The clerk reported he had collected $6 license fee from the Glass Blowers’ troupe and the Board adjourned to Saturday evening, Jan. 19th.

1786. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 10, 1895. At the annual meeting of the Saugerties Mænner Quartette held Wednesday evening, Jan. 9th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Theodore Kistner, president; Henry Schneider, vice-president; Charles Quase, secretary; John Lang, treasurer; Herman Gleisner, librarian; Antone Spatz, trustee for three years.

1787. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 24, 1894. Mr. Geo. W. Washburn, chairman of the taxpayer’s meeting held Wednesday evening, Dec. 19th to consider the building of a village waterworks system, has appointed the following committee to ascertain the cost of construction, etc.: William F. Russell, Daniel Lamb, Carroll Whitaker, Louis J. Butzel, and Charles Davis. Mr. Washburn also is a member of the committee by virtue of a resolution passed by the meeting.

1788. A Nice Window. The window of Ernest Hassinger’s cigar and tobacco store, is lighted these nights by miniature electric lights, colored, and they make a pretty effect. [hand dated Dec. 16, 1905, Post]

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1789. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 31, 1894. - OUR COMMON COUNCIL – Bills Audited, Water Question Acted Upon. The adjourned meeting of the old Board of Village Directors was held Saturday evening Dec. 29th. All the members were present and President Cunyes presided. After reading the minutes the first business transacted was the payment of the following bills:

- C. F. Suderley’s Sons, empty barrels, $ 1.20
- Charles Montross, engineer, 20.00
- R. D. Suderley, money expended for lunch for men repairing steamer, while he was Chief Engineer, 1.70
- Chas. E. Abeel, police duty, 26.00
- Henry Krantz, police duty, 26.00
- Howard & Van Valkenberg, material and labor, 5.86
- P. Corcoran, men and teams, 133.00
- W. E. Person, care of town clock, 50.00
- John G. Palmer, janitor, 6.00
- O. T. Simmons, inspector of election, 2.00

The bills of Chas. Capen and Chas. Montross for extra services, amount $2.00 each were referred to the finance committee.

The Street Commissioner presented several bills against persons who had failed to remove snow from their walks and which was removed by the men employed by the village. The bills were ordered placed on file and will be collected in due time.

The same streets were set aside for coasting as were used for that purpose last year, viz: Valley and East Bridge streets.

A majority of the committee appointed at the public meeting to ascertain the cost of constructing a new system of water works, were present at the meeting, and Mr. Washburn, the chairman, stated to the Board that in order to secure the necessary data, make thorough examinations and be in a position to render a full and concise report to the people, as to the cost, sources of supply, rights, etc., the committee would of course, be to some expense. That nothing could be done without the assistance of
Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

a civil engineer, who of course, does not work for nothing, and many other items, he suggested that the Board take some action as to the payment of the necessary expenses incurred. Counselor Chas. Davis also spoke in reference to the same matter, and gave the Board legal advice. Mr. Simmons offered the following:

WHEREAS, The citizens of this village in public meeting assembled at Maxwell Opera House, Dec. 19\textsuperscript{th}, 1894, to discuss the water question, and at said meeting empowered the chairman of same to appoint a committee to examine the conditions and cost of construction of a new system, and report within 60 days. and whereas a committee has been appointed, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, as the Board of Directors, do hereby ratify the appointment of the parties named in said committee, viz; Geo. W. Washburn, Wm. F. Russell, Daniel Lamb, Louis J. Butzel, Chas. Davis and Carroll Whitaker, and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Directors hereby request said committee to carry into effect the recommendations of the citizen's committee, and make a report of its proceeding to this Board and to the taxpayers of the village and further

Resolved, That the sum of $150 is hereby appropriated for such expenses as said committee may necessarily incur in the premises, the items of such expenses to be presented to this Board for audit and payment.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

The use of the Directors' room was extended to Mr. Frank Martin for the purpose of teaching an orchestra of young men, provided they do not deface the room and their meetings do not in any way conflict with the meetings of the Board.

The committee on water works were authorized to use any maps or papers belonging to the village relating to the water question.

On motion of Mr. Simmons a vote of thanks was extended to the outgoing President, Mr. Cunyes, for the courteous and impartial manner he had presided over the deliberations of the Board during the past year.

A vote of thanks was also extended to the village officers, after which the Board of 1894 adjourned sine dine.


DANDEMORA, Dec. 28.

To the Editor of the Post

One of the last official acts of the retiring Governor Roswell P. Flower has been the commutation of the sentence of John V. Kiere of Hudson, N. Y., who was serving a life sentence in the state prison at Dannemora. By the Governor's decree his sentence is commuted to thirty years and deducting the usual statutory allowance for good behavior, Kiere's sentence will now expire April 9\textsuperscript{th}, 1895. No adverse criticism is likely to arise from this humane and generous act of the Governor's as there has at all times been a very strong doubt in the minds of the more intelligent class who were conversant with the case as to the guilt of the prisoner, and his petition for executive clemency was universally signed by the most prominent professional and business men of his native city. If a man's life for years past can be any criterion as to his future conduct Governor Flower will never have cause to regret having used his prerogative in this particular case. Kiere since his incarceration in Clinton Prison has continually held a position of trust and responsibility for which his intelligence has peculiarly fitted him his position in the Medical Dept. of the prison is one calling at many times for the display of prompt action and unusual intelligence and his ability in the discharge of his duties has won for him the respect and good will of the prison officials as well as the sincere gratitude of his fellow prisoners whom he is always ready at any hour of day or night to minister to in case of sickness or accident and who testified to the popularity in which he is held by presenting him with a handsome and expensive cornet valued at three hundred dollars. Kiere has always been prominently identified in the musical interests of the prison and was the
promotor [sic] and organizer of the first brass and string bands of Clinton prison and now such a pleasing feature of instruction and amusement of the institution. Kiere’s thanks are due to a gentleman of Rondout, and to a gentleman of Saugerties, whose names we will not make public who were indefatigable in their efforts in his behalf and which resulted in the consummation of his hopes. C. H. Payne.

1791. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 9, 1895. – They Had a Big Time. – Snyder Hose Co. Elect Officers and Have a Banquet.
The rooms of R. A. Snyder Hose Co were crowded last evening by its active and honorary members in attendance at the annual meeting. Considerable business of a [sic] interesting character was transacted after which the company elected the following officers for the ensuing year:
Wm. E. Simmons, President; Ernest Myer, Vice-President; H. C. Dolson, Foreman; J. Wm. Lackey, 1st Asst. foreman; Wm. E. Simmons, 2nd Asst. Foreman; Robert Weber, Secretary; C. G. Wilson, Representative; W. W. Bohr, Delegate to S. F. A. Convention; E. J. Lewis, Alternate; Wm. Ziegler, H. A. Ohley and J. A. Snyder, Trustees; Ernest Hassinger, Janitor.
After the meeting the boys proceeded to Ziegler’s restaurant where a most elaborate banquet was in waiting and which was enjoyed by all. Those who were present at the feast were: S. W. Merclean, E. J. Lewis, F. T. Lewis, Scott Van Buskirk, James Teller, J. A. Snyder, L. B. Stanton; Ernest Myer, J. D. Fratsher, Wm. H. Rifenberg, John Bruckner, P. H. Davis, Wm. Doyle, Ernest Hassinger; Jacob Hardenberg, F. A. Jewett, J. Wm. Lackey, E. T. Myer, Frank Murphy, Alfred Nestlin, H. A. Ohley, C. L. Rhinehard, W. E. Simmons, A. Saam, J. W. Tompkins, Robert Weber, R. E. Young, Wm. Ziegler, H. L. Dolson, C. E. Blackwell, Ezra Carnright, Mitchell Dawes, John C. Davis, F. A. Michel, W. O. Pettit, J. W. Reinhard, F. A. Yerger, Irwin Ronk, T. B. Cornwell, W. V. Burhans, L. J. Butzel, E. E. Walker.
After satisfying the inner man, and while enjoying their cigars, the boys discovered that at two of the tables, thirteen had been seated. This caused the superstitions to reflect and furnished much amusement for those not inclined to be foolish.

Between 9 and 10 o’clock this morning, William Stiger, a young man who lived with his mother in the old Kugelman homestead on McDonald street, committed suicide by shooting himself through his right temple with a revolver. The revolver was a new six chamber 38 calibre and had evidently been purchased with the view of putting an end to his life. The deed was committed in the barn on the premises, and evidently was premeditated. [sic] It appears young Stiger went to the barn in company with his uncle, George Kugelman, whom he requested to go to the house after a hammer saying he wanted to tack up something. Mr. Kugelman went on the errand, and upon his return a few minutes later, was horrified to find the body of Mr. Stiger laying upon the floor. Dr. S. L. Dawes was summoned who found that Stiger was past medical skill, death having apparently been instantaneous. The inquest will be held this evening.

1793. Choice of a Vocation.
Aunt Rosa – Well, Juanita, what would you like to be when you are grownup?
Juanita  -  (whose parents are very strict)  I’d like to be an orphan. – Dia.

The following 168 pupils in Saugerties Union Free School were perfect in their attendance during the three weeks ending Jan. 25, 1895. First grade; Frank Abeel, Robert Brown, George Cantine, Irving Cantine, John Finger, George James, Willie Krout, Charles Squires, Byron Cohen, Alma Bauck, Elsa Banck, Emma Burhans, May Cantine, Maud Carle, Laura Etta Harmes, Elsie Herring, Glady Post, Edith Sinsapaugh, Gertrude Waterbury, Helen Weiss.

Third grade; Edwin Comfort, John Cook, Paul Cox, Robert Finger, Frank Kime, Frank Palmer, George Post, Howard Pultz, George Schoonmaker, Denis Wortman, Lena Ball, Annie Clum, Henrietta Dumery, Annie Ennis, Winifred Gillespy, Josephine Hill, Amilia Hommel, Mari Valkenburg, Mary Waterbury, Bessie Worth.

Fourth grade; Albert Canner, Milton Hill, James Johnson, Frank Miner, Aaron Robinson, William Shultis, Ovid Simmons, George Smith, Ella Baldwin, Edna Dolson, Verna Griffis, Anna Lange, Bertha Miner, Lila Palmer, Agnes Plimley.

Fifth grade; Jerry Carle, Charles Crum, Lavergne Garvey, William Hornbeck, Charles Seisner, Ernest Teetsell, Arthur Thonet, Harry Valkenburg, Sarah Brown, Cora Burhans, Jennie Burhans, Lena Cook, Katie Decker, Mable Finger, Lila James, Julia Kane, Elizabeth Kipper, Minnie Lazarus, Mary Mann, Lizzie Pettitt, Daisy Stanton, Carrie Valkenburg.

Sixth grade; Herman Carson, Alfred Davis, John Rourke, Arthur Sinsapaugh, Charles young, Bessie Adams, Jennie Doyle, Addie Elmendorf, Annie Hassinger, Minnie Paradise, Nina Suderley, Jennie Barber, John Gillispy, Mable Abeel, Rose Berdel, Matie Carnright, Nellie Davis, Mable Hanna, Jennie Jewett, Carrie Kleeber, Annie Myer, Dora Ohley, Lucy Potter, Carrie Russell, Fannie Taylor, Katherine Wilson, Ray Cohen.

Seventh grade; Welfred Ball, Robert Berdel, Alfred Clum, Charles Davis, Maude Griffis, Edna Griffis, Nellie Martin, Sarah Montross, Evelyn Waterbury, Lucie Morss.


Ninth grade; Carrie Alexander, Isabel Cornwell, Jennie Hanna, Gertrude Lamb, Blanch Palmer, Edith Van Gelder.

High School; Clifford Abeel, Edwin Valkenburg, Carrie Hallenbeck, Florence Snyder, Mari Smedburg, Henry Bahler, Margaret Cordes.

The total average daily attendance for this same time was 440.

1795. Ticket – Troy City, One Fare 5 ct. Railway Company. [illustration]

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Brether [sic] Odd Fellows, Ladies and Gentlemen: – I am directed to thank the representatives of the grand lodge who are here to night from the city of Kingston, for their admirable services and I am requested also, to thank the large number of ladies and gentlemen present for their attendance and assistance. My time is limited by the committee, and I shall endeavor to keep within the period allotted to me. I noticed in this evening’s Freeman a telegram from some place in the west, which stated that two thousand men, consisting of Odd Fellows, and others, had assembled in convention, and by resolution, had resented the imputation which has been put upon the Odd Fellows society by the recent ban promulgated by his Holiness the Pope. Of course, we do not know the motives which inspired his action; but we do insist that a grave mistake has been committed because there is nothing in the written or unwritten work of the order but what is good and praiseworthy in every respect, all of which is intended for the benefit of men, women and children. We all respect the exalted position and ability of the Pope. He is without doubt the most powerful official on earth, and be reason of that fact a great injury has been done a society which never did any church harm, and which as we believe, never will.
The order has been brought into disrepute, to a certain extent at least, among all good Roman Catholics whose good opinions we invite and value. Odd Fellowship has never interfered with liberty of conscience. It has never undertaken to disturb the Calvinistic doctrines, or the close communion of the “One Lord, one faith, and one baptism” of the Baptists; nor has it invaded the “New England theology” of the Congregationalists; nor has it questioned the thirteen articles of the Jewish Creed; nor has it attacked the thirty-nine articles of the Episcopalians; nor opposed the twenty-five articles of the Methodist Church; nor has it interfered with the one and all sufficient rule of faith as found in the Bible by the Reformed Church; nor with the worship of “one God in three persons” by the Roman Catholics; nor has it controverted the “Augustan Confession” of the Lutherans. It has established no modes of worship. Every member has the liberty to worship God as he pleases, so far as the teaching of this great order are concerned. Of course no one can possibly know for himself the character of the unwritten work unless he has taken the degrees; if you will ask any one of the nearly a million Odd Fellows they will tell you, regardless of religious ideas, that the aims are lofty and its earnest effort is to elevate the standard of Friendship, Love and Truth, which together, form the foundation of its splendid success. In my opinion another link should have been added to the three which is the Insignia of membership and that link should represent “Charity,” for that word, better than any other, expresses the scope of its work. The name Odd Fellow is a misnomer, but that name having been assumed in the morning of its life has been retained although the order is now the most extensive self governed provident association in the world. Its growth and prosperity has been marvelous. The institution was organized in Manchester, England in 1812. It is widely spread over England and Scotland. It exists independently in America, Australia, New Zealand and the West Indies, but there are lodges in Philadelphia, New York and in all the British Colonies, and one in Constantinople (organized in 1862) which are directly affiliated with the Manchester Board.

The Society was organized in America in 1806, but only became permanently founded in 1819 when Thomas Wildey and four others organized a Lodge in Baltimore, Maryland, calling it Washington Lodge, No. 1.

In an address made in this Lodge room a few years ago I gave the history, objects and influence of this order. To-night I wish to call your attention very briefly to the practical benefits of the association. I am unable to give you the data previous to 1830. – In fact it does not seem to be in existence. My figures are taken from official records and proceedings, and are accurate. The total membership from 1830 to Dec. 31, 1893, including Australia, Germany, Denmark and Switzerland, by initiation, was 1,947,744; during that time the number of members relieved were 1,809,645; widowed families relieved 209,902, total to reliefs paid $64,376.265.92, the receipts were $168,056,287.65.

On December 31, 1893, there was one Grand Sovereign Lodge, four independent Grand Lodges, 44 Grand Lodges, and 10,295 subordinate Lodges (of which this is one) with a membership of 913,000, including members of Rebekah Lodges. The total amount of revenue for all Lodges for 1893 was $8,511,004.52, the total amount paid for relief in 1893 was $3,312,970.89. There were on Dec 21, 1893 – 3,292 Rebekah (women’s) Lodges with a membership of 202,642. The sum of $43,172.58 was expended by Rebekah Lodges in 1893 for relief, while the revenue of the Rebekahs during 1893 was $312,922.26. There were 139 Rebekah Lodges in this date of Dec. 31, 1893, with 11,592 members. The receipts in the Rebekah Lodges in this state in 1893 were $30,025.57.

They paid for relief in that year $5,598.01. They paid for relief of widows and orphans, $2,739.88. Their assets on Dec 21, 1893, in this state were $54,452.80, an increase of $6,000 over the previous year. On August 21, 1894, there were reported 710 working lodges for men in this state. The membership on Dec. 31, 1893, was 67,210; number of members helped 1893 – 8,279, amount paid for relief of members 1893 - $175,530.30, number of widowed families helped 526, amount paid to widowed families $10,831, amount paid to orphans $1,385.48, Brothers buried 1893 – 313; paid for burials 1893, $87,352.92, total paid for relief 1893, $275,360.36; number of weeks of sick benefits paid 1893 – 42,469; total Lodge receipts 1893, in this state, $597,262.08.
Having epitomized the membership, and practical benefits throughout the world – an in the state – let me give you a summary of what this Lodge has done and is doing. I am informed there are nearly five hundred Odd Fellows in Saugerties. Confidence Lodge was organized in this village on the night of March 13, 1849, nearly 46 years ago, with the following fourteen Charter members, all of whom are dead save three: Orange Webster, Peter M. Gillespy, Blasé Lorillard, Aaron Whitehead, William Van Buskirk, C. F. Suderley, John P. Foland, Morris C. Rushmore, John Tymerson, Abram E. Post, Abram Van Vlierden, Albert Burnett, Smith Spellman and Hiram Post. Up to December 31, 1894, 408 men were initiated as members of the Lodge; of that number 192 are still members in good standing; 95 members have died and the balance have moved away, joined Lodges elsewhere, or have been suspended. The Lodge has paid for sick benefits, donations and watchers to this date, $14,913.50. It has paid toward funeral expenses of deceased brothers, $2,850.00, and it has paid wives $1,000.00, making the total sum paid since its existence for purposes stated, $18,763.50.

It has expended about $1,300.00 in the past year. In addition it has paid its running expenses, purchased its furniture, and it costumes for working its degrees, which latter cost about $550. It has saved, and has in its possession about $4,000, and as its dues are only $5.20 per annum, it will be seen that its finances have been carefully managed.

This society is not an aristocratic body. It is composed of what may be termed the middle classes and that class really forms the balance wheel of our civilization. The vast sum of money which I have mentioned were earned largely by men and women in the sweat of their own brows, and it was contributed to a common fund for the purpose of relieving their fellow men and women from distress. Therefore I say a grave mistake was made by his Holiness, the Pope, in interdicting the order, by purring it under the displeasure of the great and powerful church of which he is the temporal authority. If it is wrong for men to sit by the bedside and nurse a sick brother, or to his widow or orphan, in distress, the Odd Fellowship is a failure and ought to be suppressed; if it is wrong to contribute money for the necessaries of life to a sick brother, or to his widow or orphan, in distress, the order is unworthy; but if all these things are commendable, then it is entitled to be classified among the organizations of the world which have head, and still have, the benefit of mankind at heart. I say nothing disrespectful of his Holiness; I have simply and briefly undertaken to defend an organization which should need no defence, but which should receive and hold the respect, good will and esteem of all.

Ours is not altogether a secret society. Our membership is known; our places of meeting are generally made conspicuous. Much, in fact, most of our work is in print. Every applicant for membership must first familiarize himself with the constitution and by-laws before his application will be received. The real secret societies of the day are organized to subvert governments, undermine society and destroy the church – ar [sic] for instance Russian communism or nihilism.

Organizations such as ours which have a real and earnest desire to help and assist men, women and children who are connected with it, cannot be an injury to a man’s religious liberty, or the liberty of the conscience of any society or religious belief, and they cannot possibly harm the influence, the teachings or the progress of any church. I make these statements upon my individual responsibility. I speak for the order, as an individual, but I believe that my views will be concurred in by every Odd Fellow within reach of my voice.

1797. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 15, 1897.

Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, has returned home from the hospital at Albany where she was been under treatment for the past few weeks.

An order to show cause why the corporation known as the Sheffield Manufacturing Company of Saugerties, should not be dissolved was granted by Judge Herrick at special term at Albany April 1st. The petition was made by Oscar F. Greenleaf, John G. Myers, Edward C. Rodgers, Charles A. Shultz, William F. Russell, Robert A. Snyder and Daniel Lamb, trustees of said manufacturing company. All persons interested are to show cause before Henry A. Peckham, referee, at his office in Albany, July 10th.

Howard Gillespy of Saugerties was appointed receiver of the property and assets of the company and gave a bond in the sum of $50,000, John G. Myers of Albany and James T. Maxwell of Saugerties being bondsman. The object of the bond is that the receiver shall duly account for what he shall receive or have in charge as receiver and apply the same as directed by the court.

The petition gives the following reasons. That they have discovered that the stock, effects, and other property of the corporation are not sufficient to pay the just demands for which it is liable, and that they deem it beneficial to the stockholders that the corporation be dissolved, for the following reasons: That the real estate was covered by a mortgage which was foreclosed, and property sold: that the assets of the corporation do not exceed $359,000, that its liabilities are approximately $1,155,000, that the bonded debt on the machinery, fixtures, &c is $446,000; there are certificates of indebtedness of $497,550; the capital stock issue amounts to $200,000, that the corporation has not paid dividends upon its capital stock and that there is no prospect that it will ever be able to pay any dividends thereon. That at a meeting of the bondholders and stockholders a committee was appointed to examine into the affairs of the corporation and the committee approve of the dissolution.

It is apparent that it will be impossible to pay the indebtedness or liabilities of the corporation in full. The motion to dissolve the company is said to be simply a formal matter preparatory to the reorganization of the company. The receiver will continue to run the business until it is wound up.

1799. Firemanic –

At Coxsackie last Tuesday the George H. Scott Hook and Ladder Company received its new truck. It is a Miniature City No. 8, and was made by Gleason & Bailey of Seneca Falls, and is equipped with 107 feet of ladders. The new company is formed from the old Hudson River Engine Company No. 1, having changed to the George H. Scott Hook and Ladder Company. Ulster Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, of New Paltz, have received their new uniforms including the regulation fire hat. With their new uniforms, and in marching, they will equal any company in the State, says the New Paltz Times. [hand dated May 14, 1895, Post]

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Feb. 16th, 1895, with all directors except Mr. Cornwell present; president Simmons presiding. Minutes of the last regular and adjourned meetings were read and approved.

On the bills of George Morgan and James Crump for loss of time in attending the Water Works case as witnesses in the interest of the village, the counselor of the village has instructed the finance committee that they can not pass on the bills, as the law clearly stipulates what witnesses fees and duties shall be, and these fees have not been paid in full. Therefore, the finance committee have to report adversely on these bills much as they dislike to do so.

Committee on books and papers reported progress.

Committee on street lighting reported matter left in hands of the attorney for the drawing of the contract.

Communication from Oscar Pettitt making bid for care and lighting of street lamps for the ensuing year was read and ordered filed.

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On motion Jno. Maxwell was employed to light and care for the street lamps at a salary of $39.00 per month dating from the expiration of his present year.
Committee on firemanic affairs and buildings reported progress.
The bill of J. Finger for wood was referred to finance committee, amount of bill $5.00
The following bills were ordered paid:

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A bill was ordered rendered to Mrs. Battelle for removing snow from her sidewalk amounting to $4.42.
On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

There was an episode of a lively nature in this village Thursday afternoon caused by the advent of a married woman from Kingston and a commercial drummer who arrived on a West Shore train and registering at one of our leading hotels as man and wife, were assigned to a room. In some manner the injured husband had found out that his wayward wife was about to take the step she did, and he also boarded the same train, of course keeping himself out of sight. Soon after their arrival the husband arrived and demanded admission to the room in which they were. This was refused and he went out in search of a pistol. He failed to secure the gun – which was fortunate for the drummer – but he did get a piece of iron rod with which he returned to the hotel. This time he was admitted to the room in which his wife and the drummer were. The drummer promptly drew a pistol, but did not shoot. Nobody was hurt excepting an employe of the hotel, who it is said was injured in some way, before the hostilities were over. Finally a truce was arranged and man and wife returned home by the 4:14 train. The drummer also returned to Kingston and remained over night at an uptown hotel. Perhaps a divorce suit will follow and then we shall know all the facts.

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Directors was held on Saturday evening, Feb. 16th. Present – Directors Simmons, Cantine, Cunyes, Quick and Lasher. President Simmons presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were read for information.
The finance committee reported adversely on the bills of Geo. H. Morgan and James Crump for loss of time while in attendance at the water works trial at Kingston.
A communication from Oscar Pettit, offering to light and care for the street lights for $40 per month, was received and ordered placed on file.
John Maxwell presented a bid for lighting and care of lamps for $39 per month, and was appointed lighter for the ensuing year.
Counselor Davis read a draft of the contract to be made with the Saugerties Gas Co., which was approved by the Board.

Mr. Lasher reported that he had had the gas fixtures changed in the Directors’ room, which is indeed a great improvement.

An application was made by the Exempt Fireman’s Association for the privilege to form themselves into a fire patrol. This matter after discussion was laid over until the next meeting in order to prepare the necessary papers and to present the matter in the proper form.

The following bills were ordered paid:

- P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets, $10.49
- Peter W. Morss, surveyor, work done for water committee, 77.00
- James Bishop, work for water committee, 3.00
- Arthur Winchester, work for water committee, 3.00
- Consolidated M’fg Co., new seal for village, 6.50
- John Maxwell, care of lamps for month of January, 42.50

The bill of J. Finger for wood amount $5, was referred to the finance committee.

On motion the Board adjourned.


The Mission Festival given yesterday on the Singer Park by the German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, was a grand success. The rain in the afternoon sadly interfered with its continuance and prevented the evening festivities. The music was furnished by the choir of the church here and the choir of the Spring Street Lutheran Church of Rondout, under the directorship of Prof. B. Spanenberg of Rondout. Addresses were made in the morning on “Foreign Missions” by Rev. John Fileri, of Albany, in German, and Rev. G. A. Bierderman, of Utica, in English. In the afternoon the following gentlemen spoke: Rev. A. Schmidtkonz on “The Training and Education of Our Ministry and Our College.” Rev. H. Krealing of Poughkeepsie on “Home Mission.” Both addresses were made in German. Rev. G. C. Berkemeier, Director of the Wartburg Orphans Home at Mt. Vernon, N. Y., spoke in English on “Our Orphans.”


The village Board of Directors held a regular meeting on Saturday evening. All the Directors except Mr. Cornwell were present. The President, Mr. Simmons presided.

The special committee on lighting streets submitted the following bids:

Gentlemen: - In compliance with your request, we will light the village of Saugerties for three years for the following price per lamp per year, which will include all expense of turning on and putting out said lights and keeping the same in repair, in fact covering every expense connected with the lighting of the village of Saugerties.

For each 16 candle power lamp $13.80 per year:

- Do. 20. do. do. do, 17.25
- Do. 32. do. do. do, 24.00
- Do. 50. do. do. do, 36.00
- Do. 800. do. do. do, 80.00
- Do. 1,200. do. do. do, 100.00

All of the above lamps to burn all night and each and every night of the year.

If arc lamps are burned until one o’clock in the morning, then price will be as follows:

For each 800 candle power arc lamp, $ 70 per year.
If arc lamps are selected at least thirty (30) are to be taken.
If incandescent lamps are selected, at least as many lamps are to be taken as there are now gas and oil lamps combined, except as hereinafter stated.

We are informed that there are about 90 gas and oil lamps now burned in the village for street lighting at the above prices, 90, 16 candle power at $13.80 per year would be $1242.00. The village authorities may select such candle power lamps as they desire and all need not be on equal candle power and can change from time to time the candle power of the lamps.

If the Board of Directors desire we will put an electric lamp wherever there is now a gas light at the above prices each lamp to burn all night and every night in the year, we understand there are 42 gas lights, and under the proposition, 42, 16 candle power lamps would cost $579.60 per year. This arrangement would save the Village about $200 per year in the expense of turning on and out there lamps.

Gentlemen: - Replying to yours of the 5th inst, in which you request us to submit bids for lighting streets for the year 1895, commencing at the expiration of the present contract. Will say, that we will contract for lighting same under the same conditions as now provide in that instrument for the sum of thirteen (13) dollars per light, per year, with privilege to the Board to renew the same for one or two years longer on like terms and proper notice. Yours respectfully, The Saugerties Gas Light Co. by Albert Carnright, V. P.

Gentlemen: - In compliance with the request of your committee, The Saugerties Gas Light Co. herewith submits for your consideration the following additional proposals for street lighting:
First. We will furnish illuminating gas as per bid of January 19th, 1895.
Second. We will furnish illuminating gas for 25 nights in the month, under the conditions now existing in our present contract, for $14 (Fourteen Dollars) per lamp per year.
Third. We will furnish illuminating gas for every night in the month, under the conditions now existing in our present contract, for $15 (Fifteen Dollars) per lamp per year.
Fourth. We will furnish illuminating gas, for every night in the year. Lamps to be lighted at twilight and extinguished at daybreak, for $16 (Sixteen Dollars) per lamp per year. Your Respectfully, The Saugerties Gas Light Co. By Albert Carnright, V. P.

The matter of street lighting was left in the hands of the committee to have the contract drawn. The committee on lighting of the village streets find the following bids from the Saugerties Gas Co. for lighting 43 lights every night in the year from twilight until daybreak, at $16 per lamp per year, and the Saugerties Electric Light & Power Co., for lighting 96 lights, 16 candle power, $13.80 per lamp, every night in the year, from twilight until daybreak, making a cost for lighting by electricity, $1324.80 per annum. Your committee suggest, the contract be awarded to the Gas Co. at the above price, $16.00 per annum per lamp.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:
Saugerties Gas Co., $ 49.00
Dr. S. L. Dawes, salary as Health Officer and reporting vital Statistics, 53.90
Sheffield Mfg. Co., to 500 copies of village charter, 75.00
John G. Palmer, salary as janitor, 6.00

An application was made for an auction license by parties who desire to sell unredeemed pawn broker’s pledges. As the new charter does not go into effect for several days, the old license fee, of $25 per month was charged.

President Simmons stated that the ordinance in reference to riding down hill had been repeatedly violated and as numerous complaints had been made to him, he had posted notices forbidding coasting on all streets and had authorized officer D. E. Abeel to disperse the crowds. The action of the president...
was confirmed and officer Abeel was authorized to arrest all parties who refuse to obey the orders of the president.
Notice were ordered served on J. T. Washburn and Dawes Bros. to remove the snow and ice from the sidewalk from Market street to Dr. Dawes' office.
The Board adjourned until Monday evening when the certificate of indebtedness of $500 allowed by the charter was raised.

At the annual meeting of the Barclay Fibre Co., held at their office in this village Jan, 15th, the following trustees were elected for the year 1895. Charles A. Spaulding, Saugerties, John G. Myers, Albany; David S. Cowles, New York; John A. Vanderpoel, Washington, DC; T. V. R. Brown, Saugerties. At a subsequent meeting of trustees, Charles A. Spaulding was elected president and T. V. R. Brown secretary and treasurer and business manager.

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Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening January 19th, 1895. All but director Cornwall present. President Simmons presiding. Minutes of the last meeting read for information. President Simmons then submitted the following which was on motion ordered received and spread upon the minutes.

TO THE HONORABLE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
The duties which you have imposed in your selection of myself, as the President of your honorable body, I have in no measure underrated. As far as I can ascertain there is no command either by statute or precedent directing that the President of your Board communicate to you by message as to the finances of the village, or of the work before you, yet I deem it not inappropriate to do so, that not only you yourselves but the public in general may know, as fully as possible, all that exists as to village affairs and the financial conditions. Consistent with this view, I submit a statement prepared by the village Clerk, at my request, setting forth the financial features; as to the tax budget of 1894, present bonded indebtedness, fixed charges and their nature, intelligent perusal of which, will give to our citizens, of whom we are the servants, a knowledge of the conditions as they exist at this date.

TAX BUDGET, May, 1894

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The past year was a somewhat eventful one, as concerns our village affairs. The elected directors of 1893, on assuming office, were confronted with singular conditions, the main one of which was the debt of that time as the legacy left by their predecessors in office to be assumed and in some manner to be provided for. An appeal was made to the taxpayers of our community not only to devise some form to provide for the payment of indebtedness, but also for an increase of monies to meet needed expenditures on roads, &c. Response to the appeal was gratifying and needed legislation was invoked and secured authorizing an issuance of bonds, the proceeds of the same to be used in liquidation of the indebtedness amounting to $8,500.00 and by this measure the indebtedness of our village was increased by the same sum. It is very satisfactory that the investigation made as to our financial conditions made no disclosure of any corrupt practices having been made by any previous Board of Directors.

Another gratifying result of the past year was the establishment of a mode or form as to the record keeping of our finance account and the issuance of warrants in payment of debts occurred. Permit me to say here that the measure of economy should receive your careful consideration, as far as it can be imposed, as to expenditure and the village should always receive the best service for fair compensation.

Unfortunately the village is involved in three lawsuits, all of which are from acts of the past few years. Two of these litigations are claims made for damages for injuries sustained or caused as claimed by negligence of village authorities. The third is as to liability under claimed contract as to matter of hydrant water service. One of the two first named is on the way to the Court of Appeals for decision, and the second is said to rest largely upon the decision made by the court upon the first. These two cases are generally known to us as the Freligh and Gordon cases.

I feel that with our resident legal fraternity there should be a civic pride to guard the village interests, but it is claimed that some of our citizens well versed and brilliant in their legal acumen earnestly press and foster damage suits against the village to the detriment of a reasonable settlement if upon investigation such like claims are found to be well grounded.
The water suit trial of December last resulted in a verdict against the village from which an appeal has been ordered to be taken upon service of notice of entry of judgment.

I fail to find any tabulated or detailed report as to our fire department. I think a yearly report should be exacted as to the number of active men in the department, the number of fires occurring, the class of property destroyed, &c. &c.

I would also call your attention to an enforcement of ordinances. It is by an enforcement that we shall obtain the efficiency of all regulations. January 19th, 1895. O. T. Simmons, Pres.

A remonstrance from Mrs. S. G. Searing was read against coasting on West Bridge street, and asked that same be prohibited which was on motion granted and the permission to coast heretofore granted revoked, and the Commissioner was ordered to take down the signs permitting same, and also to post notices that such coasting in future is forbidden.

Finance Committee reported vouchers for 1894 had been compared with Treasurer’s report Nov., 1894 and found correct and on motion the vouchers were ordered placed in the safe.

Committee on firemanic affairs reported in full inventory and condition of the entire department and asked for necessary repairs and appliance, which report was on motion adopted and ordered filed and request for repairs and appliance granted.

Committee on printing charter reported same completed and ready for delivery. Report was on motion adopted and ordered filed.

On motion, Mr. Chas. Davis, was retained as village counsel at a salary of $100 per year, the duties of which to be simply to attend the meetings, and look after the ordinary business of the directors in such capacity.

The following were granted exemption certificates to the fire department: S. W. Merclean, John Bruckner, H. C. Dolson, Chas. Koch, Philip H. Davis, Wm. H. Rivenburgh, Alfred Saams, J. W. Lackey.

Committee on street lighting reported proposals for street lighting from the Saugerties Electric Light Co. and the Saugerties Gas Light Co. which on motion referred to the committee on streets.

On motion the following ordinances were passed:

**RESOLVED,** That the following By-Laws and Ordinances to wit: Number 42,43, 52, 53, 54, 55, 58, 59, 61, passed May 17, 1855, number 63 and 64, passed July 19, 1859 and the ordinances (not numbered) passed Nov 5, 1862, and the ordinances (not numbered) passed April 8, 1882, and the ordinances (not numbered) passed June 18, 1891 and ordinance (not numbered) relating to books and papers and pasted on page 332 of volume 2, book of minutes of the Board of Directors, and ordinance not numbered related to bathing, passed Aug 8, 1863, and all amendments to each and all of the aforesaid by-laws and ordinances, are each and all of them repealed. – Further

**RESOLVED,** That the Clerk post a copy of this resolution in three public places in said village to-wit: Palmer House, Phoenix Hotel and Post Office, and make and file his affidavit of each posting after the same have been posted two weeks.

**RESOLVED,** 58. No cattle, horses, sheep, swine or geese or other animals shall be permitted to go at large in the streets of the village of Saugerties – The owner of such animals violating the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit the sum of two dollars for each offence as a penalty therefor.

59. All slaughter houses and places where animals may be slaughtered within the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties shall be located and kept east of Burhans & Brainard’s stone yard and dock in said village, and no animals shall be slaughtered elsewhere within said corporate limits. Any person violating the provisions of the ordinance shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars for each offence as a penalty therefor.

60. All persons are prohibited from hawking and peddling in the streets within the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties, except the peddling and sale of meats, fish, fruits, and farm produce, until such person or persons shall have first obtained a licence therefore from the president of the board of directors, who is hereby authorized and empowered to grant such license to continue in force until the time in such license to be stated upon receiving for each license the sum of five dollars per day for each
and every day said license is granted. And any and all persons failing or refusing to comply with this ordinance or to procure such license or to pay such fee shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars for each offence as a penalty therefor.

61. The clerk shall keep all books, records, maps, surveys, deeds, vouchers, warrants and other papers belonging to the village in the directors’ room in Fireman’s hall, in said village, and if the clerk permits the same to be removed therefrom he must take a receipt therefor and file the same in the safe in said director’s room.

62. Bathing or swimming in a nude state is hereby prohibited in all the waters in or surrounding the corporation. Every person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit the sum of three dollars for each offence as a penalty therefor.

Resolved That the Clerk post in three public places in the village of Saugerties, to-wit, in the Palmer House, in the Phoenix Hotel, in the post office, all the by-laws and ordinances as adopted by this board and as the same are contained in the printed pamphlet printed by the Sheffield Manufacturing Company and entitled charter, by-laws and ordinances of the village of Saugerties, New York, and that after such posting for two weeks he make and file an affidavit of such posting and enter the same in the book of ordinances of the village of Saugerties. And be it further

Resolved, That the by-laws and ordinances inconsistent with the ordinances as contained in said printed pamphlet are hereby repealed.

A copy of judgment of Sebastean Gilsinger vs. The Saugerties Water Co. was presented and ordered received and filed.

Motion that copies of by-laws and ordinances as printed in the village charter be distributed upon application of the taxpayers at the meetings of the board of directors was passed.

The matter of Geo. H. Morgan and James Crump for time in water works suit was referred to finance committee.

Matter of inventory of books and papers of village was referred to finance committee.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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Adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.


At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties held at the directors’ rooms in Fireman’s Hall, in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Thursday February 28, 1895. Present President Simmons and Directors Cunyes, Lasher, Cornwell and Quick, the same being a majority of said board of directors.

The Clerk read the following notice served on him on February 26th, 1895, by a majority of the directors. To James Dederick, Clerk of the Village of Saugerties; You will please take notice that we, the undersigned, a majority of the authorities of the Village of Saugerties, an incorporated village of the State of New York, do hereby certify to you, in writing that said authorities deem it advisable to organize as a board of water commissioners.

This notice and certification is given to you in pursuance of an act entitled “An Act to authorize the Villages of the State of New York to furnish pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants thereof,” passed April 29th, 1875, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

Dated at Saugerties, N. Y., this 26th day of February, 1895. Ovid T. Simmons, Norman Cunyes, Mart. Cantine, Ebenezer L. Quick.

And also the following notice served by him on all the directors showing the object of the meeting.
To Ovid Simmons, Norman Cunyes, Martin Cantine, Charles E. Cornwell, Ebenezer L. Quick and Alfred P. Lasher, Directors of the Village of Saugerties, and the authorities thereof, by virtue of the act entitled “An act to authorize the Villages of the State of New York to furnish pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants thereof” passed April 29th, 1875, and the acts amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto.

You will please take notice that you are required to attend a meeting to be held on Thursday, February 29th, 1895, at 8 o’clock p. m., at the Directors’ Room in Firemans’s Hall, in the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., for the purpose of organizing as a board of Water Commissioners. Dated Saugerties, N. Y., February 27th, 1895.

Jas. Dederick, Village Clerk

The following resolution was then offered by director Quick and unanimously adopted on roll call:

Resolved, That the directors of the village of Saugerties, in place of acting themselves as a Board of Water Commissioners, cause the president of the board to appoint and he is hereby directed to appoint, six residents of the village of Saugerties, legal voters therein, and holders of real estate in fee simple in their own names, taxed in each respectively on the last assessment roll of the village of Saugerties, to be Water Commissioners subject to confirmation by a majority of said directors, as provided by section 3 of chapter 181 of laws of 1875, as amended by chapter 318 of laws of 1894.

President Simmons thereupon appointed the following persons as such commissioners, viz., George W. Washburn, William F. Russell, Louis J. Butzel, George Seamon, Peter Canner and Howard Bogardus. On motion made, seconded and carried, the vote on confirmation of said persons was ordered by ballot, and separately on each person; whereupon, the following named persons, having been first duly appointed by the President of the Board, were duly confirmed as water commissioners by a majority of the directors, namely, George W. Washburn, William F. Russell, Louis J. Butzel, George Seamon, Peter Canner and Howard Bogardus.

On motion made, seconded and carried the clerk was directed to notify the above named persons of such appointment and confirmation.

The minutes of the meeting were then read by the clerk, and on motion the same were adopted. On motion, the meeting adjourned.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held at directors rooms Saturday P. M., March 2nd. All directors but Mr. Cornwell present, president Simmons presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information and correction was made in the matter of John Maxwell’s appointment as lamp lighter to read “same to date from March 1st, 1895, for one year.”

Finance committee reported bill of J. Finger correct, amount of $3.00 for wood for crusher.

Committee on books and papers reported progress.

Committee on streets reported contract for street lighting ready for signature by the Gas Co. and the village.

Counselor Davis submitted the contract for street lighting by the Gas. Co., which was on motion adopted as read and the president authorized to sign same and have the corporate seal affixed thereto.

On motion notice was ordered served on the agent of the Donovan property, on the corner of Partition and Montgomery street, to repair the sidewalk on the east side forthwith.

On motion warrants were ordered drawn to cover payment of interest coupons on bond account due January 1st 1895, amount of $140.50 and $205.87.

On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify Peter Curley to discontinue dumping refuse in the street in front of his property, or legal proceedings would be brought to recover the penalty for violation of the ordinance related to such matters.

The Clerk reported collection of $25 license from Clement and Shannon pawn brokers, auctioneers.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

GENERAL FUND

E. H. Decker, reseating chairs,  
Quick Bros., repairs to steamer,  
H. A. Hildebrandt, sundries  
Jno. Lang, resetting tires steamer,  
Saugerties Gas Co., street and corporation gas,  
Less one lamp out in January  
John Maxwell, Feb. street lighting,  
John G. Palmer, Feb. janitor  

ROAD FUND

J. Finger, wood for crusher,  
Quick Bros., sharpening drills,  
Fred. Yoncker, labor,  
M. Lynch, labor,  

Adjourned.

Jas. Dederick, Clerk

The picnic of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. at the Singer Park on Memorial Day was the largest gathering of the kind in this village in many years. In the early evening the company in full uniform, escorted by Laflin Hose Co. and a representation of Snyder Hose Co., headed by the officers of the fire department and Laflin Hose Co.’s drum corps made a short street parade and marched to the park where the Laflins opened the picnic with an exhibition drill under the command of Col. Laflin. The whole affair was a huge success and it is safe to say the “Hooks” know how to conduct a picnic. It is estimated over 2,000 people were on the grounds at one time.
The trotting and running races at the Driving Park on Memorial Day drew together a large number of people to witness the exciting events. The first race in the 2:45 class for a purse of $100 was won in three straight heats by the brown gelding, “Jip,” owned by F. M. Cronk, of Kingston. The second race in the 3 minute class for a purse of $50 was won in three straight heats by the chestnut mare “Lotta,” owned by George W. Palmer, of this village. Ernest Steuding gave an exhibition one mile heat of his bay gelding “Headlight,” which was covered in 2:30 1-2. The handsome bay stallion “Lord Norval,” owned by A. Pultz, trotted a quarter mile exhibition heat in 35 seconds, and he had been in training only eight days at that. Mr. Pultz has one of the most promising young horses in Lord Norval to be found in this country, and is considered by good judges to be one of the coming horses of the trotting turf. The races were a great success and Mr. Steuding is to be congratulated thereat.

The adjourned meeting of taxpayers and citizens reconvened at Maxwell Opera House Monday evening February 18th
George W. Washburn, the chairman, called the meeting to order and stated that the secretary, George Seamon, would read the minutes as adopted at the previous meeting, which he proceeded to do. On motion they were read and approved.
Chas. Davis, secretary of the committee, then read the report of the committee:
To the taxpayers and Citizens of Saugerties: Your Committee appointed us on the 19th day of December, 1894, at a meeting of the taxpayers and citizens of the Village of Saugerties, to ascertain.
1st. Whether the Saugerties Water Co. had the sole and exclusive rights to furnish water to the inhabitants of the Village of Saugerties.
2nd. What it would cost to duplicate the present system of water works.
3rd. To ascertain the cost of building a new system of water works.
4th. To ascertain where water could be obtained from to supply such new system, and,
5th. To ascertain such other matters and things appertaining to the Water Question as your committee might deem advisable.

