARGE ASSOCIATION.

The territory of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s association now embraces thirteen counties. The association numbers sixty-one companies, 122 members, two chief engineers and two honorary members. Treasurer Davis reports total receipts for the year of $577.56; disbursements, $331.78; leaving a balance in his hands of $246.78.

3438. Delegate 10th Annual Convention Orange County Hose Companies at Goshen, N. Y. [picture of a ribbon]

3439. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 15, 1900. – Fire Department Officers. – Representative of the Saugerties Companies Name Officers for 1901 - Next Inspection on Labor Day. Representatives of the several companies composing the fire department of the village of Saugerties, met at Fireman’s Hall Friday evening, Dec. 14th to nominate officers of the fire department for the ensuing year.

Chief Engineer Frank J. Dale presided, and Ernest Hassinger acted as secretary.

The following nominations were made;
For Chief Engineer, James Teller, of Snyder Hose Co.
For First Assistant Engineer, Lewis H. Kleeber, of Washington Hook & Ladder Co.
For Second Assistant Engineer, Thomas J. Bradley, of Laflin Hose Co.

The above names will be submitted to the village Board of Directors for confirmation at the meeting of the new Board in January next.

It was also decided to hold the next annual inspection and parade of the fire department on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2, 1901.

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The following is a list of all pupils who have attended Saugerties public schools one or more days during
the school year 1897-1898:
Pupils marked (*) will be continued in the grades assigned only so long as they conform to the following
conditions:
1st They must be regular and punctual in attendance.
2d They must sustain a standing above 80 per cent in application and deportment.
3d They must sustain a class standing above 80 per cent in each subject studied.

FIRST GRADE.
William Brainard, Floyd Cook, Walter Coon, Spencer Davis, William Finger, Peter Foland, Walter Haines,
Lyman Hallenbeck, Harry Hansen, Harold Hardenberg, Harold Hawxhurst, Ernest Lubewsky, Edward
Morgan, Edward Ohley, Reeves Porter, Edwin Schoonmaker, Lawrence Spatz, William Valk, Edward
Wright, Jennie Ball, Minnie Burhans, Sadie Cook, Arline Craw, Anna Gordell, Else Jerrell, Altie Kimball,
Hazel Lezette, Rose Miller, Isabel Myer, Hazel Palen, Maud Quick, Margaret Reinhard, Eva Smith,
Blanche Snyder, Lillian Whitaker, Dora Wolf.
Clyde Burhans, Eddie Cornwell, John Coumbe, Russell Espy, John Johnson, William McMullen, Charles
Smith, Leroy Sparling, Elmer Smith, Willie Thompson, John Whitaker.
Helen Burnett, Lavina Coumbe, Aneita Harmes, Florence Kneifer, Myra Lewis, Sarah Peters, Katie Shultis,
Margaret Slade, Eva Taylor, Grace Thompson, Carrie Whitaker.

3441. SECOND GRADE.
George Brandt, Roy Burnett, Talmadge De Witt, Collins Elting, Alfred Jewett, Adam Knaust, Arthur Lamb,
Abram Martin, George Martin, William Mattis, Blaine Maxwell, *Douglas Overbagh, Edward Pultz, Ben
Rose, George Seamon, Harry Smith, Paula Bauck, Maud Carnright, Eva Darbee, Harriet Davis, Lillian
Dederick, Minnie Deitrich, Olive Frazer, Jennie Griffis, Mildred Griffis, Minnie Griffis, Rose Hollinger,
Nellie Lowther, Florence Myer, Anna Nestlin, Alice Ronk, Edna Swart, Margaret A. Valk, Jessie Winchell,
Eddie Bridgeman, Chandler Dubois, Francis McCabe, John McDonough, *John McNally, John Rogers,
Irving Van Etten, Mabel Ball, Elizabeth De Witt, Gertrude Freligh, Jennie Gardner, Anna Herring, Anna
Johnson, Ethel Lasher, Rachel Thomas, Amita Webber.

3442. THIRD GRADE.
Kenneth Bogardus, Robert Coon, John Fellows, George Hallenbeck, Emil Hansen, Benjamin Harris,
William Kearney, Leslie Maxwell, *Robert Myer, George Ohley, Caldwell Overbagh, Hoyt Overbagh, F.
Kiersted Pidgeon, Clinton Ricketson, Lansing Ricketson, Lewis Robinson, Frank Ronk, Lansing
Nina Baldwin, Lillian Burhans, Inez Carnright, Mary Crump, Ida Dile, Hattie Frayer, Lizzie Genthner,
Emma Gleason, Margret Lasher, Minnie McNally, Anna Maxwell, Isabel Overbagh, Grace Partrick, Julia
Irving Cantine, *John Carle, William Coumbe, John Dubois, Fred Eckert, William Eckert, Benjamin Ennis,
Teetsell, James Van Etten.
Maude Carle, Helen Cantine, Edna Crum, Jennie Coons, Sarah Dubois, Phoebe Holsapple, Anna Jonson,
Elizabeth Johnson, Jennie Johnson, Marie Knaust, Helen McKenzie, Minnie Stinson, Elsie Stewart, Eva
Thompson, Daisy Whitaker, Lauretta Whitaker.

3443. FOURTH GRADE.
Genthner, Charles Genthner, John Gordell, Edward Hollinger, Hartley Horton, Raymond Jerrell, George
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook


3444. FIFTH GRADE.

3445. SIXTH GRADE.

3446. SEVENTH GRADE.

Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook


3447. EIGHTH GRADE.

3448. ADVANCED EIGHTH GRADE.

3449. HIGH SCHOOL – FIRST YEAR.

3450. HIGH SCHOOL –SECOND YEAR.

3451. HIGH SCHOOL –THIRD YEAR.
*Elizabeth Barker, Maude L. Griffis, Helen D. Lowther, Alida Russell, Evelyn Waterbury.

3452. HIGH SCHOOL –FOURTH YEAR.
Byron L. Davis, *Harry Hallenbeck.

SIXTH YEAR.
Florence B. Corse.

UNCLASSIFIED.
GRADUATE.
Semy Bais, F. Gilbert Morss, Marguerite Cordes, Isabel M. Cornwell, Cora Lowther, Emma C. Simmons, Mai M. Smedberg, Florence M. Snyder.

POST GRADUATE.
Fordyce Schoonmaker, Edwin P. Valkenburgh.

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Thursday evening, July 28th, District Deputy Grand Master Charles Horton installed the elective and appointive officers of Ulster Lodge, No. 59, of this village, in due form. He was assisted by the following staff.

Grand Marshall, E. M. Baldwin
       Warden, Robert Webber
       Secretary, Stephen F. Barker
       Treasurer, A. R. Freese
       Guardian, Nathan Van Steenberg

The following officers were installed
Samuel Hallenbeck, Jr., Noble Grand; John Lang, Jr., Vice Grand; Charles H. Vedder, Secretary; John Seamon, Treasurer; Archie C. Mitchell, Warden; James Smith, Jr., Conductor; Henry A. Ohley, Right Supporter Noble Grand; John Lang, Sr., Left Supporter Noble Grand; James Rightmyer, Right Scene Supporter; Edward Sniffin, Left Scene Supporter; Stephen F. Barker, Right Supporter Vice Grand; Robert Espey, Left Supporter Vice Grand; Fred. A. Keener, Chaplain; Chas. E. Hamlin, Inside Guardian.
Vice-President Richard Damm, of the New York Veteran Fireman’s Association, has presented chief
engineer Ernest Hassinger of this village, with a firemanic badge of elegant design. It is wrought of silver
and blue silk intertwined with the American colors, and bears besides a photograph of the owner, a
representation of an old time band fire engine and a fireman’s hat. It will be left on exhibition at
Yerger’s Market street Hotel for a few days.

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Volunteer Firemen’s Association do Themselves Proud. – Ninth Annual Parade of the Association
Witnessed by Thousands – A Scene Long to be Remembered.
The ninth annual parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association took place in this village
yesterday and was witnessed by thousands of people, who had come to town for that express purpose.
It was a scene long to be remembered, and there was music in the air all day long. In fact it was a
genuine fireman’s day, excepting for the interruptions caused by thunderstorms. The morning broke
clear and beautiful, and visitors and residents alike were congratulating themselves that the day would
prove to be all that could be desired so far as the weather was concerned. But the elements decided
otherwise, and seriously interfered with the events later on.
In the early evening of the day before, the Osgood Steamer Co., of Troy, arrived by a West Shore train,
accompanied by a drum corps, and were met at the depot by a delegation of local firemen, headed by
the Quarryville Band, and were escorted to their quarters at the Phoenix.
In the early morning company after company began arriving by boat and train, and were met by a
reception committee appointed for the purpose and escorted to their proper places for the formation of
the parade.
Grand Marshal E. L. Quick and his marshals were early on the ground and did yeoman service in
perfecting the necessary details, yet in spite of all their efforts the parade did not start until nearly noon,
occasioned by the non-arrival of the Hudson companies, who were the means of delaying the start until
nearly that hour.
At last all things being ready the parade was started, and just as the second division turned into John
street a sudden thunderstorm arose which drove everybody to cover. For a few moments the rain
descended in torrents, soaking the many handsome decorations and giving a glooming outlook to
everything connected with the parade. But shortly afterwards the clouds broke away, the sun came out
brightening everything with its cheerfulness and the firemen again fell into line and the march was
resumed.
The sights along the street as the procession moved was an inspiring one. With a surging mass on the
sidewalks, the waving flags and the decorations overhead sent the blood tingling through the veins in
accelerated currents. The pageant as it marched through the streets was a magnificent sight. Almost as
far as the eye could reach were seen glittering apparatus, plumes and gay uniforms, while the air was
filled with inspiring music from many bands and drum corps. Not in many years has Saugerties beheld
such an inspiring sight.
The procession was made up of the following companies:
FIRST DIVISION.
New York City Exempt Fireman’s Association.
W. C. Wiley Hose Co., of Catskill.
John Watts dePeyster Hook & Ladder Co., Tivoli.
SECOND DIVISION.
John N. Cordts Hose Co., Kingston.
Orange Hose Co., Walden.
Niagara Steamer Co., Poughkeepsie.

THIRD DIVISION.

Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., Poughkeepsie.
Relief Hook & Ladder Co., Rhinebeck.
Johnston L. De Peyster Hose Co., Tivoli.

FOURTH DIVISION.

J. C. Osgood Steamer Co., Troy.
F. S. Ormsbee Steamer Co., Tivoli.

FIFTH DIVISION.

H. C. Rogers Hose Co., Hudson.
J. W. Hoysradt Hose Co., Hudson.
Palmer Engine Co., Kinderhook.

SIXTH DIVISION.