Your Committee immediately on its appointment, organized by selecting Mr. George W. Washburn as the Chairman and Mr. Charles Davis as its Secretary, and thereafter and until the present time has devoted considerable time and attention to the several matters submitted to it: have carefully obtained its facts and information from reliable sources and personal investigation, and have brought to its aid the services of a careful and competent engineer and contractors of wide and varied experience in the building of water systems.

The various subjects herein embraced have been earnestly discussed at the meetings of the committee, and the result arrived at, is the unanimous determination of your committee; they now submit for your consideration and action, their report, taking up the questions presented in the order heretofore given.

1st. Has the Saugerties Water Company the sole or exclusive right to furnish water to the inhabitants of the Village of Saugerties?

We can dismiss with a single sentence this question by saying emphatically. The Saugerties Water Company, has not the sole and exclusive right to furnish us with water.

We base this emphatic declaration, on the examination of the franchise granted to the Water Company; the proceedings of the Board of Directors, all the records appertaining to the Water Question, and the contract entered into between the Village and the Water Company, and on application of the facts to the law as laid down by our highest court, the Court of Appeals.

2nd. What will it cost to duplicate the present water plant of the Saugerties Water Company?

Your committee believe that the sum of $62,307, in round numbers will duplicate the present plant, this result is arrived at from careful estimates of every item going to make up the cost of this water system, pipe, labor, lead, specials, casting, iron, excavating, laying pipe across the Esopus creek, shoreing, gates, gate boxes, valves, hemp, hydrants, distribution of pipe, dam, gate house, rights of way, contingencies, engineering, etc., and this amount of $62,307, is a liberal and fair estimate, rather in excess of the true amount, than below it. The estimate of the committees’ engineer and that of practical contractors in this class of work, vary less than $500; and as an evidence that the estimate is really large, we consider the fact that such contractors have offered to do the work for the sum named, and surely this must include a profit to them.

So that it may safely be concluded that the present system could be built to-day for a sum less than $62,000.

In making our investigations of the present plant we have found that there are about eleven miles of pipes, of this amount about one mile is sixteen inch pipe, and about four miles is twelve inch pipe, and these form the main line, that in the Village limits there is about 1600 feet only of ten inch, about 2800 feet only of eight inch pipe, about two miles of six inch pipe and over three miles of four inch pipe, that is about one half of all pipe in Village is four inch pipe.

The consensus of opinion of competent Water engineers and practical constructors of water system is emphatically that a four inch pipe is entirely inadequate for fire protection, and experience is not on the contrary. It will thus be seen that nearly one half of our village under the present system has not sufficient fire protection, in fact it is practically unprotected.

Again, the main line of pipe is not sufficiently large to maintain a proper pressure and to bring a sufficient supply of water to our village either for the present and assuredly not for the future. The manner in which the pipe is laid across the Esopus Creek is a source of danger and a menace to the water plant.
The supply of water on the south side of the creek, under the most favorable conditions in [sic] inadequate and in many instances water cannot be obtained for sprinkling purposes, unless all other uses at the particular house are shut off, and vice versa, and there is no fire protection whatever in that part of the village.

The test was made of the present system when the same was first open for use, was misleading by reason of the fact that it was made on eight and ten inch pipe, and not on the four or six inch pipe. All these facts lead your committee to the opinion and conclusion that the present system was built in the interest of the Water Company in the cheapest possible way.

3rd. What will it cost to build a new system of water works for the village?

And first it is to be observed that a new system such as is herein contemplated, will be up to date in everything that goes to make a first class system, without any unnecessary expense but a system that will be at once useful to our inhabitants, furnish an ample fire protection, and be a credit to our Village, something that we can be proud of and assuredly without any of the glaring defects that the present system has.

Your committee in addressing itself to this branch of the question find that they cannot give an accurate estimate of the cost of such a new system, and only because the cost of the work attendant upon a survey and the making of map, plans and specifications were beyond the province of the committee and would involve the outlay of a considerable sum of money that might in the ultimate determination of our people have to be gone over the second time, and the expenditure of this committee might thus be useless.

The committee nevertheless have had an approximate estimate made for building a new, improved and sufficient system of water works for the village by two practical men, and we feel safe in saying that the new system would cost not to exceed $85,000, this we believe is an outside figure and the committee have been very liberal in the figures, going to make up this estimate, so that it could not be said in the future, that this report was misleading. This sum of $85,000 would build a proper system, no pipe smaller than six inch pipe would be used, the supply of water estimated for would be at least double that we now had, in [sic] would be so built that two streams of water could be obtained from each hydrant on the line, and that would enable us to put four streams of water on a fire at any point, whereby having four inch pipe but one stream of can be taken for each hydrant, in fact such a new system would convey and furnish adequate and full fire protection to our property.

4th. Can a sufficient supply of water be obtained for the use of a new system?

For the purpose of giving an intelligent answer to this question your committee with its engineer made an examination of the surrounding country and streams and water sources, and we are glad to report that an abundant supply of pure and wholesome water can be obtained from different sources.

A dam could be built in locations and there are such where a natural reservoir is formed large enough to store a supply of water that would last the village of Saugerties for six months without any addition or increase by rain fall.

5th. Under the head of other things and matters appertaining to the water question, your committee, 1st. Have ascertained that the annual income now derived by Saugerties Water Company, is more than $6000, this does not include any payment by the village for fire protection, but is derived entirely from private consumers. If we should add the amount that the Water Company insist we should pay for such fire protection as it could furnish, this annual income would be swelled to over $8000 at once, with a certainty of increase in the future, from the Village for fire purposes, and as your committee claim without getting proper fire protection.

2nd. That it is the experience of all municipal corporations of over 4000 inhabitants that it is an absolute necessity that the ownership and complete control of the water system should be vested in the municipality, that any other ownership is both a direct and indirect source of increased, unjust and burdensome taxes. In many instances in cities and villages in this and neighboring states, municipal ownership and control of the water supply produces a revenue sufficient to pay the running expenses,
interest on the bonds issued for the construction of the plant, and provide a sinking fund for the
redemption of the bonds.
3rd. That from necessity the present plant having been built about eight years ago must have, in wear
and tear and use depreciated. Therefore in order to make the present system such as the Village would
require it, would have to be greatly improved in very many particulars, for instance, all of the four inch
pipe (over one half of all the pipe in the village), would have to be replaced by six inch pipe, the mains
would have to be enlarged to give the South side of the creek a proper supply of water, all of these
alternatives, with many others not enumerated, would make it very expensive and then would only have
a second hand water system.
The committee feel that it has now accomplished the purpose for which it was appointed, and that it
could safely leave the consideration of its work to our taxpayers and citizens. On the other hand it
might be said, if the committee should conclude its report without a recommendation to our citizens of
what should be done under all the circumstances that there was evident desire on the part of the
committee to shirk a recommendation, or it might be said that we had not done our full duty and
accomplished the purpose for which we were appointed.
Therefore we recommend that the village build and own a new system of water works.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
Dated Feb 15th 1895. Wm. F. Russell, Daniel Lamb, Carroll Whitaker, Louis J. Butzel, G.W. Washburn,
Chairman, Chas. Davis, Secretary.
After considerable discussion the following motion offered by the Rev. Oscar Haviland was unanimously
adopted.
Resolved, That the report of the committee be adopted and referred to the village Board of Directors for
such legal action as the matter may require.
On motion of Peter Cantine, the meeting adjourned.
1810. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. May 20, 1895. State Firemen’s Home. – It is Now Being Furnished
Throughout With Everything Needful.
The State Firemen’s Home at Hudson is a scene of bustling activity just now, as carpets and matting are
going down, furniture is being placed in position and everything is being put in readiness for the
grand opening of the institution on the 5th of June, which the firemen of Hudson propose to celebrate as
a gala day.
The trustees now have sufficient funds to furnish the large building throughout and to pay up every cent
of the indebtedness on the Home. Nearly all of the rooms have been spoken for by fire departments
throughout the State, but strange as it may seem the Hudson fire department through some neglect has
failed to secure a room as yet, although Chief Engineer Granger and little Miss Lula Rogers, daughter of
Col. Charles S. Rogers, have each made a request for a room, agreeing to furnish them with everything
necessary to make the homelike and pleasant to whoever may be assigned to occupy them.
When the opening day arrives the Home will be ready for occupancy, and it is expected that a large
number of firemen will be present on that occasion, as 2,000 invitations have been sent out by the
trustees asking the various volunteer fire departments of the State to have representatives present if
full companies will be unable to attend

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1811. The Telegraph, March 14th, 1895 – Directors’ Proceedings.
At a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties held pursuant to a regular call,
as provided by the village charter, at the directors’ room in Fireman’s Hall in the village of Saugerties, N.
Y., on the 12th day of March, 1895. Present, president Simmons, and directors Cunyes, Quick and
Cantine, a quorum being present.
The Clerk read the call for the meeting and also the request served upon the Board of Directors in writing by the Board of Water Commissioners as follows:

To Ovid T. Simmons, President of and to the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties.

GENTLEMEN—

I. You will please take notice that the undersigned are the Board of Water Commissioners of the village of Saugerties duly appointed and confirmed as such according to law, that heretofore on March 5th, 1895, each of the said commissioners separately filed with the village clerk of the village of Saugerties, his acceptance of said office and his official oath; and each commissioner separately did also on the 8th day of March, 1895, make and execute his bond in the sum of $8000, with sureties qualifying in double that amount, certified before a Notary Public and approved on the 9th day of March, 1895, by Alton B. Parker, a Justice of the Supreme Court, of the State of New York, conditioned among other things for the faithful performance of his duties as such commissioner, and each of said bonds was on the 11th day of March, 1895, duly filed in the office of the Clerk of Ulster county as provided by law.

II. You will further take notice. That you are hereby requested to call a special meeting, of the voters and taxpayers whose names appear on the last assessment roll of the village, on the question of taxation for the water debt, or expenses as provided for in section 21 of the act entitled, “an act to authorize the villages of the state of New York to furnish pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants thereof.” being chapter 181 of the laws of 1875.

This request is served upon you in accordance with the provisions of section 3 of said act as amended by chapter 318 of the laws of 1894. Dated Saugerties, N. Y., March 11, 1895.

George W. Washburn  George Seamon
William F. Russell  Peter Canner
Louis J. Butzel  Howard Bogardus

The Board of Water Commissioners of the village of Saugerties.

On motion made and carried the notice and request were received and ordered place on file.

Director Cantine offered the following resolutions and moved their adoption.

RESOLVED, That the clerk have the following notice published for two successive weeks in the SAUGERTIES TELEGRAPH, a weekly newspaper published in said village, and in the Saugerties Post a weekly newspaper published in said village.

NOTICE. A meeting of the electors of the village of Saugerties is hereby called to be held at the Directors’ room in Fireman’s Hall in the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on Friday the 29th day of March, at which meeting the question will be submitted whether the taxes authorized in the act entitled, “an act to authorize the villages of the state of New York to furnish pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants thereof,” passed April 29, 1875, being chapter 181 of laws of 1875 and the acts amendatory thereof supplemental thereto, for the purposes provided in said act and the amendments thereto shall be levied and collected from the village, as in said act and the amendments thereto provided.

The voting shall be by ballot and there shall be written or printed on the ballots of those in favor of taxes ‘for the water taxes,” and on the ballots of those opposed “against the water taxes.” The polls of said election will be opened at ten o’clock in the forenoon and will close at one o’clock in the afternoon of the same day. The persons eligible to vote at such election are as follows: Voters and taxpayers whose names appear upon the last assessment roll of the village of Saugerties.

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

On vote being taken the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

On motion directors Simmons, Quick and Cantine were appointed to preside at such election and to certify the result of said meeting.

The minutes of this meeting were then read and approved as read and on motion board adjourned.

James Dederick, Clerk.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, March 16th, 1895, at the directors rooms with all directors but Mr. Cornwell present, president Simmons presiding. Minutes of last regular and special meetings read for information.
On motion the typographical error appearing in the minutes as published in the Saugerties Telegraph were the word ‘certified before a notary public’ appears on the call of the Board of Water Commissioners for a taxpayers election, said word certified was ordered changed to the word “justified before a notary public” instead.
Committee on firemanic affairs reported no information could be secured regarding the ‘lock up” or the responsibility of the town in connection therewith, also that a new gong was needed for the H. & L. truck and repairs were needed to the furnace, and on motion report was ordered received and placed on file, and the above committee empowered to purchase a gong for the truck and look after the repairs to the furnace.
Committee on health affairs reported that as far as present appearances indicated no extra money would be needed to conduct that department for the coming year more than was appropriated for the last. Report was ordered received and filed.
On motion a committee was appointed to look up the matter of the “lock up,” and the health matters as regards the joint interest of the town and village, consisting of Messrs. Cantine, Lasher and Cunyes.
The Clerk reported collection of licenses from Clement & Shannon of $25.00 and $5.00 from Cook & Son.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to request from the Health Board an itemized statement of the probable expenses of the Board for the coming year, which shall include all amounts likely to be expended by them, in order that the Directors may include in the budget an amount sufficient to cover same, the statement to be in the hands of the Clark before March 30th.
The bill of S. W. Merclean was referred of $58.25.
On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

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On motion Board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

1813. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. April 1, 1895. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – The Village Directors Meet and Transact Considerable Business – Deadlock on Election of a Member of the Board of Health.
The adjourned meeting of the Board of Village Directors was held Saturday evening, March 30th.
All the Directors were present and Mr. Simmons, the president, presided.
The finance committee reported favorably on the bill of S. W. Merclean, for registering vital statistics, amount $57.20 and the same was ordered paid.
The committee on streets reported that applications had been made for street lamps on Main street opposite the cemetery and on West Bridge street between Montgomery and McCarthy streets.
On motion an oil lamp was ordered placed on Main street as requested and the committee investigate as to the necessity of a lamp on West Bridge street.
The committee also recommended that the streets be scraped as soon as they were in proper condition. Mr. Lasher of the committee on public buildings, etc., reported that Minnehaha steamer was in a first-class condition and that the new parts had arrived for the heater in Firemans’ Hall and the same will be repaired at once.
Mr. Quick of the committee on stone crusher reported that as yet it was not fit to work in the quarries at the crusher but that the machinery had been thoroughly overhauled and everything was in readiness for work.
The Village Health Officer’s annual report as published in THE POST of Friday, was read by the clerk and the same was ordered place on file.
The following bills were read and ordered paid:
P. Canner & Co., for repairs, $48.25
John G. Palmer, janitor, month of March, 6.00
Jas. Dederick, clerk of special election and sundries, 3.40
Geo. W. Elting, printing, 13.50
Jernegan & Ronk, printing, 8.00
Wm. S. Van Hoesen, making key, .25
O. T. Simmons, inspector of elections, 2.00
Martin Cantine, inspector of elections, 2.00
E. L. Quick, inspector of elections, 2.00
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., coal and lumber, 51.48
John Maxwell, care of lamps month of March, 39.00
T. J. Barritt, supplies, 3.90
W. E. Van Buskirk & Bro., envelopes .90
Chas. Davis, postage, .53
Chas. E. Abeel, delivering circulars, 3.00
P. Canner, for seventeen meetings as member of health board, 34.00
Dr. S. L. Dawes four months salary as health officer, 50.00
Alex. Lackey, seventeen meetings as member of health board, 34.00
Alex. Lackey, to one and one-half day’s services as sanitary inspector, 2.00
S. W. Merclean, salary as clerk of health board, 25.00
B. F. Crump, seventeen meetings as member of health board, 34.00
Wm. H. Hommel, Jr., services as sanitary inspector, 11.00
Mr. Hommel’s bill was referred to the finance committee who audited the bill at $8.25 being in conformity with the rates fixed by the health board.
The clerk reported that he had received $6.50 in payment for taxes of William H. Myer.
The tax budget for the ensuing year was made up as follows:
Interest on Ulster avenue bonds, $ 262.50
Interest on Village Funded Debt, 340.00
Interest on Certificate of Indebtedness, 8.33
General Fund, 3,000.00
Road Fund, 4,000.00
Health Fund, 500.00
Payment of bond due, 1,000.00
Certificate of Indebtedness, 500.00
Total $ 9,610.88
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The village assessors were ordered notified to make out the assessment roll and deliver same in the time and manner as provided by the village charter.
The clerk was directed to furnish each assessor with a copy of the village charter.
Martin Cantine, O. T. Simmons and E. L. Quick the directors who acted as canvassers at the water works election rendered a report of the election with the result as published in THE POST, which on motion was ordered spread upon the minutes.
On motion the use of the Directors’ room was extended to the water commissioners at any or all times so long as their meetings do not conflict with those of the Board of Directors.
The election of a village health board was then taken up and an informal ballot ordered, which brought up the names of Benjamin F. Crump, Alex. Lackey, John Lowther, and Howard Gillespy as candidates. On the first formal ballot both Mr. Crump and Mr. Lackey were declared elected, but neither Mr. Gillespy of Mr. Lowther were so fortunate. Twenty ballots were taken and each with the same result: Gillespy, 3, Lowther, 3. It was decided to set aside both candidates and take an informal ballot in order to bring out new candidates, which presented the names of Edson Finger, William S. Myer, Theo. B. Cornwell and George Seamon as candidates. A formal ballot was ordered taken on the names presented by the informal ballot, which resulted in Mr. Finger and Mr. Cornwell each receiving three votes each. After taking three ballots with a tie vote each time, the meeting on motion, adjourned.

1814. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. April 2, 1895. – Remembered Their Friend – The “Mystic Circle” Entertains a Member Who is About to Leave Town.
Mr. Fred Mickel, who for the past twenty years has been the obliging and efficient clerk of Dr. J. H. Reed, leaves town this evening for New York city, where he will accept a more lucrative position. Monday evening Mr. Mickel was entertained at Ziegler’s cafe by his friends and members of the “Mystic Circle.” Wm. V. Burhans, the president of the “Mystics,” stated that the object of the meeting was for the purpose of bidding one of its members a fraternal farewell, after which John A. Snyder, the orator, presented to Mr. Mickel a handsome initial ring set with diamonds, on behalf of the “Mystics.” Mr. Snyder spoke very feelingly of the bounds of friendship which has existed between those present and Mr. Mickel for the many years he had been a resident of Saugerties, and wished him success and pleasure in his new home. This token of friendship was received by Mr. Mickel with every evidence of surprise and gratification, coming as it did without any previous knowledge thereof on his part. Mr. Mickel replied in well chosen words thanking his friends for their kind remembrance after which refreshments were served. Those present were: Ernest Hassinger, Wm. H. Rifenberg, E. E. Walker, F. L. Osterhoudt, Jas. Teller, P. H. Davis, J. W. Rhinehardt, M. M. Baker, Wm. Ziegler, A. Saam, Martin Cantine, Wm. V. Burhans, John A. Snyder, T. C. Belch, Ernest Myer, H. C. Dolson, J. D. Fratsher, John Bruckner, Wm. Doyle, J. Wm. Lackey, E. J. Lewis, F. T. Lewis, S. W. Merclean, Frank Murphy, Wm. E. Simmons, J. Chas. Suderley, J. W. Tompkins, Scott Van Buskirk, Robert Webber, R. R. Whitaker, Chas. Whitaker, Michael Clerkin, Chas. McCormick, Wm. Mattes, J. O. Carnright, Wm. E. Stickles, Mitchell Dawes, John Lang, M. H. Wygant, F. A. Yerger, C. E. Blackwell, Wm. Liddle, T. B. Cornwell, I. Ronk, Chas. Cox, H. A. Ohley, Clarence G. Wilson, F. A. Jewett, Jacob Hardenberg, Chas. L. Rhinehardt, John Gordell, Clyde Van Steenberg, E. T. Myer, R. D. Suderley, J. L. Butzel, O. T. Simmons, Chas. Davis, W. O. Pettit, Leonard Howard and L. B. Stanton.

Sunday morning the sad news was received in this village that Mr. Edwin Austin Preston had died in the hospital at Albany, where he had undergone an operation for the removal of a tumor. At last advices on Saturday he was reported as doing extremely well, but that night unfavorable symptoms appeared and he gradually sank until 4 o’clock Sunday morning when he died. Mr. Preston was one of the best citizens of this town and was much esteemed for his many virtues. He was a consistent member of the
Reformed Church and had served several terms as one of its deacons. He was a trustee of the Saugerties Savings Bank, and a member of Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, which order he joined on the 12th day of February, 1866. His remains were brought here this morning and conveyed to the family residence. Notice of funeral hereafter.

1816. New York Herald, Feb 25, 1895. – INGERSOLL SPEAKS AT HOBOKEN. – Despite the Efforts of Local Clergymen He Lectures Before a Large Audience. – FACED MANY OF THE ENEMY – In the Course of His Remarks He Alluded to Them as “Sanctified Swine” – But Modifies His Lecture. – Keeps on the Safe Side by Giving His Arguments as the Opinions of Others. Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll delivered his lecture on the Bible in the Hoboken Theatre, in Hoboken, last night, despite the protests of the ministers, who tried to prevent the lecture, on the ground that blasphemy would be indulged in. [speech in two columns]

1817. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. April 11, 1895. Col. Ingersoll’s View of Liberty. “There is no slavery, but ignorance,” said Col. Robert G. Ingersoll before a large audience of the Jersey City Academy of Music, on the evening of Easter Day, in his lecture, “Liberty is the child of Intelligence. The history of man is simply the history of slavery, of injustice and brutality, together with the means of which he has through the dead and desolate years, slowly and painfully advanced. He has been the sport and prey of priest and king, the food of superstition and cruel might. The man who does not do his own thinking is a slave, and a traitor to himself and to his fellow men. Every man should stand under the blue stars, under the infinite flag of nature, the peer of every other man. In the good old times our fathers had the idea that they could make people believe to suit them. Our ancestors in the ages that are gone, really believed that by force you could convince a man. You cannot change the conclusion of the brain by torture nor by social ostracism. You can make hypocrites by the million. “This is the doctrine: Give every other human being every right you claim for yourself. Keep your mind open to the influences of nature. Receive new thoughts with hospitality. Let us advance. With every drop of my blood I hate and execrate every form of tyranny, every form of slavery. I hate dictation. I love liberty. I have given you my honest thought. Surely investigation is better than unthinking faith. Surely reason is a better guide than fear. This world should be controlled by the living, and not by the dead. “The grave is not a throne, and a corpse is not a king. Man should not try to live on ashes. I know not what discoveries, what inventions, what thoughts may leap from the brain of the world: I know not what garments of glory may be woven by the years to come, I cannot dream of the victories to be won on the fields of thought; but I do know that coming from the infinite sea of the future there will never touch this bank and shoal of time a richer gift, a rarer blessing, than liberty for man, for woman and for child.”

1818. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. May 9, 1895. The funeral of Charles L. Reinhard took place yesterday from the residence on Partition street. The Rev. Oscar Haviland conducted the religious services. The remains were escorted to the Main street cemetery by Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 and Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which the deceased was a member in his lifetime. The bearers selected from among the members of Snyder Hose Co. were as follows: John D. Fratsher, Henry A. Ohley, William Ziegler, Irwin Ronk, Ernest Hassinger, Samuel W. Merclean, Robert Weber and James Teller. The Odd Fellows burial service was performed at the grave George Terpening officiating as chaplain.
1819. Card of Thanks.
I take this opportunity of expressing my gratitude to all friends who so kindly assisted me in my hour of trial during the illness of my late husband, and for the kind offices performed by the Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows and Snyder Hose Co. I feel doubly grateful. Mrs. Mary Reinhard, May 9th, 1895.

Yesterday afternoon Capt. Frederick Luckenbach formerly of this village, was crushed between an engine and the platform on the Sixth avenue “L” road at Rector street, New York city, and received injuries from which he died a few hours later. He entered the downtown Sixth avenue “L” station at Rector street at a quarter of two o’clock. He wanted to go uptown and when he spoke to the guard about his mistake, he was told to go to the other platform. There is a sign on the platform forbidding passengers to cross the tracks. Mr. Luckenbach, however, jumped down to the track and started across. Just before he reached the uptown platform he saw a train approaching the station. He started to pass in front of the engine but he slipped, and before he could recover himself, he was crushed between the engine and platform. He was taken to the Hudson Street Hospital, where he died at 5:30 o’clock. His brother-in-law Dr. John Philip Genthner, was with him then. He was fifty-two years of age, and leaves one daughter, Mrs. Philip H. Davis, of this village to mourn his untimely end. His son Fred was drowned off the Jersey coast in the gale which swamped the steamer City of Haverhill a few days ago, and of which he was the assistant engineer. His wife and one child are buried in the Main street cemetery here, and his remains will be brought here for interment beside them.

1821. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. April 9, 1895.
Monday night’s heavy rain caused one of the largest freshets in the Esopus creek in a number of years. This morning at 10 o’clock the water on the dam measured nearly eight feet. Butzel’s Island was entirely under water and many men were out in small boats above the dam catching drift wood. The ferryboat Air Line left her slip for the first morning trip and the force of the current caused her to crash into the bow of the steamer Ulster which was moored to her wharf. But the collision the ferryboat’s guard-rail, her gentleman’s cabin and her starboard wheel house was carried away. Her machinery was disabled and she drifted out into the river where she was picked up by the tug P. C. Shults and towed to the Long Dock. The Ulster was not damaged in the least. At the time of the accident besides those of her crew, there were on board of her Abram Swart, who had charge of the Oriental Tea Co.’s horse and wagon, and Frederick Lewis. Fortunately nobody was injured. The amount of damage to the ferryboat cannot at present be ascertained.

The steamer Saugerties met with a slight mishap on her up trip Saturday night when about ten miles from New York. In some unaccountable manner a follower bolt broke, but in such shape as not to totally disabled [sic] her, and she proceeded slowly along as far as Poughkeepsie where she was met by her consort, the Ulster, which brought her passengers here. The Saugerties arrived later on and discharged her cargo after which the damage was repaired and she will make her regular trip tonight as usual.

When the Saugerties Water Company made application for the privilege of laying a main pipe on the bridge crossing the Esopus creek in this village, said application was granted provided it could be shown the bridge would stand the strain. In conformity therewith the builders, the Rochester Bridge & Iron Works Co., was requested to have it tested and report. They did so and reported as follows:
To John D. Fratsher, Supervisor Town of Saugerties:

Dear Sir:

Our engineer visited Saugerties and made a careful examination of your bridge over the Esopus Creek, and beg to submit to you the following report: Each of the trusses show a good camber, the west truss having a trifle more that the east truss, indication that the bridge has not taken any permanent set, or that it does not show any sag, from the loading and use it has been subjected to, during the past 20 years that it has been in service.

Examined particularly the chord joints or splices of both the top and bottom chords, finding them tight, without loose rivets and free from any injury.

Also the connections of the web members to the chords, and the lateral bracing connections, were examined and they seem to be in as good condition as they were the day they were riveted [sic] in place, no wearing or loosening being noticed.

The bridge shows the good effect to the metal work from the frequent painting that it has received by your Board, so very important for the endurance of any exposed metal structure. A small amount of rust appears only at the end panels near the abutments where dirt and water has collected. These parts should be scraped and painted. The roller bearings seem to be filled up, more or less, with small stone and dirt, and should be cleaned out.

As to the floor beams, they show a little deflection when loaded, but it is not serious. They are free of rust, and the painting of them each time the bridge has been refloored, has proved serviceable for their preservation.

The side or lateral motion when heavy loads pass over, was noticed, and an examination was made of the laterals below the flooring, no looseness of the connections were found. Should this materially increase, it can be relieved, at any time, by the putting in of some additional laterals, but it does not appear essential at the present time.

Regarding the location of the 8 inch water pipe upon the iron brackets supporting the west sidewalk this walk receiving the least loading, examined the brackets and find that they are not overstrained the pipe being laid 2 feet from the center of the west truss. Neither do we consider the weight of pipe and water amounting to only 8 tons and uniformly distributed over the entire length of the bridge, the load coming upon one truss to prove injurious to the structure. Believe the present location of the water main to be the best that could be selected, avoiding increasing the loading of the floor beams. Upon the whole we find the bridge in good condition, no members necessary to be replaced on account of breaks, cracks or looseness, and believe that with a continuation of the care that the bridge shows has been exercised, as to the preservation of the metal work, by frequent painting, it will be doubtless some years before reinforcement of its members or repairs to the metal work will be made necessary. Very truly yours,

Rochester Bridge & Iron Works. May 24th, 1895.


A large and brilliant audience filled Maxwell Opera House on Wednesday evening, May 1st, to listen to one of the most charming programs ever presented to a Saugerties audience, given by the Saugerties Choral Society, assisted by Miss Mary L. Booth, of Brooklyn, Miss L. L. Graham, of Kingston, and Mr. Lewis Moseley, of Poughkeepsie.

The glees given by the Society in the first half were admirably rendered and the solo work by the foreign talent was delightful and a rare treat.

Miss Graham was very pleasing in her beautiful selection, “The Message” and made her Saugerties neighbors desire to hear her again in the near future.

Miss Both, [sic] always so welcome in our midst because of her rarely beautiful voice and her courteous unselfish personality, charmed as her wont, all who heard her. Upon this and several other occasions she had been most helpful to the Society and they deeply appreciate her kindly feeling toward them.
Mr. Moseley’s flexible, mellow voice was most acceptable, and his song “Now Thou Art Mine,” was received with much pleasure, and appreciation. His encore filled the ideal of chamber music singing. The last half of the program was devoted to Geo. A. McFarren’s cantata, “May-Day” rendered by the Society and the soloists already mentioned. Here no end of praise must be insisted upon as rightfully belonging to the indefatigable efforts of Mrs. N. K. Bigelow, the musical director, who took the leadership of the Choral Society on the 8th of January and his brought it to the stage of efficiency it reached that evening in the difficult work of the cantata. In the beginning it seemed a most ambitious undertaking for so young a society and the result of their hard and faithful work was evident in its performance. They have by no means reached perfection or the finish to which they would attain, but no one who heard them can have aught but words of encouragement and praise for what has been accomplished in this short time, and it must prove to the music-loving public that we have most excellent material in our midst which with the aid of so gifted a director can be trained to the study of a very high order of music.

To her honor be it said that Mrs. Bigelow has incited to work a musical club of very enthusiastic workers and they hope another year with her generous and skillful aid to reach a high musical plane, making a widespread influence upon this community and elevating the musical standard.

The program rendered is given below:

**Part I**

1a. “Here in Cool Grot,”
   Mornington

   b. “Land Ho!”
   Leslie

2. “Now Thou Art Mine,”
   Meyer-Helmund
   Mr. Lewis Moseley.

   Blumenthal
   Miss Lillian Louise Graham.

4a. Gypsy Life,
   Schumann

   b. “Since First I Saw Your Face”
   Ford

5. Aria from “Samson and Deliah,”
   Saint Saens
   Miss Mary L. Booth.

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**Part II**

“May-Day” a Cantata, G. A. Macfarren
   Solo and Chorus.

The sale of the Sheffield Manufacturing Company’s property, under foreclosure proceedings, by Charles A. Spalding as trustee of the second bond holders, and Howard Gillespy receiver of the company, took place on Wednesday morning of last week. The following notice, giving a full history of the failure of the J. B. Sheffield & Son and the Saugerties Blank Book Co. corporations in 1889, down to the time of the recent sale, we take from the Kingston Leader of April 25th:

After the failure in 1889, of the two corporations, J. B. Sheffield & Son and the Saugerties Blank Book Co., which conducted the manufacture of paper and blank books on a large scale at Saugerties, the business was reorganized in 1890 into a single corporation, known at the Sheffield Manufacturing Co., which continued the business of the two old companies. This reorganization was effected with the consent of the creditors, who received second mortgage bonds and certificates of indebtedness for substantially the full amounts of their claims, the issue of the two classes of the real estate being
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covered by a first mortgage held by the estate of J. B. Sheffield. An experience of several years demonstrated that while the new concern could earn interest on its bonded debt, the plan by which it was hoped to retire the certificates of indebtedness could not be carried out. It was therefore decided to take steps to put the company on an entirely solvent basis. To this end the consent of nearly all the old creditors was obtained, those who did not consent representing only about one per cent of the indebtedness. In the meantime, the first mortgage upon the real estate of the company, held by the estate of J. B. Sheffield, was foreclosed and the real estate was bid in by the estate. This foreclosure suit determined the ownership of certain fixtures and machinery necessary to the blank book business, and after the sale under decree of foreclosure the Sheffield Manufacturing Co. leased the buildings used for the blank book, envelope and pad business from the estate, and another company was formed for the manufacture of paper, the two branches of the business being thus again separated as they were in 1889 at the time of the failure.

When it was found that all of the bond and certificate holders would not consent to the reorganization, as stated above, Charles A. Spaulding, as trustee for the second mortgage, began foreclosure proceedings and the company applied to the court for a voluntary dissolution. These proceeding culminated yesterday morning at 11 o’clock, when all of the stock of goods, manufactured and unmanufactured, book accounts, etc., were sold at auction by Howard Gillespy, receiver of the company, and the boilers, engines, machinery, tools, etc., were sold in like manner by John W. Searing, referee in the Spalding foreclosure. The stock of goods, etc., were sold for $180,000 and the machinery, etc., were sold for $47,024.74, and the purchasers were O. S. Greenleaf, John G. Myers, E. C. Rogers, Charles A. Shultz.

William F. Russell, Robert A. Snyder and Daniel Lamb, the committee of the bond and certificate holders, who were appointed to carry out the plan of reorganization. The transfers were at once made to the committee, who immediately organized a new company to be known as the Saugerties Manufacturing Company with a capital of $225,000, fully paid. The certificate of incorporation of this company was filed in the Secretary of State’s office at Albany and the County Clerk’s officer here yesterday, and as soon as notice of its filing was received, the committee proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year and to receive title to the plant from the purchasers. The officers elected were as follows: Robert A. Snyder, President; Daniel Lamb, Vice-President; Howard Gillespy, Treasurer and General Manager; William F. Russell, member of Executive Committee with the President and Vice-President, these also being the officers of the dissolved corporation.

All these changes have been accomplished without any suspension of business at the factory, and the new company is in the best of shape, being absolutely free from debt and capitalized on a perfectly sound basis. It was necessary to go through all these formalities on account of the attitude of the non-consenting creditors, who have gained nothing by holding out, while those most interested have been working hard to get the present plan perfected. There is now every prospect for a successful career on the part of the Saugerties Manufacturing Co., which will conduct the business of the old Saugerties Blank Book Co., a business that was always successful and grew from very small proportions to one of the most extensive and influential concerns in the stationery trade at the time of the unfortunate collapse. The legal business pertaining to the reorganization is in charge of Messrs. Rosendale & Hessberg, of Albany. Mr. Hessberg directed the proceedings yesterday.


We have heretofore called the attention of our readers, on several occasions, to the bill introduced in the Legislature known as the Parker bill, which in effect prohibits municipal corporations from building water works of their own or of granting the privilege to other persons to do so where there is an existing system and virtually compelling the municipal corporations to purchase existing systems of water works, and in the case of failure to agree upon a price of purchase, to compel them to take condemnation proceedings to acquire the same. This bill, we are informed, has passed the Senate with an amendment
exempting the village of Saugerties from its operations. The bill in the Assembly has not the same
exemptions and there is some fear that at the last moment the amendment may be stricken off and the
bill become a law, as originally introduced. The effect of such a bill to our village would be to prohibit
the Board of Water Commissioner from building its proposed system. It would also prohibit
the Board of Directors from granting a franchise to build water works to any other persons or
corporations, and the only way in which our village could then become the owner of a water system of
its own, would be to purchase either by agreement or take condemnation proceedings for the present
inadequate system, in which event the force and effect of the contemplated law would be to give the
Saugerties Water Co, a sole and exclusive franchise, and on the agreement to purchase or in the
proceeding to condemn, this sole and exclusive franchise would greatly enhance the value of the
property. In view of these facts a number of our citizens have organized for the purpose of forming a
water company, and on Saturday evening the Board of Directors very wisely granted a permission to the
following persons to form a water company for the purpose of supplying the village with water, namely:
George W. Elting, Daniel Lamb, Uriah Van Etten, John W. Davis, James T. Maxwell, Albert Carnright and
T. B. Cornwell, so that in case the bill does become a law, there will be a rival water company to which
all of our citizens irrespectively will be asked and free to everyone to subscribe to. We commend the
Board of Directors for their careful forethought in this matter and while we hope that this bill, vicious in
it nature and thoroughly bad in principle will not become a law, and if by any accident it does we trust
that Gov. Morton will veto it. But if the worst should happen we believe that our village will be
protected from the attack of this bill in the interest of the existing water corporations.

George W. Irish of Cazenovia, recently had introduced in the Legislature a bill which has become a law,
and is of much interest to volunteer firemen. It provides that if a volunteer fireman loses his life at a
fire, or dies with a year from injuries received, his heirs shall receive $500 from the city, incorporated
village, of if neither, from the town in which the fire occurred, the same be raised by tax in a manner
similar to other expenses.

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1828. The Kingston Leader, Kingston, NY. Thursday, April 13. - A PICKLED HAND. - It is the Central Figure in
a $30,000 suit. – The Case of Mr. Belch Against the Railroad Co. Promises Some Sensational Feature – A
Hatchet and Large Accident Insurance Figure in the Defence. - A Surgical Expert’s Mysterious Pulling of
Sample Hairs.
Negligence cases are not usually very interesting, but the action brought by Thomas B. Belch, of
Saugerties, against the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company, the trial of which was
begun in Circuit Count on Wednesday, promises to be a notable exception. Carrol Whitaker appears for
the plaintiff with Hon. D. M. DeWitt as counsel, and Hon. F. L. Westbrook is the attorney for the
defendant, with Hon. John J. Linson as counsel. The plaintiff was on the witness stand during the entire
day and when the evening recess was taken his cross examination was not yet finished. From questions
asked and statement made by counsel it appears that the defence will be of a highly sensational nature
although precisely what testimony they will offer has not been made public. But is very evident from
hints dropped now and then, as well as from Mr. Westbrook’s demeanor, that he has a bomb to explode
when the proper time comes.
Mr. Belch, the plaintiff, is an undertaker doing business at Saugerties. On the evening of August 4, 1893,
while traveling alone in a wagon along the road leading from Palenville to Saugerties he met with the
accident which is the cause of the present suit. The road upon which Mr. Belch was travelling crosses
the West Shore Railroad track about half a mile from Saugerties village. While on this crossing, Mr.
Belch claims, one of the wheels came off his wagon throwing him out.
Before attempting to cross the track he had looked and listened very carefully for approaching trains, as it was a very dark night. As soon as he got up and realized his dangerous position he attempted to get the horse and wagon off the railroad track, but bound that a portion of the wagon was fast between the planking and the rail. He managed to get the wheel on and had gone to the horse’s head to lead him off the track when there was a flash of light, a deafening roar, a shock, and Mr. Belch was hurled to one side of the track. When he recovered his wits he found himself lying on his stomach with his left arm extended. No whistle was blown nor bell rung on the locomotive. It was the St. Louis Express, the fastest train on the West Shore road, that ran over Mr. Belch in this way. He found that his left hand dangled down from the wrist. Holding the injured hand in the uninjured one, he went to the house of John W. Mower, near by, and asked to be allowed to enter. Although he told his name and said that he had been injured, Mr. Belch says that Mower told him to go away or he would make it hot for him. He then went to the house of his father-in-law, James Otis Beers, some distance away. Mr. Beers went for a physician, and while he was away Mrs. Beers, at the request of Mr. Belch, cut off with the scissors the few shreds of skin that held the hand to the arm. The hand was then rolled up in a piece of newspaper and afterward committed to the care of Dr. John DeWitt, who preserved it in alcohol.

This is substantially the story told by Mr. Belch on the witness stand. A lengthy cross examination followed, each point in the evidence being again carefully gone over. The severed hand, preserved in a jar of alcohol, was produced in court and identified by the witness. It was shown on cross examination that Mr. Belch carried a very large amount of accident insurance, about $8,000 being payable to him for the loss of his hand. Mr. Whitaker explained this heavy insurance by saying that Mr. Belch had been bitten 33 times by dogs and had come to the conclusion that accident insurance was necessary. A ludicrous incident connected with the case occurred in the afternoon when Dr. Hale, a noted medical and surgical expert who had testified here before, after taking a number of measurements of Mr. Belch’s arm and the stump from which the hand is missing, for some purpose know [sic] only to the defence, but which will doubtless appear later, produced a tweezers and pulled several hairs from Mr. Belch’s wrist. Mr. Whitaker evidently mistook the tweezers for some surgical instrument with which the rest of Mr. Belch’s arm was about to be cut off and carried away for a sample, and in his anxiety to prevent such an occurrence he made an outcry that startled the court and caused the surgical expert to turn pale, Mr. Whitaker was reassured and Dr. Hale pulled out the hairs, which he carefully wrapped in a piece of paper. These hairs may have something to do with Mr. Westbrook’s bomb, although it is hinted that a hatchet will also play a prominent part in the case later on. This hatchet, it is said, was found near the scene of the accident, and the defence claim to be able to prove that Mr. Belch’s hand was never cut off or run over by the train at all.

The case will attract attention by reason of the large amount of damages claimed even if it were not for the sensational defence. Mr. Belch asks $30,000 damages. As there are at least 30 witnesses, the trial is likely to last the balance of the week.


As intimated in THE LEADER of Thursday, Mr. Westbrook had a bomb to explode to the defence of Thomas B. Belch’s $30,000 claim for damages for the loss of his hand which is now on trial in Circuit Court. The proper time for exploding the bomb arrived yesterday but instead of being a bomb it proved to be very big gun which to the consternation of the defence kicked so tremendously that it was hard telling where it did the most execution – on the side it was aimed at or on the side that aimed it. As previously stated, a hatchet plays a prominent part in the suit. The hatchet has blood stains on it and was found near the scene of the accident. The defence claim that they can also prove that there was blood on the planking of the crossing at the point where the hatchet was found and that where the blood was the planking
showed a cut, as though made by a blow of this hatchet. The witnesses who are to testify in the finding of the hatchet were not sworn on Thursday, but will probably be produced later.

After the physicians who attended Mr. Belch had been sworn yesterday the plaintiff rested and the defence began. Dr. William Hailes, of the Albany Medical College, the expert who so critically examined the severed hand and the stump of Mr. Belch’s arm on Wednesday, proved to be one of the main witnesses, although at least part of the testimony must have proven disappointing to Mr. Westbrook. Dr. Hailes testified that he had examined and measured the wheels on West Shore cars and engines. The defence evidently expected to prove by the witness that it would be impossible or at least improbable for Mr. Belch’s hand to have been severed by the car wheels and the hand and stump left in the condition in which he saw it. Not a sound was audible in the crowded court room while this question was being asked. Everybody expected a heavy blow to the plaintiff’s case and all listened to Dr. Haile’s answer. When it came it was a genuine surprise.

“I think from the appearance of the hand and stump,” answered Dr. Hailes, “that it might have occurred from the hand being run over while placed upon the rail, ad in my judgment that is the way it occurred.” The big gun of the defence had been fired, but the chief execution seemed to have come from the recoil.

There was a moment’s intense silence, and then a buzz and hum of whispered expressions of surprise all over the court room. Mr. Westbrook at once changed the subject and asked the witness about the hatchet. On this line he was more successful. Dr. Hailes testified that some of the stains on the hatchet were blood. It might be human blood, but he could not say as to that.

On cross examination the witness stated that he had no idea as to how long the blood had been on the hatchet. It was on both handle and blade.

Dr. S. Lyman Dawes testified that he had made measurements of the car wheels, rails, etc. and from Mr. Belch’s hand and the stump. From these measurements he was of the opinion that the accident happened in the way described by Mr. Belch.

George Dean, the engineer in charge of the locomotive of the St. Louis Express on the night of the accident, swore that the bell was rung and the whistle was blown at the crossing on the night of the accident. He looked out and did not see anything or anybody. The track is straight there and a man on the crossing can see the headlight of a train 3,000 feet away. The rumbling of the train could be heard three fourths of a mile away. The train was not running over 20 miles an hour at the most.

John Lawless, the fireman, corroborated the engineer. Both were rigidly cross-examined by Mr. Westbrook.

George Snyder testified that when he heard of the accident he hired a rig and together with Frank Quick drove up to the crossing. We saw the wagon there. It was drawn up by the side of the road. The horse was not before it. It had been unhitched. The wagon was about 20 feet west of the railroad track. Mr. Belch’s brother-in-law had the horse, leading it toward the village. The wagon had three wheels on. The other wheel stood up against the wagon. Frank Quick found the nut off the wagon. He found it on the west side of the railroad track.

Frank Quick corroborated Mr. Snyder’s story as to the finding of the nut. It was found between 150 and 250 feet from the track. The wagon was 15 to 20 feet from the track.

At this point court took a recess until Friday morning at 9:30.


The $30,000 case of Belch, against the West Shore railroad, was closed today in the Ulster Circuit and sent to the jury.

When Senator Linson had finished his opening his defense on Thursday afternoon those who were in the court room had a pretty clear idea what would be proven through the testimony of the two doctors was
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a great surprise. Mr. Linson dwelt some length upon the legal aspect that the burden of proof lay with
the plaintiff to show that he was not negligent and the railroad was negligent. Among the points he
made was that when the accident occurred there were 2,800 feet of straight track below the crossing
with no curve in it and a man with ordinary eyesight at 8 o’clock at night ought to be able to see the
approach of the headlight of a locomotive that distance. He also claimed that any reasonable man when
he was in such a dangerous place would have gotten off the track as quickly as possible, and that
hunting for the nut and trying to put the wheel on was negligence on his part. While he had the axle in
his hand he could have backed the horse off the track in a very few seconds. “Railroad tracks are not
meant for blacksmith shops and a man has no business to stand on them for fixing his wagon.” He said
evidence would be produced that would throw grave doubts whether plaintiff was injured in the
manner in which he said. There could be no question that he lost his hand, but there could be a question
how he lost it, and when all the evidence was in there would still be an air of mystery surrounding the
transaction. Two trains passed that evening about that time and the train hands saw nothing whatever
of a horse and wagon or anything of that sort at the crossing. He also spoke about a hatchet with blood
on it being found the next morning near the scene.
The first witness called up by the defense was Dr. Haile, who testified he had been a professor in the
Albany medical college for 20 years, connected with microscopy and surgery and practice in dislocations.
Saw the hand the arm and stump of the man, made measurements, also measured the rails,
locomotives. Everyone strained to listen as the following question was asked by Mr. Westbrook;
“Assuming that a man was standing between the south and north bound tracks his foot slipping, and
falling forward upon his stomach with his right hand extended across the west rail of the north bound
track, might this hand have been severed, and the hand and arm been put in the condition you saw it, by
a wheel passing over the arm lying upon the rail?” and he answered, “I think from the appearance of the
hand the description of the stump that such an occurrence might have resulted from the hand being so
placed upon the rail, and in my judgment that was the way that it occurred.” There was a buzz around
the court room showing the astonishment of the audience at the answer, which was so different from
what the laymen expected. He also testified that Officer Abeel of Saugerties with Mr. Westbrook,
counsel for the West Shore, brought to him a hatchet and he made a microscopic examination of the
material on the blade and found dirt, grease and oily stains, and blood. He proved it was blood beyond
doubt by a chemical and a microscopic examination, for he obtained blood crystals and blood discs;
could not say whether it was human blood or not. He was asked on the cross-examination what kind of
animal blood that of a human being was like, and said it was like that of a dog more than any other, the
corpules [sic] of the blood of a dog being “very near in size to that of a human being.”
Dr. S. L. Dawes of Saugerties testified regarding the examination of the rails, arm, etc., the same as Dr.
Haile, and gave the same opinion in regard to the manner in which the accident had occurred.
It might be well to state here the in his affidavit to recover from one of the insurance companies the
plaintiff swore that the accident occurred by his slipping and falling over the track.
George Dean, who was the locomotive engineer on the express train, which it was claimed caused the
accident testified. He said he had been a locomotive engineer 20 years, 13 years on the West Shore
alone. Was well acquainted with the crossing, because he helped build the road at that point. The night
of the accident he was engineer on engine No. 11, train 3, which left Weehawken 5:30 in the evening
and reached Saugerties about 8:31 or 8:32 four minutes late. Usually stopped at the Saugerties depot,
one and a half to two minutes. After leaving the depot in the distance of a mile, would not be able to
run faster than 20 or 25 miles an hour at the point. When they reached that place they sounded the
whistle and rang the bell, commencing at the whistle post which was a thousand feet from the crossing.
He was looking out when he came to the crossing, saw nothing on the crossing and nothing by the side
of the crossing. There was a head light on the locomotive, which could be seen a long distance on a
straight track, and could readily been seen 3,000 feet on a night when it was not snowing, and the
rumbling of a train ought to be heard three-fourths of a mile.
John Lawless, the fireman, testified to the same effect as the engineer.
George Snyder visited the place in company with Frank Quick soon after he heard of the accident. He saw the wagon by the side of the road and the horse unhitched and being led away by a relative of Mr. Belch. One of the wagon wheels was off standing against the wagon, and the nut was found on the west side of the track 150 or 250 feet away. Similar testimony was given by Frank Quick.
This morning there seemed to be a considerable amount of evidence still to be put in notwithstanding the statement that yesterday afternoon the case would be finished before supper of that day. The cross examinations were lengthy.
William Doyle was the first witness put on the stand and he testified that in company with Officer Abeel and Deputy Davis, a farmer, he went to the scene of the accident not only the same night, but also the next morning. In the morning he found blood on the plank at the crossing and also found the hatchet over the fence about 50 feet from there the blood spots were. The hatchet had what he thought was blood on it. The hatchet produced by the expert Haile, was handed witness and he said he thought it was the same hatchet.
The men who went with the witness testified similarly.

1831. A couple were recently married and the bride invited an old aunt to the wedding. The cards were swell affairs, and in one corner bore the inscription; “Children not expected.” After scanning it closely over her specs, the old lady said; “That’s all right, but they’ll have ém just the same.”- Exchange

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1832. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston, NY. April 22, 1895. – THE SECRET OF A HAND. - Counsel Sum Up the Belch Damage Case. – Points Emphasized by Messrs. Westbrook and DeWitt. – Plaintiff Asks for $30,000 Damages.
There was not a large attendance at court today to listen to the closing scenes of the $30,000 case of Belch vs. the West Shore Railroad Company, but those who were present had the pleasure of hearing two very fine, logical addresses by two of the ablest members of the Ulster bar, Hon. F. L. Westbrook for the defense, and Hon. D. M. DeWitt for the plaintiff. These addresses were not alone marked for ability in presentation of facts and the law applying in the same, but for a sharpness of invective in presenting these facts, and in arraigning the other side, that showed clearly the benefit of counsel having two days in which to prepare their addresses.
The lawyers were all promptly on hand at the tap of the bell, evidently “cocked and primed” to fire their biggest guns. Two jurymen, Everett Mosier and Morrison Secor, were absent at the opening of the court. There were expected on the down train on the Ulster & Delaware railroad, and nothing could be done until they appeared. They came in and took their seats 15 minute later Upon the call of the day calendar, it was found that No. 86, Gersch vs. New York Central Railroad, would go over. Judge Fursman then said he would take up no other case than the one before the Court, Belch vs. West Shore.
Before commencing to sum up, Mr. Westbrook made a motion to dismiss the case on the same ground as stated at the opening of the defense last week, that the evidence showed that the plaintiff was guilty of contributory negligence by his own story, and that defendant was not guilty of negligence. That there was a failure of proof that the bell was not rung or the whistle not blown on the approach of the train. On the contrary, the preponderance of evidence showed that the whistle was blown and bell rung. The evidence showed the plaintiff was eight feet from the rail when the train appeared. If he had remained there no accident would have occurred. He stepped of rushed toward the train when eight feet distant from it, and therefore his negligence cause the accident.
Judge Fursman denied the motion, and then took a recess until 2 o’clock. He said he had decided to allow counsel one and one-half hours each in summing up.
When court reconvened at 2 o’clock Mr. Westbrook began summing up the case for the railroad company.

Every point heretofore raised in the case were gone into. On the side of counsel for defense the peculiarities surrounding the whole case; a mystery that in the ordinary occurrence of things could not have existed. The number of policies that plaintiff had first taken out upon his body. The ride into the country that could have been finished and plaintiff have returned home long before that express train, of whose coming plaintiff was well aware, but which ride for no apparent reason, was delayed until the arrival at the crossing, and then the dismounting, picking up of a whip, causing more delay, and finally the casting of the nut and the dropping of the wheel on the track, and groping after the nut when the horse and wagon could easily have been taken from the track by a country boy in handling a horse that was gentle as a kitten. The continued delay. All the while looking up and down the track, as it watching for the opportune moment when the train should arrive, the leaving of the horse and wagon in a position not to be injured, the smashing of a hand, for which insurance companies paid to large an amount, was dwelt upon. The smashing of the left hand, for if the right had been cut off it would by crippling plaintiff from doing so much in business matters would have taken considerable from the cash value of the transaction. The visit to the Mower house, when the natural thing would have been to go direct to the father-in-law’s place at once. The peculiar circumstance of clipping the shreds of the hand, the burial of the same, and later the production of a hand, the preservation of that hand for production in court. First, the settlement with insurance companies for a considerable amount of money for plaintiff, with the expectation of receiving a very large sum later from the railroad company. All these facts were commented upon. Also the uncontradicted testimony of witnesses that the approaching train could be seen a long distance at the point; that the train was not running at great speed; that the rumble could be heard a long way off, showing that there was ample time for plaintiff to have seen the head light of the locomotive and taken himself away from the dangerous locality. He commented upon the fact that it was not necessary for plaintiff to save the horse and wagon, but to save himself, which he could easily have done by stepping out of the way. And the remarkable fact of plaintiff going to the head of the horse when the train came, and not taking hold of the lines and backing the horse, when he would have been entirely out of danger. Even had he slipped while in the rear of the horse, he would not have fallen upon the track.

(The points raised by Mr. De Witt, counsel for plaintiff, will be printed in a later edition of The Freeman.)

1833. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston NY. April 23, 1895. – CUT DOWN BY ONE THIRD. – The Jury Gives Belch 10,000 Damages. – He Sued the New York Central, for $30,000. – What Counsel and Court Said in Closing the Case.

This morning circuit court reconvened at 9:30 o’clock, Judge Parker on the bench. It was well-known that the jury in the Belch case had come to some conclusion, but as the amount no one could form a judgment. Figures were put down by a number of persons, but they were generally higher than the verdict which was given. When the jury came in a sealed verdict was handed up, and when opened and read it was found to be $10,000 for plaintiff. The usual motion regarding time to make a case on appeal and a stay was granted, according to Judge Fursman’s directions the evening before. Judge Fursman told the counsel yesterday afternoon before the jury went out that he would allow 5 per cent extra allowance upon the verdict by not to exceed $500. The fact that the jury found a verdict the 5 per cent of which would make $500 extra allowance, caused considerable speculation as to whether the jury had taken the remarks of the judge as an indication what their verdict ought to be. It is understood that the railroad company will appeal. The highest figure in the jury room was $20,000 on the part of one jurymen. The lowest was $7,000. The $20,000 juror dropped down to $15,000 and then the jurors all agreed to fix the damage at $10,000 and brought in a verdict in that amount.
The jury was sent to their room about 5 o’clock on Monday afternoon, and were told by Judge Fursman if they were ready to bring in a verdict by 6 o’clock he would receive it, otherwise they should write out their verdict and bring it in Tuesday morning when Judge Parker would receive it. All the preliminary motions which counsel might wish to make were decided by him in advance by overruling them, and allowing time for either side to appeal. He said he would allow an extra allowance of not over $500. The jury were not prepared to give a verdict at 6 o’clock, so they were taken to supper by the sheriff, and returned to the jury room in the evening.

The summing up occupied the greater portion of the time from 2 o’clock until the jury went out, for Judge Fursman’s charge to the jury occupied less than 10 minutes.

A great deal of interest was manifested in the summing up, as well as in the charge, especially by the Saugerties people. The following are some of the salient points made counsel, which have not been elaborated upon by The Freeman.

Mr. Westbrook, in his address, said all Belch had to do with his livery horse was to shout, “back,” “back,” and the horse would have gone back entirely out of danger. He commented upon the evidence regarding the ringing or not ringing of the bell, or blowing of the whistle, claimed the testimony of the train men should have more weight, than that of Mower, the farmer, and those who were in the house with him, for the reason that people soon get so accustomed to sounds of that kind when living near a railroad they do not hear them. “Go to New York, you will not sleep the first night because of the rattling of the cars. Remain there a short time and you will not hear the sounds at all, and will sleep soundly.” He gave a bit of his own experience. “When I went to Mill Hook many years ago the roaring of the dam kept me awake, but that was only for a short time. In a month or so, as far as being annoyed at the roar, it was as though there was no dam there. The same with the street cars. At first the electric gong was heard, but was soon forgotten. The same with Mower regarding the blowing of the whistle or the ringing of the bell. He had become so used to it he would not hear it if it had not sounded.

“Counsel,” he said, “spoke of the ‘tremendous’ roar of the train, so that one would think all the bulls of Bashan were roaring. It was like any other train going at 25 or 30 miles an hour.” If damage in this case could be recovered under the circumstances, it would be a heavenly thing for tramps, for they could get hurt a little bit on the tracks, get astute counsel to bring suit in the hope that the company would pay damages rather than employ counsel.

In referring to the amount of damages the jury should give in case they decided the company should pay, Mr. Westbrook spoke of the insurance plaintiff had in accident companies, amounting to $20,000 “for loss of one hand he would get one-third, and he had four policies. Why did he get insured? The reason given is rather comical. I could not understand whether counsel in his opening said it was because he had been bitten by 33 dogs, or been bitten by a dog 33 times, and therefore he took out all those policies against blood poisoning. He got out of these companies $7,000 besides weekly benefits from a number of organizations, and now he wants the railroad to pay a large amount besides.” Under all the circumstances, if they found anything, they should find moderate damages, but he did not think it possible they could find a verdict for the plaintiff.

In his opening Mr. DeWitt spouted forth the following against corporations: “When a private citizen of average respectability has an action to bring onto court against one of these overshadowing corporations, he cannot but expect to encounter a most formidable adversary. This one besrides the whole territorial breadth of the great empire state from Albany to Buffalo, and dwarfs into comparative insignificance the Erie canal, which was considered by our fathers as one of the greatest of public works. It clasps in its arms the majestic stream that passes our shores. As joint owner of the soil, it shares the right of eminent domain, and assumes to be a rightful competitor of the people in the sovereignty of the state. Its resources are immense. It numbers its wealth by millions. It has the choice of the legal profession every county through which its road passes. All the medical institutions of the country are open to it. Science will disclose to it by telescope the infinitely great, or by microscope, the infinitely little. No professor, however great, or whose time however valuable, will refuse to come at its
subpoena. If maps are to be made, it has its band of employes, its civil engineers, to make the maps and measurements to suit the company. If it has reason to employ the arts, it has full coffers to draw from to induce photographers at its will to make pictures for the jury. The detective police is at its disposal. They will hunt down the pedigree of the poor plaintiff who may have the hardihood to bring them into court, drag the memory of his father from the grave, and if necessary cast blots upon the memory of his brother. They have power enough to summon the talents of the profession to carry the question of law in every case to the highest court of the state, or even to the supreme court of the United States, and demand a revision or repeal of the act of the legislature. It is mean enough to stoop and pick up the offal that an insurance company had dropped in disgust. Bearing in mind the great disadvantage of the plaintiff, let us proceed to delineate this contest between the stripling David and this great Goliath of Gath, whose spear is like a weaver’s beam.”

In referring to the testimony of the trainmen, he said they were swearing under the “stern eye of Wattson and his two thousand accidents.” He spoke of the hatchet as the “defence of desperation.” While talking about it he swung the hatchet with the skill of an Indian wielding a tomahawk, and those in the vicinity expected every moment that the blade would fly from its handle and bury itself in some body’s brain. “The plaintiff had been forced by the defense to bring the withered hand into court, so the experts could examine it. That hand is like the hand that wrote on the wall of Belshazzar’s palace. ‘Mene, Mene, Takel Upharsin.’ “Thou art weighed in the balance and art found wanting.” He spoke of the finding of the hatchet as a blackmailing job, and unlike General Washington’s hatchet, it would bring dishonor to those who wielded it. It was a midnight conspiracy. He referred to the four men as “Major-General Abeel with his posse comitatus.” He pictured the visit to the scene at night, hinting that the scratch was made on the plank by one of them with this new hatchet, the blood placed thereon and the hatchet placed in the field. The next morning they all go there, and move according to the four points of the compass, and by and by Doyle shouts, “I have found it.” ‘It!’ Not ‘I have found the hatchet,’ but “I have found it.” Eureka! Eureka! I have found it! General Abeel says ‘Give it to me.’ and Palmer says “$500 apiece.” Then the next scene is the major-general trying to sell this brand new hatchet to the insurance companies. They put private marks all over the handle. The major-general, who as an officer was bound to disclose this very thing to the authorities if a felony had been committed, instead of going before a justice of the peace, puts it in a tin box, and take it to New York to sell his evidence to the highest bidder.”

In speaking of damages that should be given, he said Belch was 37 years old, with his strength shorn just one-half. If he lived 30 years, a thousand a year would not be too much. Judge Fursman said in his charge the jury had no right to be swayed by sympathy, but must simply determine the case from the facts, and nothing else. “You will not forget that this defendant, although a corporation, is entitled to the same rights in this court, before you, in the light of the law, as if it was an individual. You will not take into effect the fact that it is wealthy or powerful. There is no evidence before you that this corporation is wealthy or powerful. You are to decide the case upon the evidence given to you by sworn testimony. Nothing more or less. I am not going to comment upon the facts. The case has been closely and admirably tried and presented, but your duty and mine is not to be swayed by what one counsel or the other says.”

The burden of proof, he said, was upon the plaintiff. “That is, he must determine every question to you satisfaction by more evidence than the defendant is required to give. Not that he must have more witnesses, but his proof must be more satisfactory and convincing, so you can say, all things taken into account, the plaintiff must establish his case upon every proposition. He is required to maintain two, first, that the defendant has been guilty of some neglect, some omission of duty, some fault, and that this neglect, this omission of duty, this fault has brought about he [sic] injury. He must establish this by a preponderance of the weight of evidence. This railroad had a right to be where it was. It had a lawful
to run its train at this time, and at this palace where this accident occurred. It must run it, however, so as not by any fault or negligence of the persons in charge of it to inflict injury upon others. It was bound, not necessarily to ring a bell or blow a whistle, upon approaching this crossing, but to give some warning of the approach of its train to this crossing, some adequate, some sufficient warning, according to the judgment of common prudent men of the approach of the train. If it gave no warning, and the omission to do this brought about the injury, then the negligence of the defendant in this respect is established. This is not enough. Plaintiff must satisfy you by a like weight of evidence that he himself has not in any way, however little, contributed to bring upon himself the injury of which he complains.” He said that was the law, and if they found the plaintiff in adjusting his wheel or otherwise slipped and fell, and his hand thereby was cut off by the train, then the plaintiff could not recover. If, however, being in that situation, called upon to take charge of his horse and wagon, exercising common prudence and care under the circumstances he was in at the place, and struck by this train without fault, if there was no ringing of the bell or blowing of the whistle, or other sufficient warning, then the defendant was liable.

“In regard to damages, if you decide for a verdict for the plaintiff, you are not to be extravagant, nor are you to be stingy. That he suffered pain is proven. The common experience of men will satisfy your mind that he suffered pain. For that he is entitled to compensation. You are not to add one penny because the defendant is a railroad corporation. The law deals in hard dollars. It is a pecuniary consideration, noting more. If you allow yourselves to be prejudiced by appeals of counsel, and to be influenced against this railroad, or in favor of this plaintiff, because of such appeals, you will prove to everyone you have forgotten the oath you took when you began your duties at the outset.”

1834. American Flag sticker.

1835. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 4, 1895. -- Directors’ Proceedings.
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, March 30th, 1895. All directors present, president Simmons presiding. Minutes of last regular meeting read for information. Committee on streets reported application for a lamp near Washburn Terrace on Main street, also petition for a lamp on West Bridge street near Michael Sullivan’s corner. Report on motion was ordered received and filed. On motion an oil lamp for Main street was ordered at the desired location and the committee on streets directed to look into the matter of the lamp on West Bridge St. Committee on firemanic affairs reported steamer repaired and in good condition, also satisfactory repairs made to furnace as ordered. Report was on motion ordered received and file. Committee on stone crusher reported progress. Committee health affairs reported communication from the health department, which was read and was on motion ordered received and placed on file. Finance Committee reported bill of S. W. Merclean correct amount of $57.25, which was on motion ordered paid. On motion the bills of the health board were all ordered paid with exception of bill of Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector for $11.00, which was ordered referred to the finance committee, who audited the same at $1.50 per day, instead of $2 per day as charged, and same was ordered paid as audited at $8.25. Clerk reported receipt of $6.55 from Chas. Davis for taxes from Wm. H. Myer not collected by collector, which was paid to treasurer. The tax budget for 1895 was then made up for the assessor which was on motion ordered assessed upon the taxpayers of the village as follows:

Interest on $8000 bonds Ulster avenue, $ 262.50
Interest on $8500 “ village indebtedness, 340.00

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Certificate of indebtedness, 500.00
Interest on same, 8.33
General Fund, 3000.00
Road Fund, 4000.00
Health Fund, 500.00
1 Bond maturing, 1000.00

And the assessors directed to return to the board of directors within the time specified in the charter the original assessment roll, and a true copy thereof to the village treasurer, also the clerk was directed to send a copy of the charter to each of the assessors.

Report of the result of the special election on the water question, “for and against the water taxes,” was read as follows: Martin Cantine, Ovid T. Simmons and Ebenezer L. Quick, the three members of the board appointed at a meeting of the board on March 12, 1895, to preside at the meeting of the electors of the village held in pursuance of the call of the board of Directors, and pursuant to section 21 of the act entitled ‘an act to authorize the villages of the State of New York to furnish pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants thereof’ - being chapter 181, laws of 1875, and the acts amendatory thereof, having filed with the clerk a certified and sworn statement of the record of said meeting and a certificate of the result thereof, on motion same was received and ordered kept on file in the clerk’s office, and the clerk was directed to serve within 5 days from March 29th, 1895, a certified copy thereof on each of the water commissioners.

On motion, the result of the vote at said meeting as follows: Whole number of votes cast: 195. Whole number of votes cast “For the Water Taxes, 195. Number of votes cast “Against the Water Taxes” none. Was ordered spread on the minutes of the board of directors.

An informal ballot was the cast for Health Commissioners, which resulted: B. F. Crump 6, Alex. Lackey 5, H. Gillespy 3, Jno. Lowther 3. B. F. Crump and Alex. Lackey were declared elected.

The balloting continued until 20 had been taken, Gillespy receiving 3 and Lowther a like number on each ballot.

On motion the formal ballot was dispensed with and an informal ballot was ordered for the purpose of bringing out new candidates with a result as follows: Edson Finger 3, Wm. Myer 1, Theo. B. Cornwell 1, Geo. Seamon 1.

On motion a formal ballot was ordered taken on the names presented by the informal ballot, which resulted as follows: Edson Finger 3, Theo B. Cornwell 3. Another ballot ordered Finger, 3, Cornwell, 3, 3'd Finger 3, Cornwell 3.

On motion the board then adjourned leaving the matter unsettled. Having audited the following bills:

**HEALTH FUND**

- S. W. Merclean, registration vital statistics, $57.25
- B. F. Crump, salary health com., 34.00
- Alex. Lackey, sanitary inspector, 2.00
- Dr. S. L. Dawes, salary health officer 1 qr., 50.00
- Alex. Lackey, “ com., 34.00
- Peter Canner, “ com., 34.00
- S. W. Merclean, salary clerk health board, 25.00
- Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector $11.00 audited, 8.25

**GENERAL FUND**

- Jno. Maxwell, street lighting March, $39.00
- J. Dederick, clerk special election and ex., 3.40
- J. G. Palmer, salary, janitor, March, 6.00
- T. J. Barritt, supplies, 3.90
- O. T. Simmons, inspector special election, 2.00
E. L. Quick, """" 2.00
Mart Cantine, """" 2.00
G. W. Elting, printing, water matter, 13.50
Jernagan & Ronk, """" 8.00
Jas. Dederick for W. E. Van Buskirk, 90,
Chas. Davis, 53, Chas. Abeel, $3, expenses in
water matter, 4.43
Wm. S. Van Hoesen, key for fireman’s hall, .25
Saugerties C. & L. Co., coal and lumber, 51.48
Peter Canner, supplies and labor, 13.67

On motion the reading of minutes dispensed with previous to adjournment. J. Dederick, Clerk.

1836. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 4, 1895. – The Vote for Water Works.
Probably the most unanimous vote ever cast in this village was that of Friday last at Fireman’s Hall, when 195 of our taxpayers expressed themselves in favor of the village controlling a system of water works of their own. There was not a single vote in opposition, and nearly all the electors voted whose names appeared on the last assessment roll.
It would appear that the sentiment of people outside of Saugerties, in regard to this matter of water works, is in sympathy with that so unanimously expressed here on Friday, as is shown in an article that appeared in the Kingston Leader of Saturday, and which, on account of facts contained in it of special interest in relation to the water works matter, we are induced to publish, in full. In alluding to the vote of Friday, the Leader says: “This result was brought about by the conduct of those who have charge of the Saugerties Water Company, that corporation having become so unpopular that it has no defenders in the village. The readers of The Leader will remember the trial of the suit brought against the village of Saugerties by the Water Company to recover for the use of hydrants at the January circuit Court in this city before Judge Fursman. The question at issue in that suit was whether the village authorities had ever agreed to take water from the company for fire purposes, and the decision hinged upon the reading of one word in the contract between the village and the company, the dispute being whether the word was “whenever” or “wherever.” The jury brought in a verdict in favor of the company and a large judgment was rendered against the village, although the preponderance of evidence was wholly on the side of the village. This verdict so roused public sentiment among the residents of Saugerties that a public meeting was called and largely attended in Maxwell Opera House and a committee was appointed to ascertain what it would cost to build a new water works, entirely independent of the company. On February 18th that committee reported to another large meeting in Maxwell Opera House. The report stated that the Saugerties Water Company had no exclusive rights in the village, that its works could be duplicated for about $60,000 and that new works with a bountiful supply of water could be constructed for $80,000. The report was received with great enthusiasm, and the meeting voted in favor of an independent water supply to be owned by the village and instructed the village authorities to take all necessary steps to that end. The Board of Directors thereupon appointed George W. Washburn, William F. Russell, Louis J. Butzel, George Seamon, Peter Canner and Howard C. Bogardus as a Board of Water Commissioners and decided to submit the raising of the required fund to carry out the plans of the Committee on Water Supply to the vote of the taxpayers, in accordance with the provisions of law. These people have the utmost confidence in the men at the head of the movement that is intended to get their village out of the clutches of a grabbing water company, and the result of the agitation is the unanimous vote to empower the Water Commissioners to go ahead.
It has been suggested by some that the proper course for the Commissioners to pursue is to buy the present works and then enlarge and complete the system with the additional money to be raised by
taxation but the Commissioners can be depended upon to pay no fancy price for a water supply that is believed to be inadequate and will undoubtedly make the best possible arrangement for the interest of the village. The lawsuit that the Water Company brought against the village will thus prove a barren victory.

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening, April 6th. All the Directors were present and president Simmons presided.
Chief Engineer Lewis appeared before the Board and stated that Fireman’s Hall was being occupied as a lodging place by parties, and as numerous complaints had been made to him that these parties were using the service coats of the Snyder Hose Co., for pillows, and the same had become ruined by being infested by vermin, he asked the Board what he should do in this matter, as he did not desire to use his authority without first consulting the Board. The chief was directed to order such parties from the premises, and he instructed the janitor to eject any or all lodgers.
The finance committee reported that it appears an error has been made as to the amount allowed by the Health Board for sanitary inspector, and the bill of Wm. H. Hommel, as presented for services rendered at $2 per day was correct, but after taking a vote on the reconsideration the bill was allowed at $1.50 per day as audited, the Directors thinking that such pay was sufficient for such services.
Mr. Cunyes of the street committee stated that considerable work had been done on the streets the past week and they are now in very good condition. He also stated that by changing the position of one lamp on West Bridge street, he thought it would not be necessary to erect any new ones. He recommended that West Bridge street be surveyed, so it could be curbed and guttered at an early day.
Mr. Frank Pidgeon asked for the grade of Washington avenue, in order to set curb and gutter and lay flag in front of his property on that street. As the street was recently surveyed, a grade will be furnished Mr. Pidgeon at once.
The following bills were read and ordered paid:
P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets, $75.36
Saugerties Gas Co., light from March 1st to April 1st, 57.33
Saugerties Electric Light Co., light for Empire Engine House, 13.50
On motion the Clerk was directed to notify the tenants of Washburn Terrace to stop throwing ashes on Main street in the rear of their residences at once.
The Commissioner of Highways of the town has made application to the stone crusher committee for crushed stone, and offers broken rock in exchange for the same. The committee stated that they considered three tons of broken rock for one ton of crushed stone a fair exchange, and they were authorized to make arrangements accordingly.
The Street Commissioner was directed to stop all persons from burning refuge, [sic] paper, boxes or any other matter on the public streets.
The election of the third member of the Village Board of Health, was taken up and an informal ballot taken, with the following result:
John Lowther, 2; Howard Gillespy, 2, Albert Rowe, 2
The first formal ballot resulted: Albert Rowe, 3 John Kemble, 1;
Another formal ballot was ordered which resulted as follows:
Albert Rowe, 3; John Lowther, 3.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

The third formal ballot resulted in the election of Mr. Rowe, with the vote as follows:
Albert Rowe, 4, John Lowther, 2.
On motion the Board adjourned.

The Village Board of Directors met in regular session Saturday night, Vice-president Cantine called the Board to order with Directors Cunyes, Lasher and Quick present.
Minutes of the last meeting of the Board, April 6th. was read by the clerk.
President Simmons arrived and assumed the chair. Directors [sic] Cornwell, also put in an appearance making the full Board present.
Corporation Counsel Charles Davis reported himself ill and was excused from attendance.
Director Cunyes, chairman of the committee on streets reported that the new lamps had been set and the lamp on West Bridge street changed by removing it directly opposite its former location on the same street. Also that several gas lights had failed to burn on some of the streets and the lamplighter was instructed to give the matter his attention. The report concluded with the following: The flagging ordered laid on Davis’ corner was not attended to, and also on Partition street to Mc Carty and on West Bridge streets the sidewalks need attention. Four electric light poles were found to be outside of the curb limit, one in front of the Reformed Church, one on Davis’ corner, one on Main street near Dawes drug store, and one corner of Partition and Ripley streets. The retaining wall on Dock street opposite the old iron mill was reported badly bulged out and likely to cave in; in front of St. Mary’s church a lot belonging to Henry L. Finger had been excavated dangerously near to the road way and the owner had promised to make the necessary repairs at one. On the east side of Burt street and old telephone pole without wires attached was left standing in the street, the drain on Washington avenue had bursted and needed attention. Frank Pidgeon was curbing and guttering his property on Washington avenue according to the suggestion of the Board, and that people were throwing ashes and garbage into the roadways of some of the streets.
Mr. Cantine moved that the report be received and placed on file. Carried.
On motion, the Electric Light Co. was ordered to be notified to remove poles inside of the curb lines, also those obstructing the light from the street lamps within 15 days.
On motion, John W. Davis was ordered notified to reset curb and gutter on corner of Main and Partition streets within 15 days.
Property owners on west side of Mc Carty street were ordered notified to do the curbing and guttering ordered last fall and to complete same within 15 days.
On motion, it was ordered that the services of a civil engineer be secured to survey the whole length of the west side of West Bridge street so as to establish a grade for curb and gutter.
The agent for the Schoonmaker property on Elm street was ordered notified to curb and gutter in front of the premises within 15 days.
On motion, the retaining wall on Dock street was referred to the committee on streets with power to act.
On motion, all property owners of the east side of Washington avenue north of Main street, were ordered notified to curb and gutter according to the established grade within 30 days and the committee on streets were empowered to act in the grading of Main street between Washington avenue and Cedar street. Also the curbing flagging and guttering in front of the Academy was ordered set within 15 days.
Director Cornwell reported Valley street in bad condition, roadway being full of holes, etc. The matter was referred to the Street Commissioner.
Director Lasher reported Minnehaha steamer had been tested that afternoon and found to work well after a sufficient head of steam had been obtained, but that obtaining steam had taken up too much
time. Engineer Baldwin had reported that the grate was badly warped and needed repairing. Mr. Lasher was given power in the matter.

Mr. Cunyes from the committee appointed to confer with the town authorities in regard to sharing the expense of the salary of the janitor and care of the lock up known as the Hotel de Billy reported progress.

Mr. Quick from the committee on stone crusher reported progress.

Benjamin Langley was granted a duplicate exempt fireman’s certificate he having lost his original copy which was granted in 1863.

The bill of Street Commissioner Corcoran for work of men and teams, amount $85.87, was ordered paid.

The clerk reported he had collected $10 auction fees from Vogel & Son.

Board adjourned.


Regular meeting Saturday evening, May 4th. Directors present: Quick, Cornwell, Cunyes, Cantine and Lasher. President Simmons presided. Minutes of the last meeting read by Clerk Dederick.

Mr. Cunyes reported that the west side of West Bridge street had been surveyed in accordance with instruction of the Board.

The bridge at the junction of Theodore Place and Hill street was reported replaced and that the retaining wall on Dock street which had been badly washed out at the time of the recent freshet was being repaired under the direction of the Street Commissioner. The wooden railing along the creek side of this street was also undergoing repairs.

Herbert Jerrell appeared before the Board and stated that it would be impossible for him to lay flagwalks in conformity with the established grade in front of his property on Elm street without being obliged to cut down his shade trees.

Mr. Vandebogert, of the same street entered a similar complaint.

The Board agreed to visit and view these premises in a body on Monday, May 6th, at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Lasher reported that owing to the absence of the engineer Minnehaha steamer had not been again tested during the recess of the Board, but that that duty would be performed in the near future.

Mr. Quick, from the Stone Crusher Committee reported progress.

The Health Committee reported that they had designated a spot on the northerly side of Ulster avenue, near Coleman & Sweetman’s marble yard, as a dumping ground for village garbage, and that the same had been approved by the Village Board of Health.

A petition from Mrs. Maria Wilbur was read complaining of the location of an electric light pole in front of her premises on Partition street, and praying the Board for its removal.

The petition was received and place on file.

The clerk was instructed to inform Mrs. Wilbur that as the Board had no jurisdiction in the matter, she must refer to complaint to the Electric Light Co.

The special committee reported they had agreed to charge the town $50 per year from Jan. 1st, 1895 for use of the lock-up. The village to pay the janitor’s salary for care of the same.

The Board confirmed the action of the committee and continued it with power to act.

On motion of Mr. Cunyes, the clerk was requested to notify the town authorities of the action taken by the Board in the matter.

The following bills having been found correct, were ordered paid:

John Maxwell, lighting lamps, $39.00
J. G. Palmer, janitor, 6.00
James Styles, storing oil, 6.00
Commissioner Corcoran, work of men and teams, 56.25
Bill of Albert Rose for signboards for use of the Board of Health, referred to Finance Committee.

Bill of Dr. Warren Kemble, vital statistics, referred to Finance Committee.

The committee on Corporation Buildings was authorized to procure samples of floor covering the for – Director’s Room; also to ascertain cost of a roll-top desk for use of the village clerk and as to cost of widening entrance door to the room.

Edward Jernegan, foreman of the Exempt Firemen’s Association, appeared before the Board and inquired what action, if any, had been taken in regard to the request of the Association to be formed into a fire patrol.

Mr. Simmons said action had been held in abeyance awaiting the report of the corporation counsel in regard to their power in the matter, and as he had as yet not made any report, the Board was powerless to act, but that he understood Mr. Davis was ready to report, and would do so at a special meeting of the Board to be held Friday evening, May 9th.

On motion, Board adjourned.

1840. Post, May 22, 1895.

The bathing club re-organized Tuesday evening, and will hereafter be known as the “Esopus Bathing Club.” The officers for the ensuing years are as follows; President, W. W. Bohr; Vice-President, George B. Snyder; Secretary and Treasurer, John D. Fratsher; Trustees, William Ziegler, James Teller and John Gordell. [hand dated]


The Village Board of Directors held a special meeting, Monday evening, May 13th. All the Directors were present and the president, Mr. Simmons, presided.

Corporation engineer Morse, presented matters in reference to setting curb and gutter on Main street near the Academy.

On motion the Board as a committee of the whole will meet on Main street, near the academy, to look over the ground before establishing a grade for curb and gutter on Wednesday morning at 9 o’clock.

The counsel of the Board reported that by general acts referring to all villages, the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties had the power to organize a protective fire company and under the village charter had power to clothe them with such police power as they might deem prudent, and he recommended that the Exempt Association present to the Directors in writing a statement including among other things the names of the members of proposed company, their objects sought be accomplished tec.

It was resolved that the Clerk of the Board of Directors notify the Exempt Fireman’s Association to present a petition in writing to the Board of Directors at a regular meeting, which petition shall contain the name of the new protective fire company sought to be organized, with a list of the names of the members thereof, a statement of the objects and purposes of the new organization and the powers as policemen, that they request the Board of Directors to confer upon them and such other matters as they desire to bring to the attention of the Board of Directors.

Petitions were read from residents of Elm street in reference to the laying of sidewalk on the east side of that street, asking for the privilege of laying the walk both on the inside and on the outside of the trees. Section 36 of the village ordinances reads as follows:
“Whenever stone, brick of plank walks shall be built in said village of a less width than the whole walk, the same shall be placed in the middle of such walk and not elsewhere, under the penalty of ten dollars for every offence, and a further penalty of five dollars for every week that a walk laid down in violation of this ordinance shall remain.”

The Board do not desire to ask the property owners on Elm street to cut down their beautiful shade trees and in order to save the trees decided to amend the ordinance so as to read as follows:

“Whenver stone, brick, or plank walks shall be built in said Village of a less width than the whole walk, the same shall be located as the Board of Directors may by resolution direct.”

The amended ordinance will not go into effect until June 6th, and the matter was laid over until that time.

A number of young people tendered a surprise to Mr. and Mrs. Chester E. Blackwell at their residence on Lafayette street, Wednesday evening. After spending the evening in a pleasant manner refreshments were served and all left for their homes happy with the evening’s enjoyment.

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Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, May 11th, 1895, with directors Simmons, Cantine, Lasher and Quick present; President Simmons presiding.
The Clerk stated the call of the meeting to be for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the water question.
Mr. Davis then presented the following communication asking for a permit to form a water company by some of the citizens of the village, which read as follows:

To the Honorable, the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties:
We, the undersigned, citizens of the United States and residents of the village of Saugerties, Ulster county, respectfully represent to the Honorable, the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties:
I. That we have organized for the purpose of forming a Water Works Company, for the purpose of supplying water to the village of Saugerties and the inhabitants thereof, as provided by Article VII of Chapter 566 of the Laws of New York of 1890, as amended by Chapter 617 of Laws of New York of 1892, and the acts amendatory thereof.
II. That the name of said corporation will be The Consumers Water Works Company of the village of Saugerties.
III. We therefore respectfully request that you will grant to us the permit, authorizing the formation of such corporation for the purposes aforesaid.
This application is made to you under the provisions of Section 80 of Article VII of Chapter 366 of the Laws of New York of 1890, as amended by Chapter 617 of Laws of New York of 1892.
Dated Saugerties, N. Y. May 9th, 1895.
The following resolution was then unanimously adopted:
Resolved, That the petition asking for a permit authorizing the formation of the Consumers Water Works Company of the village of Saugerties be granted.
The ayes and noes being ordered were Mr. Simmons, aye, Mr. Quick, aye, Mr. Lasher, aye, Mr. Cantine, aye.
On motion of Mr. Cantine, the necessary papers in reference thereto were thereupon signed and acknowledged by the directors of the village.
On motion, board adjourned.

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Special meeting of the Board of Directors held Monday evening, May 13th, 1895, with all directors present; president Simmons presiding.

The Clerk read the call of the meeting which was for the purpose of considering the question of the flagging of Elm street, a fire patrol, and such other business as might be brought before the meeting. Mr. Morse spoke in reference to the grade in front of the Academy, and asked for instructions from the board.

On motion, a committee of the full board agreed to meet on the grounds of the academy Wednesday, 9 a.m., for the purpose of ordering a grade from that point east on the north side.

Mr. Davis read an opinion regarding the formation of a fire-patrol for the village, and on motion the clerk was ordered to notify the exempt firemen’s association to present a petition, in writing, to the directors at a regular meeting, which petition shall contain the name of the new protective fire company south to be organized, with a list of the names of the member thereof, a statement of the object and purposes of such new organization and the powers as policemen that they request the directors to confer upon them.

The matter of Elm street being considered, petitions were read asking that the board permit the laying of flag on the outside and also on the inside of the trees, which petitions were, on motion ordered received and filed.

On motion, the following resolution was then passed and ordered published and posted as prescribed by law:

On motion, Resolved, That section 36 of the by-laws and ordinances be amended so to read as follows: §36. Whenever stone, brick or plank walks shall be built in said village of a less width than the whole walk, the same shall be located as the board of directors may by resolution direct.

On motion, the matter of laying sidewalks on the east side of Elm street was laid over until the amendment of section 36 of the charter and by-laws becomes operative.

On motion board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, May 18th, 1895 with all directors present, president Simmons presiding. Minutes of the last two special meetings read for information. Committee on streets reported the work on Washington avenue nearly completed. Also that surveyor had been instructed to give a grade for the academy property curb and gutter. Also that curb and gutter on Partition street ordered previously had not been laid. Also work on Elm street progressing favorably. Report was ordered received and filed.

Finance Committee reported bills of Albert Rowe and Warren Kemble correct and advised payment amount of $1.43 and $11.50 respectively.

Committee on bond of treasurer reported the matter would be attended to at once.

Committee on firemanic affairs and buildings reported the steamer had been tested and found very satisfactory. That is 12 ½ minutes from the time the fire was lighted she was steaming at 80 lbs. Further stated that a new grate was needed for same. Also that a desk had been ordered for the clerk at a cost of $24. Also that he had several prices on a floor covering which had not yet been decided upon. Also reported progress on the matter of the door for directors room.

Committee on stone crusher reported progress.

Mr. Gibson asked for more time to relay flag and set curb and gutter in front of the Donovan property on Partition street.

On motion ten days additional time was given the people on the west side of Partition, between Montgomery and McCarthy street, to comply with the order of the board to relay flag and set curb and gutter.
Chairman of committee of the whole board reported only two of the board had met on Wednesday on the academy grounds and asked that the committee be continued, which was ordered and all agreed to meet Wednesday next at 9 a.m.

A communication from the exempt firemen’s association was read and ordered received and filed, giving the name and members of the proposed fire patrol.

Communication from the relief association of the Nebraska sufferers asking for state aid was read and ordered received and filed and a copy of the clipping enclosed given to each of the editors of the village papers.

The matter of the fire patrol was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion ordered that when board adjourned to adjourn to meet at directors room on Wednesday morning, May 22nd at 9 a.m. for the purpose of signing the tax roll.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>James Leavey, 1 ½ &quot; &quot;</td>
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On motion adjourned.

Special meeting of the board of directors held Wednesday a.m., May 22nd, with all directors present; president Simmons presiding.

Meeting called to order and collector D. E. Abeel presented his bond for acceptance, which was read and accepted by the board and same ordered filed with the clerk.

The tax roll was then signed by the directors and delivered to the collector.