Saugerties Fireman’s Association, Saugerties.
Laflin Hose Co., Saugerties.
Snyder Hose Co., Saugerties.
The procession was headed by Grand Marshal Quick, and the following aides:
John Dederick, Walter Cunyes, Charles Teetsel, Rudger D. Suderley, David W. Hommel, Jesse Van Gaasbeck.
Dr. C. T. Montgomery, Marshal First Division – Aides, Edward Washburn, Luther H. Stupplebeen.
John McGinnis, Marshal Second Division – Aides, Jacob Hardenberg, George E. Carnright.
Dr. M. H. Wygant, Marshal Third Division- Aides, Charles Davis, Jr., James Smith.
Dr. T. F. O’Dea, Marshal Fourth Division – Aides, Abram Holsapple, Byron Teetsel.
Archie Kearney, Marshal Fifth Division – Aides, John Adelman, Theodore B. Cornwell.
George B. Snyder, Marshal Sixth Division – Aides, Henry Clum, Daniel N. Finger.

The division formed as follows; First, on Partition street, right on Lafayette.
Second, on Market Street, north of Lafayette, right resting on Lafayette.
Third, on Market street south of Lafayette, right resting on Lafayette.
Fourth, on Livingston street, right resting on Market.
Fifth, on Washington avenue, north of Lafayette, right resting on Lafayette.
Sixth, on Lafayette street, right resting on John street.

The line of march was carried out exactly as published in THE TELEGRAPH of the day before and was most ably managed by Grand Marshal Quick who proved himself to be the right man in the right place, in which he was most ably assisted by the marshals and aides whom he had appointed. Shortly after the conclusion of the parade another thunderstorm came up which seriously interfered with the other pleasures of the day and preventing the hose race, drill contests and other events from taking place as had been arranged by the general committee. However the companies which were to compete in these events were awarded the prizes assigned just the same as though they had occurred. The judges appointed to make the several awards were John Gordell, E. W. Simmons, Peter Canner, L. J. Butzel and John C. Davis, who rendered the following decisions:
To the first six finest appearing companies, Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., of Poughkeepsie; John N. Cordts Hose Co., of Kingston; Orange Hose Co., of Walden; F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co., of Tivoli, and Morton Steamer Co., of Athens.

For finest carriage in the parade, W. C. Wiley Hose Co., of Catskill.

For the finest truck in the parade, Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., of Poughkeepsie.

For the finest appearing company of Exempts in line, The New York City Exempt Fireman’s Association.

For the company having the largest number of men in line, Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., of Poughkeepsie.

The scenes and incidents on the streets after the passing of the thunderstorm in the afternoon beggars description. The winning companies paraded the streets with brooms and music marching and countermarching, singing, dancing and making other demonstrations of joy to the entertainment of the witnessing crowds. One by one finally departed and after Osgood Steamer left for Troy on the 7:29 West Shore train the streets assumed their wonted appearance.

Upon the whole, the day was a most enjoyable one, and the remembrances cannot but linger for many years in the memory of the majority of those who witnessed its stirring scenes. Doubtless, it will be a number of years before Saugerties will witness a like display, and next year Poughkeepsie no doubt will be overjoyed to welcome the tenth annual convention, parade and tournament of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association within her borders. So mote it be.


The views of Spanish editors on the destruction of Cervera’s fleet are shown in these quotations from Madrid newspapers received here: “Montojo’s squadron yesterday – Cervera’s squadron to-day,” the Heraldo of Madrid exclaims. “This is horrible. This is dreadful. On account of the lost ships? No Spaniard would weep over ships lost in another Trafalgar. On account then of the blood that was shed. There is Cuba, covered with our blood, and nobody ever thought of it. What makes our grief greater is not the extent of our disaster, but the consideration that what for us was annihilation was for the Yankees the affair of one moment. These figures tell their own tale; Cadarzo is killed and with him hundreds of obscure heroes fell also. But what did it cost Dewey to produce such a terrible catastrophe? Six wounded sailors. Our best fighting ships, our admirable cruisers and swift destroyers are sunk on the Cuban coast, the crews are slain or captured with Admiral Cervera at their head; but what did such a complete victory cost Sampson? One dead and two wounded. These figures make not only a striking contrast, but the produce the effect of red hot iron in the flesh.

“What? Is there no means by which we may kill as we are killed? Is there no means by which the guns of our ships may cause a slight scratch on the enemy?”

Captain Aunon, the minister of marine, is quoted by El Nacional as having said: “If the American warships come to Spain, I, with whatever craft are left to use, shall go to head them off or perish. Such is my duty.”

Upon which the Republican leader, Salmeron, is quoted as having remarked “Very, very fine. But you will see that he does neither the one nor the other. All that is now left in Spain is a disposition for bragging and joking. “

The cost of Cervera’s defeat is figured by El Nacional as follows: “The Vizcaya, $3,600,000; the Oquendo, $3,600,000; the Maria Teresa, $3,600,000; the Cristobal Colon, $4,400,000; the Pluton, $500,000; the Furon, $500,000; artillery, $3,800,000, Total, $20,000,000.”

“That is to say $20,000,000 of which Sampson has given a good account in three or four hours,” is the comment of El Nacional.

3457. Marcus Alonzo Hanna. U. S. Senator from Ohio, Manufacturer. [illustration]
PERHAPS A SUICIDE. – Miss Rhodella Snyder Missed From the Steamer Ulster. – Her Body Found Later Floating in the Hudson River at New York.

One of the saddest of events occurred Friday evening shortly after the steamer Ulster left New York on her regular up trip for Saugerties, when Miss Rhodella Snyder, a beautiful young lady, daughter of Capt. William J. Snyder of the steamer, is supposed to have jumped overboard and was drowned. Miss Snyder was a typewriter and stenographer in the employ of Warner & Co., No. St. John street, New York city, and for several days had complained of malarial symptoms and pains in her head which became intensified during the recent heated term and she finally decided to come up the river to Saugerties and visit the mountains as she thought a change of air would do her good.

She came on board the boat at the Christopher street slip and meeting her father, who was expecting her, appeared to be in a cheerful state of mind, and after kissing him went up stairs to the stateroom hall in company with Miss Florence Brink, a young lady friend from Brooklyn. She was last seen by her father coming out of her stateroom, and when told that supper was ready, said, “I will be with you in a minute.” She complained of a very severe headache, but said that after supper she thought she would feel better. That was the last seen of her alive.

Her father watched for her and becoming alarmed at her absence instituted a search and could not believe that she was not on board. Finally the lady’s toilet was visited and her hat and stateroom key was found lying on a washstand. This room is located on the port side of the steamer just in front of the wheelhouse, and the supposition is Miss Snyder had climbed out of the window to the deck and during a fit of temporary insanity had leaped overboard.

One of the passengers informed Capt. Snyder that he had seen a body float by the side of the boat and that he saw a tug start for it. She was floating on her side and there were no indications of a struggle or he would have given an alarm. This passenger was John McCollough, of New York, who left the boat at the Rhinebeck landing.

The boat was stopped at Yonkers and the New York chief of police notified to look out for the body. This morning a telegraph came to the heart broken family that the body had been picked up opposite 26th street, and was awaiting identification. Capt. Snyder left for New York with a West Shore train this morning.

Miss Snyder was about twenty-four years old and was very amiable in her disposition. She was clothed in a blue skirt, a red shirt waist with pink stripes, a white collar and red tie, lace russet shoes and black hose. There were no pockets except a small one, which contained a gold hunting case watch. The left hand had two rings – one a garnet, set and the other a plain gold band. Thus a happy family, without warning, has been plunged into uncontrollable grief, in which the whole community sympathise.


The ninth annual session of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association convened in Maxwell Opera House at 10:30 o’clock this morning. The delegates, many in number, assembled at the Phoenix hotel, and headed by the Quarryville band, marched to opera house. After being seated, President Wachmyer called the meeting to order.

The Rev. Thomas Cole, rector of Trinity church, offered the invocation asking that the Divine blessing would rest upon the deliberation of the convention. The Quarryville Band rendered selections at intervals during the session.
Village Clerk James Dederick was then introduced and in the absence of Mayor Alfred P. Lasher, welcomed the convention in behalf of the village in the following address.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:
Unfortunately our worthy Mayor, Mr. Lasher, is unable to be present to-day, and tender 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 biding you a royal welcome to Saugerties, on this, the occasion of our 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 acquaintanceship to the closer bond of friendship formed in years gone bye; [sic] and I know that no word that I might say, or 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 fire department for its advancement. You will miss at this time the familiar face of one whom, were he here in life, would make his present felt to-day, as he always did at all times 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 country, 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 fading in the history of the fire department of our village, and to its municipal affairs, as well as in the memory of his fellows, but, while he is removed beyond the sound of the trumpets 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 they should be, and that Saugerties has spared no pains to welcome and entertain her firemanic 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 to the cities which you have the 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 waiting for you to possess it. We honor and welcome you as a brave and noble band of men, associated for mutual benefit and the advancement of every idea and principle that shall make you more efficient in the discharge of your dangerous duties. We honor and welcome you as the protectors of our lives and homes, and that without reward save in the memory of a grateful community; and while our love and admiration follow the defenders of our Nation’s flag to-day, yet we are not forgetful that there are heroes just as great in the Volunteer Fire Department, as those who answer to their country’s call; and while Old Glory waves from staff and business block in the name of patriotism, yet from her silken folds there shall re echo the words of welcome which Saugerties gives to the Firemen of the Hudson Valley.

At the conclusion of the address of welcome, the delegates applauded long and loud. President Wachmyer then introduced John F. Tucker, President of the Newburgh Firemen’s Association, who responded as follows:

MR PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:
You have told us in eloquent words that the residents of Saugerties welcome within the gates of their village the delegate [sic] of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association. Welcome them not as strangers but as friends – old friends. We appreciate in its fullest the greeting thus tendered, the welcome thus given. But it needed no lip service to assure us of that fact. Actions speak in louder and more decisive tones than words, and there is not a delegate within hearing of my voice who will not endorse my utterances when I say that the evidences of a heart-felt welcome are manifest on every hand. Over the mansion of your wealthy capitalist; over the establishment of your manufacturer; over the workshop in which is employed your mechanic; over the humblest home in your midst may to-day be seen the flag of this great nation – a flag that extends a welcome to the visitor from every cline, [sic] a flag that typifies in its broad stripes and bright stars all that is good and great; a flag that speaks in a silent language the warmth of the hearts of the people over whose habitation it floats; a flag that hundreds of our comrades are to-day endeavoring to carry as a greeting to the oppressed and the starving ones in the land that under its protecting care may again blossom and prosper as of yore.