On motion board adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.
The committee on Public Buildings were empowered to purchase linoleum for the Directors room at 45 cents per yard of T. B. Cornwell after sample had been approved by the Board.
The committee on Stone Crusher reported that the crusher would be thoroughly overhauled and everything in readiness to crush stone next week.
The committee were instructed to hire a competent engineer at a salary at the rate of $2 per day for each day employed.
The committee were also empowered to employ a competent man at $2 per day to take entire supervision of quarrying and crushing of stone when work is going on.
The committee were empowered to make a contract to quarry out and break up ready for crusher at 20 cents per ton and if unable to make a contract as [sic] such price then the work to be done by the day, the same as last year, and under the direction of the superintendent of the crusher.
Thirty dollars was charged B. J. Adams for license of Maxwell Opera House for the ensuing year. As the village was in debt to Mr. Adams to the sum of $20 for use of hall for two public meetings on water question, Mr. Adams paid the balance of $10 and received his license.
The Committee on Road Crusher were empowered to advertise for bids for hauling stone from the quarry to crusher.
The bond of the Village Treasurer was read and approved by the Board. The amount of the bond is $5,000 and the sureties are Jacob Van Gelder and James T. Maxwell.
Corporation Counsel Davis rendered a report in reference to the Fire Patrol and on motion the Exempt Association was requested to furnish to the Board a list or request signed by each who desire to become members, and present the same to the Board who will then confirm the same and furnish the necessary certificates.
The salary of the Village Treasurer was fixed at $100 for the year 1895.
The maps and matters appertaining to Mc Carthy street were laid over until the next meeting.
At the next meeting of the Board, June 15th, ordinances will be passed and grades established on McCarthys and West Bridge streets and on Main street east of the Academy. All those having grievances should appear in person and present the same.
John Gordon was refunded two years dog tax, amount $1.00, which had been erroneously assessed and collected.
The following bills were read and ordered paid:
P. Corcoran, men and teams, for streets, $101.09
P. Corcoran, salary, 150.00
W. E. Pearson, care of town clock, 21.12
Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co., supplies, 26.07
Norman Cunyes, labor, 17.34
Jernegan & Ronk, printing, 17.75
John G. Palmer, salary as janitor, 6.00
American Fire Engine Co., for valve for steamer, 2.25
John Maxwell, care of lamps, 39.00
Peter Cantine, services as counselor in water works case, 250.00
Foster B. Morss, surveyor, 76.00
The disputed bill of Wm. H. Hommel was referred to the committee on health affairs and the counsel to report at the next meeting.

The regular meeting of the Village Directors was held on Saturday evening, June 15th. All the directors were present and President Simmons presided.
The ordinances in relation to the curb line on McCarthy street was read, but action on the same was deferred, as the survey of same shows that some property either encroaches upon the street or the street encroaches upon the property. The matter was referred to the surveyor to examine the deeds of the property at the County Clerk’s Office of the property in question, and to report at the next meeting. The ordinances in reference to the curb line of West Bridge street and the north side of Main street, east of Cedar street were read and approved and the same ordered published according to law. It was discovered on referring to the map of West Bridge street that several people were also encroaching upon the street with their fences and the matter was referred to the street committee to investigate and report at the next meeting. The ordinance in reference to change of curb line on east side of Partition street from Tepe’s Hotel to Russell street was read and approved and ordered published according to law. A petition from a party of young men who have organized a hose company known as Snyder Hose Jr. was read asking for permission to use the Director’s room for meeting purposes. The matter was referred to R. A. Snyder Hose Co. for their consideration. The committee on street reported as to the change of several gas lamps and to the repairs made on several streets. The committee on stone crusher reported the crusher working and about 150 tons crushed and ready for the streets. The committee also presented bids from Franklin Fuller and Henry Kipper for getting out and breaking up stone ready for crusher, but as the bids were the same in amount the matter was laid over until the next meeting.

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The long disputed bill of William H. Hommel, Jr., for services rendered as sanitary inspector was upon advice of counsel, ordered paid. The committee upon public building presented bids for the painting and papering of the Directors room, as follows:
Hill & Bulkley, labor only, $9.00.
Chas. Quase, labor and paint, $20.00.
Harry Gray, labor and paint, $15.00.
The committee recommended that Mr. Gray be awarded the contract which was approved by the Board. The committee also presented samples of wall papers and a selection was made from samples, presented by J. K. Merritt. The ordinance in reference to laying sidewalks where the Directors may direct is now in force and the Elm street walks was taken into consideration. On motion the sidewalk on the east side of Elm street from Ulster ave. to Dawes Place was ordered laid on the outside of the trees and 18 inches from face of curb line, ¾ inch above curb and with a pitch of one inch to every four feet of width of walk. On motion the clerk was directed to notify the property owners at once. One of the Directors stated that complaint had been made to him by church members in regard to some merchants keeping their places of business open on Sunday and asked what action the Board could take. The corporation counsel stated that the parties must make a complaint to the police justice who would issue a warrant for their arrest. The Clerk was directed to notify the Saugerties Electric Light Co. to remove a pole at the corner of Main and Partition streets, also one on Ulster avenue which is in a dangerous condition. The Clerk was directed to notify Richard Gibson as agent for the Donovan property to set his curb in conformity with the street line of the grade, also to notify John Crowley, agent for the Sullivan property to set curb and gutter and lay sidewalk forthwith. The following ordinance was read, approved and ordered published according to law; “No person or persons shall place, caused to be placed, nailed, or tack up or in any manner fastened to any telegraph,
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telephone, electric light pole or to any lamp post or tree within the line of any street in the corporate limits of the Village of Saugerties, any advertising matter, sign or sign board of any kind whatsoever, and any or all persons violating the provisions of this ordinance shall forfeit the sum of ten dollars for each offense as a penalty therefore."
The following bills were ordered paid:
Geo. Seamon, services as assessor and making copy of assessment roll, $36.00
James Crump, assessor and making copy of assessment roll, 36.00
Benj. M. Coon, assessor and making copy of assessment roll, 36.00
P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets, 177.24
Seamon Bros, desk for Village Clerk, 24.00
James Dederick, salary and supplies, 52.45
John A. Lowther, labor, 12.00
L. D. Davis, teams for steamer, 10.50
Saugerties Manufacturing Co., supplies, 24.02
Saugerties Gas Co., gas for Fireman’s Hall, 5.75
On motion the Board adjourned.

The Village Board of Directors met Saturday evening July 6th. Present Directors Cunyes, Quick and Lasher. President Simmons presided. The minutes of the last meeting was read for information. Jacob Van Gelder appeared before the Board in reference to over payment of taxes to the amount of $2.87 owing to an error of assessment on bank stock belonging to Nelly Van Etten. Upon Mr. Van Gelder making affidavit to the above fact, the tax was voted refunded.
The clerk was directed to notify the Electric Light Co. to remove certain poles from the streets forthwith or the Street Commissioner would do the work at the expense of the company.
On motion, John Taylor was directed to reset his curb and gutter in accordance to grade and fix corner curb set on corner of Montross and Partition streets.
On motion, the grade on McCarthy street was confirmed as on original map and ordinance in relation thereto was ordered published.
The grade on Partition street as changed from west curb below Montgomery street was confirmed and ordered attached to original map of Partition street.
Similar action was taken in regard to the grade of Montgomery street.
The grade on West Bridge street as referred back by engineer was accepted as reported by engineer Morss, and on motion, the report was received, placed on file and ordered recorded on the minutes.
The following petition was received and read by the clerk:
To the Honorable, the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties:
We, the undersigned, whose names are hereunto subscribed respectfully request that you will organize a new fire company to be called The Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol.
And that you will appoint and confirm the undersigned as members of said company.
We further respectfully request that you will also appoint and confirm the undersigned as special police officers at fires, and give to us, as such special police at fires, such authority, to enforce the ordinances relating to fires and in protecting property at such fires.
All of which is respectfully submitted.
Dated July 2\textsuperscript{nd}, 1895
On motion, the petition was referred to the committee on Firemanic affairs to report at the next meeting.
C. William Peters, Benjamin Burnett, John Gilmore and Burton Lasher were confirmed as members of Laflin Hose Co., No. 2, and the clerk was directed to issue certificates to them.
Van Buskirk Brothers was granted permission to place building material in Main and Partition streets in front of their property not to occupy over one-half of the width of the roadway of said streets, and to maintain a red light at each end of every such pile of building material from sundown to sunrise. Such permission was granted for a period of two months from July 6\textsuperscript{th}, 1895.
On motion the corporation attorney was directed to draw up a blank form for building permits and that 100 copies of same be printed for use of the Board.
Committee reported heater for Fireman's Hall to be burned out, worthless and beyond repair. The committee recommended that a new heater be purchased, and the Board so ordered. The committee was authorized to ascertain cost of same, etc., and report at the next meeting.
J. L. Butzel's Son was awarded contract to furnish and lay linoleum to cover floor of the Directors' room. The iron railing and posts along the easterly side of church street to its junction with Barclay and Valley streets, was reported as badly needing a coat of paint. The matter was referred to Director Quick with power to act.
On motion, a warrant for $10 was ordered drawn payable to Harry Gray on account of painting contract. On motion, the bill of Jeremiah Finger, amount $7.50 for supplies for road machine, was referred to finance committee.
On motion the bill of S. M. Gray for oil, amount $136.50, was referred to finance committee.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>American Fire Engine Co., supplies for steamer</td>
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On motion, Board adjourned.
The Village Board of Directors held their regular meeting Saturday evening, July 20th. All the Directors except Mr. Cornwell were present. Vice-President Cantine presided.

The finance committee reported favorably on the bill of S. M. Gray for the amount of $136.50 and the bill was ordered paid.

By request of the committee the bill of J. Finger was laid over until the next meeting.

The Street Commissioner reported as to work done on various streets and recommend that the members of the Board meet with them on East Bridge street Tuesday at noon for the purpose [sic] of deciding what it best to do in repairing that street.

Mr. Lasher of the committee on firemanic affairs reported as to several repairs made about Firemens’ Hall and asked for an extension of time in presenting bids for a new heater. Mr. Lasher was also authorized to secure the services of Peter Canner in order to ascertain what repairs were necessary to be made to Empire Engine.

The janitor was authorized to procure from Hull’s Bazaar, nine iron non-upsetting cuspadors for the Directors’ room at 75 cents each.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

- Harry Gray, papering, $10.00
- " painting, 5.00
- " extra work about Firemen’s Hall, 8.00
- Harry Gray, paste, etc., 1.00
- " wood, 3.00
- P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets, 194.38
- Jas. Dederick, to freight and carriage paid on casting for steamer, .65
- Saugerties Electric Light Co. to lighting Empire Engine House, 13.50
- Saugerties Gas Co., gas for month of June, 57.53
- Willet S. Baldwin, six months service as engineer of steamer, 40.00
- John Maxwell’s Sons, stone, 6.00

Oliver Holden was awarded the contract for furnishing 1,000 feet of Belgain Bridge stone for street work same to be four feet long and six inches thick and one face to be without winde.

The clerk was directed to charge the Sheffield Paper Co., with sixteen tons of crushed stone at 65 cents per ton and James Maxwell with two tons at the same rate and render bills for the same.

The changes of the curb line on the east side of McCarthy street as appearing on the map of said street was approved and adopted by the Board.

Collector Abeel reported $8,244.20 collected and deposited with the village Treasurer.

John Crowley asked the privilege of moving the old Van Buskirk building through Partition street from its present position to his lot on Montgomery street. Permission was granted providing he would not require more than one week to do the same and would fulfill all the requirements of the permission as drawn by corporation counsel Davis.

The clerk was directed to ask B. M. Coon to present his bill as attorney in the water case and to return all maps, papers, etc., used in the case, belonging to the village at the next meeting of the Board.
The clerk was empowered to secure a copy of the laws of the state of New York relating to villages to January 1st, 1896, bound in leather at the cost of $2.50.
The old desk in the Director’s room was on motion presented to the Board of Education. On motion the Board adjourned.


CHICAGO, Ill., July 4 — Mrs. Catharine O’Leary, owner of the fractious cow which kicked over a lamp in a barn in the rear of No. 137 De Koven street in October, 1871, and started a blaze which cost Chicago $100,000,000, died last evening of acute pneumonia.
A three-story stone front brick structure occupies the site, where in 1871 stood the O’Leary cottage. Upon a large stone in the front of the house appear there words: “The great fire of 1871 originated here and extended to Lincoln Park.”

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Aug. 3rd, 1895, with directors Simmons, Cunyes, Cantine Quick and Lasher present; president Simmons presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
Finance committee reported on bill of J. Finger as correct for storing road scraper, also submitted a report on the present finance condition of the village which was read and ordered received and placed on file.
Committee on streets reported repairs completed on Underwood street and roadway cut down to satisfactory grade.
On motion ordered that Mrs. Matthew Smith and Mrs. Michael Mathews be notified that their curb, gutter and sidewalk must be raised according to grade in front of their property on Partition street within 30 days or the village will do same at their expense.
On motion the matter of piping [sic] on West Bridge street was referred to the committee on streets with power to act.
Committee on firemanic affairs reported fire cisterns in fairly good condition and all full or nearly full of water, but suggested some needed repairs to same, which was ordered. Also reported progress on matter of repairs to directors room. Also reported on cost of new furnace for Fireman’s Hall from different parties, which report was ordered accepted and committee continued and instructed to ask for bids on a Richardson & Boynton heater, No. 50, with 29 inch fire pot.
The matter of the exempt fireman’s fire patrol being next considered the following resolution was passed.
Resolved, That Edward Jernegan, John McCormick, John G. Palmer, Geo. Seaman, John H. Hardenberg, F. L. Osterhoudt, Franklin Hansen, Henry Tepe, Samuel Gilmore, John Dorrian, John Lang, Jeremiah P. Russell, Egbert Cooper, Philip Mattes, C. L. Maines, Morris M. Schoenfeld, Jos. W. Reinhard, Charles A. Koch, Will S. Manning, Mitchell Dawes, Samuel Cohen, M. H. Wygant, Frank A. Yerger, Ira Lewis, J. T. A. Jewett, James Maines, D. Mc Laughlin, are hereby nominated and confirmed as members of The Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol, and are hereby organized and constituted a new fire company, under the name of The Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol and as such form a part of the fire department of the village of Saugerties subject to all existing laws, rules, regulations and ordinances relating thereto or such as may hereafter be made. That for the purpose of protecting the property of the citizens of the village at fires the members thereof are hereby constituted special police at fires, without compensation, subject to all laws, rules, regulations and ordinances relating thereto or of such as may hereafter be made.
Committee on firemanic affairs also reported progress on repairs to Empire engine.
Committee on crusher reported progress.
On motion ordered that Nettie Van Etten be refunded $2.37 tax, which was assessed in error on tax roll of 1895, also ordered that S. Yates Knight be refunded $3.12 on account of an error of a like nature. Bill of B. M. Coon attorney in water works suit and L. D. Davis livery charges of commissioners on water works were ordered referred.

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On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.


The regular meeting of the village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening, August 17th. All of the Directors except Mr. Lasher were present and President Simmons presided. Mr. James Crump appeared before the board and asked that Valley street be repaired and that some action be taken so that the water will run into the gutters instead of the cellars. The matter was referred to the Board to meet on that street, Monday, August 26th, at 9 A.M., and decide what shall be done.

The Finance Committee reported favorable on the bill of L. D. Davis, amount $9 for livery hire by the committee on Water Works and the same was ordered paid.

The committee reported progress on the bill of B. M. Coon as attorney in the Water Works case. The Board as a committee of the whole will also visit Montross street on Monday, August 26th, and determine as to certain repairs to that street and sidewalks of the same.

The Clerk was ordered to notify the Sheffield Paper Co. to repair the leak in their water pipes under East Bridge street, near the gate house at the mill and to repair and keep clean the gutter under the bridge at the entrance to the gate house.

The Clerk read the following bids for a Richardson & Boynton furnace for Firemen's Hall. Daniel Lamb, No. 50 with 29 inch fire pot, $147.00, No. 44 with 27 inch fire pot, $133.00. James Russell, No. 50 with 29 inch fire pot, $128.00. No. 44 with 27 inch fire pot, $99.00.
The contract was awarded to James Russell, the heater to be placed in position and approved by the Board.

Carroll Whitaker and William Stanley were confirmed as members of the Exempt Firemen’s Fire Patrol upon application of the foreman of that company.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:
- C. M. Swart, repairs to fire cisterns, $3.50
- P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets and at crusher, $153.00

The bill of George W. Elting, for advertising and printing, amount $52.72, was referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk read a communication from the Board of Education thanking the Directors for the old clerk’s desk and on motion the same was ordered received and place on file.

On motion the Board adjourned.

A special meeting of the village Board of Directors was held Wednesday evening, Aug. 28th and permission was granted to Messrs. Van Buskirk to build a bay window on the Partition street side of their new building, the projection not to exceed eighteen inches.

William Zeigler, Charles McCormick, Edward Snyder, Leonard B. Howard and Ernest Hassinger, members of the Saugerties Bicycle Club, took a spin to Poughkeepsie and return on Sunday.

The Board of Village Directors held a special meeting Saturday evening, August 24th. All the Directors were present and president Simmons presided, who stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of hearing read a petition presented by Van Buskirk Bros. in regard to building a box window over the walk on the Partition street side of the new building and to take some action in regard to the same.
The clerk read the petition asking the privilege to build the window, which was signed by a large number of property owners and business men of village.
On motion, the petition was ordered received and placed on file.
On motion the action taken by the Board at a former meeting refusing the privilege was reconsidered and the matter was presented for discussion. Chauncey Rightmyer, the contractor, presented a modified plan of the window which showed a three foot extension and nine inches additional for the cornice but stated that he was willing to modify the plans so as to please the Directors.
The Clerk was asked to read Section 39 of the village charter which is as follows:
“Said Directors shall have power to regulate and prescribe the manner of erection or construction of any stoop, step, platform, bow-window, cellar door, or a descent into any cellar, or basement, sign, awning, or other projection from any building, or otherwise, or anything suspended therefrom in, over or upon any sidewalk, street or alley in said village, and to cause the same to be taken down, out, away and removed from such sidewalk, street or alley."
After discussion a motion was made and carried that the action taken by the Board at a former meeting, refusing the permission be affirmed.
On motion the Board adjourned.
A special meeting of the village Directors was held Wednesday, Aug 21. The call for the meeting was for the purpose of discussing the question of allowing Van Buskirk Bros. to construct a bow-window extending over the limits of the sidewalk on Partition street. The following resolution was adopted: 
Resolved, The rather than to establish a precedent for future encroachments upon the line of the streets of the village of Saugerties the Board of Directors deem it advisable not to grant permission to Van Buskirk Bros. to construct a bow window over the west line of Partition street as proposed by the plans of the new building now being erected by them and this day submitted to this board. On motion the clerk was ordered to serve a copy of the resolution on Van Buskirk Bros.

The Village Board of Directors held a regular meeting on Saturday evening. Those present were: Directors Cantine, Quick, Cunyes, Lasher and Cornwell. Vice-President Cantine presided.
A petition was read from residents of Ulster avenue and Elm street, asking for a cross walk over Ulster avenue at the head of Elm street.
The petition was on motion ordered received and placed on file.
The finance committee reported the bill of Geo. W. Elting correct with the exception of charges for publication of ordinances which had not been ordered printed as advertisements, nor authorized by the Board, and this bill was ordered paid with those exceptions.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify Mrs. Francis Pidgeon to fill in her sidewalk to proper grade on the north side of Main street and to also notify Edward Simpson and Henry Krantz to relay sidewalk according to proper grade in front of their property within 20 days or the village will do the same at their expense.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to render a bill to Dr. S. L. Dawes for four tons of crushed stone at 65 cents per ton.
The following bills were ordered paid:
Geo. W. Elting, printing,  $ 30.20
W. H. Hommel, Sanitary Inspector, 23.00
John Maxwell, care of lamps, 39.00
John G. Palmer, janitor, 6.00
James Teller, supplies, 1.00
Harry Gray, painting, 1.00
Oliver Holden, tramstone, 228.24
Herman Gleisner, labor, 4.55
P. Corcoran, men and teams on streets and at crusher, 198.12
On motion the Board adjourned.

Regular meeting Saturday evening, Sept. 21st. All the Directors were present. President Simmons presided. Minutes of last meeting read for information.
Committee on streets reported that Mrs. Frank Pidgeon had complied with the order of the Board and had filled in her sidewalk satisfactorily.
Also that Wellington Porter asked for a building permit on Main street, which was granted according to required specifications for 60 days.
Committee on buildings reported progress, also on new heater and hand engine repairs.
Committee on stone crusher reported progress.
James Crump petitioned the Board on behalf of the taxpayers that the street be widened to the width from his property down as far as Mr. Mitchell’s. Referred.

On motion Ira Swart and Jeremiah Finger were confirmed as members of the Fire Patrol.

The Exempt Fireman’s Association asked the privilege of taking Empire engine with them to the Tri-County convention on Oct. 2d, which request was on motion granted.

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The street commissioner was directed to purchase necessary stone for sewerage on West Bridge street of such parties from whom the same could be obtained the cheapest.

The clerk was directed to notify Dr. John Vedder or occupant of his barn on Jane street to keep same from allowing a wagon to stand in the street, also to notify Alexander Mammini to keep the sidewalks clear in front of the property occupied by him of carriages, boxes or other obstructions.

The Commissioner was ordered to put crushed stone in the center of the roadway on East Bridge street, sloping to each side extending from Hill street to Underwood street.

An additional oil lamp was ordered placed on Valley street at such point as should be designated by Director Cornwell.

Bill of Street Commissioner amount, $129.24 for men and teams ordered paid. Also bills of H. A. Hildebrandt, amount $ 39.58, and Norman Cunyes, labor and material, amount $13.79, were ordered paid.

On motion Board adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.


The Village Board of Directors held regular meeting Saturday evening, Oct 5th. All the Directors were present and president Simmons presided.

The committee on stone crusher reported between 500 and 600 tons of stone broken out and ready to be crushed.

The clerk was directed to notify the Water Co. to repair a break in the water pipe in Partition street in front of the Electric Light Company’s power house.

The fire committee reported the valve of Empire Engine broken and her box leaking badly. Repairs will be made at once. They also reported that the cistern in Empire engine house had been cleared and repaired.

Director Cantine was appointed a committee to make repairs to Underwood and Valley streets satisfactory to the residents of the above streets.

A resolution was passed ordering the clerk to notify Edward Simpson and Henry Krantz to relay their sidewalk [sic] on Washington avenue to the established grade within 10 days or the same will be done by the village at their expense.

Complaints have been made to the Directors as to bicycle riding on sidewalks and reckless riding in the streets at a high rate of speed without bells and lights.

The matter was referred to the street committee to draft a proper ordinance and present the same at the next meeting.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>John G. Palmer, janitor</td>
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<td>J. A. Myer &amp; Son, painting Empire engine</td>
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<td>Jas. Dederick, 3 months salary, as clerk</td>
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<td>Sundry expenses</td>
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Regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening, Oct. 19th. All Directors present, president Simmons presiding. Minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

Finance committee reported on bill of B. M. Coon.

Committee on Streets reported that the sewer pipe had been laid on West Bridge street and the instructions to the street commissioner at the last meeting had been nearly or quite carried out.

Committee on firemanic affairs reported that test of fire apparatus had been made, as ordered by the board, and found 1500 feet of good hose available, with 400 feet broken and imperfect; found steamer in good order, but steamed slowly on account of poor coal; found H. & L. truck in good order, but fixtures needed some repairs; also reported need of new lanterns, a leather bucket, 2 gross of rubber washers for the hose couplings; also recommended the purchase of 500 feet of new web hose; also reported estimate of cost of repairing Empire engine from Mr. Mitchell of $42 in full; also reported having ordered fireman’s hall and empire engine house put in more secure condition, having locks put on doors, &c.

Committee on crusher reported same in operation.

Committee on Legal matters reported progress on ordinance relative to bicycle riding and asked for an extension of time until next meeting.

On motion the firemanic committee was authorized to employ Mr. Mitchell to make the needed repairs to empire Engine for the amount named in his estimate of $42.

On motion, the Firemanic Committee was empowered to purchase the necessary washers and other small items needed by the department.

A communication from Cuban sympathizers in Chicago was read and ordered received and place [sic] on file in connection with communications relative to road rollers and legal books.

On motion, warrants were ordered drawn on the treasurer for payment on bonds 11 and 12 amount $1,000 and one for $140 interest on Ulster avenue bonds and one of $170 interest on village indebtedness bonds.

On motion, Samuel J. Adams and Edson Finger were confirmed as members of the Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol.

On motion a glaze tile pipe was ordered placed through Mrs. Sickles yard on the South Side for drainage, etc. Same to be purchased and placed by the Street Commissioner.

On motion, the following resolution was passed:
WHEREAS, Edward Simpson and Henry Kranz having failed to comply with the order of the Board and relay their sidewalk in front of their property on Washington avenue, it is
RESOLVED, That the Street Commissioner is hereby ordered to relay the said sidewalk of Henry Kranz and Edward Simpson according to the established grade and that bills for the same be presented to the said Henry Kranz and Edward Simpson for payment as per conditions of resolution of Oct. 8th, 1895.

On motion the president was directed to get all the books, papers, maps, &c., used in connection with the water suit, from Mr. Coon and make such arrangements with him for the future care of the case as may be necessary, and report his actions at the next meeting.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Quick &amp; Robinson, repairs to emp. engine</td>
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<td>B. M. Coon, atty in water suit</td>
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<td>ROAD FUND</td>
<td>E. L. Quick, cleaning Laflin hose cistern</td>
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<td>John Gilmore, 4 ¼ “ “</td>
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On motion, adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.


Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Nov. 2d. All the Directors were present and president Simmons presided. Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

Finance committee reported progress on statement of village finances. The committee also reported the new furnace for Fireman’s Hall satisfactory and recommended the payment of the bill for same. Committee on health affairs reported that scarlet fever and diphtheria in a mild form still exists within the village limits, although still decreasing.

Committee on legal matters asked for more time on the preparation of bicycle riding ordinance.
President Simmons committee on conference with Mr. Coon reported that the books, maps, papers etc., appertaining to the water suit, were in the hands of Peter Cantine who has assumed full charge of the Saugerties Water Co. vs. the village of Saugerties.

A petition was read asking for an established curb line and sidewalk grade on the east side of John street, and on motion the petition was granted allowing a twelve foot sidewalk and also ordering line given on both sides of the street, the engineer to present a map and specifications of the same.

Complaint being made of the sidewalk on Burt street against Mr. Reising on account of large cinders and stone having been placed on the same on the west side of that street, the clerk was directed, on motion, to notify him to remove the same at once and put the walk in good passable condition.

A petition was read from B. Taylor Harris asking the privilege of placing building material in front of his property on the corner of John and Lafayette streets, which petition was on motion granted for a period of sixty days with the usual limitations.

On motion the following resolution was passed:

*Resolved,* Whereas, the Street Commissioner reports having put planks on the bridge on the private roadway leading from East street to the old Mynderse property on the river bank, and further reports the abutments of said bridge are out of repair, the Board of Directors find that the roadway is not within their jurisdiction and hereby direct the Street Commissioner to do no more work thereon, and further direct the clerk to notify Mrs. Frank Pidgeon, and Mrs. F. T. Russell that they must keep said bridge in such repair as may be necessary in future.

A remonstrance from George Ball was read against placing tile through the Sickles property, on the south side, and emptying its water on his land, and asking that tile be placed through his property also. The matter was laid over for consideration.

A bill was ordered sent to L. B. Davis for fifteen tons of crushed stone at 65 cents per ton.

A petition from Henry Kranz and Edward Simpson asking that they be allowed to leave their sidewalks on Washington avenue in their present condition until May 1st next, was received and the petition on motion, was granted.

On motion, a warrant was ordered drawn on treasurer for $508.33 to cover certificate call of indebtedness of $500 and interest issued to the Saugerties Savings Bank.

Bills were ordered paid from the general fund amounting to $740.76, including payment of the above certificate.

Bills of the Street commissioner amounting to $55.49 were ordered paid.

On motion, Board adjourned. James Dederick, Clerk.


Edward J. Lewis met with a painful accident 4th of July night by the explosion of a cannon firecracker. He was engaged at his residence in company with his brother, Fred, setting off fireworks for the amusement of his little children, and while setting off the cracker, it exploded in front of his face, badly burning him and cutting his upper lip open. Dr. L. S. Dawes was summoned who rendered the necessary surgical assistance.


John Kerbert, Jr., a boy about 11 or 12 years old, son of Jon [sic] Kerbert met with a painful and severe accident about 7 o’clock 4th of July evening. He was engaged in firing a cannon made from an old gun barrel when it exploded and his face was blown full of powder. It was feared at one time his eyesight would be entirely destroyed, but Dr. Stafford informs THE POST, that although greatly impaired, the little fellow will not entirely lose his eyesight.

1863. While the races were in progress on the 4th of July on the Driving Park, somebody put a lighted cannon firecracker in the coat pocket of an old man from West Saugerties named Frederick Vedder. It
exploded and painfully and dangerously wounded and burned him. He fell unconscious and was immediately attended by Drs. Montgomery and Wight, who happened to be on the grounds, who had the sufferer conveyed to Van Buskirk’s drug store, where he received further treatment and then was taken to his home. Mr. Vedder is a veteran of the late war, through which he passed unscathed, and is a member of the Grand Army Post in this village. It is said the perpetrator of the outrage is known and that the end of the affair is not yet.

1864. A Deserving Penalty. - An amendment to the penal code passed last winter makes it a misdemeanor for any person to wilfully wear the insignia or rosette of any society, order or organization of ten years standing in the State of New York, or use the same to obtain aid or assistance within this State unless entitled to wear the same under the constitution and by-laws, rules and regulations of such society. The law will compel the manufacturers of cigars who use cuts of the insignias of the different orders to use other names and engravings.

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RECEIPTS,
Balance on hand, July 31, 1894, $ 626.31
Amount of Public Monies received:
For teachers wages, $1,550.41
For library, 25.00 1,575.41
Amount raised by tax, 7,035.75
Tuition of non-resident pupils, 226.50
Received from Supervisor for books furnished indigent pupils, 33.00
Received from County Treasurer for back taxes, 32.63
Received from The University of the State of New York, 200.00
Total, $9,739.60

PAYMENTS – SALARIES OF TEACHERS,
Fred N. Moulton, Principal, $ 1,500.00
Anna L. Perry, 600.00
Annie E. La Barre, 450.00
Anna H. Coon, 450.00
Margaret A. Mc Evoy, 180.00
Eve E. Briggs, 425.00
Kate Bishop, 400.00
Mary S. Persee, 400.00
Etta D. Lewis, 400.00
Anna B. Thayer, 400.00
Mary Brainard, 400.00
Clara E. Stephens, 59.20
Anna F. Malathy, 299.00
Helen Waddell, 240.00
Emma Belser, 190.00
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

Carrie Simmons, 18.14
Florence A. Snyder, 4.80
Total $6,416.40

Fords, Howard and Hurlbert, 8 volumes, 20.00
Library Bureau, 1 accession book, 3.60
Dodd, Mead & Co., 1 lot books, 198.85
Library Bureau, card index and shelf holder, 11.70
Dodd Mead & Co., 1 lot books, 15.40
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1 lot books, 14.52
American Book Co., 1 lot books, 10.53
Ginn & Co., 1 lot books, 14.74
Educational Publishing Co., 1 lot books, 8.81
Wm. Evarts Benjamin, 1 lot books, 30.00
Total, $338.15

SCHOOL APPARATUS,
J. M. Olcott, 27.50
Alfred L. Robins, Co., 33.60
J. A. Hill & Co., 1 set relief maps and case, 84.00

EXPENSES ON SCHOOL HOUSES AND SITES,
Wm. Keener, labor, 10.00
Gilbert Croswell, repairing windows, 10.00
John K. Robinson, cleaning vaults, 10.00
Wm. McMullen, Jr., plastering, 1.00
Gilbert Dederick, repairs and supplies 38.03
Howard and Valkenburgh, repairs, etc, 234.14
Dominick Bradley, plastering, 1.50
William Spencer, repairing walls, 3.25
The E. S. Greeley & Co., belts and wires, 5.55
Daniel Lamb, repairs and supplies, 35.85
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., supplies, 7.02
Finger & Lewis, supplies, 18.13
William Doyle, fertilizing, ploughing and labor, 37.50
Michael Lawlor, labor, 10.00
William Mullen, mason work, 1.25
Lewis Henckle, labor, 1.50
J. W. Tompkins, window shades, 6.65
H. A. Hildebrandt, stove and pipe for Board of Education rooms, 21.95
Wm. S. Manning, repairs to clocks, 2.00
John Maxwell’s Sons, blue stone, 4.32
E. A. Ricketson, paint and painting, 21.00
Egbert Whitaker, rent, 50.00
James Merchant, 2 flags, 11.00
Brink & Keeney, insurance, 52.00
John Maxwell, labor, 2.50
S. W. Merclean, Insurance, 52.00
Seamon Bros., repairing school furniture, 13.75
G. M. Hommel, cartage on flag pole, .50

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George W. Bird, flag pole, 11.00
E. D. Davis, 2 loads of manure, 3.00
Saugerties Water Co., use of water, 25.50
S. M. Gray, 1 bushel timothy seed, 3.25
D. Y. Smith, labor and material, painting and papering, 5.75
Y. M. C. A., table, 3.00
Albert Carnright, 1 pk. timothy seed, .82
Trustees, Saugerties Institute, rent to Sept. 1, 1895, 100.00
Harry Kenney, gas fixture, .75
Total, $772.56

FUEL, LIGHT AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES,
Saugerties and New York Steamboat Co., $1.00
Paid for money order, .08
James Teller, sponges, 1.65
William Doyle, freight and carriage, 1.75
Paid for books for indigent students, 7.50
J. O. Carnright, Notary fees, 1.50
Saugerties Post, advertising annual election and printing tickets, 9.50
G. W. Elting, advertising annual election and published annual report, 13.25
Carroll Whitaker, services of typewriter, .50
Hunt’s Bazaar, supplies, 3.33
John Maxwell, services as janitor, &c, 112.55
William Keener, services as janitor, &c, 343.45
Homer Russell, services as Clerk of the Board of Education, making tax roll and postage, 69.00
Tower Mfg. Co., supplies, 61.50
C. W. Bardeen, 13.50
H. A. Hildebrandt, supplies, 19.88
Saugerties Gas Light Co., gas consumed, 5.25
Finger & Lewis, fuel, 414.72
Sheffield Mfg. Co., printing and supplies, 45.02
Paid expressage, carriage and expenses for closing exercises, 27.14
Harriet J. Moulton, cataloging and indexing books, 103.50
J. W. Tompkins, supplies, 10.40
M. E. Donlon, error in taxation, 3.78
Etta D. Lewis, expenses on special library work during vacation, 1.35
T. J. Barritt, books supplied indigent students, 25.20
Florence A. Snyder, librarian public library, 37.50
Carrie Simmons, librarian public library, 37.50
Foster B. Morss, making map of School District, 10.00
Daniel Lamb, supplies, 4.27
C. E. Abeel, S 1-5 months service as
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

truant officer, 110.00
J. K. Merritt, lamps, 9.12
E. Wright, labor, 1.25
Dr. Warren Kemble, vaccinating school children, 16.75
Saugerties Manufacturing Co., supplies, 4.12
Paid for umbrella stand, 1.54
Samuel Merclean, Notary fees, 1.50

Total, $1,529.94
Total payments, $9,192.15
Balance on hand, $547.45

BOARD OF EDUCATION,
CHAS. CLUM, Pres.
HOMER RUSSELL, Clerk.

Charles B. Brush, of Hoboken, N. J. and his assistant, W. F. Whittimore, who have been engaged the past two months or more in surveying for the proposed new village water works, have completed their labors and submitted their report to the Water Commissioners, who at a meeting held Tuesday afternoon, adopted the plan and specifications as presented by them with the exception of a few alterations made to the specifications.
The plan provides for a reservoir on the Plattekill creek, below the iron bridge, on the Myer Place with a dam to be built of solid masonry 160 feet wide and 15 feet high with an 80 foot overflow. The reservoir will be fitted with modern improved filtering apparatus and a gate house will be erected for use of the person having charge of the property.
In leading the water to the village, a 24 inch main will be used for a distance of 2,400 feet and then a 16 inch main for the rest of the distance passing through Ulster avenue to Market street, to Partition street to McCarthy street, to the bridge crossing the Esopus creek, whence a twin branch main will be used to cross the bridge, one a ten inch pipe and the other a 12 inch pipe. The ten inch pipe will be continued up Hill street to Barcly [sic] Heights and the 12 inch pipe will be laid through East Bridge street to connect with the manufacturing establishments. The mains through the other streets of the village will consist of 10, 8 and 6 inch pipes respectively. None less than 6 inches in diameter being used anywhere. The fire hydrants will each have twin branches for hose coupling and in addition will have a steamer connection to use in case of necessity.
The reservoir will have a storage capacity of 22,000,000 gallons at low water mark, and the daily supply of water will exceed 2,000,000 gallons, with a pressure at all times of 60 pounds to the square inch.
The changes proposed to the specifications are now being made by the engineers, and when completed the Commissioners will immediately advertise for bids for the construction of the works, under the supervision of Mr. Brush, the engineer.

1867. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. July 5th, 1895. – The Races on the Fourth. – The Driving Park the Scene of Many Interesting Events.
A great crowd visited the Driving Park, on the afternoon of the Fourth to witness the races and other events announced by Mr. Steuding, the manager. A very large number of people were present notwithstanding the threatening appearance of the weather, and the new grandstand was crowded to its utmost seating capacity. The first event was the 3 minute race for a purse of $50. William S. Manning, of this village, Simon Burr, of Kingston and Peter Strong of Kingston were chosen judges.
Three horses started, Harry D. b. g. owned by Peter Smith, Johnstown, Decker Boy, rn. g. owned by Joseph De Graff, of Kingston and Sterling ch. s. owned by Ernest Steuding of this village. Sterling took the race and the money in three straight heats. Time, 2:30 1-2, 2:59 1-4, and 3:01.

In the pacing race three horses started, Robert Mantel, b. g. owned by William J. Curdy, of Poughkeepsie, Dandy, bl. g. owned by K. Fogelson, of Pittsfield, Mass., Glen Garriff, s. m. owned by John Van Tassel, of Hudson. The purse was $100 and was won by Dandy taking the first, third and fourth heats. Time 2:30, 2:27 1-2 and 2:30.

In the running race half mile for a purse of $50 three horses started, Elko, rn.g. owned by George W. Palmer, of this village, Boy Billy b. g. owned by Granville Vandemark of Atwood, N. Y. and Prince George. Boy Billy won. Time 56 1-4, 53 1-4. Time for the third heat was not hung out on the score board.

The amateur bicycle race created much amusement. The first prize was won by a Kingston young man, as also the second. The third prize was awarded to a young man from Great Falls. Time not given. The first prize was a 14 karat gold medal made by C. G. Brashmar, of New York city. The second a cyclometer, and the third a bicycle lamp, presented by Charles F. Winkler, of Kingston.

The rain which by this time had commenced heavily falling prevented the special running race between Strong Band and Prince George, and the crowd hastened from the grounds.

Mr. Steuding is to be congratulated upon the successful issue of the several events, and deserves encouragement for the future.

1868. Ticket – An Amusing Variety Entertainment - given by the – DRAMATIC CLUB – At the School Building, Malden N. Y., Friday evening March 8th, 1895 – Don’t miss it – Doors open at 7:00 – ADMIT ONE. [red] [illustration]

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To the Republican Electors of the Town of Saugerties:
At a general Republican caucus held at the court room in Russell Block in the village of Saugerties on the 27th day of September, 1894, a resolution was unanimously adopted, on my motion, that thereafter the Republicans in each of the election districts in the town of Saugerties, outside of the village, be directed to elect their own delegates to attend the County and Assembly District Conventions. In the village election districts one caucus was to be held.

That resolution was properly adopted in order to give the Republicans outside of the village the right to choose their own delegates to conventions. That resolution had never been rescinded as there has been no general town caucus held since it was adopted. Now a majority of the Republican town committee, against my protest as a member of that committee and ignoring that resolution, have called only one town caucus which is to be held in the village as usual.

In accordance with that resolution, and believing it to be my duty, I as a member of the Republican town committee do hereby issue a call for primaries to be held Thursday evening, Sept. 12, 1895 at 7:30 o’clock, viz:
District Nos. one, two and three at the Phoenix Hotel in the village of Saugerties.
District No. 4, at the hotel of Christian Schoentag.
District No. 5, at the hotel of Sebastian Kleeber.
District No. 6, at the hotel of Jacob Kauffman.

For the purpose of electing delegates to attend the Republican County Convention, and the Assembly Convention to nominate a Republican candidate for Member of Assembly, and to the district convention to elect delegates to the State Convention, and for such other purposes as might be necessary. Each election district, outside of the village of Saugerties, shall elect one delegate to attend the assembly convention to nominate a candidate for Member of Assembly, and one delegate to attend the Assembly
District Convention to elect delegates to the State Convention. The three election districts in the village of Saugerties are to elect three delegates to each of the said Conventions.

Philander W. Wickham, Member Republican Town Com.


To the Editor of the Post: -
In order to save me the trouble of denying it daily, will you, please state that I am not now, nor have I been a candidate for District Attorney, or for any other nomination. I do not want any office. If there are any good offices in sight, give them to the Corner – they want all of them; and if by chance, any should escape, let them go to the Corner’s little man “Friday,” who has grown so sleek and fat, nursing at the public crib. C. Whitaker.

1871. New York Herald, Monday, July 8, 1895. – TRIO OF DAUGHTERS NOW - President Cleveland Announces the Birth of a “Nice Little Girl” in His Summer Home. (By telegraph to The Herald.)
Buzzard’s Bay, Mass., July 7, 1895. – “Nice little girl, half-past four this afternoon.”
This is the message sent by President Cleveland to Private Secretary Thurber this afternoon. It meant that a third daughter had come to be a member of the President’s family.
The arrival was no surprise to the intimate friends of Mr. & Mrs. Cleveland, and Dr. Joseph D. Bryant, the family physician, was at Gray Gables, in expectation of the event. Mrs. Perrine, Mrs. Cleveland’s mother, is expected soon.
Dr. Bryant said this evening that both mother and daughter were doing well.

The Field Day of the Saugerties Y. M. C. A. at the Driving Park was a successful affair. The weather was all that could be desired and the attendance was large. The Poughkeepsie team arrived on the noon boat and had their headquarters at the Y. M. C. A. rooms.
The sports began in the early afternoon and lasted until six o'clock. Dr. M. H. Wygant and Rev. W. F. Stowe were the judges; W. S. Manning, time keeper; H. Edwards, keeper of course, and Benj. F. Fellows, scorer.

In the grand total the Poughkeepsie team scored 53 points and was awarded the silver cup. Saugerties scored 46 points.

The 100 yard dash was won by Harry Keeney; time 12 1-5 seconds. E. A. Dow second; W. Haight third. First prize patent leather Oxfords, contributed by Harris Shoe Store. Second prize Gymnasium suit, contributed by Charles Schron.

The standing high jump was won by W. Wesley, height 4 feet and 5 inches. John Sweet second; A. Bahret third. First prize Oxford bible contributed by J. K. Merritt; second prize photo frame, contributed by Emerick Bros.

The half mile bicycle race was won by W. Haight, time 1 minute 14 seconds; Wm. Hanna second; Paul McCornac third. First prize duck trousers contributed by W. C. Champlain; second prize M. & W. tube contributed by J. W. Tompkins.

The 220 yard dash was won by H. T. Kenney, time 25 1-5 seconds. A. Dow second, R. Colwell third. First prize gold scuff pin contributed by J. C. Neal. Second prize picture contributed by Belch & Keenan.

The standing broad jump was won by W. Wesley, height 9 feet 4 inches. J. H. Dunlap second; J. Frenkel third. First prize chair contributed by Seamon Bros. Second prize silk necktie contributed by Donald, Converse & Maynard.

Putting the 16 pound shot was won by J. H. Dunlap, distance 32 feet 3 inches. W. Wesley second; H. P. Fosbrook, third. First prize Russet shoes contributed by J. C. Davis & Co. Second prize, match box contributed by Hull’s Bazaar.

The half mile run was won by A. Dow time 2 minutes 21 4-5 seconds; Thomas Gray second; John De Witt third. First prize running shoes contributed by E. D. Gildersleeve. Second prize one dozen handkerchiefs contributed by Boston Dry Goods Store.

The running broad jump was won by J. H. Dunlap, distance 17 feet 6 1-2 inches. H. T. Keeney second, I. Storm third. First prize silver tea set, contributed by Dawes Bros.; second prize bicycle shoes, contributed by R. B. Overbagh.

The one mile bicycle race was won by W. Haight, time 2 minutes 52 1-5 seconds. Wm. Hanna second; Wm. Nesbert third. First prize lantern contributed by H. T. Keeney; second prize lantern contributed by T. W. Roberts.

The running, hop, step and jump was won by I. Storm, distance 36 feet 1 3-4 inches. First prize cuff buttons contributed by M. Schoenfeld & Son, second prize visiting cards contributed by Wm. & R. H. Maer.

The running high jump was won by W. Wesley, height 5 feet 1 inch. A. Bahret second, J. H. Dunlap third. First prize hammock contributed by Guilford Dudley; second prize straw hat contributed by Isaac Lazarus.

The pole vault was won by H. T. Keeney, height 8 feet 4 inches. C. Chase, second, I. Storm third. First prize rug contributed by J. L. Butzel’s son; second prize Rev. Mr. Telleen in the German language, after which a hymn was sung by the choir of Mr. Schmidtkonz’s church, the people standing the in the intense cold eagerly waiting for the church doors
to open. After the benediction by the pastor, the doors were opened and the people quickly filled the
auditorium to its utmost capacity. The services were conducted in both the German and English
languages, the music being especially fine, Miss Mattes playing the organ and Master Joseph Reinhard
the violin. In the evening further services were held and addresses were made in both German and
English. To-morrow (Tuesday) evening another service will be held to which all are most cordially
invited.

1874. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1896.
The principal talk among the people of this village during the past few days has been concerning the
arrest of Harry W. Adams, one of the firm of Adams Bros., proprietors of “The Museum,” of this village.
The complainant was Dr. S. L. Dawes, of the late firm of Dawes Bros., who made the complaint against
him in the name of “The People,” before Recorder Murray of Kingston charging criminal libel in the
sending of the following telegram from the West Shore Union office in Kingston to different wholesale
drug houses in Albany and New York:
“Legal action for payment of debt may be made very soon against firm in Saugerties you may be
interested in. J. Smith.”
Mr. Adams was arrested by a Kingston officer on Friday last and taken to Kingston. When brought
before the Recorder, Mr. Adams reserved all his rights and telephoned for Carroll Whitaker, his counsel.
When Mr. Whitaker arrived a jury trial was demanded and set down for Tuesday, Adams depositing
$250 for his appearance at that time. On Tuesday all the parties appeared before the Recorder. Senator
Davis of this village and Corporation Counsel Cloonan of Kingston appeared for The People, and the
prisoner was represented by Carroll Whitaker of this village, and W. D. Brinnier of Kingston. After an
immense amount of legal technicalities in which Judge Clearwater also became involved, and ludicrous
remarks by those in attendance, the case was adjourned until Monday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, when, it is probable,
the matter will be disposed of. Many are of the opinion that it will be settled before that time.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Henry Tepe was held from her late residence on Partition street Wednesday
at 2:30 P. M. The house was filled with friends and neighbors of the deceased who came to pay the
farewell tribute to their departed friend. The Rev. Theodore Bauck, pastor of the German Evangelical
Lutheran church, officiated. Mrs. Tepe was an estimable lady, her whole life being full of good traits and
one who always had a pleasant smile and kind work for all. She was always ready to do her duty to the
sick and the afflicted of the neighborhood. Her kind and courteous manner won her multitudes of
friends. Mrs. Tepe was stricken some time ago with paralysis from which she never recovered, but bore
the pain with great endurance and fortitude. She was a member of the Lutheran Church and was always
active in its work. The interment was in the Lutheran cemetery. The following gentlemen acted as pall
The remains were followed to the cemetery by a large concourse of relatives, neighbors and friends.

At a regular meeting of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., held Monday evening, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, the
following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Jeremiah France, Noble Grand; Winslow D. Van
Etten, Vice Grand; Charles Clum, Recording Secretary; William E. Wolven, Permanent Secretary; James
H. Carew, Treasurer; Jacob H. Van Gelder, Trustee for three years.

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1877. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 7, 1895. – The Stone is Laid. - Impressive Ceremonies Attend the
Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Lutheran Church.
At half past two o’clock Sunday afternoon, Oct. 6th, began the ceremonies attendant upon the laying of
the cornerstone of the new Lutheran Church on Market street. Flooring had been laid as a platform on
what will be the auditorium room of the new edifice, and a large number of benches had been placed
thereon for accommodation of the congregation and their friends, every available seat was occupied
and a large crowd estimated at over one thousand persons stood in and about the premises. An organ,
at which Miss Katie Mattes presided, was placed on one side of the platform around which the choir of
the church was gathered.

Rev. Theodore Bauck, the pastor, offered prayer and a hymn was sung by the choir, after which Rev.
Smidtkonz, pastor of the Rondout Lutheran Church, and president of the State Lutheran Ministerium,
preached a sermon in the German language and was followed by Prof. Ganzmer of the Wagner
Theological Seminary, of Rochester, who delivered an impressive sermon in English, supplying the place
in the program which had been assigned to the Rev. Dr. Pick, of Albany, who was unavoidable detained
at home by illness. Prof Ganzmer, at the close of his sermon, took the opportunity to thank all who had
so kindly contributed to the building fund and in other ways assisted in making it possible for the new
edifice to be erected.

Pastor Bauck also thanked the people in the German language for the same services.

During the singing by the choir a collection was taken up which realized the sum of a little over $89.
The stone was then placed in position, the ceremonies being conducted in the German language, and
was declared to be laid in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
The ceremonies closed with prayer and singing of hymn No. 544 of the Lutheran collection, and
the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Smidtkonz.
The stone is laid in the northeast corner of the edifice and is inscribed “Ev. L. Church, 1895.”

Previous to its being sealed up, there was placed within its receptacle a copy of the new testament, a list
of the members of the congregation, the names of the pastor and officers of the Church and Sunday
school, the names of the building committee, a list of contributors to the building fund, a hymn book,
the constitution of the Synod, a copy of the SAUGERTIES DAILY POST, a copy of the SAUGERTIES WEEKLY POST,
and several other articles.
The congregation is to be congratulated, they will in the near future have such a very handsome house
of worship, one which will be a pride to themselves and an ornament to the village at large.

1878. Notice to Contractors and Builders.
Contractors and builders who desire to bid for the construction of the new Lutheran Church, can
examine the plan and specifications of the same by calling on the pastor, Rev. Mr. Bauck, at the
parsonage on Livingston street, until Saturday evening, Sept. 7th. The committee reserves the right to
reject any or all bids.

To the Editor of the Post:
It was a pleasant day Sunday, and many attended the laying of the corner stone of the Lutheran new
church building in this village, the ceremonies of which consisted of prayer, singing and addresses in
both the German and English languages. But so far as I understood there was no allusion to the origin
and history of Lutheranism in the territory now comprising the town of Saugerties.
Yet the Lutheran congregation of West Camp was the first organized church society in it, and the active,
learned and energetic Joshua Kocherthal who accompanied the German colony as their pastor, lies
buried at West Camp since the year 1719. It is to be regretted that although his immediate
descendants, who were daughters, put a large brown stone slab to mark his resting place, it now lies
neglected in an open field, the place having been abandoned as a burial spot. This monument should
have been taken up and removed to the church building when the new house of worship was erected,
where it could have been seen and read by those attending the church, the adults and children of
succeeding generations. Nor is it too late now, as the stone is yet unbroken and the German inscription legible, which translated into English, reads as follows:

"Know traveler, under this stone rests, beside his Sibylla Charlotte, a real traveler of the High Dutch in North America, their Joshua, and a pure Lutheran preacher of the same, on the east and west side of the Hudson River. His first arrival was with Lord Lovelace in 1709, the first of January. His second with Col. Hunter, 1710, the fourteenth of June. The journey of his soul to heaven on St. John's Day, 1719, interrupted his return to England. Do you wish to know more? Seek in Melancthon's Fatherland who was Kocherthal, who Harschias, who Winebenbach."

At a meeting of the German Lutheran congregation held Aug. 26th it was decided to purchase the lot on Market street owned by Mrs. T. S. Dawes adjoining the residence of William S. Myer and to erect a church edifice thereon. Plans and specifications are now in the hands of contractors who will rendered [sic] sealed bids to the committee on Saturday of this week for the construction of the same. The dimensions of the church will be 38 x75 feet and bids are called for its construction in either brick or frame. A new parsonage will not be built at present.

1881. For sale at a bargain.
The Lutheran House of Worship, corner of Elizabeth street and Ulster avenue, in the village of Saugerties. For terms etc., apply at this office.

The following contracts were announced on Monday for the construction of the new German Lutheran Church: Samuel Hornbeck, mason work, $2,475.00; George McNally, carpenter work, $2,679.97; H. A. Hildebrandt, slate roof, $474.00; H. A. Hildebrandt, metal cieling [sic] $298.00; Charles Quase, painting, $309.00. The contracts for seats, plumbing, etc., will be awarded later. Work on the new structure will commence as soon as possible.

Within the last twenty-four hours an open letter condemning the labor record of the Hon. Jacob Rice has appeared throughout his district, and is without doubt one of the most cowardly acts ever perpetrated by one candidate against another. It must be evident to all that Mr. Davis is behind this scheme to tear down the reputation which Mr. Rice has been able to build for himself through hard work, honesty and fidelity; as Davis’ henchmen, Deputy County Clerk James, the Captain Kidd of Ulster County politics, and John D. Fratcher, the politician have repeatedly said that at the last moment something would be sprung on Mr. Rice that would electrify the community, but if this is all they could spring after having searched his public and private record, they might have better remained silent, as the cowardly act will certainly act as a boomerang against those who directed its movements. The laboring people who know what he has done for their cause will not be deceived by such rot as comes from the pen of a political exile who was paid to do it. The letter accuses Mr. Rice of favoring child labor in brickyards, when the truth of the matter is that Mr. Rice did introduce a bill to allow boys over fifteen years of age to work ten hours a day, but he did it at the solicitation of working men who are interested in the widows, who have no other means of support. Everybody who knows Mr. Rice knows how he stands on the labor question; even the labor organizations that look after legislation at Albany have endorsed his candidacy, and he is one of the three Senators whose name appears on the roll of honor, and he is also highly recommended by the State Trade Assembly of Workingmen to the wage earners. It seems to be customary with certain candidates to campaign to stretch their imagination and get as far away from the truth as possible. At least, that in the present position of Mr. Davis and knowing of hirelings, who are seeking to destroy and honest reputation honesty earned; such
methods should be deprecated rather than commended. Mr. Davis, John D. Fratcher, et. al., are noted for their dishonest methods in election work, as they have thrown others of their party who were seeking office because they would not be known as Davis men. In this instance they have never reached themselves as the well meaning people of either party will not tolerated such contemptible actions as that displayed by the Republican candidate for the State Senate. The people should rebuke this hired band of political guerillas, who at the dead of night tried to cast reflections and odium upon their honest adversary, when they thought he had no chance to resent it. Throughout this campaign Davis and his friends have pledged themselves to land several large and juicy places – to say nothing of the minor ones - to his friends and others whom he thought promises and flattery would reach for their support upon election day, knowing full well the goods can never be delivered, and has even went as far as threatening others of dismissal from their places for favoring Mr. Rice’s election. This is the man they tried to foist upon us and send him as a representative of the people to the State Senate, this man who six years ago it is said was connected with the gang that was behind the famous cartoon which appeared in one of the political pictorials showing the grave of James Finney and the loathsome positions held by other highly respectable Republicans of Ulster county which not only cast reflections upon the men in question but were heart rending and horrifying to their wives and families as well. This was an act that no Democrat would be guilty of, but which these Republicans perpetrated on candidates of their own party. What a contrast between Mr. Davis campaign and that of Mr. Rice’s. Mr. Rice who never left the path of truth and honor to gain friends and votes and never in his career has he sought to gain friends and votes and never in his career has he sought to gain preference by bringing his opponent’s record into the canvass. Voters. The records of Senator Rice, the Weekly Pay Bill, the Dressed Stone Bill and the Ice Bill, every measure advocated by the workingmen of the State disproves this statement which originated at the Davis Building. The statement signed by John J. O’Reilly, who was kept in employment at Albany by Senator Rice for six years, is false. Voters of the district put your stamp of disapproval in such cowardly and contemptible electioneering methods by defeating the man who would be a party to such schemes? Voters don’t do to-morrow what you would regret for the next three years. Don’t vote for Davis Voters don’t be deceived by lies and calumnies. Don’t vote for the man who would promise you the earth in order to get your vote. Voters, stand by Jacob Rice, the people’s choice, the man who has been tested and served you faithfully. The circular purporting to come from Mt. Vernon, it is ascertained was printed at the Saugerties Telegraph office in the Davis building.

Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, of this village, won the second prize at the state Fireman’s tournament at Troy Thursday afternoon in the competition for the best drilled fire company in the State. The first prize was won by Victor Adams Hose Co. of Little Falls, who exceeded the Laflins by a very narrow margin for first place. The Laflins will be home this evening on the 6:54 West Shore train, and will be escorted to their quarters by the entire fire department headed by the Quarryville Brass Band and the Catskill Drum Corps. An enthusiastic welcome awaits them.

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Laflin Hose Co. arrived in town Friday evening crowned with victory. The occasion was their return from the fireman’s tournament at Troy where they captured second prize in the contest for the supremacy of being the best drilled fire company in the state, which they missed by a few points only the first prize going to the Victor Adams Hose Co. of Little Falls.
They were met at the West Shore depot by the entire fire department of the village under command of chief Engineer Lewis, and headed by the Quarryville Brass Band were escorted through town amidst burning bonfires, colored lights and fireworks which everywhere greeted them along the line of march. The procession formed with the officers of the fire department in the lead, followed by a carriage contained “our village fathers” and Col. Laflin. Then came the Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol, Edward Jernegan, foreman; Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, H. C. Dolson, foreman; and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, Michael Clearkan, foreman. The line of march was down Ulster avenue to Market street, to Main street to Washington avenue, to Russell street, to Partition street, to Main street, to West Bridge street, countermarch to Main street, to Partition, to McCarthy, to Hill to East Bridge, to Theodore Place in front of No. 2’s quarters, after which the procession returned to Fireman’s Hall where it was dismissed. It is stating it mildly when THE POST asserts that Saugerties is proud of its fire department and Laflin Hose Co. in particular, not omitting to mention the name of its able master, Col. H. D. Laflin, it’s foster father.

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A Card of Thanks from Laflin Hose.
H. D. Laflin Hose Co., desire to express their thanks to chief Patrick Byron, Grand Marshal, to adjutant and chief of staff, Isaac F. Handy, to Marshal John W. Wike, Chief Lansingburgh Fire Department, and marshal of the 9th Division to the Judges of the Prize Drills, to Capt. Esek Bussey and his command for entertaining them on the evening before the parade, and also to the Executive Officers N. Y. State Fireman’s Association, John F. Schlosser, President, Thomas Honohan, Secretary, and George H. Scott, Treasurer. Col. Laflin’s company will ever remember the very kind reception given them by the above named gentlemen and by the mayor and citizen of Troy.

Laflin Hose Co. held a regular meeting on Monday evening, and besides the routine business, elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: Col. H. D. Laflin, Captain; John W. Kime, Foreman, John E. McCormick, 1st Assistant Foreman; Henry Stewart, 2d Assistant Foreman; Edward Dillon, Representative; Edward P. McCormick, Recording Secretary; Clara Finnegan, Financial Secretary; Peter Hennegan, Treasurer; Col. H. D. Laflin, Wm. Gordon, John W. Kime, Trustees; Wm. G. Peters, Burton Lasher, C. Genthner, Chas. Derby, C. Burhans, W. France, Refreshment Committee. John McCormick and George Reynolds were elected delegates to the Tri-County Convention.

At the State Convention Treasurer Haggerty stated there was a mortgage of $8,000 on the Firemen’s Home and also a note of $4,500 which was payable. On motion the association treasurer was empowered to place $500 to the credit of the home. A resolution to reduce the annual fees from $2 to $1 was withdrawn. A motion to amend the by-laws by prohibiting a paid employe of any fire department from being a delegate or an officer of the association was declared “eternally lost.” A motion was carried to ask the Legislature to amend the law which gives widows of deceased volunteer fireman in village and towns $500 so as to include cities. Lockport was selected as the place of holding the next meeting. The election of officers resulted as follows: Schlosser, President; Van Ducer of Middletown and Elliott, of Elmira, First and Second Vice-President; Haggerty, Treasurer, W. C. Churchill, of Waterford, Statician; Thomas Honohan, of Frankfort, Secretary; Delegate to Central Association, John B. Haggerty, Elias P. Mann, of Albany, A. B. Steele, of Herkimer, and Hon. Roswell P. Flower, of Watertown, were chosen Trustees of the Firemen’s Home.
In the afternoon the delegates were entertained by Ex- Mayor Fitzgerald in his brewery. The firemen made a visit to the Watervliet arsenal.
The parade was brilliant. It is said 1,400 men were in line.

1888. Fire at Rosendale Sunday morning nearly destroyed the whole village. Twenty-seven buildings were burned causing a loss of from $60,000 to $75,000. A steam fire engine from Kingston arrived and succeeded in preventing the flames from spreading further. The insurance on the burned property is said to be less than $25,000. There is no fire department in Rosendale and the old fogies succeeded a short time ago at an election there, in defeating the proposition to build a system of water works.

At the Tri County Fireman’s Convention held at Coxsackie, Tuesday, Oct. 1st, Henry A. Ohley, was re-elected president of the Association by acclamation. The other officers chosen are as follows: Vice-presidents, W. A. Pennoyer, of Catskill, Thomas Harmon, of Hudson, J. M. Bruck, of Kingston, Charles McAathur, [sic]of Hudson, secretary; Eugene Wolf, of Athens, treasurer; R. C. Hallock, of Coxsackie, delegate to the State Fireman’s Association. The time for holding future conventions was changed from the first Tuesday in October to the third Tuesday in June. It was voted to admit Dutchess and Orange counties to membership in the Association, and after designating the city of Kingston as the place to hold the convention and tournament next year, the convention adjourned sine die.

1890. The devil sends the wicked wind
That blows our skirts knee high,
But heaven is just and send the dust
That flies in the bad man’s eye.

Wednesday witnessed the finest and the largest firemanic parade, the finest looking firemen, the largest gathering of people ever seen in the quiet little village of Coxsackie, in honor of the sixth annual tournament of the Tri-County Firemen’s Association, and birthplace of the association and the home of its first president, the honored citizen, George H. Scott.
Early yesterday morning the people commenced to arrive and each incoming train and boat brought in a delegation of firemen headed by brass bands and drum corps and crowds of people from the neighboring cities and villages, and at noontime the streets were thronged with people.
There were between 700 and 800 firemen in line besides 12 brass bands and drum corps, swelling the number to over 1,000. At 1 o’clock the companies began forming on River street in charge of Chief Engineer Edwin Mackey and marshal A. V. D. Collier, and made up in three division. At 2 o’clock they were in line and started up Reed street headed by Marshal Collier and aids, Chief Engineer Mackey and visiting chiefs.
The competitive drill and hose race took place on the fair ground after the parade. In the drill there were three entries. The Rescue Hook and Ladder company was awarded first prize and the H. D. Laflin Hose company of Saugerties second.
In the Tri-County hose race, the Lafayettes of Valatie were the winners, and in the open contest the Dearstynes of Bath captured the prize.
The hand engine contest was between the Exempts of Saugerties and the Palmers of Kinderhook, the latter throwing a stream of 164 and the former 133 feet.
The R. A. Snyder Hose company No. 1 of Saugerties made the finest appearance in the parade as to dress and decorum, and to who was awarded the first prize. The Snyder Hose was the company of which the president of the Tri-County Association, Mr. Henry A. Ohley, is a member, and the company was accorded the honor of the lead in the parade.
As to the finest company appearing in the parade outside of the Tri-County the Osgood Steamer company of Troy was the favorite and of course took the prize. The Osgoods were accompanied by Chief Byron of the Troy fire department. Saugerties had the largest number of men in the parade, it furnishing four companies, of which its honored citizen, Mr. Henry A. Ohley, may feel proud. The visiting firemen departed in the evening, feeling well pleased with their visit and the kind hospitalities extended to them by the citizens of Coxsackie.

1892. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. July 8, 1895.
Laflin Hose Co. No. 2 passed a resolution of thanks at its last meeting to Ernest Hassinger, the treasurer of the village fire department, for his efficiency in promptly collecting from the foreign insurance companies doing business in Saugerties, the money due the company as provided by the laws of the State of New York.

The annual parade and tournament of the Tri-County Fireman’s Association at Coxsackie yesterday was memorable for the fine appearance of the several companies in line and the hearty welcome extended to the Saugerties companies by the people of that village.
The line of march was a most trying one, extending from the river up hill (nearly all the way) to and across the West Shore R. R. Tracks and thence through West Coxsackie, countermarch and return to the Fair grounds where the contest for supremacy for the best drilled company took place. Laflin Hose drilled first and the Rescue Hook & Ladder Co. of Athens second. First prize was awarded to the latter company. It is considered a shady decision. Snyder Hose Co. was awarded first prize for general deportment and finest appearance, and the best part of the matter is, the judges in that contest was composed entirely of ladies. A lady’s judgment in matters of the kind can never be disputed. The Exempts in their first trial in the hand engine contest threw a horizontal stream 133 feet, and in the second trial broke a valve which prevented further effort on their part. The engine (the Empire) was then taken on board of the boat which had been detained thereby over an hour and the start for home was made. When the boat left the Exempt’s competitors, the Palmer Engine of Kinderhook was playing. It is not known what number of feet was thrown by them. The boat reached home between 8 and 9 o’clock and a short street parade was made amidst much enthusiasm on the part of our people. Along the line of march it was an ovation. The usual bonfires and fireworks composing part of it. This morning a special message was received at this office from Coxsackie saying the Kinderhook engine had been awarded the first prize. The numer [sic] of feet threw was not mentioned.

Close bonds of friendship was cemented at Coxsackie on Tournament Day between Osgood Steamer Co. of Troy, and the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association, by the former company manning the brakes of the hand-engine Empire in the contest with the Palmer engine, of Kinderhook. Together with a few members of the exempts and the Osgoods, the old machine was giving a good account of herself when her machinery broke from the strain of the power to which she was subjected. Nevertheless, the kind intentions of the Osgoods are duly appreciated and will always be remembered with gratitude on the part of not only the Exempts but by the entire fire department of the village as well.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association held Tuesday evening, Oct 1st, Capt. Ovid T. Simmons, delegate to the Tri-County Convention reported as to the proceedings and the report was ordered spread upon the minutes. James Merchant was unanimously elected a
member of the Association and Edmund M. Wilbur, Samuel J. Adams and Edson Finger were elected members of the fire patrol.

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The Sixth Annual Convention of the Tri-County Firemen’s Association in Dolan’s Opera house was called to order by President H. A. Ohley at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday, and there was a goodly attendance of delegates and members. The opera house was handsomely decorated and the Citizens’ band furnished the music.
The Rev. O. D. Ramsay was introduced by Treasurer Hallenbeck of the Citizens’ committee and made an appropriate prayer.
The president introduced the Rev. F. S. Barnum, who delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the citizens.
The reverend speaker then eloquently welcomed the visiting delegates and among other things said;
We think a good deal of our village firemen; have proved them in past emergencies, and think the reorganization of some of the old companies and the formation of new ones made necessary by the introduction of water works, will make us admire them more because of the increased efficiency. We have a steamer company, a hook and ladder company (and their machine is a thing of beauty) and two hose companies, with new and very fine apparatus.
From my childhood have always held a strong admiration for firemen, the spirit with which they meet the emergencies made by flaming buildings, the daring acts, the skill in fighting the fire – all appeal most strongly to me.
We hope noting will mar the pleasure of their gathering; that your business session will be harmonious, your parade a thing of beauty, and the various contests on the fair grounds break all former contests.
Again, in behalf of the firemen and citizens of our village, I extend you a most hearty welcome.
President Henry A. Ohley then responded in a felicitous address. He said in part “The generous welcome of Coxsackie’s people as uttered and everywhere shown is accepted by this Tri County convention, and I hesitate not to say that we are assured of that unbounded hospitality which it is the desire and effort of your citizens to extend. We know that your village and its people are progressive, evidence of this meets us in varied forms, none the least of which is your new school building and your water works system.”
He then paid a tribute to the firemanic standing, and the excellence of our well known citizen and fireman, Geo. H. Scott and to his zeal and interest in all matters pertaining to firemanic affairs. In speaking of the association he said in part: “It seems most appropriate that the Sixth Annual Convention of the association should occur here. By action of the executive committee in May, 1890 at this place the union was conceived, and on July 1st, 1890, there assembled here more than sixty firemen representing twenty-seven of the then forty five fire companies of the three counties, and your honored citizen of whom I have spoken was the first president. After several years of varying success today it comes back to the home that gave it birth.”
After speaking somewhat of the history of the association, its aims and work, a reference to the Fireman’s Home the extension of the limits of the organization, and suggesting that means be taken to assist in the support of the institution, and remarks about the officers to be chosen, he closed by saying “with the hope that we may have a pleasant and harmonious session; that from your deliberations and discussions something of good may come to further firemanic interests; that the parade and contests of the morrow may give to all the utmost satisfaction, and that our leave-takings, may be as much to be regretted, as our coming has been welcomed, I await the further pleasure of the convention.”
The address was followed by music from the band, and after the appointing of several committees the
convention adjourned to 1:30 p.m.
The afternoon session was devoted to reports of committees and officers and general business of the
association.
There were between 200 and 300 delegates and visiting firemen present from Hudson, Catskill, Athens,
Saugerties, Kingston, Rondout, Ellenville, Valatie, Kinderhook, Chatham and other places.
The report of the secretary showed there were 1,115 members on the roll and number of companies,
32. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of $48.
Among the important business transacted was the change in the by-laws changing the date of holding
the convention from the first Tuesday in October to the third Tuesday in June. Resolutions were
adopted inviting the firemen of Dutchess and Orange to join the association.
The association, on the payment of $100, has secured a room in the State Firemen’s Home at Hudson,
and Geo. H. Scott was appointed a committee to select the room.
The officers elected are as follows: President, Henry A. Ohley of Saugerties; vice-presidents, W. A.
Pennoyer, Catskill, T. F. Hannon, Hudson and John T. Meader, Kingston; secretary, Chas. McArthur of
Hudson; treasurer, Eugene Wolfe of Athens; delegate to State Association, Roscoe C. Hallock of
Coxsackie.
The next convention will be held at Kingston. The convention adjourned at 3 p.m.

THE TOURNAMENT

Wednesday was a great day in Coxsackie. It dawned clear, and not a cloud appeared in the sky during
the whole 12 hours. The air was bracing and entirely free from heat and humidity. The streets were
perfectly dry, but the recent rain had eliminated the dust. In short, everything was as fine as though
made to order.
The village was in a gala attire, the decorations of business places and private residences being very
elaborate and quite general, especially on the line of march, and the most extensive preparations had
been made to supply the visitors with eatables and internal irrigation, and the streets were cleaned and
swept for the occasion. A swarm of fakers, including trained birds, hand organs and boot black chairs,
took possession of the streets, and made thing lively from the start.

At an early hour in the forenoon the arrivals commenced, and continued by rail, steamboat, barge,
overland, etc. until after 12 o’clock at which time the streets were so literally swarming with buzzing
humanity as to be almost impassable, and band and drum corps music made the welkin ring, while the
marching, countermarching and evolutions of visiting companies interested the ears and eyes of the
many visitors who lined the sidewalks and crowded about the public places.

THE PARADE

As is usual in such cases, delay was in order, for the late arrivals had to be fed, and it was nearly 2
o’clock before the line moved, but when it did get under way it proved to be one of the finest and most
imposing displays of the kind ever seen in this section.
The line was headed by nine members of the police force, Chief Engineer Edward Mackey, and the
following visiting fire department chiefs:
Rust of New Paltz, Wike of Lansingburgh, Granger of Hudson, Lewis of Saugerties, Palmatier of Athens,
Wiltzie of Catskill, Ellsworth of Tivoli, ex chief Sleight of Hyde Park.

Marshal A. V. D. Collier with aids Arthur F. Powell, Frank F. Bedell and Michael FitzGerald came next, and
aids D. Geroe Greene and George S. Franklin led the second and third division, all on horseback.

FIRST DIVISION

Red Hook Band, 18 pieces.
R. A. Snyder Hose No. 1, Saugerties, 35 men; with carriage.
A. M. Osborn Hose No. 2, Catskill, 21 men.
Citizen’s Band of Philmont, 18 pieces.
Washington Hose No. 2, Hudson, 28 men, with carriage and colored attendant.
H. W. Rogers Hose No. 2, Hudson, 25 men, with carriage and colored attendant.
Drum Corps, 11 pieces.
Washington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Saugerties, 38 men.

SECOND DIVISION

Cadet Band of Troy, 14 pieces.
Osgood Steamer Co., Troy, 34 men.
Citizens’ Band of Highland, 19 pieces.
Star Hose Co., New Paltz, 30 men.
Lafayette Hose Co. 1, Valatie, 20 men.
John H. Dearstyne Hose No. 1, Bath, 26 men.
Albany City Bugle and Drum Corps, 14 pieces.
W. S. C. Wiley Hose Co. of Catskill, 27 men, with carriage and colored attendant.
Po’keepsie Drum and Bugle Corps, 16 pieces.
H. D. Laflin Hose No. 2, Saugerties, 36 men.
Hyde Park Fire Department, 11 men.

THIRD DIVISION

J. L. DePuyster Engine Co. Tivoli, 30 men.
Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol, Saugerties, 37 men with engine drawn by horses.
Citizens’ Band of Coxsackie, 20 people.
Geo. H. Scott Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Coxsackie, 35 men and a truck drawn by horses.
D. M. Hamilton Steamer Co. No. 2, Coxsackie, 27 men.
Coxsackie Hose No. 3, Coxsackie, 21 men, with carriage drawn by horses.
D. W. Morgan Hose Co. No. 4, Coxsackie, 35 men, with carriage tastefully decorated.
Board of Trustees, Village Officials, Guests of Committee, etc., in 6 carriages
The line of march was as follows: Up Reed to Ely, up Ely to Church, down Church to River, up River to Reed, Reed to Mansion, up Mansion to First Reformed church. Countermarch to Fair Ground. The reception all along was a rousing one indicating a hearty welcome by the citizens of Coxsackie to the visiting firemen.

At the intersection of Mansion and Van Dyke streets was the following committee of ladies appointed to enter judgment as to the companies entitled to the prizes for finest appearance in the parade: Mrs. C. W. Backus, Mrs. E. Mackey, Mrs. W. B. Townsend, Miss Rebecca Hallenbeck and Mrs. F. H. Sutherland, secretary.
The committee awarded the Tri-County prize of $50 to Snyder Hose No. 1 of Saugerties and they were truly a fine looking and handsomely uniformed set of men.
The open prize of $50 was awarded to Osgood Steamer Co., of Troy and was well deserved.
Upon their arrival at the Fair Grounds the rush for positions began and the ticket sellers and gate keepers were kept busy attending to the admission of the people anxious to see the most interesting features of the day, the prize contests, the first of which was

THE PRIZE DRILL

Between Laflin Hose of Saugerties and Rescue Hooks of Athens. It was a very pleasing exhibition, and the competition was very close, but the judges, C. E. Kelley, Henry Waterman and M. H. Greene, marked the points carefully, and the prize of $100 was awarded to the Rescues with a score of 81 2-3 points, against the Laflin’s 71, which gave them the 2d prize of $50. The rivalry between these companies is great, but one gives the military drill while the other’s evolutions are K. of P. However no dissatisfaction was expressed with the award of the judges, which all agreed to be perfectly fair, for the Laflin’s were handicapped in space, having more men than the Reserves.
The Hose Race

For prizes of $75, $50 and $25, there were three competitors, the Osborn’s of Catskill, the Dearstynes of Bath and the Lafayette’s of Valatie, which latter company is very proficient in such contests, and have been in the habit of carrying off first prizes, except when the occasionally run up against a livelier set of boys. The result as announced by the judges, D. G. Greene, John W. Wike and C. M. Clark was Lafayette 1st, in 49 seconds, Dearstyne, 2nd, in 51 2-15 seconds and Osborn’s 3rd in 54 7-10 seconds. All did lively work and made the contest a close one.

This ended the amusement there, and then a grand rush was made down town to see the Hand Engine Contest which was to come off between the Empire of Saugerties and the Palmer of Kinderhook. At the outset there was a controversy as to the pump measurement of the Empire, but it was finally compromised. It was the intention to have the contest of Main street, but the Empire suction could not reach the water in the reservoir, and the engines were removed to the Reed and Powell steamboat dock, to the disappointment of many. After much fuss and flutter, darkness coming on, Empire finally got a stream 133 feet from the pipe nozzle and retired. The Palmer boys then jumped in to man their brakes and the excitement was at fever her [sic] heat, but at the first effort the made a throw of 168 feet and took the first prize of $75, leaving the Empire second place and $25 for their labor. The judges were M. I. Crocker, Eugene Van Buskirk and Wm. Josbury [sic]. This closed the tournament and day’s exercises, but the excitement of taking a parting drink which, by the way, many had difficulty in making room for, and embarking for home, kept things lively until a late hour, but it must be said that the day passed off without any disturbances to mar the pleasure of the participants. Among the many distinguished guests present were the following: Major J. B. Haggarty, treasurer Firemen’s Home Association, Hudson; Judge Eugene Demers, fire commissioner Clark, Capt. Shelliday of Lansingburgh, Major R. P. Barker, ex-chief Wm. Joesbury, ex president Tri-county Ass’s Chas. G. Coffin, and Capt. Wm. Pennoyer, of Catskill; Col. H. D. Laflin of Saugerties; Capt. Henry Waterman, Lieut. Chas. Kelley and ex-chief Mason J. Crocker, of Hudson; Capt. Simmons, president village of Saugerties; Senator Rice of Kingston and County Judge Sanderson of Athens.

The Ball

Of Steamer Co. No. 2, came off in the evening at the Opera House, and made a handsome finale to the day’s performances. The crowd was immense and the fine music put everyone in the best of humor. Will Cummings and Miss Maggie Hanlon led the grand march, and dancing was kept up until time to go home for breakfast. Thus, with the fine day the elaborate program fully carried out and the pleasant ending, the Sixth Annual Tri-County convention will long be remembered by the firemen and citizens who had the good fortune to participate and witness.

Notes

It was “a nice day” and Joe. Alverson “couldn’t stay away.” Snyder Hose had the right of line, and won applause all along the route. Geo. Appleton and his clarinet filled in a position credibly with the Red Hook Band. Laflin Hose, though not capturing first money in the prize drill, made a favorable impression upon the people. What is a convention and tournament without the presence of “Pap” Barker, Catskill’s veteran fireman? Marshal Collier and aids were delayed in making up the divisions by the late arrival of a number of companies. Foreman W. C. Brady of the Athens Hooks was the happiest man in three counties - $100 is a nice souvenir. It proves conclusively that Coxsackie is amply provided with hotels, and that no one need to have went away hungry.
Foreman Brennan and his men spared no expense in decorations as the handsome appearance of their hose cart testified.
Star Hose Co. of New Paltz came a long way to take part in the parade. Their personnel was fine and marching excellent.
The 16 ½ policemen on duty kept everything in shape and good order prevailed, even though the ½ found the baton too heavy
Lafayette Hose of Valatie and their neighbors, the Palmer Engine Co. of Kinderhook, came here to win, and they succeeded.
A. A. Fingar came all the way from Woodstock and took part with his company, the De Peyster’s of Tivoli, in the parade.
Osborn and Wiley Hose Co’s friends here were pleased with the appearance and surely Catskill has a right to be proud of them.
G. H. Scott H. & L. truck and the handsome driver was one of the features of the parade, and were highly complimented by the onlookers.
Troy is entitled to a share of the honors for the Osgoods were too utterly too – good natured to have anything but a good time, and they had it.
Athens’ favorite, the Rescues, who never fail to put in an appearance when advertised to do so, were greeted with rounds of applause upon their arrival.
Of course Magee of the Recorder and Counselor Palmer came up early in the day but lost considerable time in looking after the various lemonade stands.
Chief P. R. Peelor of Tivoli is proud of his department and well he may be, for his boys were in it and their uniforms of blue and the red were in striking contrast.
“Gleas’s” review stand on Main street was well patronized, but the strain upon it was too great and it collapsed. The ladies were frightened but all escaped injury.
We would advise Athens ladies to supply themselves with steamboat and railroad time-tables before leaving home, as it will assist them in returning home at an earlier hour.
Chief Mackey is proud of his firemen, and very justly so as they are as fine a lot of fire laddies as any village can show, and when they all get uniformed – well, just wait and see.
Treasurer Hallenbeck of the Tri-County committee will be excused for his late appearance tournament morning, when it is understood that he attended a Republican caucus Monday.
Ex-Chief Wm. Joesbury of Catskill was among the number, and in the hand engine contest judges with his other associates, that river water has not the same flavor as circus red lemonade.
Scotty was at his best and so was his company, and the truck – well, it’s a beauty and Foreman Browne had reason to be proud of marching at the head of so fine looking body of men.
Col. Laflin and Saugerties’ finest were here in large numbers and helped wonderfully in making the parade the imposing spectacle it was, and their newly-made friends are legion.
Ex-Chief Maddock, representing the Ball Nozzle Co. of New York, was so favorably impressed with Coxsackie and the courtesies extended by citizens and firemen that he was loth to say good-bye.
The No. 2’s and Foreman Hallenbeck have lost none of the old-time marching spirit, and together with their personnel aided in making the third division equally as fine as the preceding ones.
The Citizens’ Band headed by Coxsackie firemen, and as usual got very tired on the march, leaving the firemen without the aid of music in marching, which caused much kicking and complaint.

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The West End has reason to be proud of the new organization, the No. 3’s and in their new uniforms they appeared as fine as the finest. Foreman Van Bergen had them well drilled and their step was perfect.
Chief Granger of Hudson came up with two of his companies and their hose carriages. The marching fatigued them not, for at the finish they were as lively as butterflies in the sunlight - and just as handsome.

Village President W. K. Reed, for years the Chief Engineer of this fire department declined to ride in the carriage provided but got his old brass “Dudy” trumpet and marched with the chiefs at the head of the line. He is a true fireman and don’t you doubt it.

D. W. Morgan Hose No. 4, Coxsackie’s junior organization, though last in third division were not least in numbers and appearance. Just wait until 1896 when they don their new regulation uniforms, then there’ll be a fluttering among Kingston’s fairest at the convention to be held there next year.

The 25¢ admission grab at the fair grounds should have been discarded and the gates thrown wide open thereby giving strangers an opportunity to impress themselves favorable on Coxsackie’s hospitality but as our citizens failed to respond liberally by subscription to the fund it was necessary to resort to this means to make up the deficiency.

Forman Wm. Baker of Osborn Hose, Catskill, was in ecstasies at receiving the special prize, a lemonade bowl of unique design and ornamented with high-water lines. It was immediately put into use and those who were so fortunate as to partake of the contents pronounced it “just the thing,” even though the lemonade did have a peculiar aroma – which was no fault of the lemon.

**SPECIAL PRIZES**

Were awarded as follows:
- Silver Cake Basket to Chief Wilsie of Catskill for finest appearing chief in line.
- Box Cigars to E. J. Palmer; Star Hose, New Paltz, only dude in line.
- Chamber to Wm. A. Baker, Osborn Hose, Catskill, the only heavy weight drinker.
- Box Cigars to Judge Craig, Star Hose, New Paltz, for his beauty.
- Pair Shoes to W. A. Brady, Rescue Hooks, Athens, man most in need of them.
- One month’s shaving to Chief Engineer Mackey, Coxsackie fire department, to prevent the wind blowing through his whiskers.
- Sack Salt to James Holdridge, Wiley Hose, Catskill for being freshest fireman.
- Bologna to Michael Lynch, Osborn Hose, Catskill, for having no teeth.
- Keg Lager to Rogers Hose, Hudson, for their prohibition proclivities.
- Box Red Herring to “Cap” Miller, Rogers Hose, Hudson for his fishing capacities.
- Broom to Lafayette Hose, Valatie, because they won it.
- Bottle Wine to Chas. Smith, De Pyster Engine Co., Tivoli to cure his dyspepsia.
- Bottle Wine to Ed. Healey, Laflin Hose, Saugerties, for being the only man from Saugerties who carried a cork screw.
- Pumpkin Pie to Chief Powers, Dearstynes Hose, Bath, because he likes it.
- Case of Lamb’s Tongue to Luther Hull, Washington Hook and Ladder, Saugerties, for being the noisiest man.
- Ham to Ed. C. Hallenbeck, Scott Hook and Ladder, Coxsackie, hungriest looking fireman.
- Box candy to R. C. Hallock, Scott Hook and Ladder, Coxsackie, sweetest fireman.
- Bologna to Ant. Parslow, Morgan Hose, Coxsackie, biggest eater.
- Bottle Brandy to Geo. H. Scott, Coxsackie, most prominent fireman in line.
- Sweater to Fred G. Goulde, Scott Hook and Ladder, Coxsackie, coldest man in line.
- Bottle Whiskey to Chief Palmatier, Athens, for being the soberest man in line.
- Pair Shoes to John Rogers, Washington Hose, Hudson, smallest feet.
- Box Cigars to Chief Granger, Hudson, for having the best suction.
- Box Soap to Palmer Engine Co., Kinderhook, to keep their prize clean.
- American Flag to James Brennan, foreman Morgan Hose, Coxsackie, for his patriotism.
Pair Suspenders to C. N. Kennedy, Osborn Hose, Catskill, longest waisted man.
Shirt to S. H. Van Dyck, Hamilton Steamer Co., Coxsackie, the cleanest fireman.
Layer Cake to Jeff Res, Coxsackie Hose No. 3, for his amiability.
Piece of Bologna to Eugene Briggs, Hamilton Steamer No. 2, the only known Dutch fireman in line.
Box Sardines to Wm. T. Dakin, foreman Roberts Hose, Hudson, as an antidote for ginger ale.
Bottle Cologne to Fred Ross, De Pyster Engine Co., of Tivoli, for his best girl.
Bucksaw to I. W. Wike, chief Lansingburgh fire department, because he knows how to use it, and won’t.
Bottle Whiskey to J. E. Browne, foreman Scott Hook and Ladder, Coxsackie, for his grandchildren.
Box Cigars to Henry A. Ohley, Snyder Hose, Saugerties to teach him how to build them.
Mouth Organ to Van Person, Citizens; Hose, Catskill, to keep his bugle busy and give his friends a rest.

Benjamin Langley, formerly of this village has been admitted an inmate of the state Fireman’s Home at Hudson, his official entry dating from Aug. 12th 1895. Mr. Langley served his time as an active fireman in the Saugerties fire department, and in the year 1869 was foreman of Empire Engine.

The judges in the hand engine contest at the Coxsackie tournament awarded first prize to the Palmer Engine Co., of Kinderhook, and the second prize to the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol. The first prize was $75 and the second $25. This morning the secretary of the Exempts received a check from the Coxsackie citizens’ committee for the amount. The official number of feet thrown by each engine as given out by the judges is as follows: Palmer engine 164. Exempts, 133.

Laflin Hose Co., of this village, gave one of their famous exhibition drills at the Fair for the benefit of St. Joseph’s Church of Kingston, at the Academy of Music in that city on Friday evening last. The following account of the affair is taken from the Daily Leader:
“When the southbound train pulled up at the Union Depot Friday evening at 7:15 o’clock and Laflin Hose alighted from it, they found Clinton Hose drawn up in line to receive them and escort them to the Academy of Music. After the usual interchange of courtesies they formed in line and preceeded by the Twentieth Regiment Band, marched to the Academy, where they found Wiltywck Hose, Excelsior Hose and Rescue Hook and Ladder, all in fatigue uniform and ready to receive them and give them the courtesies of the city and of the hall. At 9 o’clock the Laflins formed in rank and for one hour went through a drill that was a severe test of their endurance and was faultless, every movement being executed with military precision and exactness. Their marching was characterized by an exactness that spoke of most patient and continuous practice and reflected great credit on Michael F. Sexton, who conducted the dill in the absence of Col. Laflin, who was called away to Scranton on immediate business.
After marching and countermarching they broke in several figures, such as the Roman and Greek cross, the St. Andrew cross, the diamond, the square, the circle, wide and narrow, and formed and broke ranks without a break of the military step. Round upon round of applause showed the appreciative attention that each new maneuver was receiving at the hands of the delighted assemblage. “The twos in circle, odd numbers to the right,” was by long odds the most difficult as well as the most appreciated movement, the difference of step between the outside and inside circles, adding much to the difficulty.
With an order of “Parade Rest,” the drill ended, and Luke Ford, in a few well chosen remarks, thanked not only Laflin Hose for their very kind courtesy, but as well the other hose companies for the courtesy of their presence and attention. During the evening, on all sides were heard words of praise and wonder that such results could be attained as were shown by the Laflin boys of Saugerties, and the executive committee were thanked again and again for the pleasure their forethought had given all who were present.”

The Exempt Fireman’s Association enjoyed its annual sleighride Monday evening to Mrs. Ebel’s hostelry at Glasco. They were accompanied by William McCormick and Ernest Hassinger, assistant engineers of the fire department, as invited guests; the chief, William V. Burhans being unable to accompany them owing to a previous engagement which detained him at home.

The party received a hearty welcome from Mrs. Ebel and were soon made to feel themselves at home. About 10 o’clock a sumptuous repast was served in the dining room, the menu being all that could be desired, and served with that famous hospitality for which this landlady is so noted. The party reached home shortly before midnight well pleased with their visit. Before leaving Mrs. Ebel presented each of her guests with a buttoniere plucked fresh from her conservatory.