Representing the residents of Saugerties you bid us welcome with chosen words, with warm hand pressure and cheery face and earnest endorsement. We know that you mean what you have said; we realize with double force that they mean it too. It requires no extended response on my part to assure you of that fact, to convince you that we accept it in the same spirit in which it is extended. Hudson River Firemen know well what your hospitality is. When that dear old brother whom the hand of death took from your midst and from our numbers such a short time since – Capt. O. T. Simmons – stood upon the floor of the Convention hall a year ago and asked that Saugerties be accorded a second opportunity of entertaining the firemen of the association there was not a dissenting voice raised. With a unanimity such as is rarely met with in a gathering so longer, [sic] where local pride is so jealously guarded, where honors are secured only by earnest effort and concerted action, there was but the one expression, “Saugerties in 1898.” We are here. You have carried out all he promised you would, but the familiar figure, the pleasant face, the happy voice of that dear one – our friend, your neighbor and co laborer – is missing. He has gone to his reward. His life requires no eulogy at my hands. He lived among you – you knew him, so did we. Noble-hearted and conscientious, a friend to the needy, a counsellor to those willing to accept of his kindly offices, he moved on in his quiet, unobtrusive way, and when death cut him down it removed, as the fell destroyer invariably does, the most precious treasure in your midst, and took from us one who had won for himself the warmest spot in our hearts. When you mourned over the loss of Capt. Simmons there was a responsive wail up from scores of homes and the Hudson River where his name had became familiar as a house-word. But your loss – our loss- was his eternal gain, and while we remember his many good traits of character, his virtues, his excellencies, let us also remember that the parting will be but short lived – that we shall meet him again in that world where parting never comes. Had he lived, Capt. Simmons would have bade us welcome. Just as you have done, and thus realizing we feel that his spirit is with us to-day, adding by its influence and its power to the sentiment of welcome you have so eloquently expressed.

Saugerties may well be proud of the volunteer firemen, for you have yet living in your midst some of the brightest stars of the firemanic firmament – men who have done their share to add to the fair fame of your pretty village. Col. H. D. Laflin, whose reputation as a drill master of firemanic teams extends from ocean to ocean; Henry A. Ohley, under whose guidance the Tri-County Firemen so thrived that the Hudson Valley volunteers became a possibility; Ernest Hassinger, a chief engineer, who combines with his office of fire fighter the more difficult ones of historian and publisher – yea and dozens of others who will in years to come step to the front and take the places made vacant by the ravages of time in the ranks of those who are to-day the leaders in the work.

You have bid us welcome; you have extended the right hand of fellowship; you have said the entire village is at our disposal and that you won’t be satisfied unless we accept of it. Good firemen invariable obey orders. They learn to at the time they acquired the knack of stealing the other fellow’s hydrant at
a fire. The Hudson Valley Association permits none but good firemen to membership, therefore we do as you bid us, accept all you proffer. But in so doing, we assure you, and those whom you represent, that the confidence you repose in us shall in no wise be violated. We came here as friends, we hope to strengthen the tie ere we leave; and may the bonds thus formed be as lasting as the eternal hills under whose shadows your village nestles and thrives.

The President appointed S. W. Brousseau, Hudson, Lewis E. Lansing, Poughkeepsie and E. C. Hallenbeck of Coxsackie, a committee on credentials.

At the suggestion of Treasurer Davis a committee of three, viz: Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, Henry A. Ohley, of Saugerties, and George H. Scott, of Coxsackie, were appointed by the President to draft suitable resolutions in the death of the late Captain Ovid T. Simmons.

On motion the convention adjourned until 2 o’clock.

The convention resumed business at half past two o’clock. The committee on credentials reported having examined the list of delegates prepared by the secretary, and found the same correct. Secretary Coffin then read the roll call of delegates and members.

On motion the minutes of the last convention at Newburgh were accepted as printed.

President Wachmyer, then read his annual report, to which he referred to the work of the association, especially that of the extension committee giving special mention to the prosperous condition of the association. He also paid an eloquent tribute to the efficient work of Secretary Charles G. Coffin.

The auditing committee reported that twenty-three companies and two chiefs had joined the association since the last convention. The report was accepted with thanks and ordered printed in the minutes.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows, on the death of the late Captain Ovid T. Simmons:

It has come to the knowledge of this Convention that since our last meeting death has taken from us one of our most useful members, Ovid T. Simmons.

It is with feeling of great satisfaction that we recall his many noble traits of character.

Mr. Simmons was a conspicuous figure in firemanic circles and his death recalls to the mind of the myriad of fireman a personality that was exceptionally replete with all the virtues attendant upon the life of a true gentleman and an enthusiastic fireman.

In firemanic matters he was conspicuous, his good judgment and conservative views made him a prominent member of the State Firemen’s Association, where he was made chairman of the legislative committee. He was ever ready to debate upon the floor and his wise counsel often prevailed. He was the first representative to the State Firemen’s Association from the Exempt Firemen’s Association of Saugerties. He had been one of the vice-presidents of the Tri-County Association and a member of the Executive Committee of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen’s Association.

His many noble qualities of character won for him in all the walks of life the same esteem and regard in which he was held by firemen, and all alike bear testimony to his kind and considerate disposition, his deep and sympathetic nature, and his wise and conscientious counsel. His place in the organization will be hard to fill and his life and deeds will often be recalled with affectionate regard and his death with deep regret.

The committee also reported the following:

We, the members of the Hudson River Valley Volunteer Fireman’s Association, in convention assembled at the village of Saugerties on the 21st day of June, 1898, appreciating the benefits that have resulted from the efforts of the Fireman’s Herald in opposing the passage of a bill known as U. S. Senate Bill, to create a National Bureau of Insurance which if it had become a law would have deprived all Volunteer Fire Departments of a just appropriation.
We, do therefore most heartily commend the course taken by them and extend the unanimous thanks of this convention for their vigilance in detecting vicious legislation and improper legislation against the interest of Firemen, and congratulate them upon the successful termination of their efforts and:

We, therefore recommend that the Secretary of this convention send a copy of this resolution to the Fireman’s Herald.

The report of Secretary Coffin was then read showing a membership of 61 companies, 121 members, two chiefs, and two honorary members, making a total of 186 members. The report was accepted.

The report of Treasurer Davis was next read and showed the receipts to be $577.46, disbursements $331.78, and balance on hand $245.68. The report was accepted with a vote of thanks.

A resolution thanking Secretary Coffin for his earnest and indefatigable efforts to increase the membership of the association the past year, was unanimously adopted.

Lewis E. Lansing, foreman of Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., of Po’keepsie, extended an invitation to the association to hold its next session in Poughkeepsie.

John F. Tucker, of Newburgh, in an eloquent address, moved that the association hold it next session in Poughkeepsie. The motion received many seconds and it was voted unanimously to hold the session in Poughkeepsie in 1899, amid great applause.

The election of officers being next in order, nominations for the office of President were made. Mr. McArthur, of Hudson, in an appropriate speech presented the name of Lawyer Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, while Mr. Fleming, of Newburgh, presented the name of John F. Tucker, city editor of the Newburgh Register. Richard E. Freure also delivered a speech in the interest of Mr. Deyo.

The President appointed Chief Engineer Bieber, of Poughkeepsie, and Chief Higham, of Middletown, as tellers.

The Quarryville band rendered a selection while the balloting was in progress. After the votes had been counted, the tellers announce the total vote as 117, Deyo receiving 82, Tucker 34, blank 1.

President Wachmeyer appointed George H. Scott, of Coxsackie and Col. H. D. Laflin, of this village, to escort Mr. Deyo to the rostrum. Loud cries of speech, speech, came from the delegates and Mr. Deyo responded in a very practical manner, referring to the work of the volunteer firemen and asking the aid and co-operation of the members of the association, in the discharge of his duties.

On motion, it was ordered that the convention proceed to elect the Vice-Presidents of the association, and on further motion, the Secretary was directed to cast a ballot for the election of Joseph C. Hurley, Kingston, Thomas Timmons, Peekskill, Herbert B. Miller, Hudson, William E. Thorpe, Catskill, Patrick Byron, Troy, William H. Halleck, Newburgh, and Lewis E. Lansing, Poughkeepsie, as Vice-Presidents of the Association.

E. C. Hallenbeck, of Coxsackie, presented the name of Secretary Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill, for re-election. Judge Frederick Stephan, Jr., of Rondout, presented the name of James R. Wood, of Kingston for the same office. The tellers announced the total vote as 116, Coffin receiving 86, Wood, 30. On motion of Mr. Wood the election of Mr. Coffin was made unanimous.

Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, nominated Edgar H. Davis, of Hudson, for the office of treasurer. There being no other nomination, Mr. McArthur, of Hudson, moved that the election of Mr. Davis be unanimous, which was carried.

The election of a delegate to the State Convention brought out the name of John N. Bruck, of Rondout, presented by Frank Heanney, of Rondout, and the name of Ernest Myer, of this village, presented by Henry A. Ohley. The total vote was 101. Bruck received 58, Myer, 43.

On motion of Mr. McArthur, of Hudson, a vote of thanks was extended by the association to the village, the fire department, and the citizens.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended to President Wachmeyer for his labors during the past two years in the interest of the association.
On motion, of George H. Scott, of Coxsackie, Mr. Wachmeyer was made a life member in the Association.

On motion, of Henry A. Ohley, a vote of thanks was extended to Samuel J. Adams, for the use of the opera house for holding the convention.

On motion the convention adjourned.


Saugerties is always bound to be on top. Tuesday morning a large delegation of our citizens left town for Catskill to attend the Red Men’s field day there and also to witness the parade. They went with the expectation of returning home with several prizes, as Edward Phillips, our crack sprinter and jumper and John White and Frank Phelps, the fast cyclers were entered in several events. These expectations were fulfilled, for they came home in the evening bringing with them five prizes, Edward Phillips securing four and Frank Phelps one. It was a big day for Catskill. In the morning a grand parade of the fire men and Red Men, together with several business floats headed by two bands and several drum corps occurred, and the streets were thronged with people. The business places were closed and the place had a holiday air. Everybody was out to see the pale-faces, and Uncle Sam leading General Weyler by the chain.

The athletic events were held at the Driving Park in the afternoon, about fifteen hundred people being present. The first number on the program was 100 yard dash. In the first heat Edward Phillips, of this village, won with ease in 10 3/4 seconds. In the final heat of this race, the basest kind of fraud was perpetrated. The second heat was won by Courtney, of Albany in 10 1-5 seconds, and in the final Courtney and Phillips ran a tie. The judges instead of allowing Courtney to run off the tie with Phillips disqualified him and permitted a runner named Cummings, of Catskill to do it. When this was done Phillips and Cummings also ran a tie, but the judges awarded the race to Cummings amid the hisses and jeers of derision from the crowd.

The 220 yard dash and quarter mile run gave Phillips a chance to spread himself, and he did, winning both events with comparative ease. In the running high jump he won second, he being very tired owing to the closeness of the events, having hardly time between each to get a breathing spell. The prizes were two silver medals for the second prizes.

Frank Phelps and John White rode in the 1-2 mile novice bicycle race and Phelps secured second place and won a silver cup. White was fourth, their being ten riders in the race and he showed up well for his first race.

Ladue, the speedy Cold Spring cycler, well known here, won three prizes, two first and one second. It was thought that the day would pass off without any accident, but a blustering big woman who deserved to be horsewhipped, attempted to cross the track as the final of the 1-4 mile bicycle race was being run and the result was that Van Steenburg, of Tivoli and Bedell, of New York, were thrown. Bedell was not hurt, but Van Steenburg was rendered unconscious. Dr. Diedling, of this village, was on the grounds and was soon beside the injured cycler. In a few minutes the Doctor had Van Steenburg restored.

The summary of the athletic events are.