One of the pleasant episodes of the affair was the company of Charley Mulford, of the New York Exempts, who is a guest of the house, who is one of the best story tellers extant. The Association voted that for thorough enjoyment and an evening’s pleasure, there is nothing like a visit to Mrs. Ebel’s at Glasco.


At the annual meeting of the Saugerties Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol held Tuesday evening, Jan. 7th, it was voted to join the State Firemen’s Association, and the preliminary steps there to were taken. Enoch Fellows was elected a member of the Association and Patrol. Daniel N. Finger was elected a member of the Patrol, and their names will be sent to the Village Board of Directors for confirmation. It was voted that hereafter no substitutes be allowed in the ranks at any future parade of the company. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Edward Jernegan, Foreman; John McCormick, First Assistant Foreman; John Lang, Second Assistant Foreman; Jeremiah P. Russell, Secretary and Treasurer: Samuel Gilmore and John G. Palmer, Delegates to the Tri-County Convention; Capt. O. T. Simmons, Representative.


At the annual meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, held Tuesday evening, Jan. 7th, Ernest Hassinger was recommended for appointment as Second Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Ernest Myer, president; Samuel W. Merclean, vice-president; Edward J. Lewis, foreman; Alfred Saam, first assistant foreman; John A. Snyder, second assistant foreman; William Hanna, secretary; William Ziegler, treasurer; William E. Simmons, H. A. Ohley, James Teller, trustees; Ernest Hassinger, janitor; John A. Snyder, representative; Fred. T. Lewis is delegate to State Fireman’s Convention; Edward Moran, alternate; Robert Ballman and Edgar T. Myer, delegates to the Tri-County Convention.


The delegation of members of Laflin Hose Company of this village, visited Kingston on Tuesday evening and presented Cornell Hose Company of that city with a fine life size portrait of Col. H. D. Laflin. The delegation consisted of O. T. Simmons, president of the Board of Directors, Edward J. Lewis, chief engineer; W. V. Burhans, first assistant engineer; William McCormick, second assistant engineer; John Kime, foremen of Laflin Hose Company; J. McCormick, first assistant foreman; P. Hennigan, treasurer; Edward Lynk, Ja., [sic] ex chief of the fire department, and Colonel Laflin. The delegation was met at the West Shore station by C. L. Quackenbush, foreman of Cornell Hose and taken to Cornell Hose rooms in carriages, arriving at about 8 o’clock. O. T. Simmons made the presentation speech and John McCausland, president of Cornell Hose, accepted the portrait in behalf of the company. Speeches were also made by County Clerk Sleight, Alderman Powers, Deputy County Clerk “Kit” James, W. V. Burhans, Col. Laflin and others. There was music by Ellis’ orchestra and a banquet followed the presentation.
speeches. Foreman Quackenbush fairly outdid himself in entertaining his guests. Those present had a fine time and will long remember the hospitality of Cornell Hose.

On Monday evening R. A. Snyder Hose Co. together with delegations from the various other fire organizations of the village serenaded Mr. and Mrs. Lorenze Loerzel at their residence, corner of Partition and Clermont streets. The serenaders wore new silk tiles and each was armed with a horn, cow bell or some other implement of torture which for a few moments after the arrival at Mr. Loerzel’s residence made Rome howl. The boys were invited into the parlor, where congratulations were extended the newly wedded couple, after which they were directed to the ball room, where a fine collation was in waiting, and it is unnecessary to say the boys did it justice. After the banquet a foot ball game was the next thing on the program, and about 25 silk tiles were the balls. It is unnecessary to say about the same number of the boys wended their way home with overcoats over their heads and ears. All had a jolly good time and wish Mr. and Mrs. Loerzel a long and happy married life.

The annual inspection of the village fire department took place Friday afternoon in front of Fireman’s hall under the supervision of Edward J. Lewis. The apparatus of the department was found to be in superior condition, although some slight repairs were found needed to some of it. Out of 1900 feet of hose, 150 feet was bursted on the trial and 250 feet more was found to be in an almost worthless condition. These 400 feet were what remained of the old lot purchased by the village nearly thirty years ago. About 1500 feet of hose was found to be in go condition. Chief Lewis thinks 50 feet more of new hose is needed to put the department in proper condition to contend with the fire fiend.

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Souvenir Programme – Presented With The Best Wishes of the First Baptist Church of Saugerties. [unnumbered pages have been pasted in the scrapbook] [illustration]

1907. Map of Saugerties dated 1876. [illustration]


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1909. THE VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES
It is “beautiful for situation” Located in the north-eastern part of Ulster county at the foot of the famous Catskill Mountains, where the gentle Esopus creek empties itself into the lordly Hudson river, and lying on an eminence commanding a fine prospect of all the surrounding country, a more charming place can scarcely be imagined. It is described in Spafford’s Gazetteer as being in the year 1813, “A village of about a dozen houses, handsomely situated on a level plain, where is considerable business.” Since then it has grown to be a thriving and beautiful village of about 5,000 inhabitants second to none in attractions for the summer tourist, and steadily growing in commercial importance. Some of the features of Saugerties that are found to be of advantage to its inhabitants, may be briefly mentioned: Aside from the picturesqueness of the surroundings, its abundance of shade, easy drainage, pure drinking water, it has superior postal, telegraph, telephone and express facilities; there is gas and electric light works; an Opera House, Hotels, Lodge Rooms; Churches, Schools, Public Library; two Banks and a Savings Bank, superior stores of various kinds; newspapers, two weeklies and a daily; a Young Men’s Christian Association; unequaled bus lines to and from boats, ferries and railroad trains, the
connections of which are very satisfactory; in short, everything that is to be found in a first class enterprising village.

On account of its romantic scenery, the salubrious air and equable temperature, its abundant supply of pure water, and other attractions, both of an intellectual, social and business character, it is considered a most desirable place to live, not only for the summer, but all the year round. And it is believed that no place along the Hudson river possesses greater facilities for the convenience of manufacturers, and those who would do business where water privileges are required, and where opportunities for transportation are demanded. Saugerties has an open hand of welcome for all, and invites an inspection of its beauties and advantages.

The first settlement in Ulster county was made in 1614, six years prior to the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers on Plymouth Rock. The town of Kingston comprising what is now Kingston and Saugerties was organized in 1684. The town of Saugerties was separated from Kingston, April 5, 1811. The village of Saugerties was first incorporated April 26, 1831, as Ulster. The name was changed April 1, 1855, to Saugerties, said to be derived from the Dutch “Zagger,” a sawyer, from a saw mill built by the Livingstons on the Saw kill creek.

The business development of Saugerties dates back to the time of Henry Barclay, who was virtually the founder of the village. Mr. Barclay came to the place in 1825-1826, and after securing water privileges began at once to erect a dam across the Esopus creek, and cut the present race-way through several hundred feet of solid rock, established paper mills, iron mill, and lead factories. He was an enterprising, public-spirited man, and for many years was the leading spirit of the town, was interested in every good work, and when he died January 3, 1851, it was found that he had left his mark eneffaceably upon the place and its people.

1910. FOR MORE THAN FIFTY YEARS ULSTER IRON MILL WORKERS - Taken in 1894.

2. Charles E. Cornwell, born in Saugerties May 23, 1829. Almost life-long resident of the town. At present one [sic] the board of village directors. For many years a zealous member of the Baptist Church. Began work in iron mill at 8 or 9 years of age, continuing until the business was suspended. For several years past he has been employed in the paper mills.

4. John Lowther, born at Saugerties Sept. 12, 1827. Entered the mill with Mr. Cornwell at the age of 10 years. Continued till the works shut down. A man of fine physique. A charter member of the old Empire Fire Engine Company. Died October 16, 1894, being 64 years of age. His family still live in Saugerties.

3. Dennis Sullivan, born in Ireland, Dec 7, 1824. Came to Saugerties in year 1829. At the age of 9 years commenced working in the iron mill, and continued till the close of the business. Is now living in New York city.

1. James A. James, born in Merthyr Tydvil, South Wales, Sept. 4, 1818, died Sept. 15, 1888 aged 70 years. Came to Saugerties in 1830 and began work in iron mill at that time, being 10 years of age. Was superintendent of the forge for many years. Was President of the village board; charter member of old Empire Engine Co., an active member of Baptist Church. [illustration]


At the annual meeting of the Saugerties Wine, Beer and Liquor Dealers Association, held Tuesday, Dec. 10th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: William Ziegler, president; Henry Tepe, vice-president; Frank A. Yerger, secretary; Edward Moran, financial secretary; George M. Connolly, treasurer; Martin Sexton, Denis McLaughlin, Edward Moran, A. L. Decker, Harry Thomas, executive committee; Michael Rourke, sergeant-at-arms.
1912. The Telegraph, Jan. 16th, 1896.
The following officers for Saugerties Council 1365, Royal Arcanum, were installed by the District Deputy
Hornbeck, Friday evening, Jan. 10th: Jos. W. Reinhard, regent; Ernest Hassinger, vice regent; Wm. E. Van
Buskirk, orator; H. A. Ohley, past regent; Homer Russell, secretary; D. W. Maxwell, collector; Charles
Clum, treasurer; C. W. Quick, chaplain; E. Paradise, guide; Byron Hallenbeck, warden; J.T. Washburn, Jr.,
sentry; Wm. E. Van Buskirk, delegate to the Grand Council; H. A. Ohley, proxy; J. T. Washburn, Jr.,
trustee for 3 years. Brother Ohley was presented with a Past Grand Jewel, which is highly appreciated by
him.

Last Friday evening Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39 I. O. O. F., elected the following officers for the
ensuing term: Edward D. Burhans, chief Patriarch; Ernest Myer, Senior Warden; Charles H. Vedder,
Junior Warden; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; Robert Webber, Scribe; Henry A. Ohley, Treasurer; Ernest
Hassinger, John Lang and Ezra Carnright, Trustees; Elisha Paradise, Representative to the Grand
Encampment; Henry A. Ohley, Proxy Representative.

Guilty of It capable of Any Crime that Does Not Require Courage –
Boston, Nov. 20 – Colonel Robert G. Ingersoll has sent to the New England Anti-Vivisection Society a
letter in which he says:
“Vivisection is the disgrace and shame of some of the sciences. A good man would no more think of
flaying a living animal than of murdering his mother. It is wonderful that it ever occurred to any human
being to dissect any living animal; to so fasten a horse or dog that he could not resist, and then proceed
to cut him in pieces for the purpose of ascertaining certain facts that, by no possibility, can be of real use
to any human being. It is still more wonderful that anybody ever did this.
“The man who cuts a hoof from a living horse is capable of committing any crime that does not require
courage. Such an experiment can be of no use. Millions of living animals have been cut to pieces.
Millions of experiments have been tried; all the nerves have been touched. Every possible agony has
been inflicted, and many volumes have been published filled with the cruelties of these experiments,
giving all the details and the results. People who are curious about such things can read these reports.
There is no need of repeating such savage experiments.
“I believe that it is the duty of every civilized man to do what he can to prevent the infamous practice of
vivisection. No good man can have the slightest respect for one who cares nothing for the agonies of
the lower animals.”

Monday evening District Deputy Grand Master Norman Cunyes installed the following officers in
Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., for the ensuing term: Jeremiah France, Noble Grand; Winslow D. Van
Etten, Vice-Grand; Charles Clum, Recording Secretary; William E. Wolven, Permanent Secretary; James
H. Carew, Treasurer; Caleb Rowe, Warden; William B. Field, Conductor; Ira Swart, Chaplain; Howard
Vandebogart, Right Supporter of the Noble Grand; U. E. Winans, Left Supporter of the Noble Grand;
Charles L. Teetsel, Right Supporter of the Vice Grand; William W. Whitaker, Left Supporter of the Vice
Grand; Ferris Fuller, Right Scene Supporter; Frank Quick, Left Scene Supporter; George Green, Inside
Guardian; Conrad Weinand, Outside Guardian.

At a regular meeting of Cigar Makers’ Union No. 84, of this village, the following officers were elected
for the ensuing term: John G. Palmer, President; M. Fitzgerald, Vice-President; George Gordon,
Corresponding and Financial Secretary; R. E. Young, Recording Secretary; Charles H. Yake, Treasurer; C.
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook


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1917. Leading Industries of Saugerties.

THE SHEFFIELD PAPER COMPANY
This is a reorganization of the business formerly carried on by J. B. Sheffield & Son – the paper mills originally founded by Henry Barclay – and which organization was made necessary on account of the failure in 1889. Date of incorporation May 9, 1894. Col. A. G. Paine, president and general manager. Capital stock $300,000. This institution manufactures fine grades of writing paper. About 100 hands are employed, and about 2,500 tons of paper manufactured annually.

THE SAUGERTIES MANUFACTURING COMPANY
This is also a re-organization of a part of the old Sheffield concern. At the time of the failure the creditors took possession of the business and organized what was known as the Sheffield Manufacturing Company. This arrangement proved unsatisfactory, and April 24, 1895, the Saugerties Manufacturing Company was incorporated. Howard Gillespy secretary, treasurer and general manager. Capital stock $225,000. This company manufactures blank books, envelopes, pads and Papetries in the new buildings erected by the Sheffields in 1889. (see following page) The several departments are handsomely equipped. 200 persons are employed, and $300,000 worth of stock it put on the market annually.

THE BARCLAY FIBRE COMPANY
This is for the manufacture of sulphite fibre used as paper stock. The fibre is made from spruce wood, chipped into small discs and digested (cooked) in great digesters (or boilers). It is an immense concern, and the buildings, which are located on the site of the old iron mills, are well furnished, with suitable machinery and an acid plant for making sulphuric acid. This company was incorporated in 1886. T. V. R. Brown, treasurer and general manager. It is doing a good business, 80 hands being employed, and 5,000 tons dry weight being manufactured yearly.

THE MARTIN CANTINE COMPANY
was incorporated in 1892. Capital stock, $30,000. Martin Cantine president, treasurer and manager. The business of this company is to manufacture fine surface and coated papers for use in lithographing and printer’s work. They have a fine plant, employ about 35 hands, and manufacture about 1,800 tons annually.

THE SAUGERTIES WATER COMPANY
This company was formed in 1886. F. M. Murphy, Superintendent. The system is a gravity one, and by means of it the village is supplied with the choicest spring water. The water is taken from Plattekill creek, about 5 miles distant, and is used by about 500 consumers.

THE SAUGERTIES AND NEW YORK STEAMBOAT COMPANY
Incorporated March 8, 1887, Robert A. Snyder, president; H. L. Finger, general manager. Two large, fine steamers, The Saugerties and the Ulster, A. W. Hale and W. L. Finger, captains, run daily leaving New York and Saugerties alternately. It is for the purpose of carrying passengers and freight to and fro between these and intermediate points. Season opens Mar 15, and closes December 15. Business averages about $75,000 per annum.

1918. Picture Blank Book, Envelope, Pad and Papatrie, Box and Printing Departments of the Saugerties Manufacturing Co. [illustration]

At the annual election of the Saugerties Mænner Quartette held Wednesday evening, Jan. 8th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Theodore Kistner, President; Robert Ballman, Vice-President; Charles Quase, secretary; John Lang, Treasurer; James W. Kime and Ernest Hassinger, Trustees; George Castle, musical director, Herman Gleisner, Maître de Plaisair.
1920. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 20, 1896. What Happened in Saugerties Ten Years Ago To-day. The Saugerties Männerchor was organized. The following officers were chosen: Henry A. Hildebrandt, President; C. Haug, Vice-President; Charles Quase, Secretary; Herman Gleisner, Treasurer; Charles Faeber, Librarian; Frank W. Loerzel, Musical Director.

1921. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston, NY. Jan. 31, 1896. Yesterday afternoon Chief Engineer W. V. Burhans, accompanied by assistants McCormick and Hassinger, and E. L. Quick of the board of directors, made an inspection of the engine house and apparatus of the fire department. The chief engineer will recommend the purchase of a few sundries, in order that everything may be in readiness in case of an emergency.

1922. Thirty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the Hudson River Central Baptist Association at Saugerties, N. Y. Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 11 and 12, 1895. [illustration] Preceded by the Meetings of the Pastor’s Conference, Tuesday afternoon, and Evening, September 10, 1895.

PASTOR’S CONFERENCE
2:00 Devotional Exercises, Rev. R. E. Farrier, Poughkeepsie.
3:30 A Home Sick Pastor, Rev. C. E. Clausen, Brockport.
3:00 Paper – The Philosophy of Schleidermacher.”
3:30 Conference
4:00 Adjournment
4:00 Meeting of the Missionary Board – Rev. A. K. Fuller, Pres.

TUESDAY EVENING
7:30 Service of Song, Howard P. Crum, Saugerties.
7:45 Paper “Ministerial Unrest and its Causes” Rev. F. W. Lockwood, Sing Sing.
8:45 Adjournment.

1923. The Kingston Leader, Kingston, NY. Thursday, Dec. 4 – Contributory Negligence – The Testimony of Mr. Belch Discredited by the General Term.
The opinion of the General Term, reversing the $10,000 verdict obtained by Thomas B. Belch, of Saugerties, against the West Shore Railroad for the loss of a hand by accident, is written by Judge Herrick and concurred in by Judges Putnam and Mayham. The court reverses the judgment on the merits, holding in effect that Belch was guilty of contributory negligence. Judge Herrick says that it is undisputed that the locomotive which struck Belch bore a headlight and that it could be seen 2,800 feet and that the approach of the train could be heard from Saugerties station, a mile away. In spite of this, Judge Herrick says, we are asked to believe that the plaintiff looked and listened and saw and heard nothing of the approach of the train, although it could be seen for 2,800 feet and that he walked from a position of security on the west track to the east track, neither seeing nor hearing the approaching train until it struck him. “If he says he did look both ways,” continues the opinion, “and did not see or hear it until it struck him, I do not believe his story and consequently cannot see that he took reasonable precautions to avoid the accident.” The General Term reverses the judgment and also the order denying the motion for a new trial.
It is no longer the Tri-County Firemen’s Association, but the Quintet-County Firemen’s Association, rendered so by the late action of the Tri-County Association at Coxsackie last October, admitting Orange and Dutchess Counties’ Firemen to brotherhood. ‘Tis well.

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1925. Meeting of Association [Hudson River Central Baptist Association]

**WEDNESDAY MORNING**

10:00 Calling to order by Moderator of Last Year, Rev. W. E. Foote, Warwick, N. Y.
10:45 Roll Call of Churches and Response of Delegates.
11:00 Election of Officers.
11:15 Reading of Letters from the Churches, Beginning with that of the Saugerties Church.
12:15 Adjournment.

**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.**

2:30 Prayer
Appointment of Committees:
- On Application of Churches
- On Digest of Letter
- On Circular Letter
- On Treasury
- On Resolutions
- On Obituary
- On Next Anniversary
2:40 Reading of Letters Resumed.
3:30 Addresses by Representatives of Benevolent Societies
- Missionary Union, Rev. E. E. Carvers, D. D.
- Minister’s Home, Rev. M. H. Pogson, D. D.
Report of Committee on Application of Churches.
4:00 Reading of Letters Resumed.
5:00 Adjournment.

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**WEDNESDAY EVENING.**

7:15 Song Service
7:30 Prayer
Business
Singing
Scripture
8:00 Echoes from Baltimore Convention.
8:30 Address Rev. J. B. Simmons, D. D.
8:45 Address Rev. Halsey Moore, D. D.
9:00 Solo Rev. W. F. Stowe
9:05 Address Rev. Edward Judson, D. D.
9:35 Singing: “Faith is the Victory.”
Benediction and adjournment.

**THURSDAY MORNING**
9:30 Association Called to Order.
   Prayer.
   Report of Officers:
   Corresponding Secretary
   Treasurer
   Trustees
   Reports of Committees:
   On Treasury
   On Digest of Letters
   On Circular Letters
   On Obituary
   On Resolution
   On Next Anniversary
10:30 Appointment of Committee on Program for Next Session.
    Delegates to State Convention.
    Miscellaneous Business.
11:30 Closing Sermon Rev. F. A. Heath, Middletown, N. Y.
12:00 Adjournment.

1927. Frederick Henry Gates the present pastor of the Saugerties Baptist Church, was born in
Jacksonville, Tompkins county, N. Y., July 15, 1857. He is the second of a large family of children, the son
of Miles W. Gates and Eunice A. Miller, both of Puritan ancestry. At an early age he went with his
parents to live in the village of Watkins, N. Y., where he received his early education. Before he was of
age, he had not only passed through the High schools of the village, but had served an apprenticeship at
the printer’s trade in the printing office of his father, publisher of the Schuyler County Times. His
conversion, which took place in 1875, was the turning point in his career. It was brought about through
the example of his devoted Christian mother and the efforts of two or three friends who had labored to
effect it, and of whom he frequently speaks, with tenderness and gratitude.
Soon after conversion he felt impressed with his duty to preach the gospel, and was licensed by the
Watkins church of which he was then a member. He at once set to work to prepare himself more
thoroughly for the ministry. Not being a rich man’s son, he had to work his way by preaching as
opportunities offered. Though this doubled the work he was required to do, yet the practical
experience gained by him was invaluable, and when he graduated from Rochester Theological Seminary
in the class of 1891, he was as well equipped for the work as could be desired. It was at this time that
he received the call to Saugerties, and the character of the work done since the results accomplished, he
prefers that others should speak of rather than himself. Mr. Gates was ordained to the ministry, May,
1877, has preached more or less in Etna, McLean, Truxton, Genoa, Macedon, N. Y., and Smethport, Pa.
In every place where he has labored his ministry has been well received and attended with excellent
results. He belongs to a family of preachers, five brothers being Baptist ministers, all located in this
state, and doing good service. Mr. Gates was married June 5, 1877, to Miss Nella L. Hayes, of
Cincinnatus, N. Y., a worthy helpmeet, and by whom he has had three children, one son and two
daughters. He is still young, and if life and health are spared, will undoubtedly be permitted to
accomplish much for his beloved Master. [illustration]

1928. The accompanying cut gives an idea of the new edifice of the First Baptist Church. The building is
in the Romanesque style of architecture with a frontage of fifty feet on Partition St., and a depth of
ninety-two feet. The exterior is of red brick with blue stone trimmings, and dark slate roof. Two
entrances to the building, one under the tower on the south eastern corner and one on the north western corner lead into the edifice. The main auditorium has a seating capacity of four hundred; and by the use of the Sunday School room at the opposite end from the pulpit, connected with the auditorium by sliding doors, seating comfortable one hundred persons; and by the use of chairs in the aisles, fully six hundred persons can easily be accommodated. The floor of the auditorium has a slope toward the pulpit of twenty degrees, and the pews are arranged in semi circular form. Immediately above and back of the pulpit is the choir gallery, with place for a grand pipe organ, and a large chorus of singers. Behind the pulpit, and under the choir gallery, opened by sliding doors, which are kept closed except when in use, is the baptistery. A most beautiful effect is secured by the interior's being painted to resemble a river scene, so that when the ordinance is being administered, it has the appearance of being done in an open stream. In the rear of the baptistery there are dressing rooms, on one side several for men, and on the other several for women. The ceiling of the auditorium is in the double dome style, about thirty-one feet in height, finished in plaster, and tastefully decorated in water colors. In the front part of the building and over the Sunday School room, is a class room, a prayer meeting room or ladies parlor, and a room for the use of the pastor or the trustees. The wood work and ceiling in all the rooms is finished in light colors, thus giving to the entire interior a very bright and cheerful appearance. With very little expense the basement of the building can be utilized for kitchen, toilet, or other purposes as may be desired. The building is heated by steam, and great care has been taken as to the ventilation. On the whole it is a most convenient and beautiful edifice, an ornament to the village, and a pride to the denomination. [illustration]

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1929. The auditorium was opened for the first service Feb., 1891. Dr. Bridgman, of New York, and in his boyhood a child of the church, preaching the dedicatory sermon. This was a great and glad day for the church.

The building, including furniture, fixtures, &c. cost $16,173.47. Of this amount the church has raised and paid $9,173.47, leaving a debt in the form of a mortgage on the property, of $7,000, which matures June 1, 1896. It is utterly out of the question, without outside help, for the church to meet this obligation. The assessed valuation of the property represented by the membership is less than $17,000. These brothers have already lifted, not only for the building, but for the support of worship from year to year till they can do no more. One of the members of the church has recently mortgaged his home in order to help carry out this enterprise, and other brethren are making similar sacrifices, only in other ways. One man not a member of the church, the Hon. Wm. F. Russell of Saugerties, some time since gave his check, for $1,000 to help reduce the debt.

Since the present pastor began his labors in October, 1891, the congregations in attendance upon the services of the church have been large and interesting. Conversions have taken place at intervals, 50 having been baptized during the time. This in the only Baptist church between Catskill and Kingston, a distance of twenty-four miles. The field is ripe for the truth held by Baptists, and it seems a pity that a church with such a prospect before it should be left to struggle with a few thousand dollars debt, and be hindered in its God-given and blessed work, when there are those who could greatly help if they would. Contributions are hereby solicited for this purpose. We appeal to those who have this world’s goods to help us. Contributions for this object, however small, will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged. Men of Israel, help! – “Bear ye one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.”

Church Officers
Pastor – Rev. F. H. Gates
Clerk – E. R. Winans, Charles Burhans pro tem
Deacons – John H. Jones, Dr. John

Sunday School Officers and Teachers
Superintendent – Rev. F. H. Gates
Asst. Supt – George A. Griffis
Secretary – E. A. Ricketson, Jr.
Treasurer - Howard Crum
1930. John Vedder, M. D. – Dr. John Vedder was born in the village of Leeds, in the town of Catskill, September 8, 1815. His father and mother were of Holland extraction, and gave birth to 11 children, of whom the Dr. was the fourth. He attended school till about 17 years of age, after which he engaged in teaching for a couple of years. At the conclusion of this time he began the study of medicine with Dr. Horatio Dewey, at Leeds. Here he spent three years, during which time he attended two courses of lectures at the Pittsfield (Mass.) Medical College, and was a classmate of Oliver Wendell Holmes. Coming to Saugerties at the expiration of this period, he spent two years in the office of Drs. Kiersted & Freiligh. Then, because of a change in the business, his course of study was completed with Dr. Thomas H. Hamilton, graduating from Fairfield (Herkimer County, N. Y.) Medical College in 1838. After spending years in the practice of his profession at Leeds, during which time he was the companion of his widowed mother, he came in 1847 to Saugerties, where he has ever since resided. Through summer’s heat and winter’s cold, at all times of day and night, among rich and poor alike, he had continued the practice of medicine; at times displaying much skill, and uniformly meeting with good success. His course throughout has been marked by uprightness, patience and fidelity. The Dr. has been three times married, the first time in 1840 to Miss Mary C. Vandenburg, of Saugerties, who died in 1860. She was the mother of four of his children, three of whom, Mrs. Mary C. Blanchard of Bridgeville, Del., John H. and William S. Vedder, both of Wilmington, Del., are living. He was again married in 1863 to Mrs. Sarah M. Delanoy, of Glasco, who gave birth to his youngest son, Charles H. Vedder, now foreman of the Saugerties Daily Post. After the death of this good woman in 1868, he was again married in 1871 to his present wife, Miss Eliza M. Danielson, of Danielson, Conn. Dr. Vedder is a member of the Baptist Church, having been baptized by the Rev. H. C. Longyear. Much of the time he has been a deacon of the church, performing the duties of that office well, enjoying the confidence and love of his brethren in a high degree. Though now incapacitated from active service by reason of the growing infirmities of age, his venerable form is still often seen on the street and in the house of God much to the delight of all who know him. There is no one who does not respect and honor this good man. [Illustration]

1931. John H. Jones – John H. Jones was born in Staffordshire, England, February 21, 1823. Came with his parents to this country in 1831, and settled in Saugerties. After securing good school privileges, he began, at the age of 15 years, to learn the trade of iron worker. For a period of 45 years he was employed in the Ulster Iron Works, a long time having charge of the heating department. June, 1846, he was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Beckley, a woman of excellent qualities, who is still living, but in delicate health. Eight children have been born to this worthy couple, five of whom, Mrs. Rev. Jacob L.
Williams, Mrs. Charles A. Barnes, Mrs. Jeremiah Finger, Mrs. John P. Goodwin and Miss Effie Jones are living to cheer and gladden their parent’s hearts. Mr. Jones’ father and mother were both exemplary Christian people, members of the Baptist denomination, and were rejoiced when, at the age of 17 years, he made a profession of faith and united with the church of their choice. Ever since he has been one of the staunchest members of the Saugerties church. At an early age he was elected Deacon; which office he still holds and adorns with a well-ordered life and godly conversation.

At one time he served for several successive terms as Superintendent of the Sunday School, a position for which he seemed eminently fitted, and in which he rendered efficient and valuable service, good discipline being one of the characteristic features of the school under his skilful management. He has always been interested in the church’s welfare and when, in 1890-91, the present beautiful house of worship was erected, he was made Chairman of the Building Committee; did more than any other one man to bring the matter to a successful issue. He gave the work his personal supervision from day to day, and there was probably not a brick laid or a timber put in place that Mr. Jones did not see it done. In soliciting contributions and in every way possible he gave valuable service, never charging the church a penny for his time or work. Mr. Jones is an energetic, upright man, universally respected and esteemed, and although his fellow-citizens have at various times tried to honor him with public office, he has generally declined such preferment, choosing rather to devote himself to the good of his family and the church. The burden of the church still rests upon his heart, and it would be the joy of his life to see the last vestige of its debt removed. May he live to see it! [illustration]

1932. Henry Christopher Longyear. The subject of this sketch, and whose portrait appears above, it the youngest of a family of eleven children, and was born in the town of Shandaken, near what is now the village of Phoenicia, June 23d, 1826. His father, Andrew Longyear was of Holland Dutch stock, and for many years was a leading citizen of the town of Shandaken. His mother’s name was Elizabeth Rogers, a direct descendant of John Rogers the first martyr under Queen Mary, and who was burnt at the stake, Feb 4th, 1555. In early childhood he was in very delicate health. It was not thought he could live until his twentieth year. This prevented him from acquiring the advantages of a higher education, the lack of which he greatly regretted in later years. Oct. 15th, 1846, he was married to Miss Melissa Bishop, a woman of excellent qualities, and who has been in every way a help-meet to him through a long and active life. His conversion to Christ took place when he was about twenty-one years of age, and was brought about by means of the preaching of Elder Thomas Stokes, an itinerant Baptist Missionary. On June 23d, 1849, he was by this man of God baptized into the fellowship of the Woodstock Baptist Church. He was at once impressed with a conviction that it was his duty to preach the gospel. After struggling for nearly two years with doubts and fears, the way at last opened for him to engage in the work, and ever since he has continued to preach, the blessed fruits that have attended his ministry attesting to his divine call. A council which met with the Woodstock Church, May 20th, 1854, advised his ordination to the ministry, and the following day he was publicly set apart to the work by appropriate services. For five years he was pastor of the Woodstock Church, during the time preaching at many outstations, where there were people who but for him might never have heard the word of Life. In 1857, he became pastor of the Westkill Baptist Church, where he remained for seven happy years. From April, 1864 to May, 1867, he acted as Missionary of the Greene and Ulster Baptist Quarterly Conference, traveling through the two counties after the example of his Master, doing all the good he could. In May, 1867, he became pastor of the Saugerties Baptist Church, continuing till January, 1886, nearly nineteen years, and years full of blessing to both pastor and people, the full record of which

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will never be known till the books are opened in the light of “that great day,” and every man shall receive according to as his work has been. Since his resignation of the pastorate of the Saugerties Church, made necessary on account of physical disability, he has preached only at intervals, much of the
time suffering great pain and difficulty by reason of rheumatism – but the same faith in God which has
ever characterized him, the same cheerful, happy disposition, the same loving kindness and
benevolence of heart which has continually marked his career, characterizes him still, and it is the prayer
of his multitude of friends everywhere he is known, that he may long be spared to enjoy the blessings of
a well-earned repose, and to cheer others by his sunshiny presence and cheery words. [illustration]

1933. Hon. William Fiero Russell – One of Saugerties’ oldest, most respected, and most worthy citizens.
The third son of Hon. Jeremiah Russell and Elizabeth Moose, he was born at Trumbour’s Corners, this
town, January 14, 1812. When two years of age he came with his parents to what is now the village of
Saugerties, where he has ever since resided. He attended district school till he was 13 years of age,
when he was taken into his father’s in the capacity of clerk. Here he remained till little past his majority,
when, in connection with his brother-in-law, Col. E. J. McCarthy, he bought out the business of his
father, and for a number of years an increasingly successful business was carried on by them. In 1836
Mr. Russell purchased the interest of his partner in the concern, and to this added the purchase and sale
of blue stone, a business which was then in its infancy, but which soon reached immense proportions.
By the year 1850, Mr. Russell had acquired a large property, and feeling that other interests required his
attention, he sold out the business to Col. McCarthy, and thus closed his career as a merchant. Though
never having sought it Mr. Russell has always been identified with politics. His first vote was cast for
“Old Hickory” in 1832. In 1833 he was appointed postmaster of Saugerties, which position he held till
1840. In that year he was chosen a delegate to the Young Men’s Democratic State Convention held at
Utica. In 1851 he was elected to the Assembly. While in the Legislature he was elected member of a
joint committee of the Senate and Assembly to examine and investigate the accounts of the
Comptroller, State Treasurer, and auditor of the Canal Department, and the securities and condition of
the Banking Department of the State of New York. In 1856 he was elected to the Thirty-Fifth Congress,
was appointed Navy Agent for the port of New York in 1859, and in 1860, he, in company with a number
of leading gentlemen, established “The Saugerties Bank,” of which he was chosen President, and which
position he has filled continuously since its organization.
March 29, 1878, he was tendered by the Supreme Court and Attorney General of the State of New York,
the Receivership of Sixpenny Savings Bank of the City of New York. When Mr. Russell was discharged
from his trust in 1883, dividends to the amount of 85.55-100 per cent had been paid to the depositors,
and the affairs of the corporation settled to the entire satisfaction of all concerned.
Although 83 years of age Mr. Russell is still remarkable vigorous, and may be seen nearly every day in his
place of business. He has by a life of industry, and frugality accumulated an immense amount of
property. Although not a member of the church, he is a believer in the Christian religion and friendly
toward all denominations. There is not a church in the village, but that has been favored with his
benefactions, and many is the private individual who has known what it was to be helped by him in the
hour of need. May he shadow never grow less. [illustration]

1934. John Edmond Lasher, the youngest child of James Lasher and Ann Brink, was born in the town of
Woodstock, January 12, 1826. Young John remained at home till he was 21 years of age, helping his
father about the farm, and getting such an education as the times afforded. Upon reaching his majority
he came to Saugerties and for six months clerked in a dry goods and grocery store. At the end of this
period he went to Coxsackie, and clerked in the store of his brother for five years. About this time he
went into business for himself with one Alfred Palmer. From this time on Mr. Lasher’s career was of an
uncertain and varying character. It was not till the year 1867, that his fortunes began to take a
decidedly favorable turn. Having disposed of the mercantile and blue stone business which he was then
engaged, he began furnishing railroad corporations with Southern pine lumber, a business which soon
assumed immense proportions, averaging from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 feet of lumber and ties a year,
involving from $100,000 to $700,000 per annum.
In consequence of his strict attention to business, and as a result of the operations so successfully carried on for many years, Mr. Lasher has accumulated a handsome fortune. It is his wish not to add a single dollar to his capital. Mr. Lasher has for about 35 years been a consistent member of the Reformed Church, in which he has held for many years the office of Elder. About three years ago he presented the church to which he belongs with a fine new Memorial Organ, and not long since he presented to the church of another denomination, the First Baptist Church of Saugerties, and without solicitation, a fine new Memorial Bell. It is an act such as is characteristic of him, one that has justly raised him in the esteem of this community, and one which will be of incalculable advantage to the church, which is the happy recipient of it. Across the flange of the bell Mr. Lasher has very appropriately had inscribed, “Let him that heareth say come.” Let us hope that whoever hears the sound of the bell will come, not only to the house of the Lord, but to the Saviour of sinners, and that long years after Mr. Lasher has passed away from earth, the bell which he has given will serve to perpetuate his memory, and call God’s wandering children home. [illustration]

Steamers - Saugerties & Ulster, W. L. Finger, Captain, A. W. Hale, Captain
Leaves Saugerties at 6 o’clock P. M. daily, except Saturdays. Leaving New York Pier 48, Foot of West 11th Street, Daily at 5 P. M.
First Class Passenger and Stateroom Accommodations.
Express Freight Service at Lowest Prices
Special attention given to the care of Horses and Carriages.
Fare $1.00 Excursion Tickets, $1.50 (Good For 10 Days) [illustration]

1936. Dealers in Fine Grades of Furniture, Undertakers and Funeral Directors.
This handsome building was erected in 1882, John A. Wood, New York, architect. It is 36 feet front, 135 feet deep, and is made of the best grade Philadelphia pressed brick, with Ohio granite trimmings. It is 3 stories high, and is occupied exclusively by the enterprising firm in the conduct of their business, reaching over a period of 21 years. [illustration]

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[Advertisements published in the Baptist Convention programme]
1937. For a Stylish Hat, Fine Foot Wear or a pair of Dent’s Imported Fine Kid Dress Gloves, call on R. B. Overbagh, Main St. Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]


1940. Dry Goods & Carpets, J. K. Merritt, 1871-1895. – Dry Goods and Carpet House – 134 feet deep, 27 feet wide, 3 stories with basement, elegantly lighted, modern improvements, with telephone connections. No better place to trade than Merritt’s. [illustration]


1943. James Russell, Dealer In Stoves, Ranges, Hardware, Agricultural Implements, Etc. 191 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]


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1945. John C. Davis & Co. – Wish to Call Your Attention to Their Large Assortment of - Boots, Shoes and Rubbers – For Fall of 1895 - Our Prices Have Always Been the Lowest and Will Still Continue to Be While We Are – Yours Respectfully - John C. Davis & Co. William V. Burhans, John C. Davis. [illustration]

1946. Davis Clothing Co., Saugerties, N. Y. - Are now showing all their Fall and Winter Styles of Hats, Ready Made Clothing & Gents Furnishing Goods - Hosiery, Underwear, &c. – At Prices That are Right – Davis Clothing Co. [illustration]

1947. I. Lazarus – The Leading Tailor, Clothier and Gents Outfitter – Is making the following offer: Watch and Chair Given Away Free with Boys’ Suit. Fall stock just received – Prices lower that the lowest. Agent for the Dutchess Trowsers, warranted never to rip. The largest and most complete assortment of Men’s Boy’s and Children’s Clothing to be found in Ulster County. These watches Guaranteed to Keep Good Time for One Year. [illustration]

1948. To Those Who Wish to Purchase Fancy Groceries, “Perfect” Canned Goods, - or – “Diamond Medal” Flour, which Leads the World, Call on us at 85 Partition Street, Myer & Carnright. [illustration]

1949. Van Buskirk’s Livery – 121 Partition Street, Saugerties, N. Y. – Livery, Boarding and Accommodation Stables. – First Class Bus and Cab Line – Connecting with all Trains and the Saugerties and New York Steamboats, C. Van Buskirk, Proprietor. [illustration]

1950. At Wesley Shultis’ The place to buy Full Cream Cheese, Gilt Edge Butter and all Fancy Groceries, Dry Goods, Throw In. [illustration]

1951. Saugerties Bargain Store, Emerick Bros. Dealers in Crockery, Glass, Tin and Wooden Ware – House Furnishings Goods and Notions. Fancy and Staple Groceries, 199 Main Street A Well Posted Man – Always buys of us. He knows our Stock is the Freshest and Most Complete in Town. Staple and Fancy articles at the Most Moderate Charges. [illustration]

1952. In 1895 It will be the Proper Thing to Buy Your Dress Goods, Cloaks & Underwear At Butzel’s - Prices the Lowest – the Butterick Paper Patterns, Carried in Stock, Step in and get a Fashion Sheet Free, At Butzel’s. [illustration]

1954. On or about the first of November, Philip A. Lasher, The Market Man, now at No. 6 Market St., will open up at the old Jeremiah Finger Stand, One of the Largest and Most Complete Meat and Vegetable Markets - To be found in Ulster County. Everything will be choice and at the Lowest Prices. [illustration]

1955. “Do You Feel Like a Soda?” “Yes!” Well he knows where to go for it then. Only one place in town that he considers. Van Buskirk’s Drug Store – They try to please in quality, prices and fair dealing. Take your next prescription to them and try their methods of doing business. [paper is light pink] [illustration]

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1956. Hull’s Bazaar – is the place to buy all lines of Crockery, Tin and Wooden Ware. At Prices that Defy Competition. We carry as Choice a line of Groceries, Home Furnishing Goods and Notions as can be found in town. We sell only for Cash and can undersell those who sell on credit. – Hull and Bedell, 186 Main St., Saugerties. [illustration]


1958. Saugerties Daily and Weekly Post
Jernegan & Ronk, proprietors – Job printing a Speciality. [illustration]

1959. West Shore Railroad – Time Table
On and after September 8, 1895. Trains will leave Saugerties station as follows:

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For complete time table, tickets, and information, call on
W. L. Darbee, Agent, Saugerties station.

C. E. Lambert
General Passenger Agent
3 Vanderbilt Ave., New York [illustration]

1960. In Going to and From Trains be sure and take L. DePuy Davis’ Superior Line of Busses. - First Class Livery, Sales and Boarding Stables – Nearly Opposite Baptist Church. [illustration]

The veteran and successful hunters A. A. Post and Martin M. Baker, returned a few evening ago from an expedition “way up the mountains,” with a goodly number of rabbits and partridges which they presented to Charles Lusk. Mr. Lusk decided to give a game supper to a few friends of Messrs. Post and Baker, as well as his own, and on Thursday evening Albert Carnright, Louis J. Butzel, Wm. Doyle, Thos. B. Belch, Ezra Carnright, Abram Turck, Joseph Keenan, Chas. Lusk, Ernest Hassinger, A. A. Post, Rudger Suderley and Irwin Ronk gathered at Mr. Lusk’s residence on Washington avenue and enjoyed a feast fit
for a king. A most agreeable evening was spent and Mr. Lusk proved himself an excellent host. It is the wish of all those present the Messrs. Post and Baker will always be as successful as they were on their last hunting trip.

Christmas was unusually quiet and but little of the hilarity of former years was observed on the streets, which presented more of a Sunday than a holiday appearance. A large number of former residents came from abroad and spent the day with relatives and friends. Special services were held in Trinity, St. Mary’s and the Lutheran churches, the Sunday School children of the latter giving an entertainment in the evening, which was a very pleasant affair and was witnessed by a large congregation. In the evening, Ulster Lodge No. 193, F. & A. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing year: William Ziegler, Worshipful Master; William V. Burhans, Senior Warden; Frederick N. Moulton, Junior Warden; Homer Russell, Secretary; Jeremiah P. Russell, Treasurer; Samuel Cohen, Trustee for three years.

The Executive Committee of the Tri-County Firemens Association at its meeting at Catskill on Tuesday, fixed the date for holding the next convention at Kingston on Tuesday, June 16. The parade will take place the following day.

Friday evening, Nov. 15th, while the weather outside was gloomy and unpleasant, a number of personal friends gave Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Davis, a surprise which took away all unpleasantness from the outside and brought sunshine to their new home. Mr. & Mrs. Davis entertained their guests in a very jovial manner, and after a short period Clyde Van Steenberg, on behalf of the party presented them with two handsome chairs and also a handsome table by D. N. Finger. After enjoying themselves till midnight, the guests sat down to an elaborate menu, prepared by the hostess and continuing their pleasure to the wee small hours of the morning, after which they adjourned to their homes, voting Mr. and Mrs. Davis as charming hosts. The following guests were present: Luther Hommel, Clyde Van Steenberg, Martha Carnright, Bertha Carnright, Julia Merclean, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Finger, F. T. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Snyder, John Greene, Wm. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bohr, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robinson, Anna Potts, Anna Hotaling, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. John Kearney.

The heavy rain of Thursday caused the Esopus creek to swell rapidly and in consequence thereof a large freshet was running this morning, the ice, some of it over a foot in thickness, broke up and passed over the dam doing great damage to the Barclay Fibre Co. works, stopping work in all of the departments. The flood carried off over a hundred cords of spruce logs which was piled up on the docks. The ferryboat Air Line was torn from her fastenings in front of the book bindery and carried over the south dyke opposite Burhans & Brainard’s stone yard, where she lies in a dangerous position with her wheels and rudder carried away. The barge Adriatic, owned by Charles McNally also lies on the dyke close by and is thought to be seriously damaged. The stone docks along the north side of the harbor were submerged, but it is said but little damage will result therefrom.

About 3 o’clock Saturday afternoon a seven inch blow pipe connected with one of the large digesters at the Barclay Fibre Co.’s works bursted and chief cooker Saunders received quite severe burns about the head and face by the escaping steam. Dr. S. L. Dawes was called and attended Mr. Saunders, and he is expected to be about again in a few days. The damage otherwise was very slight.
As an outcome of the assault on David Cole near Saxton on Sunday evening, Dec. 15th, by two men wearing masks, George Cole, the father of the young man has had supreme court writs for damages served upon William Whittaker, William Vedder, William Winne and Edward Winne. The writs were served by officer William H. Hommel on Tuesday of last week. The case will probably be tried at the next session of the Supreme court.

Thursday evening last, Norman Cunyes District Deputy Grand Master, installed the officers of Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F., for the coming term in due form. Following is the list: Stephen F. Barker, Noble Grand; Charles Hamlin, Vice Grand; Charles H. Vedder, Recording Secretary; Robert Webber, Permanent Secretary; John Seamon, Treasurer; Christopher Kauffman, Right Supporter of the Noble Grand; Harvey Snyder, Left Supporter of the Noble Grand; James Smith, Jr., Conductor; Charles Rightmyer, Right Scene Supporter; Edward Sniffin, Left Scene Supporter; Nathan Van Steenberg, Inside Guardian; Albert R. Freese, Chaplain; Robert Espey, Right Supporter of the Vice Grand; James H. Rightmyer, Left Supporter of the Noble Grand.

This afternoon Chief Engineer Burhans and Assistant Chiefs McCormick and Hassinger, made an official visit to the engine houses and inspected the several apparatuses in possession of the fire department. This action was taken with a view to improving the efficiency of the department, as it is the intention of the present Chief to have every means of fighting fire in perfect readiness for use at a moment’s warning.

1970. Line drawing – tent with two canes crossed through the middle of a three link chain stretched across the top of the opening. [illustration]


All creditors and persons interested in the late Sheffield Manufacturing Company of this village, have been given notice that a full and accurate account of all the proceedings of the receiver of that corporation on oath will be presented to the Supreme County of the State of New York, at a special term thereof, to be held in the City of Kingston, on the 21st day of December, 1895, and a motion will then and there be made, that the same be allowed and be decreed to be final, and conclusive upon all the creditors of said corporation, and upon all persons who may have claims against it, upon any open or subsisting engagement and upon all the stockholders of such corporation, and that said receiver be discharged and his bond vacated.

Mrs. Lottie Kirsch, who died at Buffalo, on Sunday last, is the third child of the Rev. Frederick Leddin, that has died within the past four years. The first was Mrs. Rev. J. A. W. Kirsch on the 9th day of February, 1892, aged 27 years. The second was Frederick, who died March 19th, 1892, aged 20 years, and Mrs. Kirsch who died as above.

James Johnston who died at Malden this morning, was a member of Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows and of Thomas Wildey Encampment both of this village, under whose auspices the funeral will be held from the
Presbyterian Church at Malden Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock. Remains will be brought here and interred in Trinity cemetery.

1975. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 27th, 1896. – To the Electors of the Town of Saugerties:

In regard to an article in the Kingston Freeman of Feb. 24th inst., saying that several prominent Democrats had called on me and requested me to withdraw, I wish to state that but two Democrats and one Republican (intimate friends of my opponent) called on me and asked me to withdraw my name from the Democratic ticket, and that I positively refused to do as they suggested. Respectfully yours, Lewis H. Kleeber, Candidate for Town Clerk.

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Line drawing of the ‘Last Tributes to Harry Howard, the Old Volunteer Fire Chief’

The Body of the Famous Old Fire Fighter Borne in State to His Tomb – Old Comrades Weep at his Bier – Interred Near the Shaft the Grateful Old Man Had Erected Over His Foster-Mother.

Harry Howard was buried yesterday. It was a leaden day. Now it rained, cold; now it snowed. The headquarters of the Veteran Volunteer Firemen’s Association is at No. 131 West Fourteenth street. The time of the funeral was fixed for 1 o’clock in the afternoon. Hundreds of people gathered in the street long before that hour. Many women were there. But the greater majority of the crowd were men, old firemen, men who honored this old fireman, youths who would be firemen. Those veteran firemen were one uniform or another; some of light colored cloth, some of blue cloth. But they needed no uniform, except to identify the association from which they came. It was easy to pick them out; old fellows, broad-shouldered gray-haired, self-reliant; some slangy, some solemn; all sorry.

Harry Howard’s body lay in the parlor of the association’s house. The body was in a great oaken casket, heavy with silver knobs and handles. Howard’s body was clothed in the uniform of the Veterans’ Association, trousers and double-breasted frock coat of the color of pale clay. The coffin was very handsome. In Howard’s hand was the gold trumpet that was presented to him when he was elected Chief Engineer of the Volunteer Fire Department. At the head of the coffin was Howard’s old-fashioned fireman’s hat. At the head of the coffin too, was a very beautiful pillow of white roses and lilies, in which purple flowers were arranged to make the words: OUR LAST CHIEF. VETERAN FIREMAN’S ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK.

The people who had gathered and who were really mourners formed in long line, walked up to the front steps of the association’s club-house, through the parlor where the body lay, down another flight of stairs to the basement, and so to the street again. So a constant stream flowed, going and coming, until 1 o’clock. The parlor then was crowded with women who wept, and men who being old and sensible to emotion, had difficulty to restrain their tears.

The mourners nearest the casket were Miss Augusta Mason, of Rockland County, N. Y., a niece of Howard’s and Harry Howard Dale. Howard’s generosity went far to support Miss Mason; Dale he educated. Rev. Drs. Gerfil and Gardner conducted the funeral services.

The old firemen were as solemn as ever in their lives, when up rose George W. Anderson, the president of the association. He stood by the foot of the coffin. He tried to control his emotion, but his voice was choked as he said: “We meet to do the honor that was due to Harry Howard; to pay the last tribute of respect to him who was not only the idol of the volunteer firemen of New York, but whose name was a household word from Maine to California. And I want to express our sincere gratification that so many thousands have come here, yesterday and to-day to do honor to Harry Howard’s memory.”

Mr. Anderson might have said more, but his voice choked. The ministers, in their clerical robes, began the impressive ritual of the Episcopal Church for the burial of the dead. Twice Miss Annie Healey, who had a fine voice, sang Gounod’s “There is a Green Hill Far Away” and Fuller’s “Be Thou with Me.”
The services finished, the casket was placed in the hearse, and, escorted by the various bodies of old fire-fighters that had been named in the World, the funeral procession moved. Through Fourth avenue and the Bowery it went to the Brooklyn Bridge. Then most of the New York organizations retired, and those of Brooklyn formed the escort. Through the gray and weeping air they marched to Greenwood Cemetery, where Harry Howard was buried.

Howard’s grave is near the old Fireman’s plot in the cemetery. Before it is the bay, behind it, at the foot of a steep incline, is a pretty lake. On the gate is the name Harry Howard, and inside a small rounded stone bears the initials, “H. H.”

In the centre of the plot rises a handsome shaft of granite, surmounted by a seraph. This monument was erected by Harry Howard years ago, and upon its face is this inscription: My Foster Mother, Sarah Charles Worth Howard, Born in Huddersfield, Yorkshire England, March 23, 1778. Died in the City of New York, March 23, 1841. MOTHER This Stone is Affectionately Erected in Grateful Acknowledgment of Your Many Virtues, by the Poor Adopted Boy Who Owes to Your Devoted Kindness and Christian Benevolence the Culture and Protection of His Early Days.

1977. The World, Saturday, February 8, 1896. – Romance of a Veteran – Harry Howard Remained Faithful to His First Love for Fifty Years. – Left all to her in his will. - Devoted to Miss Henrietta Mosher Who Could Not Forgive an Early Fault – Hoped That She Would Relent. – Bought a Home for Her, but That and All His Other Gifts Were Refused.

Harry Howard, so long the pride and glory of the volunteer firemen, bequeathed everything he had in the world to Henrietta Mosher, whom he had loved for fifty years. He made his will eleven years ago, and now that he has gone it remains to attest a loyalty and devotion that could not die. He would have married this woman, but she, unable to forgive a youthful folly of which she learned, would not take him as husband. So, loving her to the last, he died single.

It was just fifty years ago when Harry, a handsome, smooth-faced fellow of twenty-four, already rich in experience as a saver of human life, the idol of the women and the pride of Patterson Company, fell in love with Henrietta Mosher, a teacher in the public schools and member of one of the nice families who clustered around the old Stanton street Church of the Epiphany, of which Harry’s foster mother was a prominent member. She was tall and dark and good looking, intellectual and very devout, and she looked with favor upon the suit of the handsome fireman. Some of his most intimate friends say that they were engaged to be married.

But there came a blight upon their romance. Miss Mosher learned something that she could not forgive. From that moment she refused to consider longer the question of becoming his wife, and though he begged and pleaded, the woman’s conscience raised an irreparable barrier between them. In spite of everything, he remained her friend for life, and never ceased attesting his friendship, hoping always that she would at last relent and give him her hand in marriage.

He sent her valuable presents, which she returned. At one time he begged her to take all his property off his hands, and let him be her pensioner. But she would not listen to the proposition. The one day, noting the fact that her sister, Matilda, a teacher in the Henry street school, was owner of a home, at No. 420 East Fifty-first street, in which both sisters live, he said he did not propose to let Matilda have a better house than Henrietta. So he bought the adjoining house, No. 122, [sic] at a cost of $9,725, and wanted to transfer the deed to his sweetheart, but she again refused to accept it. So the house has been leased over since and still stands in the name of Harry Howard. He did succeed, however, his friends say, in getting one of his parcel of lots in South Brooklyn made over to Miss Mosher.

In 1884 Mr. Howard went to his old friend and business conncant, [sic] Hyman Harris, the Bowery shoemaker, and said to him: “Hyman, I’m going to draw my will and to leave everything to Henrietta. I want you to take charge of it, and send it to her.”

So the will was duly drawn, and executed, and Mr. Harris sent his son to deliver it to the woman who was to be its chief beneficiary. But she sent the boy away again, refusing to receive it. This was
repeated a second time, but the third time she accepted the document and is believed to have it till in her possession. But she refuses to say aye or no concerning it, and Howard’s intimates assert that they would not be surprised if she failed ever to file it for probate.

“Harry Howard’s love for his old sweetheart, was as strong and true the day he died as it was a half century ago.” said an old friend yesterday. “He was a wonderful man, considering his obscure birth and bringing up. He never smoked or drank a glass of liquor. He never forgot a friend or tried to shirk a debt. Every New Year’s Eve he would send some little present to Miss Mosher, a couple of pairs of gloves or something of the sort. She would not accept them as a present, but would put them on the table at a church fair or something of the sort, and then buy them back and use them.”

In an indirect way Harry was able to do something for Miss Mosher. He helped the whole family before the Board of Education, where he had influence, securing a $2,500 position for her brother, Henry, now dead. But beyond this and the little annual remembrances – nothing.

Mrs. Augusta Mason, of Stony Point, Rockland County, a granddaughter of Mrs. Howard who has for years been a pensioner of Harry, came to New York yesterday in answer to a telegram from Mr. Harris and was a tearful watcher beside the coffin of her benefactor. Besides his real estate in this city and Brooklyn Harry leaves a lot of fine jewelry and other personal property, including a big gold watch presented to him by the Board of Aldermen years ago. The firemen will give him a grand funeral on Sunday, and companies from Port Chester and Sheepshead Bay and perhaps other places will be present to escort the body of New York’s last volunteer chief to its resting place in Greenwood.

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The funeral of Harry Howard, the late chief of the Volunteer Fire Department, which was observed yesterday at the headquarters of the Veteran Firemen’s Association, at No. 131 West Fourteenth street, was attended by an immense throng of persons, many of whom were unable to gain entrance to the building.

The remains were exposed in the front room of the house. They had been viewed by at least 5,000 persons on Saturday, on yesterday, despite the inclement weather, there was no diminution of the throngs.

Harry Howard lay in his oaken casket, clad in the uniform he had loved so well, grasping in his right hand the golden trumpet which was presented to him when he was first elected chief. Above his head a pillow of flowers was placed, bearing this inscription: - OUR LAST CHIEF. VETERANS.

IMPRESSION SERVICES

At one o’clock the crowds that were pressing into the house were shut off, and President George W. Anderson, of the Veteran Firemen’s Association, arose beside the casket and spoke as follows: -

“I thank you my friends, with all my heart for this demonstration at the funeral of him who was the idol of the veteran firemen, not only of the city of which he was its most responsible chief, but from Maine to California. His name is a household word. The Volunteer Firemen experience sincere gratitude to those who have paid our departed friend the honor of being here to-day. The rest of the services will be in the hands of the clergy.”

The Episcopal burial service was then read by the Rev. Drs. Gardiner and Logie, after which Miss Annie T. Healy sang Gounod’s “There is a Green Hill Far Away and Lloyd Fuller’s “Be Thou with Me.”

The funeral procession formed immediately after the services. James F. Wenman acted as chief aid, assisted by Robert B. Nooney, George W. Anderson, President John Courtney, of the Volunteer Firemen’s Association of Brooklyn; A. J. Michaels, Thomas Doyle, the Staten Island Volunteers, the Harry Howard Hook and Ladder Company of Port Chester, and by delegations from Philadelphia, Watertown, Newburg, Buffalo and Niagara Falls.
The pall bearers were Lawrence Dalton, Joseph J. Morgan, M. J. Fogarty and David Graham, from the Exempts; Michael Buckley, John Quigg, John Nichols and John J. Maloney, from the Volunteers, and Samuel Yates, Abraham Slaight, B. M. Sweeney and John Mulligan, from the Veterans. The procession moved through Fourteenth street to Fourth avenue, to the Bowery, to Canal street, to Elm street, to Franklin street, to Brooklyn Bridge, where the local escorting organization were dismissed. In Brooklyn the organization of that city were in waiting to escort the body to Greenwood Cemetery.


The only mourners of the deceased’s immediate family present yesterday were Miss Augustus Mason, his niece, who resides in Rockland county, and Harry Howard Dale, a protégé of the dead man. Miss Henrietta Mosher, to whom it is said he left all his property, was not at the funeral.


Harry Howard, the last surviving Chief Engineer of the Volunteer Fire Department of this city, died early yesterday morning at his home, 94 Elm Street. He had been for years a picturesque figure. As he limped along at the head of a procession of firemen, his left leg and arm helpless from a stroke of paralysis received in the line of his duty as head of the Volunteer Fire Department, he was always cheered. Howard was born in Manhattanville, now a portion of the Twelfth Ward, Aug. 20, 1822. It was never known who his parents were, for they abandoned him soon after his birth. He was adopted by Mrs. Sarah Charlesworth Howard, to whom the baby had been confided by a mysterious couple, who gave her $300 and said they would call for the child in the following spring. Mrs. Howard adopted the abandoned infant, and named him Harry Howard. He ever after bore this name, and his assumption of it was subsequently legalized by an act of the Legislature.

The young man received a rather limited education, and was indentured to learn the trade of cabinetmaking with Abijah Matthews & Son, at Catharine and Henry streets. He was not enthusiastic about the trade which he was taught, and never followed it after he became of age. His career in the Volunteer Fire Department began April 11, 1840, when he became a member of Peterson Engine Co., No. 15, whose house was in Chrystie Street, between Canal and Bayard Streets, and which was manned by stalwart citizens of the Tenth Ward. For five years previous he had been a “runner with the company.” He was an enthusiastic fireman and remained a member of No. 15 for ten years during which time he had successively held the position of Assistant Foreman and Foreman. He was
subsequently elected Foreman of Atlantic Hose Company, No. 14, at the repair shops of the department in Elizabeth Street, near Bayard on the site of the present Sixth Precinct Police Station, immediately in the rear of the old Bowery Theater. This company was manned by what were known as the “Bowery Boys,” all native Americans, who took prominent part in the riot of July 4, 1857, between the “Dead Rabbits” as the Irish residents of the Sixth Ward were called, and the “Bowery Boys.”

It was while Foreman of this company that Howard was elected to the Assembly from the Second District, in 1853 and was subsequently elected Alderman from the Sixth Ward in 1854 and 1855. He was appointed Receiver of Taxes in 1856. Meanwhile he had been chosen Assistant Chief Engineer, second in command to Chief Alfred Carson. He served in that capacity for seven years, and in 1857 was chosen Chief Engineer to succeed Carson. To accept this place he was compelled to resign his office as Receiver of Taxes, and before doing so he demanded that an examination of his accounts be made, and they were found correct to a cent.

His administration of the office of Chief Engineer was brilliant, though brief. He introduced the system of compulsory “bunking” requiring a portion of each company to sleep in the engine houses at night, so as to be ready to respond to alarms of fire, and several improvements in the fire apparatus then in use were adopted at his suggestion.

While running to a fire in East Houston Street in July, 1858, Chief Howard was stricken with paralysis in Grand Street. He was taken to his home unconscious, and for months was confined to his room. He finally recovered sufficiently to move about, but his old strength and endurance were gone. Owing to his shattered physical condition, he was compelled to resign from the department in 1860, and was succeeded by John Decker, who died several years ago. For many years, and up to the time of his death, he was employed in the Department of Public Works as Inspector of Vaults and Areas.

Howard was brave to recklessness, and during his active career as a fireman saved many lives. One of his most daring rescues was that of Samuel Van Prang, a son of A. S. Van Praag, at the fire which destroyed Jenning’s clothing store, at 231 Broadway, on April 24, 1854, where a number of firemen lost their lives. He was honored by the Common Council, which had a full-length portrait of Chief Howard painted and placed on the wall of the Aldermanic Chamber.

The square at the junction of Canal, Baxter, Walker and Mulberry Streets was named Harry Howard Square, in his honor, and the late Alderman Flynn, who was a great admirer of Chief Howard, for several years endeavored, though unsuccessfully, to have the name of Bayard Street changed to Harry Howard street.

After the organization of the paid Fire Department, Howard was one of the most earnest advocates of the system, and in 1866 he appeared before the Legislature and made an argument, which resulted in an increase of 20 per cent in the firemen’s salaries. He gave the first $1,000, in 1890 toward the fund for the erection of the Firemen’s Home in Hudson, N. Y., laid the cornerstone of the building on June 28, 1892, and made an address at the dedication of the building. He gave $1,000 to the Exempt Firemen’s Burial Fund in 1885. He was remarkably abstemious and simple in his habits, and never used liquor or tobacco. He never rode in street cars.

For over sixty years Howard had been a resident of the Sixth Ward, where he was known to every man, woman, and child. He was never married. For forty years he occupied apartments in the house 94 Elm Street. He had been rather feeble for several weeks. He caught a cold a week ago, and pneumonia developed. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon. The body will be taken to the rooms of the Volunteer Firemen’s Association at 131 West Fourteenth Street. A large concourse of volunteer firemen, veteran and exempt, will be present at the funeral. The burial will be in Greenwood cemetery.

[illustration]
At a meeting of the directors of the Saugerties Bank, held on Saturday, Charles B. Cox was elected cashier, to succeed the late James O. Carnright. The position of teller, made vacant by the promotion of Mr. Cox has not yet been filled.

1981. Royal Arcanum, Grand Council of New York, James Y. Bicknell, Grand Secretary, Buffalo, N. Y. [illustration]
1984. Two cut outs -- Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen and Customs Dover. [illustration]
1985. Memorial Hall. [illustration]

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Harry Howard, the last Chief of the Volunteer Fire department, is dead. A few days ago he took a heavy cold, but following his past habits, he paid no attention to it, thinking it would cure itself. Finally chills and fever set in and he went to bed. At the urgent request of his friends, Dr. J. J. O'Sullivan was called, but the sick man sank rapidly, and he died at 12:45 yesterday morning at his home 74 Elm street.  
Harry Howard for the last half century has been one of the best-known figures of New York. He was a foundling, having been left in 1822, when but a few days old, with Mrs. Sarah Howard, who became his adopted mother. The woman who left him gave Mrs. Howard $300, and promised to return for him, but never came back.

According to his own story Howard never had any schooling except what he got in Sunday schools when he was a small boy. He was apprenticed to a cabinetmaker, and worked at the trade for eleven years. Then he threw it up in disgust.

On April 11, 1840, he joined the Volunteer Fire Department, running with Peterson Engine, which lay in Chrystie street, between Bayard and Canal. In 1850 he became Foreman of the Atlantic Hose Company, and in the same year Assistant Engineer to Chief Carson. His headquarters as Assistant Engineer were in the Franklin street side of the Tombs, which was connected by telegraph with the office of the Chief of Police in the old City Hall, and as a result he was to be found at every fire in the city. In 1857 he was elected Chief Engineer of the department, and his first act was to have sleeping bunks built in the engine houses. Although the act aroused much criticism, his judgment was speedily vindicated by the results obtained. In the end of 1859 he suffered while at a fire from a stroke of paralysis, which led to his resignation in February of the next year. He was in the Assembly in 1853 and was Alderman in 1844-45 [sic]

Since his retirement he had lived in his home on Elm street, taking an active interest in the affairs of the different volunteer firemen's associations. He would probably have passed his last years forgotten by most of the citizens of New York had it not been for his innumerable attempts to get some street named in his honor. For the last dozen years he has petitioned the Board of Aldermen to name a street after him. He did succeed in getting the square bounded by Canal, Walker, Baxter and Mulberry streets named “Harry Howard square,” but he never succeeded in getting a street named after him. At different times he has asked that Bayard, Baxter, Howard, (named after John Howard, the philanthropist), and Hester street be named Harry Howard street, but all attempts failed. Hidden among his records of the Board of Aldermen is still a general order changing the name of Bayard street to Harry Howard street.

The Volunteer Firemen's Association will have charge of the funeral, which will take place on Sunday at 1 o'clock P. M. at the rooms of the association, 131 West Fourteenth street. [illustration Harry Howard]
1987. N. Y. Recorder. – Love Mocked Harry Howard – True to Its First Flame, His Heart was Tortured for Forty Years – Miss Mosher’s Cruel Coldness – He Repeatedly Besought Her to Forget the Lovers’ Quarrel and Become His Wife, but Her Heart Remained Hard – Gave Her All in His Will – An Imposing Funeral.

The will of Harry Howard, the famous old volunteer fireman who died last Thursday will probably be filed for probate within a few days. It reveals the most romantic chapter in a life which teemed with romantic incidents. Its tale is one of undying love and devotion.

Harry Howard died a bachelor. Forty years ago, when he was a young man in the prime of life, a fire fighter who had already achieved a reputation for bravery and reckless disregard of his own life in the effort to save others, he fell in love. He was a young fellow of many attractions. He was handsome and chivalrous and possessed all of the qualities which capture a woman’s heart. But he religiously kept himself out of Cupid’s grasp until one day he met a pretty young school teacher who lived near the old Stanton Street Church of the Epiphany, she was Miss Henrietta Mosher, who had deep brown eyes, dark hair and a fine figure. But what most attracted Harry Howard was her intellectual superiority to most of the young women had had met.

The young fireman promptly fell in love. The affection that he entertained for her was reciprocated. They were constantly in each other’s society. The Howards and the Moshers attended the same church, and Harry was particularly religious at this period of his life. He attended all of the services and always found an opportunity to renew his lovemaking when the sermon was concluded, and the worshipers were filing out of the church.

But the young lovers had a quarrel, and parted. It is said that the trouble arose over a most trifling incident, but Miss Mosher took it very much to heart. She never forgave her lover. Still, he loved her ardently and devotedly. For forty years he sent her gifts of all sorts, and tried many ways to bring about a reconciliation. He never succeeded. It is related that he once tried to persuade his former sweetheart to accept as a gift a house that he owned, but she refused it.

Howard loved this woman, his first love to the day of his death. About eleven years ago he made a will bequeathing everything he possessed to her. As a proof of his undying love, he sent a copy of the will to her. At first she declined to accept the document. Then she yielded to his entreaties, and took the will. She still has it in her possession. Many of the mutual friends of Harry Howard and Miss Mosher are wondering whether she will file it for probate, or, as a further proof of her unforgiveness, let it remain unfiled and unnoticed.

Miss Mosher, who now lives at 430 East 51st street, would not say yesterday whether she would probate the will or not. She acknowledged that she still had the document, but declined to talk about it. She is now about 58 years old, and still retains the beauty of her youth. She has exceptionally fine features, brilliant dark eyes, and dark brown hair.

The funeral of Harry Howard will take place to-day. Services will be held at 1:30 o’clock in the parlors of the Veteran Fireman’s Association, 11 West 14th street. The interment will take place in the Howard family plot at Greenwood. The funeral will be the most imposing demonstration that has been seen in this city in honor of a dead fireman. Two thousand or more veteran and volunteer firemen will be in the procession. Delegations from all of the regular city fire companies, as well as a score of out-of-town organization, will also participate in the march.

The pallbearers have been selected from the three firemen’s associations of which the dead chief was a member. Those how will have the honor of carrying the casket to the grave are Lawrence Dalton, Joseph J. Morgan, M. J. Fogerty and David Graham, from the Exempts; Michael Buckley, John Quigg, John Nichols and John J. Maloney, from the Volunteers; and Samuel Yates, Abraham Sleight, B. M. Sweeny and John Mulligan of the Veteran’s Association.

The procession will start from the Veteran Firemen’s Headquarters, through 14th street to Fourth avenue, to the Bowery, to Canal street, to Elm street, to Franklin street, to Centre street, to Brooklyn Bridge and dismiss. No engines will be in line, and there will be no music. The body will be interred in the old fireman’s uniform worn in bygone years by the deceased.
The Volunteer Firemen’s Association and the Veteran Volunteer Firemen of Brooklyn will attend the funeral of Harry Howard. The former body will march from the association’s headquarters in the City Hall at 12 o’clock. The other organization will march from 90 Livingston street at 11:45 o’clock. They will each cross South Ferry and proceed thence by way of the Sixth avenue “L” to the Veteran Fireman’s headquarters. Each organization will send committees to the interment at Greenwood.


1:30 p.m. – At the old church. Short farewell services by the Rev. T. Bauck.
2 p.m. – Procession to the new church.
2:15 p.m. – Short service outside the new church held by Conference President, Rev. A. Schmidtkonz, of Rondout, Missionary Superintendent Rev. F. Telleen (English) and Rev. Theodore Bauck, the pastor.
2:30 p.m. Inside the church, Prelude by Miss Katie Mattes, organ, and Master Joseph Reinhard, violin.

German song by the choir of the German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of Saugerties.

Congregation song “Allein Gott in der Hoch” set Ebr.” Scripture 1st King, chapter 8, verse 1 13-22-30.
Consecration prayer (English) prayer (German,) by Rev. A. Schmidtkonz, Consecration Creed. English sung by the choir of the Lutheran Church, of Rondout. Sermon (English) by Rev. F. Telleen. Song (German) by the church choir. Sermon (German) by Rev. A. Schmidtkonz. History of the congregation by Rev. Theo. Bauck, the pastor. Lords prayer in unison by the audience. Song (German) by the Rondout choir.


EVENING SERVICE, 7:30 P.M.
In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen. Song (German) by the Rondout choir.


SERVICE TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 18th.
Sermon (English) Rev. John J. Heischmann, D. D., of Brooklyn, N. Y. Sermon (German).

All are cordially invited to all of these services as no other form of invitation will be issued.

Every Thursday evening until Easter, Lenten services will be held in this church by the pastor commencing at 7:30 o’clock.

HISTORY OF THE FIRST GERMAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CONGREGATION OF SAUGERTIES, N. Y.
June 8th, 1859, a good many German Lutherans held a meeting and twenty-three members concluded to organize a Lutheran congregation. They agreed to accept the constitution of the New York State Lutheran Ministerium, and elected the following officers: William Spuewe, President; Henry Seamon, Secretary; Jacob Brede, Treasurer; Christian Frey, Jacob Nestlen, Henry Martens and John Rosenberg, Trustees. The committee to buy the old Methodist church building was Christian Frey, Henry Martens, Philip Mattes and Jacob Nestlen. It was purchased from Jeremiah Russell, the owner for $650 including the cemetery plot. They extended a call to the Rev. W. H. Buettner, to become their pastor, which he accepted. It was decided to purchase the building on the corner of Ulster avenue and Elizabeth street, then known as the old Methodist church, and the property was purchased by a committee appointed to that purpose. It was resolved to apply to the State Ministerium for admission, and the pastor and a delegate was authorized to take the necessary steps to accomplish the object, which was admitted to membership at the Synod held from Sept. 3d to 7th, 1859, at Wurtenberg, Dutchess County. The church after many severe struggles in its early history has thus survived for over thirty-six years, and is not by the blessing of God strong and vigorous. A few years afterward, a parsonage was built on Ulster avenue, then known as Turnpike street. After it was paid for, a school house was built on the same property for use of the children, which was occupied until a few years ago when the congregation becoming larger a
new parsonage and school house became necessary, and the Ulster avenue property was sold and a new parsonage and school house secured on Livingston street. Rev. Mr. Buttner [sic] after a short stay resigned the pastorship, and Rev. Richard Adelberg, from Germany, was called to succeed him, who remained about 7 years. On Dec. 1st, 1868 Rev. Mr. Haeger was called to the pastorship and he remained for about a year. He was succeeded by Rev. Philip Lichtenberg, who remained nearly two years and in 1870 removed to Wilkesbarre, Penn. Rev. F. C. C. Kaehler succeeded him and resigned in the spring of 1875. Mr. Lichtenberg was recalled and remained until 1879, when he resigned to accept a call to a church in Utica, NY. Rev. C. Keuhn then became pastor and resigned in 1882, to accept a call to an Albany church. Rev. H. Beiederbecke followed him here and remained until 1883, when he resigned to accept a call to a Troy church. Rev. John G. Roesch, the next pastor, resigned in 1885 and was succeeded by Rev. Bernard H. Warnke, who resigned in 1886, and was succeeded by Rev. Theodore Bauck, the present pastor.

Connected with this church is a branch at Plattekill, near this village. The Saugerties Church has a membership roll of about 350. The Plattekill branch has about 150 members. Connected with both places are Sunday Schools, conducted in both the German and English languages which are free for all, as also is the day school on Livingston street.

The congregation is united and harmonious and the regular church services are more largely attended than ever before in its history.

It is said the damage done to the machinery of the Empire engine at Coxsackie on tournament day is of such a serious character that it will not repay the expense it would cost to repair her. Probably this is so when the fact is taken into consideration that she is old and worn out, having been brought here when the village was in its infancy, away back in 1855. The truth of the matter is, she is worn out. “Billy” Sheffield’s village Directors made a serious mistake a few years ago when they sold the old Rough & Ready to Coeymans for a paltry sum. But then “Billy” at that time thought different.

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The attendance at the sale of the Village Water Bonds this afternoon drew a large number of people to witness the proceedings. Capitalists were present from Albany, Kingston, Catskill and other places. Charles Davis, attorney for the Water Commissioners, stated that the bonds would be ready for delivery on the first day of January, 1896, and that the purchase price would be required to be paid at the Saugerties Bank on the 6th day of Jan. next. The bonds sold amounted to $78,000 and are of the denomination of $1,000 each and bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent annum. They are numbered from 1 to 78, and have from one year to thirty years to mature.
The first bond offered was No. 1 and was purchased by the National Savings Bank of Albany. Premium bid .40.
No. 2 was purchased by the Saugerties Savings Bank at .85.
Nos. 3 and 4 was purchased by the Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.035.
No. 5, Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.03.
Nos. 6 and 7 to National Savings Bank of Albany, at 1.02.
Nos. 8 and 9 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0255.
No. 10 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0260.
No. 11 and 12 to National Savings Bank, of Albany, at 1.0210.
Nos. 13 and 14 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0210.
Nos. 15 and 16 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0210.
Nos. 17 and 18 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0220.
Nos. 19 and 20 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0245.
Nos. 21 and 22 to National Savings Bank of Albany, at 1.0290.
Nos. 23, 24 and 25 to National Savings Bank of Albany, at 1.0330.
Nos. 26 and 27 to National Savings Bank of Albany, at 1.05.
Nos. 28 and 29 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0585.
Nos. 30, 31 and 32 to S. D. Coykendall at 1.0425.
Nos. 33, 34 and 35 to Ulster County Savings Institution at 1.04.
Nos. 36 and 37 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0420.
Nos. 38 and 39 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0380.
Nos. 40, 41, 42 and 43 to Ulster County Savings Institution at 1.0365.
Nos. 44, 45 and 46 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0385.
Nos. 47, 48, 49 and 50 to Ulster County Savings Institution at 1.0350.
Nos. 51, 52 and 53 to Catskill Savings Bank at 1.0350.
Nos. 54, 55 and 56 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0305.
Nos. 57, 58, 59 and 60 to S. D. Coykendall at 1.02.
Nos. 61, 62, 63 and 64 to Saugerties Savings Bank at 1.0310.
Nos. 65, 66, 67 and 68 to Catskill Savings Bank at 1.0260.
Nos. 69, 70, 71, 72 and 73 to Ulster County Savings Institution at 1.0260.
Nos. 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78 to William F. Russell at 1.05.

At a conference held Wednesday, Nov. 20th, between the Water Commissioners and representatives of the Saugerties Water Co. an agreement was made whereby the village will, on the first day of January, 1896, become the owner of the present plant of the Saugerties Water Co. The sum of money to be paid therefore as mutually agreed upon is $76,000, and it is further understood and agreed that the Water Co. cancels the judgment obtained against the village last December of some $5,000 or more, and turned the works over to us free and clear of all liens, claims and demands of any nature and kind. It is the consensus of public opinion that the Commissioners have acted wisely in this matter and they have the commendation of every property owner in the village therefor. Now that we are to have adequate fire protection, insurance rates ought to be greatly reduced.

This morning a slight fire occurred in Dr. Wygant's dental office, in the Mrs. Scudder building, 209 Main street which caused damage in the amount of about $100. The doctor, who occupies the quarters temporarily until his new office in Porter Block is completed, used a kerosene oil stove for the purpose of warming the apartment. He had lighted the stove as usual, locked the door and went to breakfast. Shortly afterwards, as Harry Kenney was passing along, he discovered the office to be on fire, having caught from the stove. An alarm was sounded and the fire department responded but their services were not required as the fire had been extinguished with a few pails of water. The wainscoting was badly charred near the chimney, and the carpet and oil cloths on the floor destroyed. A desk containing books and papers was also badly burned. The loss is fully covered by insurance in Mr. Keeney's agency.

1993. Not Transferable. – Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, You are respectfully invited to attend the Second Annual Masquerade Ball of the Deutscher Unterstuetrungs Verein, to be given at the Nelida theatre, Tuesday evening, Feb 11, 1896, Every effort will be made to make this the social event of the season. Music by Prof. --- [blank space as if whited out] Orchestra. Committee Antonine Von Pieper, Henry Hansen, Wm. Kruger, John Rohwedder, John C. Bordt, F. A. Stahl, Henry Engel, August X. Franz, Gottfried Miller, Con. Hammer. [illustration]
1994. Dear Sir, Sunday, Oct. 6th 1895, so the Lord provides, we will lay the Corner Stone to our new church on Market street, opposite the residence of Wellington Porter, Esq. You are cordially invited to be present. Commencing 2:30 P. M. German and English services – Rev. Theo. Bauck, H. Gleisner, A. Jacob, Committee, Saugerties, N. Y. Oct. 4th 1895.

1995. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 21st 1895. The Water Works are Ours. The Board of Water Commissioners of the village of Saugerties, appointed by the Board of Directors pursuant to the election held for that purpose in Dec. 1894, and the Saugerties Water Company, have been negotiating for some time in regard to the purchase of the water plant in this village owned by the above named company. The commissioner have had surveys made for new works and were ready to advertise for bids. After several meetings the commissioners and water company came to an agreement yesterday by which the village purchases the water works for $76,000, the judgment against the village obtained last December is to be cancelled, and the entire plant turned over the village for the above sum, free and clear of all liens, claims and demands of any nature and kind. This, in our opinion, is a most satisfactory arrangement, so far at the village is concerned, as it gives the village control of the water and we now can have the much needed protection from fires.

1996. Captain Absalom L. Anderson, died at his home in Santa Barbara, California, last Monday. The deceased resided at Fairview, in the town of Esopus, for a great many years, while he was captain and owner of the steamer Mary Powell. Some years ago he retired from the river and removed to California, being succeeded in the command of the Mary Powell by his son, A. Eltinge Anderson, the present captain. Captain Anderson was one of the best known citizens of this part of the state, his long experience as commander of the Powell having served to make for him a wide circle of friends and acquaintances. Some thirty of more years ago he ran the steamer Thomas Powell between Saugerties and New York. Capt. Anderson was born in Croton, N. Y., in 1812.

1997. An organization to be called the “Men’s Social Club of the First Congregational church of Saugerties” was organized Friday evening with the following officers: President, James R. Martin; vice-president, W. G. Bynder; secretary C. S. Clark; treasurer, James A. Greene. [no date or newspaper named]

1998. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1895. At a meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 held Tuesday evening, Dec. 3d, nominations for company officers was made and James Teller and Ernest Hassinger were nominated as candidates for Second Assistant Engineer of the fire department.

1999. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1895. The General Term of the Supreme Court at Albany, has granted the New York Central Railroad Company a new trial in the case of Thomas B. Belch against that company. The opinion was written by Judge Herrick, who grants the new trial because Mr. Belch, in his opinion, did not get off the track quick enough. Mr. Belch’s attorneys claim that the jury settled that question in Mr. Belch’s favor, and will take an appeal at once to the Court of Appeals.

2000. Daily Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1895. At the regular meeting of North American Lodge, No. 115, Knights of Pythias, held Tuesday evening, Dec. 3d, the following officers were elected: Andrew Simmons, Master of Work; Judson Fuller, Chancellor Commander; Byron Teetsel, Vice-Chancellor; Ferris Fuller, Prelate; Brace Van Loan, Keeper of Records and Seal; Hermon Mittrach, Master of Exchequer; John A. Wolven, Master of Finance; August Polichner,
Master at Arms; Isaac Lazarus, Representative to the Grand Lodge; Lewis Kleeber, Proxy Representative, William Mc Mullen, Trustee.

At a regular meeting of J. R. Tappen Post, No. 215, G. A. R., held Tuesday evening, Dec. 3d, the following officers were elected: Ebenezer L. Quick, Commander; Abram Turck, Senior Vice Commander; Jacob H. Van Gelder, Junior Vice Commander; Ira Swart, Chaplain; Dr. James H. Reed, Surgeon; Eugene Barritt, Adjutant; William H. Burhans, Officer of the Guard; Dr. Warren Kimble, Quartermaster; Delaware Y. Smith, Officer of the Day; Robert Baily, Sergeant Major; Eugene Barritt, Delegate to Department encampment; Abram Turck, Alternate Delegate; Eugene Barritt, Smith Elmendorf, Ira Swart, Trustees. The Post was inspected the County Inspector Edward D. Anderson, of Milton, and a recruit enlisted.

E. D. Slater one of the old-time road riders of New York, and Frank G. Phillips, of Boston, have purchased the Onward Stock Farm near this village, from Albert Rightmyer, and will make it one of the best known stock farms in the State. At the auction of trotting stock under the auspices of Peter C. Kellogg & Co., at Madison Square Garden on Tuesday, they purchased the famous four-year-old Rio Alto, who gained a record of 2:16 1-2 in his three-year old form, winning some of the most important stakes of 1894 in California circuits and beating the best young trotters then in training. He was purchased for $3,300. His new owners will keep him in stud next year, giving him a chance to become acclimated and will then campaign him. The farm contains 222 acres of land. There is a half mile track upon which to speed horses, and the farm is only a mile from the West Shore depot.

All members are requested to be present at the rooms in the Whitaker building to morrow evening at seven o’clock. By order of H. A. Ohley, Secretary – E. Hassinger, Regent.

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2004. For the benefit of St. Mary’s Church, Saugerties, N. Y. Solid Gold Watch, the gift of Rev. Michael Power, formerly of Saugerties, to be disposed of on Thursday, October 17th 1895 – Subscription Ten Cents. [illustration]

Regular meeting of Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Nov. 16th, 1895, with all directors but Mr. Lasher present, president Simmons presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information. Finance commit reported in full on condition of village finances which report was on motion accepted and ordered filed. Committee on street reported maps and ordinances made of surveys on John street and Irving Place and submitted same to the board for approval. On motion, the Clerk was ordered to notify the Western Union Telegraph Company to place a new telegraph pole in front of the residence of the Misses Crawford on northerly side of Ulster Avenue at once to replace the one now broken. The following resolution was on motion passed: Whereas, complaint having been made of the condition of the sidewalk on Livingston street, in front of the property of Mrs. Emily B. Adams, on account of a stone being out making bad water hole in the sidewalk, the Clerk is hereby ordered to notify F. T. Russell to repair same at once. On motion, the Clerk was ordered to notify Mrs. Ellen M. Finger to repair the sidewalk in front of her property on Livingston street which is badly out of grade and uneven.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify the Saugerties Water Co. to repair the leak in their water pipe on Ulster Avenue at once.

The following ordinances were read for John street and Irving Place, and on motion same were ordered adopted and published in the minutes and posted by the Clerk according to law.

ORDINANCE FOR IRVING PLACE.

North curb – Beginning on the curb line of John street and the north side of Irving place, elevation 146.76 and rising at the rate of 4137 -10000 feet per 100 feet for 307.3 feet to the curb line of Washington avenue, elevation 148.22 above tide.

BENCH MARK FOR IRVING PLACE. – Water table John C. Davis House, elevation 151.06 above tide.

ORDINANCE FOR JOHN STREET.

WEST CURB – Beginning at the west side of John street and the south side of Lafayette street, elevation 145.45 feet above tide water, and rising at the rate of 344-1000 feet per 100 feet for 742.1/2 feet to the fence line of Main street, elevation 148.01.

EAST CURB – Beginning on the south side of Lafayette street and the east side of John street, elevation 145.94 above tide, and rising at the rate of 2842-10000 feet per 100 feet for 288 feet, to the west side of Irving Place, elevation 146.76. Thence on the east side of Irving Place, elevation 146.85, rising at the rate of 2842 – 10000 feet per 100 feet for 408.1 feet to the fence line of Main street, elevation, 148.01.

BENCH MARK. - Water table John C. Davis house, elevation 151.06 above tide.

The matter of a stove for Laflin Hose Co. was referred to the firemanic committee with power to act.

Committee on crusher reported same closed for the winter, and being put in repair and properly laid up. The matter of getting out more stone for crusher was referred to the committee on crusher with power to act.

Committee on bicycle matter reported progress, and after submitting several ordinance from other towns the matter was referred back to the committee to draw a proper ordinance and submit same for approval to the board conforming to the laws of New York.

The treasurers annual report was read which was referred to finance committee for audit and acceptance.

The clerk was ordered to publish the proper notice for the coming charter election on 2nd Tuesday, December 10th.

The street commissioner presented his annual report which was referred to the finance committee.

The clerk was ordered to send bills to L. D. Davis for 2 tons of crushed stone, Geo. Seamon 10 tons, and Wm. Ziegler 20 tons, at 65c. per ton.

On motion $100 was ordered paid to Wm. Doyle for sprinkling Ulster avenue and the street of the village for the improvement of same during the season of 1895.

The clerk was directed to notify Mr. Dickey secretary of the Sheffield Paper Co. that the company is directed to place an open paved gutter in front of their property at their entrance from East Bridge street and also one at the book bindery case shop forthwith.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector</td>
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<td>Wm. C. Mitchell, repairing empire engine</td>
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<td>The M. Cantine Co., supplies fire dept.,</td>
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<td>Emerick Bros., soap,</td>
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<td>F. M. Morss, surveying,</td>
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<td>Wm. H. Eckert, treasurer salary</td>
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<td>N. Y. Belting &amp; Packing Co., for fire dept.</td>
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<td>John W. Davis, stone,</td>
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The bill of Daniel Lamb was referred amount of $107.61.
Doyle’s teams 4 ½ days, $4.50, 20.25
Yonkers team, 4 1/4 “ 19.12
Chas. Capen, 4 days engineer, $2, 8.00
P. Corcoran, 4 days labor, $2, 8.00
James Donahue, 4 ½ days, $1.50, 6.75
M. Lynch, 4 “ 6.00
Will Lowther, 5 “ 7.50
Joseph Corcoran, 7 “ 10.50
Tom Tracey, 3 ½, “ 5.25
Will Younker, 4 ¼ “ 7.13
Will Carl, 2 ½ ‘ 5.25
Frank Lutz, 1 “ 1.50
M. Lawler, 3 ½ “ 3.75

On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.