1-4 mile run won by Edw. Phillips, Saugerties; Wm. B. Laun, Catskill, second. Time 1:06
Running High Jump won by Salisbury Day, Leeds; Edward Phillips, Saugerties, second. Height 5 ft. 1 in. Phillips jump was 5 ft.

1-2 mile novice bicycle race, won by William Shortman, Philmont; Frank Phelps, Saugerties, second. Time 1:23 1-5.


The 120 yard hurdle was won by Salisbury Day, of Catskill. Time 18 2 5 seconds.

There was also a tug of war contest, between teams of the Cornwall Red Men and the Catskill Red Men. The Cornwall team won.

Several horse races and shooting contests also occurred and altogether the events were a success in every way.

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who composed it. Mary exclamations of approval of the defenders of our homes was heard upon every hand, and it goes without saying, that as the laddies passed through the various streets, that the populace had been led into captivity by them for they applauded with much enthusiasm. The parade formed on Partition street, the right of line resting on Lafayette. It was in charge of Grand Marshal E. L. Quick. The following is the order of the companies who participated.

Grand Marshal – E. L. Quick.
Aide
Board of Directors in carriages.

1st DIVISION.

Dr. C. T. Montgomery, Marshal.
Kirk’s Band.
Exempt Firemen’s Association, New York.
Catskill Drum Corps.
W. S. C. Wiley Hose Co., Catskill.
Ellerslie Band.

2nd DIVISION.

John Maginnis – Marshal.
10th Regiment Band.
Cordts Hose Co.
Honorary members Cordts Hose in carriages, Rondout.
Walden Drum Corps.
Orange Hose Co., Walden.
Wappingers Falls Drum Corps.
Niagara Steamer Co., Poughkeepsie.

3rd DIVISION.

M. H. Wygant – Marshal.
19th Separate Drum Corps.
Excelsior Band.
Relief H. & L. Co., Rhinebeck.
Germantown Band.
J. L. Depeyster Hose Co., Tivoli.

4th DIVISION.

Dr. T. F. O’Dea – Marshal.
Orphan Asylum Drum Corps.
J. C. Osgood Steamer Co., Troy.
Glasco Band.
F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co., Tivoli.
Citizens’ Military Band.
J. H. Hill H. & L. Co., Renasaeler. [sic]

5th DIVISION.

Archie Kearney – Marshal.
Philmont Band.
H. W. Rogers Hose Co., Hudson.
Craver Drum Corps.
J. W. Hoysradt Hose Co., Hudson.
Athens Drum Corps.
Morton Steamer Co., Athens.  

George B. Snyder - Marshal.  
Red Hook Band.  
Exempt Firemen.  
Washington Drum Corps.  
Laflin Hose Co.  
Empire Band.  
Snyder Hose Co.  
Quarryville Band.  
Washington H. & L. Co.  
Minnehaha Steamer.  
The line of march was through John, Main, Partition, McCarthy, Hill, Valley, Underwood, Burt, Barclay, East Bridge, West Bridge, Jane, Second, Livingston and Market streets. The parade lasted about two hours.  
After the parade had been concluded another terrific shower occurred, in which the rain came down in torrents, accompanied by heavy peals of thunder and vivid flashes of lightning. This compelled the committee to abandon the contests. The prize winners of the day were then announced, and each victorious company with brooms made parades about the streets.  

THE PRIZE WINNERS.  
The judges were: Lewis J. Butzel, John Gordell, William E. Simmons, John C. Davis and Peter Canner.  
The prizes for the finest appearing companies in line were awarded to Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., Poughkeepsie, Orange Hose Co., Walden; Morton Steamer Co., Athens; Relief Hook & Ladder Co., Rhinebeck; Ormsbee Engine Co., Tivoli; and Cordts Hose Co., Rondout.  
The prize for the largest company in line was awarded to Davy Crockett Hook & Ladder Co., Poughkeepsie.  
The prize for the finest company of Exempts in line was awarded to the Exempt Firemen of New York.  
The prize for the handsomest Hook & Ladder truck was awarded to Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., Poughkeepsie.  
The prize for the finest carriage in line went to Wiley Hose Co., of Catskill.  
The hose race and drill contest were awarded to Niagara Steamer Co., of Poughkeepsie.  

NOTES OF THE DAY.  
Poughkeepsie did well, three flags and $100.  
The Saugerties companies were not surpassed by any of the others in line. They received applause all along the march.  
The police arrangements were excellent. Credit is due Chief David E. Abeel, and his force. They handled the big crowds in regular city style.  
The flags, as prizes, gave the greatest of satisfaction. All the companies were anxious to secure one. Wiley Hose Co., of Catskill, drew a beautiful carriage. It was built by Wunder, of Reading, Pa., and came direct from the factory here.  
Although the Citizen's Cornet Band was the smallest band in line they managed to hold their own with the larger bands and drum corps.  
The Walden Drum Corps, in their maroon uniforms attracted much attention. Their music was up to-date.  
The honorary members of Cordts Hose Co., of Kingston, rode in carriages in the parade. One party of them had a tally-ho.  
The eating stands did a tremendous business. It was a regular Klondike for them.
One of the finest body of men in line were the uniform company Exempt Firemen’s Association, of New York, fifty-five members strong. Their uniform consists of drab fire coats and trousers, red shirts, straw colored gloves, and fire and fatigue caps. The officers are: Robert Nooney, foreman; Lawrence Dalton, assistant foreman; Joseph J. Morgan, recording and financial secretary; Matthew J. Fogerty, corresponding secretary; James C. Colegrove, treasurer. The youngest man on the ropes was 58 years of age and the oldest 82 years. The handsome old style piano engine of this company was formerly the property of Jefferson engine company No. 26, of the old Volunteer Fire Department. The old foreman of that company, Mr. Thomas E. Tripler, came in possession of the engine at the time of the disbandment of the old New York Volunteer Fire Department. He is at present time a member of the Exempt company and presented the engine to the company. Mr. Tripler is one of the richest builders of New York city. Many of the members of the exempt company are to be found in the ranks of the most prominent men in New York. Many are holding prominent positions under the Natural New York and Municipal Governments, and some of the members have participated in the Mexican and late Civil wars. Among interested witnesses of the Firemen’s parade on Wednesday were A. Arbuckle, W. J. Forsythe, James Cunningham and Edward Laverty of New York city. After a trip through the Catskills and a short visit with their old friend Saulpaugh, at Catskill, the party will return home.

Orange Hose Co., of Walden, with their pretty uniforms, were conceded to be the finest visiting company in line.

The prettiest piece of fire apparatus in line was the Washington Hook & Ladder Co.’s truck. It attracted much attention from the visiting firemen who said it was simply fine.

Our neighboring town, Tivoli, deserves much credit for the manner in which her department appeared in the parade. The three companies were here and each one marched in true firemanic style.

Mayor J. Frank Hall, of Poughkeepsie, occupied a seat in the carriage with Mayor Alfred P. Lasher in the parade.

The citizens of Saugerties have a department that is worthy of much praise. They showed up finely. Poughkeepsie distributed 1000 buttons to advertise their claim for the convention in 1899. They bore the pictures of the flags of American and Cuba and the words, Poughkeepsie 1899. They did silent but effective work. Everybody was decorated with them.

From the people of Saugerties, We’re glad it’s over.

Too bad that Jupiter Pluvius should have played such a trick on the firemen. Probably thought they needed some water.

Badge vendors did a thriving business. They paid $2 for the privilege of selling.

Major R. P. Barker, who rode in the parade has been a volunteer firemen [sic] for 42 years. He is a vigorous and enthusiastic member of the Catskill department.

Davy Crockett truck with its aerial ladder attracted the attention of the crowds. While coming down Main street a dog was run over by the truck.

During the heavy thunder storm in the afternoon, several ladies who took refuge from the downpour in Schoenfield’s store, were so frightened by the peals of thunder that they crawled under the counters. Mayor Brinnier, of Kingston, rode in a tally-ho in the parade.

Captain Parker, of Niagara Steamer Co., of Poughkeepsie, had his company execute military manoevers during the parade.

The pair of handsome black horses which drew the old piano engine of the New York Exempts were the cynosure of all eyes. They were beauties. They were owned by Chas. Mulford, the iceman.


Ex-Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger on Friday, made arrangements with Judge H. A. Ohley proprietor of the “Smoke House” on Partition street, for the purchase of that institution of which the Judge has been the owner for several years, and will take possession on or about March 1st. “Peter” has lots of friends in
town who join with us in wishing him success in his business venture. Mr. Ohley will continue in the
cigar business, but will devote his entire attention to the wholesale trade in which he has had years of
experience.

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Bring Home Five Prizes Captured at the Parade in Saugerties. – Crockett gets three fine prizes and
Niagara brings home two - the finest appearing company in line was Crockett, and it had the largest
number of men and the best truck – Niagara had no competitors, and won $100 for its treasury.
Davy Crockett is still a winner. The members of this organization went to Saugerties Wednesday
morning, and returned in the evening with three big first prizes. They were for the finest appearing
company, largest number of men in line, and for the best hook and ladder truck. The parade was made
in a wind, hail and rain storm, with lightning flashing and thunder rolling as if the hills would tumble.
Niagara Steamer came home with two prizes also, one for the best drilled company and one for the hose
race. When it came time for the drill and the hose race, Niagara was the only contestant, and they were
awarded the prizes. There was no competition.
Crockett left Highland at 8:30 in the morning, accompanied by Niagara and a number of invited guests.
The trip was made on the West Shore Road with a special train. The companies arrived at Saugerties
half-past nine, and after unloading the truck marched to the village. The sky was clear and the weather
cool. With Crockett’s company was the mascot, a mongrel dog named “Sport.” The little fellow rode on
the truck all the way up, and when the truck was unloaded, in some manner he ran directly under the
rear wheel of the apparatus. His hind leg was badly lacerated, but he was turned over to Dr. Otto Faust,
who made him comfortable, and he is now home again, having been brought down bandaged up and
apparently none the less active for his terrible experience.
The parade was to have started at half-past ten o’clock, but at that hour the Hudson company had not
arrived, and the committee decided to await their arrival. It was thought that they would arrive 11
o’clock, but it was nearly 12 when they reached their position in line, and finally the word was given to
start. While waiting for the Hudson company black clouds began to assemble in the sky, and it was seen
that a shower was approaching. The companies had moved by two blocks when down the rain came in
torrents. In a short time hail and a very heavy wind added fury to the spectacle and the lightning, and
helped make the day as disagreeable as possible. Crockett’s boys were told to seek shelter, and the
scampered in all directions. The streets were lined with men, women and children, and a number of
Crockett’s boys scurried for umbrellas, and helped the women and children to places of safety.
In twenty minutes the clouds broke away and the sun came out in all its glory. The streets were ankle
deep with mud, and when the word was again given to march the boys had to plod through the mud
and pools of water. The line of march was not very long, but made very tiresome on account of the
slipping and sliding in the mud. The judges were not on a review stand, but popped out at all points in
carriages, and one time they appeared near a corn field, where they were not expected. Crockett’s boys
were equal to the emergency, and expected this surprise, so they were not caught straggling by the
judges. After the parade dinner was served at the Phoenix Hotel, and then the rain set in again. The
rest of the day was spent wandering around the town and the trip home was made shortly before seven
o’clock. When the boys reached this side of the river they were given a rousing reception. The informal
parade was made up of a second company of Crockett members acting as escorts, and they were
followed by Crockett and Niagara. Dr. H. F. Parker had Niagara’s boys up in trim, and they made a fine
showing. Main Street was lined with people, and the prize winners marched through a veritable sea of
fireworks. It was a great day for Crockett and Niagara. Crockett’s prizes consisted of two handsome silk
American flags and thirty-five dollars. Niagara brought home $50 for the drill and $50 for the running
contest. There were about thirty companies in the parade, and six hook and ladder trucks.

Pursuant to law, the Board of Education, of Saugerties Union Free School, District No. 10, Town of Saugerties Ulster county, N. Y., herewith submit a report containing a full and detailed account of all moneys received and paid out during the fiscal year ending July 31, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Amount of public money for teachers wages, $2026.34
Amount of public money for school library, 25.00
Amount of public money from Board of Regents, 372.55
Raised by tax for school purposes, 8956.16
From County treasurer for back taxes, 99.44
Received from non-resident pupils for tuition, 230.04
On certificates of indebtedness, 2000.00
Total, $13,769.53

EXPENDITURES – TEACHER'S SALARIES.

Fred N. Mounton, Principal $1500.00
Maude M. McFarland, 550.00
Eva E. Briggs, 500.00
Mable J. Fuller, 450.00
Kate R. Bishop, 475.00
Isabelle M. Welton, 415.00
Elizabeth Sebring, 412.00
Mary E. Lundburg, 425.00
Mabel W. Voorhees, 385.00
Louise H. Base, 375.00
M. Louise Russell, 400.00
Daisy L. Smallman, 360.00
Anna F. Malthy, 425.00
Emma M. Bolton, 360.00
Jennie E. Clock, 289.00
Caroline Simmons, 165.00
Total, $7416.00

JANITOR.

William Keener, $380.00
John Maxwell, 100.00
Total, $480.00

LIBRARIANS.

Caroline Simmons, $50.00
Florence Snyder, 50.00
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Mai M. Smedberg, 20.00
Cora Lowther, 5.00
$125.00

ATTENDANCE OFFICER.
Charles E. Abeel, $150.00

CLERK.
J. William Lackey, $50.00

SCHOOL LIBRARY.
C. A. Nichols Co., $50.00
Harper’s Weekly Club, 76.00
Penn Publishing Co., 20.00
H. E. Hooper, 70.44
Dodd, Mead & Co., 42.75
G. P. Putnams’ Sons, 2.00
C. W. Bardeen, .70
Baker & Taylor Co., 5.09
Total, $246.98

PURCHASING AND BUILDING SCHOOL HOUSE.
P. Cantine, Referee, $1800.00
George McNally, 807.25
Charles Davis, 16.75
H. A. Hildebrandt, 126.06
Norman Cunyes, 37.00
Donohue & Hennebery, seats, 178.88
Clark & Van Orden, 4.00
John L. Butzels’ Son 5.25
Total, $2975.40

RENT OF BOARD ROOM & PUBLIC LIBRARY.
Mr. S. J. Adams, $150.00

REPAIRING AND IMPROVING SITES.
J. W. Myer, $10.35
Adams & Co., 2.00
H. A. Hildebrandt, 78.28
Jordan & Perrin, 2.00
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., 4.3- [number missing]
Howard & Valkenberg, 74.29
John Clark, 49.25
Wm. Keener, 4.50
Daniel Lamb, 24.69
Finger & Lewis, 37.03
Putting water in High school building and laying walks at same place, 100.56

966
Total, $393.30

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Charles Davis, safe, $25.00
Richmond School Furniture Co., 19.89
H. C. Hadley, 4.00
Seamon Bros., 2.65
Daniel Lamb, stove, 17.00
**Total, $68.54**

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WATER RENT.

Saugerties Water Com’rs, $ 25.00
D. N. Finger, 3.00
Mrs. S. J. Adams, 6.00
Total, $ 34.00

FREIGHT AND CARTAGE.

National Express Co., $ 4.10
Wm. Doyle, 34.88
Total, $38.98

INCIDENTALS.

Bloomingdale Bros., flags, $ 17.00
John Simmons, refunded tax, 3.58
F. B. Morss, making map of district, 20.70
Carrie Alexander, typewriting, 4.00
Silver Burdett & Co., music, .30
Lewis H. Kleeber, filing bond, .50
Adams & Co., chemicals, .80
Rand, McNally & Co., maps, 2.50
Quayle & Son, diplomas, 4.80
F. N. Moulton, expenses at Albany, 7.33
S. J. Adams, hall for commencement exercises, 23.00
Royal Arcanum orchestra, 26.00
C. E. Abeel, overpaid tax, 1.00
J. P. Russell, taking affidavits, 2.00

$113.00

Total expenditures, $13,163.08
Turned over to public library, 350.00
Deficit from last year, 196.45
Total, $13,709.53

Very respectfully,
BOARD OF EDUCATION,
Peter Canner, Pres.
J. Wm. Lackey, Clerk

3466. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 6, 1898. – An Exciting Horse Race.
There was a very exciting horse race at the Saugerties Driving Park on Labor Day. There had been put $100 a side by Mr. Partland, owner of Sappho, and Messrs. Lasher & Kerr, owners of Monteo, to decide the superiority of their horses. A very fair sized crowd witnessed the race and went away well pleased with the day’s sport. The summary is as follows:
Third heat – Won by Monteo in 2:32 ⅓.
Fourth heat – Won by Monteo in 2:36 ⅘.
3467. A Visit to Jimmie Williamson.
Sunday Afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Williamson on the farm at Stuyvesant. Despite the warmth of the weather the visit was made very pleasant with one exception. Later in the day Mr. Williamson was called away to attend the funeral of an intimate friend J. C. Van Deusen, who had died at Stuyvesant two days before. The remains were buried with Masonic honors. Herman Belhke accompanied Mr. Williamson on the sad errand. [no date or newspaper, the newspaper had printed Harrington, which is crossed out and the name Hassinger added.]

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For some time we have had a strong suspicion that our local contemporary, The Telegraph, was furnishing its readers with news confiscated for the columns of The Post. While we had not the positive proof of the fact, yet we believed such was the case, owing to certain events that were to transpire and which we know absolutely, no one but ourselves knew anything about. These events were written up and appeared in our paper on certain dates of the past month, and also appeared in The Telegraph on the same dates. We were at a loss to understand how this could be, but, when we considered that The Post was issued daily at 3:30 o'clock and The Telegraph about two hours later the enigma was solved. In order that we might obtain exclusive evidence that our news was being purloined, we inserted the following marriage notice in our issue of Saturday.

The Post appeared on the streets about two o’clock in the afternoon and about two or three hours afterward The Telegraph appeared containing the same notice. The marriage was a pure fake, having never occurred. The names of the parties supposed to have plighted their troth were fictitious ones and are unknown to us. It was a scheme of ours, to find out if we were right in our suspicions and we are satisfied now that the evidence is beyond doubt. The case is a parallel one with that of the New York World and Journal. The Journal people suspected the World of stealing its news. In the same position as we, they had no absolute knowledge of it, and one day inserted a huge fake story in their paper. Later the World appeared containing the same story in a revised condition. So it is with The Telegraph, our news, which we pay a force of ubiquitous reporters to gather is stolen and revised to that the public will think it as their exclusive news. The people of Saugerties can judge from the above how easily it is for The Telegraph to rob our columns. Our paper is issued every afternoon at 3:30 o’clock, while the Telegraph is issued about two hours later. This way of getting news by a paper that appears the same day as ours, proved indubitably that The Post is the paper for the people. The Post does not replenish its columns from its contemporary, but goes on steadily placing the news of the day before the people. The Post is the people’s paper, is published for the people and is the people’s choice.

On Saturday, THE TELEGRAPH contained the following news item:
The item was given to our reporter by a person before it appeared in the local sheet above referred to so that THE TELEGRAPH would print it and then the sheet in question would claim that it was taken from their columns.
A paper has sunk pretty low when it is compelled to get persons to give out false intelligence to a rival paper and then claim it was stolen from its columns. The item was of course untrue, and in this, is no exception to other “news” in print.

3470. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 2, 1898. – PRODUCE THE INFORMANT. – We Challenge the Telegraph to Name the Man. – A Reply to the Article – They Say We Sent a Man to Their Reporter and Told Him to Print the Item.

The article in the Post Monday evening anent The Telegraph stealing our news and how we caught them in the act, and caused much ludicrous comment about town.

In the issue of The Telegraph which appeared at six o’clock, the weak minded editor tried to show how adept he is at prevaricating. In an article he stated that we had inserted the marriage notice and then sent someone to tell their reporter about it, as that he would publish it, and we could say it was taken from our columns – which it was. He also says that we sunk so low as to have some one furnish his man with false news, which we deny emphatically, and brand as an absolute lie, as the editor was the only one who knew of the fake marriage notice and he was absent from town on Saturday and none of our employees are in the habit of telling others any news inserted in our paper. We challenge The Telegraph to produce the man who told their reporter the item. Why did they not mention his name in their paper as their informant? The reason is simply this. They have been caught pilfering news, and want to crawl out of it in a regular cur style. Why doesn’t the rattle headed lawyer editor have the man who gave the paper the information arrested? It is a misdemeanor according to the laws of New York state, if any one furnishes a newspaper with fake news. Here is his chance to vindicate his paper and himself. When he talks about sinking low, he’d better wipe his own nose.

The marriage notice of Saturday was not the only item ever stolen. Last Wednesday the following death notice appeared in our paper.

CUDDIHY – At Fish Creek, July 27th, Catherine Cuddihy, aged 80 years.

The item about Mrs. Cuddihy’s death was given to our reporter, yet he was unable to learn her age. In coming up town he met a resident of Fish Creek and inquired the age of the deceased lady. Over 80 years was the reply given. When the notice was written 80 years was inserted. The Telegraph appeared on the street after our paper had, with the same notice verbatim. We wonder if that was the correct age given The Telegraph reporter. Many other articles might be cited, but we have no desire to advertise the weakness of an “Associated Press” (?) newspaper. The Telegraph cannot be classified as our rival as its circulation is so meagre that the majority of our population does not know that such a sheet exists. The Post is the only live up-to-date newspaper in town, and is a purveyor of reliable news, gathered by a force of paid employes, and not from the columns of a supposed local paper.

3471. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 2, 1898. – A SOLDIER DROPS DEAD. - He was a Member of the Famous 71st Regiment. His Name is Charles Wynne, of New York and Had Been Visiting in Town – A Cousin of Father O’Flynn.

Charles Wynne, of New York, a member of the 71st Regiment, that famous regiment which fought with such vigor at Santiago, San Juan and El Caney, Cuba, in the war just closed, dropped dead near the resident of William Keenan, at Unionville, about noon to-day. Wynne was enjoying his furlough in town visiting E. J. Lewis and Bro., the cigar manufacturers. He came here Wednesday morning and was around town until Thursday evening.

This morning he started for a walk and it is supposed was overcome by the heat. He was a cousin of Rev. D. P. O’Flynn, of New York, a former pastor of St. Mary’s church here, and was a frequent visitor in town when Father O’Flynn was stationed here. He was about twenty-three years old. Edward J. Lewis went to Unionville this afternoon and took charge of the body and had it brought to the undertaking establishment of Belch & Keenan.
The installation of officers in Saugerties Aerie, F. O. E., was held Monday evening, the following being those inducted into office for the ensuing term: Christ. Huberts, past worthy president; Peter Hennegan, worthy president; William H. Mac Mullen, worthy vice president; John J. Kenney, worthy secretary; Harry Thomas, worthy treasurer; William Houck, worthy chaplain; Michael Martin, worthy conductor; P. Snyder, inside guard; Wm. Crotty, outside guard, Peter D. Curley, Frank W. Loerzel and Wendel Seylor, trustees. [Fraternal Order of Eagles]

This afternoon occurred the annual inspection and parade of the Saugerties Fire Department. The several companies assembled at Fireman’s Hall with their apparatus and after inspection, formed in the following order for parade:
Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger and Assistant Engineers Martin Cantine and Frank Dale. The village Directors in a carriage. Williamson’s Cornet Band of Glasco, with Burton Lasher as drum major; the Exempt Fireman’s Association, John Lang, Foreman; Snyder Hose Co., John A. Snyder, Foreman; the Empire Cornet Band of Heath, with L. P. Hagadorn as drum major; Washington Hook & Ladder Co., William Tracey, Foreman; Laflin Hose Co., William J. Gordon, Foreman.
The Exempts had in line the old Empire hand engine drawn by a team of horses. Snyder Hose drew their elegant parade carriage and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. paraded their new truck drawn by a team of horses. In their ranks appeared Thomas De Nike one of Col. Torrey’s Rough Riders, who marched between the two Assistant Foremen. Last of all came Laflin Hose Co., without their apparatus under command of William J. Gordon, who as usual attracted much attention by the superb marching and fancy movements executed along the line on march.
The day itself was perfect, the sun shining brightly, which with the handsome uniforms of the men and the glittering apparatus presented an entrancing sight as they marched through the streets to the inspiring strains of martial music from the bands.
The line of march as published in THE TELEGRAPH was carried out, and after the parade the companies were dismissed, and the Exempts banqueted in the Finger building on Main street.
The parade was one of the finest ever given by the department and was witnessed by large numbers of people who crowded the sidewalks along the line of march. Many business places and private residences were handsomely decorated in honor of the event.

3474. Final Settlement Meeting.
The General Firemanic committee met at Fireman’s Hall Monday evening and settled in full all claims against them for expenses incurred at the late fireman’s convention and tournament. After settling all accounts there remained a balance of $102.48 in the treasurer’s hands which was voted to be equally divided among the four companies composing the village fire department, after which the committee adjourned sine die. [no date or paper]

3475. Wm. Randolph Hearst, Journalist, Capitalist, U. S. Congressman. [illustration]

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Malaria maddened her. There is no other explanation of Rhodella Snyder’s death by drowning that does not seem to be an absurdity.
She could not have fallen out of her cabin window by accident, she could not have been pushed overboard, she could not have killed herself deliberately.

Malaria made her head whirl. In her attack of it she suffered torture of burning irons. She had tried all the medicines, all the antidotes. In one moment she was happy, smiling, delighting all around her by the charms of her conversation. In another moment she was in her room, whither she had fled in pain.

The Ulster, Captain William Snyder’s steamboat, that plied between New York and Saugerties, was carrying her daughter to the mountains. Mariner’s Harbor, her place of residence on Staten Island, had been declared pernicious to her.

She had delayed her journey until Friday evening, because she had wished to wait for the convenience of her cousin, a young woman ever attentive and in good humor, who accompanied her.

They were talking of the weather, of scenes along their route, of pleasant and amusing things on the steamboat’s deck after dinner. Twenty-three years of age, beautiful, witty, Miss Snyder attracted and retained interest.

Suddenly she exclaimed; “Oh, how the wind has disarranged my hair!” And it was true that her long brown tresses fell on her shoulders. She asked for the key of her cabin and threw around her neck the string that held it.

She went to her cabin and did not return. Her cousin heard the captain call from the pilot house to his daughter to come to him, and sought for her. Rhodella Snyder was not in her cabin, not elsewhere on the boat. The steward, the passengers, the work people aided in the vain search for her. They found her hat on the washstand in her room.

The Ulster was stopped at Yonkers, so that Captain Snyder might send a general alarm from there. The announcement that his daughter had been found, drowned, was waiting for him when the Ulster arrived at Saugerties, at 3:30 yesterday morning. Miss Snyder’s watch had stopped at 7:20, just about the time she disappeared.

Advised by him, her brother, John A. Snyder, her stepbrother, and her step-mother came to the Morgue from Mariner’s Harbor. Mrs. Snyder said: “I have no other idea, than that she was for a moment insane. If she had been conscious she would not have thrown herself into the river.

There was nothing ever further from Rhodella’s mind than the idea of suicide. She had the most delightful expectations of her trip. She talked of it yesterday with so much enthusiasm that it is impossible to realize how dreadfully it has come to an end.”

In death Rhodella Snyder’s face had an expression of absolute serenity. Her features were classic, her teeth were superb. But malaria had reddened her eyelids and made her fingers thin. She was an excellent musician, a linguist and was the charm and light of her father’s home.

Hysteria, the coroner’s autopsy revealed, was one of the severest forms of Rhodella Snyder’s illness. [illustration]

3477. Secretary Thomas Honohan. [illustration]

3478. Walter Thorn. The murderer of William Guldensuppe was executed by electricity in Sing Sing prison. [hand dated Aug., 1, 1898, Illustration]

3479. Saugerties, Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 13, 1898. - Question of First Water. – Between the Firemen at the Suderley Fire.

Since the fire at Suderley’s there seems to be an erroneous impression prevalent about town that Snyder Hose Co. were dilatory in getting a stream on the fire. This is untrue for Snyder Hose had first water. This the eyewitnesses were not aware of, for it was poured on the burning barns from the yard of Mrs. Peters, from the hose attached to the hydrant in front of Preston’s and stretched through the yards to the rear of the Phoenix hotel. Laflin Hose Co. arrived immediately after and followed with a
stream from the hydrant in Russell street. The reason assigned for the delay in getting water from the Butzel hydrant was explained in The Post, Monday evening, the nozzle becoming clogged by stones thrown in the hydrant and forced through by the pressure of water preventing it from coming through.

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, March 19th, with all Directors but Mr. McNally present. President Lasher, presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
Finance committee report bill of Jas. Teller, correct amount, $1.25.
President Lasher reported the purchase and erection of the lamp on Elizabeth street ordered at last meeting.
On motion, ordered that Church street be repaired from the Church west toward the school house, with crushed stone, as far as the quantity of stone will cover, and the planking be relaid or repaired, where necessary.
The whole Board agreed to meet at Myer sewer, on Livingston street for inspection, on Tuesday next, at 1:30 o’clock.
Crusher committee reported progress. On motion ordered that when the contract for 2,000 tons crushed stone is completed, that the said contract be considered closed.
Lamplighter reported 6 new burners needed on gas lamps, and 6 frames needed repairing, which he was ordered to attend to.
Petition for sidewalk on both sides of Ulster avenue, from West Shore Railroad to Myer street was read, and on motion ordered that petition be received and filed, and the property owners be ordered notified to lay same as requested within 60 days.
Certificates of exemption were granted to Wm. V. McCormick, Geo. Reynolds and Frank Dale, of Laflin Hose Co.
Petition from Albert Schoonmaker to erect a barber pole on Partition street in front of his place of business was referred to the Street committee.
On motion ordered that the whole board meet with the surveyor at the James A. James property at 1:30 P. M. Monday next, and Mr. C. C. James be notified to meet with the board at that time and place.
Mr. Davis, counsel in the Gordan case reported that all costs in the Gordan case had been paid in full up to date, and until further litigation shall ensue, and on motion it was ordered that the counsel be notified to dispose of the Gordan case as soon as possible.
On motion ordered that Russell street be surveyed. Mr. Louis Mattes and others having requested same to reset their curb and gutter. And a survey was also ordered for eastern Main street for curbing and guttering east of President Lasher’s. P. H. Davis having asked for same.
On motion ordered that a gas burner be purchased from I. Griffis, at $1.60 for the Directors room.
On motion ordered that D. E. Abeel be appointed officer to enforce the wide tire ordinance at a salary of $10 per month.
On motion ordered that the following bids for furnishing oil were ordered asked for the village for 6 months from April 1st.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

John Johnson, “       3.00
Thos. Hurley, “       7.75
Wm. Lowther, “       6.00
Wm. Ball, “          6.00
Wm. Dixon, “          6.00
Michael Lynch, “      4.50

GENERAL FUND
James Teller, repairs, 1.25
Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 58.66
James M. Styles, storing oil, 6.00

Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

3481. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 18, 1898. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Considerable Business Transacted at Saturday Night’s Meeting - Treasurer’s Bond Accepted – Ulster Avenue to be Sprinkled – Communication from the Board of Health.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, April 16th, 1898 with all Directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Wm. H. Eckert, Treas., presented his bond with acceptable surety for $20,000, and on motion, same was ordered accepted and filed.

Street committee reported repairs progressing on Church street, and on motion an oil lamp was ordered placed on McDonald street, under direction of the street committee.

On motion by Mr. Finger, amended by Mr. McNally, it was ordered that after the grade for the curb line is staked, that repairs be made from the bridge to the steamboat dock, on East Bridge street.

On motion Mr. Doyle was directed to sprinkle Ulster avenue as usual at $100.00 for the season as before.

On motion Mrs. J. B. Sheffield was ordered to repair the curb, gutter and sidewalk from the gate-house to the ferry slip in front of her property within 30 days or the village would do same at her expense.

On motion by Mr. Myer it was ordered that all persons intending to dig up the streets for gas pipes, water works, sewers, or other purposes must first get permission from the clerk and he to notify the superintendent of such companies to supervise the work and put the streets in proper condition, as before, when finished.

On motion ordered that property owners on Clermont street be ordered to curb and gutter according to the grade within 60 days or the village would do same at their expense.

On motion by Mr. Myers seconded by Mr. McNally, ordered that the previous motion to pay $4.00 per day for teams on the road be rescinded.

A motion that a crosswalk be put down at Frank Pidgeon’s on Main street, was lost on roll call as follows:

Mr. McNally, no; Mr. Cunyes, yes; Mr. Myer, no; Mr. Cornwell, no; Mr. Finger, yes; Mr. Lasher, no.

On motion, the surveyor was ordered notified to complete his map of East Bridge street, and have it ready for a special meeting next Saturday night.

The street committee was directed to make the proposed changes to the present bicycle signs, to conform to the law.

Crusher committee reports crusher overhauled, and repaired and all right with the exception of the tubes, which were leaking. Also reported repairs made to planking.

Petition regarding the license of transient merchants was referred to the legal committee.

On motion John Doyle was granted a certificate of membership in Snyder Hose Co., No. 1 and Thomas Bradley and M. E. Donlon were granted exemption papers.
Report and recommendation from the Health Officer and Sanitary Inspector was read and ordered placed on file, which is as follows:

SAUGERTIES, N. Y., April 11th, 1898.

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

GENTLEMEN: - At a meeting of the Village Board of Directors held Feb. 2d, 1898, the health officer, John H. De Witt, in his monthly report, submitted the following important suggestions.

Your attention is urgently called to the present unsanitary conditions of that part of the village of Saugerties, being east of Partition street, and north of Russell street extending north almost to the end of Washington avenue, the soil of this section is wholly saturated with water; ponds form upon the meadows, near public buildings and public highways, the cellars of may residences are constantly flooded, the locality is made malarious, and the residents are subject to catarrhal, rheumatic and other forms of disease. The High School and three churches are here situated, also a chapel, which by means of the water is at times unfitted for use.

Along Main street east of Partition, the water stands in the gutters, and at the cross roads, where it is mixed with refuse matter, becomes stagnant and impure.

The cause of this bad condition is as follows:

The hill east of Partition street and south of Main street, is composed of clay which is impervious to water, and dams the water back into a basin extended up Washington avenue, where it finds an outlet into the Saw creek. Along Main street this clay deposit, or embankment, rises in the form of a ridge to within 3 to 5 feet of the surface. At one time brick was made from the clay of this hill, at a point, known as Houghtaling's brickyard. An opening through this clay and an outlet made for the water to run down through this hill to the Esopus creek is all that is necessary to drain this entire section.

This could be easily done, at little expense, and this extensive area of wet and marshy land would become dry and salubrious, a serious menace to health removed, and that part of the village benefited for all future time.

On motion the report of the Health Office was received, placed on file, and the Sanitary Inspector and Health Officer authorized to visit the dwelling houses in the neighborhood complained of, and report at the next regular meeting.

Regular meeting of the Board of Health of the village of Saugerties held April 6th, '98 the Health officer and Sanitary Inspector reported as follows:

In relation to the investigation into the condition of that part of the town or village affected by water, we would respectfully report, that the premises and residences there situated were visited and inspected by both your Inspector and Health officer, that we found an area of wet and damp soil extending one mile long and half a mile wide and containing eighty in number residences, that most all of the cellars contain water, some at certain time, others permanently, some from four inches to one foot in depth, at the High School, Chapel and other places it frequently rises to such a height as to extinguish the furnace fires.

The water in the cellars emit an offensive odor and is contaminated. It becomes so by flowing through cesspools, backyards, stables, and refuse matter of the surrounding soil. This condition of damp soil and impure air is injurious to health. It is the cause of miasma and may give rise to an epidemic.

The necessity for sanitary measures to secure better drainage is imperative. The health, welfare and prosperity of the village, largely depends upon thorough drainage, and adequate means to carry off impurities.

it is advised that a plan for drainage and sewerage be drawn up by a sanitary engineer, and submitted to the people for approval.

Provided with a proper system of sewerage, Saugerties would become one of the healthiest localities in the State.

John H. De Witt, Health Officer
Alex. Lackey, Sanitary Inspector.

On motion, the report of the health officer and sanitary inspector was received, ordered spread upon the minutes, and a copy of the same forwarded to the President of the Village Board of Directors. By order of the village Board of Health. Lewis H. Kleeber, Secretary.

On motion ordered that the Governor by requested to sign the bill now in his hands governing the annual and highway tax.

Bill of Saugerties Coal Co. was referred to the finance Committee.

Bill of Warren Kemble was referred to the finance Committee.

Bill of John Lowther was referred to the finance Committee.

The following bills were ordered paid from General Fund.

I. N. Griffis, Gas burner, $1.66
John W. Shults, assessor, 36.00
J. P. Russell, “ 36.00
Chas. Capen, 3 month Janitor, 37.50
Engineer Steamer, 36.00
Wm. E. Person, 3 months care town clock, 12.00
Saugerties Gas Co., streets and corp. gas, 80.66
H. A. Hilderbrand, supplies, 15.90

ROAD FUND
Jas. Doyle, wood, .40
F. M. Murphy, fixtures, 1.30
Chas. D. Capen, at crusher, 34.00
Chas. McNally, fixtures, 8.50
Wm. Doyle, labor, 27.00
Fred. Yanchke, labor, 18.00
Myer Smith, “ 14.00
Jas. Donahue, “ 1.50
L. S. Brandt, “ 1.13
Robt. Casey, “ 4.50
Jno. Johnson, “ 4.50
Jas. Dillon, “ 3.00
Ed. Bates, “ 6.00

On motion adjourned. J. Dederick Clerk.

3482. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 4, 1898. OUR VILLAGE FATHERS. – The Board of Directors transact Business Saturday Night. – Many Bills Ordered Paid – Crusher to be Put in Operation – The Street Roller to be Loaned to the Town.

The Board of Aldermen held their regular meeting on Saturday evening. Directors Lasher, Cunyes, Finger and Myer being present. Directors Cornwell and McNally were the absentees. President Lasher, presided. The minutes of the late meeting were read for information. The assessors presented the village tax roll, and after being signed it was turned over to the collector, John Crowley, who presented his bond of $20,000, which was approved, James T. Maxwell, and Samuel Truesdale being the sureties.

Street Commissioner Crump reported having made repairs on Ferry and Church streets. He was ordered to fill up the holes on Jane and McCarthy streets and also to repair Clermont street under the direction of Mr. Finger.
The committee on the Myer sewer reported having visited same and found it in a good condition.
The crusher committee reported having made needed repairs to the boiler and engine of same, and that it would be in condition for operation in a few days.
Firemanic committee reported progress on repairs being made to the floors in the Fireman’s hall and also to the cistern.
On motion the request of the Commissioner of Highways for the use of the street roller for rolling the road from Nawe’s hotel to the residence of Edward Burhans on the Malden road, was granted.

On motion, Charles Capen was appointed engineer at the crusher, Mr. Kipper, the contractor, approving same.
A bill for furnished oil for the village at seven cents a gallon was received from S. M. Gray and on motion he was awarded the contract for six months.
On motion the tram road on Main street from Market street to the corner of Partition street was ordered to be taken up as soon as possible.
On motion, it was ordered that the price of teams employed on the streets be $4 per day.
By request of the Board the Collector will begin the collection of tax on April 11th at one per cent, and continues at that rate for three weeks.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Robert Casey, 2 days,</td>
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<td>James Dillon, 1 day,</td>
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<td>John Pomfret, 1 day,</td>
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<td>Thomas Hurley, 5 days,</td>
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<td>Wm. Dixon, 2 ½ days,</td>
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<td>Wm. Ball, 2 days,</td>
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<td>M. Lynch, 3 ½ days,</td>
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<td>James Donahue, 1 day,</td>
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<td>Farrel Machine Co., Bearings</td>
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On motion adjourned.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, May 7th, 1898, with all Directors present but McNally. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last regular and special meetings read and approved, with exception of price for stone from Mr. Kipper for tram road should be and is 35 cents per load, instead of 30 cents, as entered in the minutes of April 23rd.

Finance Committee reported bills referred at last regular meeting correct.
Street Committee reported repairs to Main street progressing, and lamp placed at the corner of Allen and Montgomery streets and that bicycle signs had been replaced.
The following were granted exemption certificates: Edgar Myer, Charles McCormick, Jas. O’Hara, William MacMullen, Elmer E. Walker, W. W. Bohr and Wm. Washburn. And the following membership certificates in W. H. & L. Co.: Frank F. Clausman, Peter Kemble, Eugene Peck, Herford C. Coon, Jno. Scanlon, Jno. Weinand and Henry Wilson, Jas. Kearny, Alex. Teetsel and Albert Nicoli were suspended for non-payment of dues in W. H. & L. Co.
On motion the owners of property on Russell were ordered to straighten their curb and gutter and relay flag within 30 days or the village would do same at their expense.
On motion ordered that Frank Pidgeon be allowed to put in a crosswalk in front of his property across Main street at his own expense, even with the road bed and under the direction of the Street Commissioner.
On motion Jno. W. Davis and John McCullough were ordered notified to stop the water running on the sidewalk in front of their property on Ulster avenue, and John Davis to stop draining from his land into the gutter.
Crusher Committee report the crusher in operation.
On motion a warrant was ordered drawn to E. Hassinger, treasurer of the Fire Department for $300.00, as the donation allowed by the village.
Bills of Saugerties Post and SAUGERTIES TELEGRAPH were referred to the Finance Committee; also bill of S. M. Gray.
On motion dog tax, amount of 50¢ was ordered refunded to Thos. Hurly.
On motion notice of the proposed change of grade and survey on East bridge street was ordered published notifying all persons having grievances in regard to said change to appear before the board at its next meeting May 21st and state same.
The following is the ordinance in reference to same adopted at a previous meeting.

PROPOSED REGULATION OF EAST BRIDGE STREET.

Center Line – Beginning at a point in the center line of the Iron Bridge across the Esopus creek, and at the southern terminus thereof and continuing in the line of said center line in a southeasterly direction for a distance of 41 feet, thence in an easterly direction along said East Bridge street to a point opposite the division fence between properties of the Fosbrook estate and Thos. McGann, and 25 feet distant therefrom; thence continuing in n easterly direction to a point opposite the northwest corner of the house, occupied by Thos. McGann, and 23 feet distant therefrom; thence in a southeasterly direction to a point at the intersection of the center line of Theodore place, and opposite the property belonging to Robt. A. Snyder, and 30 feet distance from the property fence of said Robt. A. Snyder as it now stands; thence continuing in a southeasterly direction to a point at west side of Ann and Canal streets, opposite the house occupied by Hugh McKinnaugh, and 225 feet distant therefrom; thence continuing in a south easterly direction to a point at the west side of Underwood street, and distant 26 feet from the property fence as it now stands, of land belonging to the Sheffield Manufacturing Co.; thence continuing in a southeasterly direction to a point opposite the northeast corner of the house known as the Barclay House, and belonging to the Sheffield Manufacturing Co., and 25 feet distant therefrom; thence
continuing in a same straight line as last described for a distance of 54 feet; thence continuing in a southeasterly direction to, and terminating in, the northeast corner of the warehouse occupied by the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Co.

Curb Lines – The curb lines on both sides of the street run parallel with the afore-described center line, and are each 15 feet distant therefrom, making a roadway of a uniform width of 30 feet, except at the junction with Hill street, and at the approach to the bridge, where the curb lines run as indicated on the map.

The lawful width of the street being 50 feet, this arrangement will leave sidewalks of a uniform width of 10 feet on each side of the street, excepting at two points as follows: On the south side in front of Thos. Mc Gann’s house, where it will be 8 feet wide, and on the north side in front of Hugh McKinnaugh’s house, at the corner of Canal street, where it will be 75 feet wide.

GRADE OF CURB LINES

North Curb – Beginning at the southern terminus of the Iron Bridge across the Esopus creek, at an elevation of 100 3 feet and running in a southeasterly direction, ascending at the rate of 4 degrees for about 50 feet, thence continuing always in the same direction, ascending at the rate of 8 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence ascending at the rate of 10 degrees for a distance of 100 feet; thence ascending at the rate of 75 degrees for a distance of 50 feet, to the summit of the hill, reaching an elevation of 120 feet, thence level for a distance of about 20 feet, thence descending at the rate of 4 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence level for a distance of about 20 feet; thence descending at the rate of 4 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 10 degrees for a distance of about 241 feet to the intersection of the west curb line of Canal street, to an elevation of 94 feet; thence beginning at the intersection of the east curb line of Canal street at an elevation of 93 feet, and descending at the rate of 2.353 degrees for a distance of about 850 feet to the west side of an alley to an elevation of 91 feet; thence beginning at the intersection of the east side of said alley at an elevation of 90.6 feet, and descending at the rate of 2.63 degrees for a distance of about 38 feet; thence descending at the rate of 48 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 6 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 10 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 10 8 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence ascending at the rate of 9 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 8.6 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 7.2 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 7.4 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 9.8 degrees for a distance of 50 feet; thence descending at the rate of 4.2 degrees for a distance of 50 feet, to an elevation of 38.5 feet and to where the curb terminates now.

South Curb – Beginning at the intersection of the west curb line of Hill street, at an elevation of 106.5 feet, and running in a northeasterly direction and ascending at the rate of 10 degrees for a distance of about 105 feet; thence in an easterly direction and ascending at the rate of 5 degrees for a distance of about 300 feet, to the intersection of the west curb line of Theodore Place, reaching an elevation of 120.6 feet; thence beginning at the intersection of the east curb line of Theodore Place, at an elevation of 119 feet, and running always in a southeasterly direction, and descending at the rate of 6 degrees for a distance of 35 feet; thence descending at the rate of 10.8 degrees for a distance of 125 feet; thence descending at the rate of 10 degrees for a distance of 50 feet, thence descending at the rate of 7 degrees for a distance of about 36 feet to the intersection of the west curb line of Ann street at an elevation of 95.6 feet; thence beginning at the intersection of the east curb line of Ann street at the Elevation of 94. 6 feet descending at the rate of 3 degrees for a distance of about 35.0 feet; thence descending at the rate of 2.5 degrees for a distance of 50.0 feet; thence descending at the rate of 3.75 degrees for a distance of 100 0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 6 degrees for a distance of 54.0 feet, to the intersection of the west curb line of Underwood street at an elevation of 83.0 feet and
descending at the rate of 13.85 degrees for a distance of about 65.0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 11 degrees for a distance of 50.0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 9 degrees for a distance of 50.0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 7.6 degrees for a distance of about 52.0 feet to the intersection of the west curb line of Mill street at the elevation of 55.9 feet, thence beginning at the intersection of the east curb line of Hill street at an elevation of 55.0 feet and descending at the rate of 7.33 degrees for a distance of about 116.0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 6.4 degrees for a distance of about 111.0 feet, thence descending at the rate of 6.4 degrees for a distance of about 111.0 feet, at an elevation of 39.4 feet, and opposite to the point where the north curb terminates now.

Note: The elevations above referred to are above a Datuno Line which is 100 feet below the flagstone at the South East corner of the Iron Bridge across the Esopus Creek.

Theodore Paschke,
Civil Engineer & Surveyor.

Saugerties, April, 1898.

On motion a National flag and pole suitable for same was ordered purchased for Firemans Hall at a cost not to exceed $20.00 for full outfit and same to be placed by Firemanic committee.

Matter of a cut of Firemans Hall and the Directors for insertion in the book to be issued by the fire Department was referred to the Firemanic committee, to report at the next meeting the cut to be 8½ x 10¾ inches.

On motion ordered that a man be placed at the crusher to weigh the stone at $1.00 per day and on motion Mr. Cornwell was appointed as such man.

The following bills were ordered paid.

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William Doyle, labor, 173.61
Fred. Yanchke, “ 55.13
Jno. Johnson, “ 7.50
Jos. Dillon, “ 3.38
Robert Casey, “ 8.25
Phillip Reilly, “ 6.75
Josiah Perks, “ 1.50
Jas. Donahue, “ 10.13
Chas. Jones, “ 10.13
Wm. Dixon, “ 5.63
Michael Kraut, “ 10.13

On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

3484. Annual Meet of the Atalanta Wheelmen at Asbury Park, N. J., 1897. [picture of a ribbon]

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, May 21st, 1895, with all directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Crusher committee reported crusher not in operation at present and Main street waiting for more stone to be crushed to finish.

Matter of telegraph poles on Russell St., was referred to the street committee to investigate and report. Street Commissioner reported the cleaning of Ulster Avenue and Burt street and crosswalks put down on Market and Myer streets.

On motion, it was ordered that the first stone crushed be used to finish repairing the street in front of Trinity Church on Barclay Heights.

Michael Boyle protested against being compelled to remove the trees in front of his property on Clermont street so as to set curb and gutter as ordered.

On motion, a single crosswalk was ordered place on Elm street under the direction of the street committee and at their discretion.

On motion, the property owners on Ulster Avenue were granted an extension of 30 days to lay sidewalks.

On motion, an extension of 30 days was granted the property owners on Hill, East Bridge and Barclay streets, to comply with the order of the Board to curb and gutter and make repairs.

The Clerk was ordered to notify J. C. Carle to remove a dead tree on his property complained of as dangerous.

On motion, cuts costing $10 was ordered made of Fireman’s Hall and the Board of Directors as a body for the Saugerties “Post’s” trade edition.

Firemanic committee reported a flag pole place on Fireman’s Hall, and flag purchased, all at a cost of less than $20, as ordered – also reported new truck received and an inspection ordered Monday evening next, by the Directors and the Firemanic committee.

On motion, the Firemanic committee was empowered to have Fireman’s Hall decorated for the fireman’s convention at a cost of $20.

Health Committee reported an epidemic of measles in the village.
On motion, the clerk was ordered to notify P. A. Lasher to clear the sidewalk in front of his store, to comply with ordinance No. 28, of the charter.  
On ordering bill paid of D. E. Abeel for enforcement of wide tire laws, if was ordered that his services in this capacity be discontinued for the present.  
On motion, a locker was ordered for the use of Hook & Ladder Co., in Fireman’s Hall.  
Bill of Rumsey & Co., for truck, was ordered laid on the table, and the cloth cover shipped back for credit of $25.00, as charged.  
On motion, Mr. McEwen was refunded 58 cents tax, assessed in error.  
Owing to the map of East Bridge street not being in the hands of the Board, the matter of consideration of grievances from property owners on that street was ordered put over till next meeting.  
Counsel in the Gordon litigation reported that the case could not be reached before the October term.  
The following bills were ordered paid from  
ROAD FUND.  
Edward Bates, labor, $6.00  
Luke McCarthy, " 1.50  
Jas. Dillon, " 2.25  
Wm. Doyle, " 41.63  
Fred. Yanchke, " 22.50  
M. Lynch, " 8.25  
Jas. Lavey, " 8.63  
Wm. Dixon, " 2.25  
Wm. Yanchke, " 2.25  
Millard Whitaker, " 2.25  
GENERAL FUND.  
Edson Finger, flag pole, 6.75  
A. P. Lasher, flag, 7.81  
Jas. Russell, supplies, 1.19  
Van Burkirk Bros., supplies, 1.50  
Jas. Dederick, clerk salary and expenses, 45.25  
S. M. Gray, oil, 91.45  
SAUGERTIES TELEGRAPH, printing, 13.50  
Saugerties Post, printing, 16.00  
D. E. Abeel, wide tire law enforcement, 20.00  
Wm. Doyle, freight on truck, &c., 18.75  
On motion Board adjourned.  J. Dederick, Clerk.

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors held June 2d, 1898, for the purposes of hearing grievances [sic] from property owners of East Bridge and Hill streets on account of the proposed change of grade for curbing on said streets.  
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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, June 4th, 1898, with all the Directors present. President Lasher presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
Street Commissioner reported Mr. Pidgeon had placed crosswalk on Main street properly, also reported Church street on South Side finished, Main street nearly finished, and repairs made to Ulster avenue. The matter of telephone poles on Russell street was referred to Manager Ronk who was asked for instructions from the company in regard to their removal. On motion it was ordered that Market street be repaired with stone for 12 feet in width in the center and graded down uniformly. On motion, it was ordered that the hill on East Bridge street be repaired as far as needed and properly covered. On motion, permission was granted to executive and judicial committee of tournament day to use the directors rooms for their work if needed by them. Chief Engineer reported a test of the new truck and an examination in detail by the committee and found same first class in appearance and make up and fully up to the requirements of the contract in every detail and satisfactory in all respects and complimented the board upon its selection of this truck. On motion, it was ordered that all persons who were ordered to curb and gutter on East Bridge, Russell and Clermont streets can get a diagram of the grade from the Clerk. On motion, the map and ordinance for Russell street was accepted and adopted and ordered published in the minutes and posted according to law, which is as follows:

REGULATION CURB AND GUTTER ON RUSSELL STREET.
CURB LINE, SOUTH SIDE: Beginning at a point in the east side of Partition street, and 7 feet distant from the house line as it now stands, thence running in a straight line and in an easterly direction to a point in the west side of Washington avenue, and distant 7 feet from the fence, as it now stands, of land belonging to Daniel Finger.
CURB LINE, NORTH SIDE: Beginning at a point in the east side of Partition street and distant 9 feet from the house line as it now stands, thence running in an easterly direction a distance of 100 feet to a point distant 24 feet from the south curbline as above described to the west side of Washington avenue, the eastern terminus of the street.
GRADE, SOUTH SIDE: Beginning at the east side of Partition street at an elevation of 96.5 feet, thence running easterly and ascending at the rate of 1 per cent for a distance of 200 feet, thence ascending the rate of 0.75 per cent, for a distance of 200 feet, thence ascending at the rate of 0.4 per cent. to the west side of Washington avenue.
GRADE, NORTH SIDE: Beginning at the east side of Partition street, at an elevation of 97.9 feet, thence running easterly and ascending at the rate of 0.5 per cent, for a distance of 600 feet, thence ascending at the rate of 0.4 per cent to the west side of Washington avenue, being the eastern terminus of the street.
The elevations above mentioned refers to a datum which is 100 feet below the stone door sill of driveway at entrance of Pultz’s livery stable.

Saugerties, June 4, 1898,
Theodore Paschke,
Civil Engineer & Surveyor.

Also, ordinance for East Bridge street, adopted at a previous meeting, was ordered posted as the law requires.
On motion, the map and ordinance for Church street was adopted and same ordered published in the minutes and posted as the law requires, which is as follows:

REGULATING THE CURB AND GUTTER ON CHURCH STREET.
CURB LINE NORTH SIDE: Beginning at a point in the West side of Hill Street, and 7 feet distant from the corner of fence of 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.