A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening Dec. 6th, with all the Directors present. President Simmons presided.

Finance committee reported bill of Daniel Lamb correct and also accounts of Commissioner Corcoran: they also reported auditing the treasurer’s report and found same to be correct and with the vouchers, but that warrants No. 533, 38, and 39 had not been received by the treasurer.

Committee on Streets reported that the telegraph pole had been reset as ordered on Ulster avenue, also that the walks had been repaired as ordered and sidewalk cut down in front of premises of George Seamon on John street without authority.

On motion, the corporation counsel was directed to notify the Sheffield Manufacturing Co. to remove their encumbrances on the street at the entrance on the roadway in East Bridge street.

On motion the deed of the property purchased by the village from Mrs. Mary C. Artman was accepted and a warrant ordered drawn in her favor for $100 to be delivered when the release of said property was delivered.

On motion, a fireman’s exemption certificate was ordered issued to Charles O’Hara, in reply to his application for the same and on presenting the proper affidavit.

The president appointed Charles E. Cornwall [sic], Alfred P. Lasher and Norman Cunyes as inspectors of election for the coming year.

On motion, the clerk was directed to notify George Seamon to put the approaches to his sidewalk in condition so as not to be dangerous to pedestrians using same in front of his property on John street and to do this forthwith.

On motion, the ordinance related to bicycle riding and also amendment to section 34 was adopted as read and the clerk ordered to publish the same according to law.

The following bills were ordered paid:
Norman Cunyes, mason work, $ 10.00
Jewich Bros, gong ringer for H. & L. Truck, 10.00
Street Commissioner, work of men and teams, 80.00
H. Gleisner, supplies for firemanic committee, 6.25
Rightmyer & Myer, carpenter work and supplies, 61.97
Daniel Lamb, supplies, 107.61
Charles Davis, salary as counsel and expenses, 139.75
John Maxwell, care village lamps, &c., 39.00
H. A. Hildebrandt, supplies for fire department, 19.25
Regular meeting of the board of directors held Saturday evening, Dec. 21st, 1895, with all directors present; president Simmons presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information, and correction made by adding to bills paid from General Fund that Chas. Davis, salary counsel and expenses, $189.75, which was omitted in printed report of proceeding in minutes of Dec. 6th.

The collector reported collection of taxes as follows:

- General Fund, $9,530.00
- Dog Fund, 57.50
- Poll tax, 308.00
- Back taxes, 11.34

Total $9,906.90

And since settlement was made
with Treas., has been paid, 11.34
Making a total of $9,926.74

On motion the collectors report was ordered received and his bondsmen discharged, he having surrendered his books verified by the village treasurer.

Committee on streets reported that the Sheffield Paper Company had not complied with the order of the board to clear their entrance way from encumbrances on East Bridge street.

Committee on buildings reported heater put in Laflin Hose building completed at a cost of $47.14.

Committee on lock-up reported that no attention had been paid by the town to the demands of the village for settlement of rental for same and recommended that they be notified that unless settlement of bill of $50.00, covering the rental for use of lock up to January, 1895, is made, that said lock up would be removed by the village.

Applications for certificates of membership in Snyder Hose Co. for Robert Bellman, Edward Moran and Wm. Hanna and also exemption certificates for Clarence G. Wilson, Albert D. Steenken, Chas. Teller, Jacob Hardenburg and Robt. Weber being made, same were on motion ordered granted.

The Lutheran church petitioned for a gas lamp and also a cross-walk in front of the church property, and on motion a gas lamp was ordered placed in front of the church on the inside of the walk, and the cross-walk referred to the committee on streets.

Counsel reported that the release on the Artman property had been signed and had been sent with the deed to Kingston to be recorded.

Mr. Cunyes submitted a proposal for the purchasing of stone for the crusher from other parties at 27¢. per ton not, weighed but delivered to crusher, but same was, on motion, rejected.

Bill of Finger & Lewis was ordered referred to finance committee.

On motion the counsel was directed to again notify the Sheffield Paper Co. that unless they comply with the order of the board, and remove the obstruction to the street and gutter at their entrance before the next meeting of the board, that suit will be commenced for violation of the ordinances in reference to same.

On motion the president was authorized to join in the petition in the condemnation proceeding in the matter of the purchase of the water works at the suggestion of the counsel.

On motion the clerk was ordered to re-insure the village property when the present policies expire.

Mr. Simmons, the retiring president, then addressed the board, reviewing the work done during the time of his incumbency and contracted [sic] the conditions of the village at that time with its present condition, and congratulated the board upon the work that had been done for the advancement of the
interests of the village, both as to its finances and improvement, and thanked the board for its co-
operation and assistance.

A vote of thanks was then moved to Mr. Simmons for his fairness and impartiality in presiding over their
deliberations and also one of regret that his services to the village and connection with the board ended
at this time.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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<td>Saugerties Gas Co. street and corporation gas, less lights out,</td>
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<td>Saugerties Manufacturing Co., printing,</td>
<td>9.50</td>
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<td>Daniel Lamb, supplies,</td>
<td>50.78</td>
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<td>Wm. E. Person, care town clock,</td>
<td>25.88</td>
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<td>Saugerties Post, printing,</td>
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<td>Chas. Abeel, 6 months police,</td>
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<td>H. Krantz,</td>
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<td>D. E. Abeel, collector poll tax,</td>
<td>20.40</td>
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<td>Oliver Holden, stone,</td>
<td>134.28</td>
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<td>M. Lynch, ¾ day $1.50,</td>
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<td>M. Lawler, 2 “</td>
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<td>F. H. Gates, registering vital statistics,</td>
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<td>S. W. Merclean, assigned to T. B. Cornwell,</td>
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<td>registering vital statistics,</td>
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<td>S. L. Dawes, salary health office and ex.,</td>
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<td>D. E. Abeel, collector dog tax,</td>
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On motion, adjourned.  
J. Dederick, Clerk.


After the Board of Directors adjourned Saturday evening, they repaired to the Phoenix Hotel where a
banquet was in waiting. Those present, who indulged in the festivities were: President O. T. Simmons,
Directors Cantine, Cunyes, Quick, Cornwell and Lasher, Counselor Chas. Davis, Clerk Dederick, Janitor
Palmer, Director-elect Edward Rogers, C. S. Clark, William E. Simmons and Irwin Ronk. A general good
time was had and the supper thoroughly enjoyed. Counselor Davis acted as toastmaster.


At the last meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, of Saugerties, N. Y., the company adopted a
resolution to donate $10 a year to the Firemen’s Home at Hudson. Washington Hook and Ladder
Company, of the same place, also voted to donate $10 a year to the Home.
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The new Board of Directors met for organization Jan. 1st, 1896, at 9:30 a.m., in directors rooms with
directors Rogers and Cornwell from Ward No. 1, Cantine and Lasher from Ward No. 2, and Cunyes and
Quick from Ward No. 3 present.
The clerk called the meeting to order and stated that the first business to be transacted was the election
of a president.
Mr. Lasher nominated Mr. Cantine, which was seconded, and there being no other nominations, Mr.
Cantine was elected president by acclamation.
Mr. Lasher and Mr. Cornwell were then placed in nomination for vice present. Mr. Lasher declined in
favor of Mr. Cornwell.
On motion it was decided to waive the rules and elect by acclamation, whereupon Mr. Cornwell was
unanimously elected vice president of the village and directors.
James Dederick and Homer Russell being placed in nomination for clerk, an informal ballot resulted.
Dederick 5, Russell, 1. 1st formal ballot the same. Dederick was declared elected clerk.
On motion the meeting nights were left as before on the 1st and 3rd Saturday nights of each month.
Ex-president Simmons returned his key of directors room and combination of the safe which had been in
his possession. On motion then adjourned.

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Regular meeting of the board of directors held Saturday evening, January 4th 1896, with all directors
present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last regular meeting read for information.
Finance committee reported bill of Finger & Lewis correct and same was ordered paid.
Committee on streets reported progress on matter of lamp for Lutheran church and also reported that
the sidewalk of Henry L. Finger had been covered with coal ashes and large cinders and caused
considerable complaint, and on motion the clerk was ordered to notify him to make same passable by
removing or covering the cinders at once between Dr. Dawes and Mr. Darbee’s on Market street.
The matter of lock up was referred to the committee on buildings with power to act.
An informal ballot was then ordered for street commissioner with Mr. Rogers and Mr. Quick as tellers
which resulted in Alfred Pultz receiving 3, P. Corcoran, 1, Cyrus Fuller 2. 1st formal ballot Pultz 4, Cyrus
Fuller, 2.  Mr. Pultz was declared elected.
An informal ballot was then ordered for janitor resulting, John Palmer, 5, E. Hassinger 1. 1st formal ballot
John Palmer 4, E. Hassinger 2.  Mr. Palmer was declared elected.
An informal ballot was then ordered for health officer for Ward No. 1, resulting, B. F. Crump 5, blank 1.
1st formal ballot Crump 6.  Mr. Crump was declared elected.
Informal ballot for Ward No. 2, resulted, Alexander Lackey 4, Edson Finger 2. 1st formal ballot Lackey 4,
Finger 2.  Mr. Lackey was declared elected.
An informal ballot for Ward No. 3, resulted, John Lowther 2, A. Rowe 4. 1st formal ballot Lowther 2,
Rowe 4.  Mr. Rowe was declared elected.
On motion the clerk was directed to notify the members of the health board to meet with the directors
at their next meeting to confer with them regarding matters of interest to both and also to notify them
that the services of the old health board and health officer ended on Dec. 31, 1895.
On motion Wm. E. Persons was appointed to care for the town clock for the year of 1896 at a salary of
$50 per year.
On motion Chas. Abeel and H. Krantz were appointed as village police for 1896, at a salary of $52 each
per year.
The president named as his committees the following: Finance – Cunyes, chairman; Rogers, Lasher.
Streets, sidewalks, crosswalks, lamps – Lasher, chairman; Quick, Cornwell, Cunyes. Firemanic matters,
buildings, apparatus, &c. – Quick, chairman; Lasher, Cornwell. Stone crusher- Lasher, chairman; Rogers,
Quick, Cornwell. Charter and legal matters – Rogers, chairman; Cunyes, Lasher.

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The matter of getting out stone in front of the crusher was referred to committee on crusher to get bids for same and report at the next meeting.

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<td>N. Cunyes,</td>
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<td>Chas. E. Cornwell,</td>
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<td>Wm. Doyle, carriage on steamer</td>
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<td>Electric Light Co., light empire engine house</td>
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<td>Willett S. Baldwin, engine steamer 6 mos.</td>
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<td>J. Dederick, 3 mos clerk and expenses</td>
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<td>John Maxwell, Dec. street lighting</td>
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<td>John G. Palmer, Dec. janitor and labor</td>
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<td>Thos. Tracey, labor,</td>
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<td>Finger &amp; Lewis, lumber,</td>
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Adjourned, J. Dederick, Clerk


The Village Directors held their regular meeting on Saturday evening. Those present were President Cantine and Directors Quick, Cornwell and Rogers.

Chief Engineer Lewis rendered the following report of an inspection made by Chief E. J. Lewis, and Wm. V. Burhans, the incoming Chief, with S. Yates Knight for the Water Commissioners.

Hydrants are numbered in order of inspection.

- **No. 1**, First and Main street, worked hard; water clear.
- **No. 2**, James and Main street, telegraph pole interferes with proper operation or opening of hydrant; water clear.
- **No. 3**, Corner Main and Partition street, worked hard; one tight hose cap which defect was remedied the same, P. M.; water clear.
- **No. 4**, Partition street, in front Butzel's store, worked hard; hydrant fouled with sticks caused by not having caps to hose connection; most of the sticks have been removed; and smaller caps ordered; water clear.
- **No. 5**, Partition street in front of Preston's store, worked hard; telegraph pole in the way; water clear.
- **No. 6**, Russell street, near Fuller's building; very dirty.
- **No. 7**, Washington avenue opposite M. E. Church; very dirty.
- **No. 8**, Washington avenue, near Clermont street; dirty.
- **No. 9**, Clermont street, east of Washington avenue; dirty.
- **No. 10**, Cedar street, near Convent, worked hard, and very dirty.
- **No. 11**, Cedar and Division street, very dirty.
- **No. 12**, Division street, near Washington avenue, good condition; water clear.
No. 13, Main street and Washington avenue, hydrant works very hard; water clear.
No. 14, Main street, corner Cedar, near R. B. Overbaugh’s, works hard; cap loose; water dirty.
No. 15, Main street, head of John, works very well, oil stem; water quite dirty; clears quick.
No. 16, John street, near Dr. Dawes, works very well; water quite dirty.
No. 17, Washington avenue and Lafayette street, hydrant works very hard; water very dirty.
No. 18, Lafayette street, head of Partition street, hydrant works very good; water very dirty.
No. 19, Partition street, in front of Baptist church, hydrant opens hard, condition of water fair.
No. 20, Market street, and Lafayette, hydrant works easy.
No. 21, Market street, and Ulster avenue, loose cap; hydrant works very good; water clear.
No. 22, Ulster avenue, head of Elm street, hydrant works hard, loos cap; water clear.
No. 23, Elm street, hydrant works hard, loose cap; water clear.
No. 24, Ulster avenue and Myer street, hydrant works easy; water clear; should oil stem.
No. 25, Livingston street, head Myer, oil stem; water quite clear; hydrant works well.
No. 26, Livingston street near Cross, hydrant works easy water quite clear.
No. 27, Second street, near Main, oil caps; hydrant works very hard; water clear.
No. 28, Main street, Washburn Terrace, hydrant worked good; water dirty but cleared quick.
No. 29, At head Washburn Terrace, oil stem; water cleared readily.
No. 30, Livingston street, head First, hydrant worked well; oil stem; water not very clear.
No. 31, Jane street, head of James, hydrant worked hard, water very dirty, had to shut hydrant before water cleared to prevent flooding street.
No. 32, West Bridge street, near Mr. Adams’, hydrant worked hard; splice chain on caps, water dirty.
No. 33, West Bridge street, Searing Place, one nut gone on crown; hydrant works easy; water dirty; oil stem.
No. 34, West Bridge street, below Searing Place, hydrant works very hard; water very dirty.
No. 35, West Bridge street and McCarthy, hydrant works easy; oil stem.
No. 36, McDonald street, near McCarthy street; hydrant works hard, water very dirty; oil stem.
No. 37, Montgomery street, corner Partition, hydrant worked hard; water fair.
No. 38, Montgomery street, and Mc Donald, hydrant worked hard; condition of water fair.
No. 39, Montgomery street, between Partition and Washington avenue, Hydrant worked hard; water clear.
No. 40, Clermont street, between Partition and Washington avenue, Hydrant worked hard; water clear.
No. 41, Partition street, near Electric Light works; all right.
No. 42, Corner Montross and Allen streets, hydrant worked easy; chain broken; water fowl, had to shut hydrant to prevent flooding yards on Allen street.

Inspection continued Jan. 17th, 1896, with Chief of Fire Department E. J. Lewis, William V. Burhans and S. Yates Knight, as before;
No. 43, Top of Hill street, hydrant worked all right, stem should be oiled.
No. 44, Church street, hydrant worked well, water cleared quickly; one chain broken.
No. 45, hydrant at Tjerck Huycks, very dirty; cleared slowly; worked easy; crown loose.
No. 46, Church and Barclay streets, hydrant worked easy; water cleared slowly.
No. 47, Mill street hydrant worked hard; water cleared quickly; oil cap.
No. 48, East Bridge, below the paper mill, hydrant works easy; water clears quick; oil stem.
No. 49, East Bridge, above Book Bindery, this one was not tested on ac ... excavation that was being made below it to repair Gas Main. [bottom of paper torn away]
No. 50, Valley street, hydrant worked easy; chain broken.
No. 51, East Bridge and Theodore Place, hydrant works easy: clears quickly, chain broken, will take cap to shop.
No. 52, Hill street near ice house, hydrant works easy; water cleared at once.
No. 53, Ulster Ave. near W. S. R. R. depot, hydrant works easy; water cleared at once. There is a bench used for getting in and out of wagons that is in the way and interferes with the opening and closing of hydrants.
The report was ordered received and placed on file.
The Chief also recommended the purchasing of siamese for use on hydrants and steamer.
Ex president Simmons appeared before the Board in behalf of the Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol in relation to the purchasing of suitable badges, showing the authority and position of its members.
The matter was referred to the fire committee with power.
The recommendations from the various fire companies for officers of fire department for the ensuing year were read by the Clerk and were as follows:
William V. Burhans, Chief
William V. McCormick, 1st Asst. Chief
Ernest Hassinger, 2nd Asst. Chief
Ernest Hassinger, Treasurer
On motion the above officers were confirmed.
Director Quick of the fire committee, recommended purchasing three siamese for use of the fire department.
On motion the committee were authorized to purchase one immediately and to get prices on the others and report at the next meeting.
The following bills were read and ordered paid:
Henry L. Finger, two months rent for quarantined family, amount $15.00, was ordered paid from the Health Fund.
Saugerties Gas Light Co., lighting streets for month of December, $57.00.
Lutz and Carle presented a bid for quarrying out stone on the east side of crusher, at 30 cents per ton, delivered at crusher.
On motion the bid was accepted, the work to be done under the direction of the crusher committee.
The matter of purchasing stone from other parties was referred to the crusher committee.
The clerk was instructed to procure keys to the rooms of Snyder Hose Co. and of Washington H. & L. Co. that the Directors may make inspection of the rooms at such times as they may desire.
Members of the Village Board of Health were present at the meeting and had a long discussion of heath affairs for the benefit of both Boards.
The clerk was directed to ask the Water Commissioners for four drafts or maps of the position and location of the fire hydrants.
Six new hydrant wrenches were ordered purchased.
The bill of Street Commissioner Pultz for men on street, amount $4.50 was ordered paid.
Peter Cantine was unanimously [sic] elected village counsel for the ensuing year at the salary as heretofore paid, $100.
On motion the Board adjourned.

2012. Mark Hanna’s Song. France has the lily, England the rose,
Everybody knows where the Shamrock grows.
Scotland the thistle that grows on the hill,
But America’s emblem is the one-dollar bill.
Chief Engineer Lewis submitted a report of test of all the hydrants, finding them all in working condition, which report was ordered received and placed on file.

Mr. Simmons, representing the Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol, requested the board to furnish them with badges suitable for their use, which matter was on motion referred to the firemanic committee with power to act and purchase the badges.

Wm. V. Burhans, being named for Chief Engineer, Wm. V. McCormick for 1st Assistant Chief, Ernest Hassinger for 2nd Assistant Chief, and Ernest Hassinger for Treasurer of the Fire Department, the above named were on motion confirmed for the said officers, and the Treasurer ordered to give bond of $200.

The matter of a purchase of a siamese for use on the engine and hydrants was referred back to the committee on firemanic affairs to get one at once and secure prices on 2 more and report at the next meeting of the board.

A bill being received of 30¢. per ton for getting out stone in front of crusher and delivered to same, on motion the bid was accepted, but the work to be under the direction of the committee on crusher as they shall designate.

The matter of purchasing stone for the crusher from other parties was ordered left to the committee on crusher with power to act.

Bills of expenses of Water Commissioners and repairs to cisterns on account of the old Water Company were ordered filed.

On motion Peter Cantine was appointed counsel of the board for the year 1896 at a salary of $100.

The Board of Health met in conference with the Directors on matters of general interest, both to the village and themselves.

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On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.
Laflin Hose Co. asked for exemption certificates for several members, which were granted. The following bills were ordered paid:

- Commissioner Pultz, men and teams on streets, and salary, $10.50
- James Dederick, insurance on Firemen’s Hall and Stone Crusher, 140.00
- John Maxwell, care of street lamps, month of January, 39.00
- Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., coal, 86.59
- Ludlow Valve Co., six hydrant wrenches, 2.10
- Lutz & Carle, getting out stone at crusher, 13.78
- Daniel Finger, for stone, 5.10
- Rightmyer & Myer, putting up and taking down booths for charter election, 2.00

On motion the clerk was ordered to notify the counsel of the village to give a report of the damage cases against the village and to present the bills for the same, up to date, at the next meeting.

On motion the Board adjourned.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, Feb. 1st, 1896, with all directors but Mr. Cornwell present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information. Firemanic committee reported needed repairs to Empire Engine House and supplies for fire department; also reported 450 feet good hose on hand and engine in good condition; also reported needed repairs to Snyder Hose Co. building and supplies for this department.

On motion, a draw-line, strap, shovel and 2 coats, were ordered bought, and trap door cut in Laflin Hose Co. building, and lanterns ordered repaired.

Committee also reported quotation of $27.50 for a seamise for use on hydrants and prices on exempt Fireman Patrol badges. The matter of the seamise was left with the committee to order two as they shall direct, and the matter of the badges was laid over until next meeting.

Committee on crusher reported progress, and that about 65 tons of stone had been drawn to the crusher.

Ed. McCarthy, James Dunn and Daniel Haines were confirmed as members of Laflin Hose Co., Irwin Ronk and Nicholas Bowers of Snyder Hose Co., and D. N. Finger and Enoch Fellows of the Exempt Fireman’s Fire Patrol.

On motion the matter of release in the Freligh case was laid over till the next meeting, and the clerk was ordered to notify counselor Davis to report to the board at that meeting regarding the law cases in his hands, and also to present such bills as may have been incurred in connection with same up to date.

On motion a duplicate notice of appointment as street commissioner was ordered issued to Patrick Corcoran for the year 1894.

Committee on lamp at Lutheran church reported progress.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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2016. Special meeting of the Board of Directors, held Monday evening, at 6 p. m., Feb. 3rd 1896, with all directors present; president Cantine presiding.
The meeting was called for the purpose of issuing a certificate of indebtedness on account of General Fund.
On motion, a certificate of indebtedness for $500.00 was ordered issued on roll call as follows; Aye – Messrs. Cunyes, Lasher, Cornwell, Quick, Rogers, Cantine.
On motion, adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk.

Directors Lasher and Cornwell were the absentees at the regular meeting of the Board of Village Directors held on Saturday evening, Feb. 15th.
A petition asking for a crosswalk over Main street between the one at the post office and the one at the 10 cent store was on motion ordered laid on the table.
The finance committee reported as to the condition of the village finances, which report was ordered placed on file.
The committee on Exempt Firemen and Police Patrol badges reported in favor of purchasing badges costing 75 cents each and on motion the committee was empowered to purchase 50 at that price.
Corporation Counsel Cantine rendered a report as to the condition of the cases against the village up to date, and stated that the only bill he had against the village was for the services in the water suit which amounts to $200 and $14.20 for expenditures.
Director Quick stated that he had ordered two rubber coats for Laflin Hose Co.
R. A. Snyder Hose Co. presented the names of Harry T. Keeney and Dr. Fred. D. Wygant for confirmation as members of that company, which request was granted.
The Exempt Firemens’ Association and Fire Patrol asked to have the names of Philip Smith, Charles Quase, James Merchant and Theo. Kistner confirmed as members of their company which request was granted.
Albert L. Decker applied for an exemption certificate which on motion was granted.
The following bills were read and on motion ordered paid:
Peter Cantine, for service and expenditures in the water case, $ 214.20
Lutz & Carle quarrying stone, 16.80
A. Pultz, street commissioner, men and teams on streets, 8.75
H. A. Hildebrant, supplies, 6.72
Saugerties Gas Co., street lights, 57.33
Geo. W. Elting, printing for Health Board, 11.50
The bill of H. A. Hildebrant for lamp post, etc., at new Lutheran church was referred to the finance committee, amount $26.50.
The matter of the sewer of Mrs. Michael Matthews, which empties into the gutter on McCarthy street was referred to the committee on streets.
Ex corporation counsel Davis appeared before the Board and explained very fully in regard to the cases in the courts against the village and on request presented the bills in full to date which covers the Freligh and Gordon cases and amounted to $155.00 which was laid over until the next meeting.
The contract of the Gas Company for street lighting having nearly expired and in order to renew the same the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Directors of the Village of Saugerties hereby elect to renew the contract made March 1st, 1895, between the Saugerties Gas Light Co. and the Directors of the Village of Saugerties for the further period of two years from the 1st day of March, 1896 and that the clerk of this Board before the 1st day of March, 1896, give written notice in writing of such election of this resolution. That a copy of the notice be sent to the Gas Co., be attached to the original contract on file in the Village clerk’s office. On motion the Board adjourned.

The libel case of The People against Harry W. Adams, charged with criminal libel on complaint of Dr. S. L. Dawes came to an unexpected ending in the recorder’s court Monday morning. Corporation Counsel Cloonan appeared for the prosecution, and W. D. Brinnier was counsel for Mr. Adams. Mr. Cloonan said that inasmuch as the recorder had dismissed the first jurymen drawn in the case, a second jury could not now legally be summoned or the old jury recalled. He therefore withdrew the complaint, and Mr. Adams was discharged.

2019. To Our Patrons.
Since we came to Saugerties, nearly two years ago, attempts have been made, by misrepresentation, persecution and abuse, to drive our business out of the town; all other efforts failing, one of our firm on January 16th, last, was arrested, in behalf of the people, on complaint of a business competitor. He was taken from his business, without any notice, by an officer from the city of Kingston, the intention being to throw him into prison.
Conscious that he had not committed any wrong, we immediately employed counsel and determined to fight for our rights to the bitter end. On the 24th of this month we were ready in court for trial with our witnesses, but the complaint was suddenly withdrawn, without any request from us.
We are now informed, through the newspapers, that we are to be annihilated in some other way. All we have to say is that if we have done wrong we deserve to be punished, but we deny that we have, and do not intend to let any business rival drive us away from Saugerties so long as we can pay 100 cents on the dollar, and live.
We want the public to know that although it may be, in the eyes of some, a heinous crime to sell goods at less than war prices, we shall continue to do business at the old stand and if our prices make some people sick, the doctors will reap the benefit. Respectfully, Adams & Company, “The Museum Drug Store.”

The confirmation services Sunday morning at the Lutheran Church was unusually interesting. The class was one of the largest ever confirmed in this village. Those received as members were: Mamie Schoentag, Rosa Ebel, Mary Hassinger, Annie Hassinger, Martha Starker, David Schoentag, Frederick Voerge, Adam Dietrich, Lewis Kleeber, Christopher Genthner, Jacob Steiss, Michael Schenk, George Schober, Valentine Scheurig and August Jack. The floral decorations were the finest ever presented at any service in this village. Mr. J. G. Steenken and Mrs. David Ebel loaning palms and potted plants from their own conservatories. The arrangement of the flowers was under the direction of Frederick Herring, of Mr. Steenken’s conservatory.

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2021. Her Lutherische Herald, New Dorf, 7 März 3, 1896. [Article in German, not copied.]
President, Henry A. Ohley, Saugerties
Vice-Presidents, William D. Brinnier, Kingston, First Vice-President
Henry Buxberry, Hudson, Second Vice-President
Eugene Wolfe, Athens, Third Vice-President
Secretary – Harry M. C. Vedder, Catskill
Treasurer – George Wachmyer, Jr., Rondout

Executive Committee
George H. Scott, Coxsackie E. J. Lewis, Saugerties
Joseph Kline, Kingston William C. Brady, Athens
William H. Hawver, Hudson George B. Parker, Hudson

Auditing Committee
Ralph P. Barker, Catskill, Edwin H. Davis, Hudson, James H. Bruck, Rondout
Delegate to State Firemen’s Association - Thomas F. Hannon, Hudson

2023. Not Transferable, Mrs. Ernest Hassinger, you are respectfully invited to attend the Easter Monday Ball of A. M. Osborn Hose Company, No. 2, to be given at the Nelida Theatre, Monday Eve., April 6, ’96
This invitation must be presented at the door. Music by Prof Hill’s Orchestra of eight pieces.

Mrs. N. K. Bigelow, the efficient conductor who has had charge of the Saugerties Choral Society since its inception about two years ago, was presented with a handsome loving cup, made of solid silver, on Wednesday afternoon by President W. S. Myer, on behalf of the Choral Society. The cup bears the following inscription: “Mrs. Nathan Kellogg Bigelow, from the Saugerties Choral Society, March, 17th 1896.” The cup is a fine piece of work and will be on exhibition at “The Corner Drug Store” on Friday and Saturday of this week, where an opportunity will be given all to see it.


2026. Office of the President – Central New York – Volunteer Firemen’s Association – Officers
Frank M. Baker, President, Owego, Edward W. Hyatt, Secretary, Homer, Percy L. Lang, Treasurer, Waverly. Oswego, N. Y., Feb’y 28th, 1896.

Monday afternoon a chimney on the residence of Frank Pidgeon caught fire which was extinguished with some difficulty. An alarm of fire was sounded which quickly brought the fire department on the scene but fortunately their services were not required. Five minutes after the alarm was given, Snyder Hose Co. had hydrant attachment and was ready for business. Quick work that. On returning home Laflin Hose Co.’s jumper ran against a farmer’s wagon standing in front to the Little Market on the Corner and upset it breaking the shafts. The horse was prevented from running away.
Monday [changed from Tuesday] evening in the neighborhood of 8 o'clock an alarm of fire was sounded. It proved to be a large barn on the premises of the late C. E. Quick on Elm street. The snow which had fallen greatly impeded the efforts of the firemen who after a successful battle soon reached the burning building. Snyder Hose Co. was the first to arrive followed immediately by the Washington Hook & Ladder. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lantern. Mr. Quick going up in the mow with a lantern when the glass striking something it broke and suddenly it exploded and ignited the hay and other combustibles stored there. In the lower part of the barn was a number of wagons, among the number were two of Van Buskirk & Dederick's cabs, one horse, two buggies, harness, chickens, blankets and other articles belonging to Mr. Quick all of which were saved. The fire fanned by the wind and the ground covered with snow illuminated the sky in a picturesque manner. Luckily the snow had fallen and covered the roofs of the adjacent building or a large conflagration would have resulted as the sparks and embers were flying everywhere in the gale. The newly purchased water works were used for the first time and demonstrated their superiority over the old method of fighting fire. The building was insured through the agency of J. P. Russell for $400.

A large audience filled the lecture room of the Baptist Church Friday evening to witness the little folks concert which was rendered in a manner for which this school is noted. The opening address was by Master Lewis Fellows, who extended a royal welcome to all, followed by singing by the class and recitations by the stars of the evening, Miss Jennie Van Buskirk and Katie Shultis, who were applauded to the echo and who were presented with bouquets. The tableaux entitled "Rock of Ages" was finely executed, Miss Minnie Paradise and Marion Gates dressed in white with the background illuminated by red fire, making a very imposing scene. The recitations by Maud Carle, Theodora Gates, Emma Gleason and Marion Gates were appreciated and received with much applause. The concert concluded with a tableaux entitled, "Hear My Prayer," in which Alice Hassinger, Myrtle Tyson, Jennie Van Buskirk, and Emma Gleason participated, illuminated with colored fire while a coterie of young ladies sang "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep." The concert was a success in every way. The success is largely due to the untiring efforts of Miss Effie Pultz, who labored faithfully to accomplish it.

That the fire was of an incendiary origin there is no doubt, as large quantities of cotton saturated with naptha or gasoline was found tucked in between the blind door and the inner door, also lodged in
corners under the porch. Mrs. Smith worked heroically, she received painful cuts on both feet by stepping on broken window glass.

Mrs. Herring on being interviewed by a POST representative stated that on going to the conservatory of Mr. Steenken, of which Mr. Herring has charge, she saw a man light a match at the door of the Hurry residence and then run away, in an instant afterward the flames burst forth, then she called fire. A reliable gentleman informed a POST reporter, that a few moments previous to the alarm of fire, and while near Trinity Church, he heard distinctly several pistol shots and heard someone running.

Special services will be held in the Lutheran Church next Sunday morning at 10:30 o’clock, when five girls and ten boys will be examined as to their qualifications for confirmation. It is a rule of this church that all young people desiring to unite with it, for six months preceding Easter Sunday must make a special study with the pastor as to their duties and obligations, and on the second Sunday preceding Easter, must undergo an examination in presence of the congregation, and those who pass successfully will, on Palm Sunday, be confirmed as members of the church and will receive the right to partake of the holy communion on Easter. Following are the names of those who will be examined for this purpose next Sunday: Mamie Schoentag, Rosa Ebel, Mary Hassinger, Annie Hassinger, Martha Starker, David Schoentag, Frederick Voerge, Adam Dietrich, Lewis Kleeber, Christopher Genthner, Jacob Steiss, Michael Schenk, George Schober, Valentine Scheurig, August Jack.

2033. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston NY. April 4, 1896. – Firebug Scared Off – A Bold Attempt to Burn a House at Saugerties. – E. A. Hurry’s Large Residence is found Ablaze – Cotton Saturated with Naphtha Discovered. - The Incendiary Fled After an Alarm was Given.
What has all the appearance of being a diabolical attempt to burn a large residence was made in Saugerties last night. The village fire department was called out about 11 o’clock by the ringing of the fire bells and word was soon spread throughout the place that the large summer residence of E. A. Hurry, of New York city, situated on Barclay Heights, overlooking the Hudson river was on fire. The neighbors were soon at the scene and prevented the destruction of the valuable property. During the winter the rear part of the house is occupied by D. Y. Smith, a painter, and about 11 o’clock last night, Mrs. Herring, a neighbor, went to the door with the intention of stepping outside. Her attention was attracted by some one striking a match in front of the Hurry residence and a second later a man running away. Later she saw the blinds of the front window were all ablaze. Mrs. Herring gave an alarm to Robert Johnson who tore the blind from the house and D. Y. Smith got some water and soon put the fire out. It was evidently a willful attempt at incendiarism as a roll of cotton had been saturated with naphtha, or gasoline and stuffed between the blinds. A wad of cotton was also burning beneath the veranda and at the front door.
The man who started the fire must have been scared away by the alarm of Mrs. Herring, as he left his hat and a gallon can which contained the naphtha. Had not the fire been discovered just when it was, the entire residence would have been destroyed. The clues have all been turned over to Officer D. E. Abeel, who will try to locate the incendiary.
The damage will not exceed $50. The services of the fire department were not required.

George W. Washburn, of this village, was chosen president of the Consolidated Brick Makers’ Association at a meeting held in Newburgh on Monday. Mr. Washburn stated that since the last meeting they had thought it advisable to reduce the capital stock from $50,000 to $30,000, as by careful investigation they found that whereas they had been figuring on a basis of the number of brick annually manufactured along the Hudson, not as many brick were made as originally calculated. Therefore the stock was reduced.
2035. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 28, 1896. – Major Tanner Appointed. On Monday Major Al. Tanner, of Kingston, secured his appointment as special agent under the Raines Law from commissioner Lyman, took the oath of office, and was furnished with a silver badge of office which is as large as a silver dollar. He is all smiles.

2036. Saugerties Post, Saugerties NY. April 3, 1896. – Result of the Regents Examination in Saugerties. Below is a list of those students who received credentials from the University of the State of New York, as a result of the examinations held in our high school March 23 - 27, 1896. Pass cards as follows:

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2. John Adams died of senile debility; buried at Quincy, Mass.
3. Thomas Jefferson died of chronic diarrhoea; buried on his estate at Monticello, Va.
4. James Madison died of old age; buried on his estate, Montpelier, Va.
5. James Monroe died of general debility; buried in Marble Cemetery, New York City.
6. John Quincy Adams died of paralysis, the fatal attack overtaking him in the House of Representatives; buried at Quincy, Mass.
7. Andrew Jackson died of consumption and dropsy; buried on his estate, the Hermitage, near Nashville, Tenn.
8. Martin Van Buren died of catarrh of the throat and lungs; buried at Kinderhook, NY.
9. William Henry Harrison died of pleurisy, induced by a cold taken on the day of inauguration; buried at North Bend, O.
10. John Tyler died from a mysterious disorder like a bilious attack; buried at Richmond, Va.
11. James K. Polk died from weakness caused by cholera; buried on his estate in Nashville, Tenn.
12. Zachary Taylor died from cholera morbus, induced by improper diet; buried on his estate near Louisville, Ky.
13. Millard Fillmore died from paralysis; buried in Forest Hill Cemetery, Buffalo, N. Y.
14. Franklin Pierce died from inflammation of the stomach; buried at Concord, N. H.
15. James Buchanan died of rheumatism and gout; buried near Lancaster, Pa.
17. Andrew Johnson died from paralysis; buried at Greenville, Tenn.
18. Ulysses S. Grant died from cancer of the throat; buried at Riverside Park, New York City.
19. Rutherford B. Hayes died from paralysis of heart; buried Fremont, O.
20. James A. Garfield assassinated by Charles J. Guiteau; buried at Cleveland, O.
21. Chester A. Arthur died from Bright’s disease; buried in Rural Cemetery, Albany, N. Y.

2038. You are cordially invited to attend a Banquet in commemoration of the Tenth Anniversary of the A. M. Osborn Hose Co., No. 2, at Hotel Irving, Catskill, June 6th, 1896 at nine o’clock p. m. [illustration]

The large auditorium of the Reformed Church was filled to its capacity Sunday evening, the occasion being a union service of the village churches to listen to the farewell sermon of Rev. Oscar Haviland, pastor of the Methodist Church, whose term has expired.
The pastors of the Reformed, Baptist and Congregational Churches occupied seats on the platform. After a few introductory remarks by Rev. D. Wortman, Rev. W. F. Stowe, pastor of the Congregational...
Church, read the scripture lesson after which Rev. F. H. Gates, pastor of the Baptist Church, offered prayer.

Dr. Wortman then introduced Mr. Haviland, who took for his text 2 Kings 6:17, Luke 3:10 and Acts 9:6, from which he preached and eloquent sermon bringing forth the need of true christianity. [sic] At the close of his sermon he spoke very tenderly regretting that he must leave Saugerties.

Rev. Mr. Gates spoke briefly concerning Mr. Haviland’s successful work here and showing the true christianity [sic] which animated him. Rev. Mr. Stowe paid a very high tribute to his character as a man, a citizen, and above all, christian. [sic] Dr. Wortman also spoke briefly and Mr. Haviland in reply feelingly thanked all for their kindness and assured them that the people of Saugerties would always be dear to him.

By Mr. Haviland’s departure, this village loses a good citizen and the Methodist Church a much respected and eloquent preacher.

After a lingering illness of several weeks, James O. Carnright, cashier of the Saugerties Bank, died at his residence on Main street Friday evening between 6 and 7 o’clock.

Mr. Carnright was born in this village Nov. 14th, 1857, and received a common school education. In early life he entered the employ of Henry Feroe at Tivoli as clerk and afterwards with his brother John F., as shipping clerk on board of the barge Sarah Smith of Barrytown.

He was an exempt fireman, having served the time prescribed by law in R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, he was foreman. He joined Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows from which he withdrew his membership, he was a member of Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. of A. M., in good and regular standing and had held the positions of secretary and Senior Warden.

In May, 1896, he succeeded John M. Myer as bookkeeper in the Saugerties Bank, and on the death of Thomas B. Keeney, April 3d, 1893, was promoted to the cashiership, which position he held at the time of his death.

He leaves a wife (formerly Miss Carrie Teller) and three children, two boys and a girl. He has three brothers and a sister living, viz: John F., Albert, Ezra and Martha. Hon. Robert A. Snyder is a half brother. The funeral will take place Tuesday afternoon at 3 o’clock and will be conducted with Masonic honors under the auspices of Ulster Lodge, No. 193. Rev. Oscar Haviland is expected to officiate.

Recently at a Special Term of the Supreme Court held at Albany, Judge Chester presiding, an order was made in the matter of the voluntary dissolution of the Sheffield Manufacturing Co., of Saugerties, confirming the report of the referee, Henry A. Beckham, who was appointed to examine and report on the receiver’s accounts, and ordering that the accounts of Howard Gillespy, the temporary and permanent receiver be in all things allowed and be decreed final and conclusive upon all creditors. After directing the payment of costs, etc., the receiver is ordered to pay the final dividend of 22 53-100 per cent to the creditors. The list of creditors attached to the order shows the amount of the liabilities to be $918,550; with costs added, $208,189.93. The amount in hands of receiver, including vouchers of Creditor’s Committee is $208,189.93. [as printed]

Over 100 Odd Fellows from Kingston, Rondout, Phoenicia, Ulster Park, West Saugerties, Marlborough, Shokan, Gardiner, Rosendale and New Palz, were the guests of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., of Saugerties, on Monday evening. Peckham’s Brass Band, of Kingston, accompanied them upon a special
The evening was one long to be remembered by the Odd Fellows along the Hudson, who gave three cheers in parting for the royal way in which the Saugerties brothers had entertained.

Reuben Quick went into the hay mow in his large barn on Monday evening with a kerosene lamp in his hand. In some way the chimney came off the lamp, and Mr. Quick dropped it upon a pile of hay. The entire loft was soon in a blaze, and the village fire department responded. It was the first time that water from the new water works was used to extinguish a fire. There was deep snow on the ground, and many difficulties were encountered in connecting the hydrant, but the result was highly satisfactory. The barn was a story and a half structure, and was valued at $1,000. It was insured for $400 in Jeremiah Russell’s agency.
The R. A. Snyder company was the first to respond to the alarm. It was followed shortly after by the Washington Hook and ladder [sic] and the Laflin hose companies. The hose was soon connected and a large stream of water was turned upon the building. The barn was gutted. A horse, two wagons, two cabs and a lot of chickens were saved.

At the Republican caucus held Monday night, Benjamin M. Freligh was chosen chairman and Samuel W. Merclean secretary. The following delegates were elected: To the County Convention – Edward J. Lewis, Benjamin M. Coon, Jesse Fiero, Charles Brink, Uriah Van Etten, Alexander A. Finger. To the Assembly District Convention – Albert Rowe, Benjamin F. Crump, James Brennan, William M. Chidester, Lewis S. Hommel, B. Taylor Harris.

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2045. [Line drawing] Caught by a Journal Artist at the McKinley Rally in Cooper Union Last Night. [hand dated 1896] Includes a drawing of Gen. Wager Swayne, and Anti-Boss Mulholland. [illustration]

At the meeting of the Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol Thursday evening, Samuel Cohen was awarded the contract for the manufacture of new uniforms, to consist of a Prince Albert coat, trousers and fatigue cap, the material to be a dark bottle green, of dead lustre. Edmund M. Wilbur, William L. Finger and Reuben Quick were elected members of the Fire Patrol. The meeting adjourned to Tuesday evening of next week, when arrangements will be made for the holding of a Fair in the near future.
2047. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 27, 1896. – The Tri-county Badge This Year.
The committee having in charge the selection of the badges for the Tri-county firemen’s convention at
Kingston announced Wednesday evening that it had drawn up a design consisting of the letter “U.”
symbolic of Ulster county, with a miniature hose cart in the center, and bearing the inscription “Ulster,
Green and Columbia, Kingston, N. Y.” Underneath the “U” is the date “June 16 and 17, 1896.” The
badge is to be made of metal. The committee was not ready to make its report as to the cost of the
badges, and agreed to report at the next meeting. The badge design will probably be adopted at the
next meeting.

The funeral of the late James O. Carnright was held at his late residence on Main street, Tuesday
afternoon. The Rev. Oscar Haviland preached an eloquent funeral sermon assisted by the Rev. F. H.
Gates, who offered prayer, and the Rev. W. F. Stowe, who read a portion of scripture. The funeral was
one of the largest ever held in this village. Mr. Carnright being of a genial and kind hearted disposition,
was highly esteemed by all who came in contact with him.
After the services at the house were concluded, Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M., of which Mr. Carnright was a
prominent member, proceeded to the house and after viewing the remains, escorted the funeral
cortege to the Main street cemetery, where the masonic burial services were performed by Past Master
John B. Alliger, of Kingston, assisted by the members of Ulster Lodge.
The bearers were L. J. Butzel, F. T. Russell, E. J. Lewis, J. D. Fratsher, W. O. Pettit and Irwin Ronk,
members of the Masonic fraternity.
The many floral offerings were of beautiful design, and a number were presented by sympathetic
friends.
In the death of Mr. Carnright, Saugerties loses an honest and upright citizen, and the Saugerties bank a
courteous and obliging cashier.

The McKinley Glee Club of this village consisting of William Mould, J. Austin Freligh, William Paradise,
Edward Burhans, Edgar Myer and Benjamin F. Fellows, left town this morning for New York city where
they sing tonight at the McKinley mass meeting in Cooper Union. Mrs. Nora Krows accompanied them
as pianist.

A white mustachioed party, whom nobody knew, began to pervade the stage with the first whang-bang
of the band. When it ceased he trotted out a sad-faced and reluctant glee club. It sang a plaintive air.
The words, which nobody heard, were supposed to speak well of McKinley. Then the band played “I
want you my honey, yes I do.”
They did this very well as the bass drum was barred. As McKinley was supposed to be the “honey”
wanted the enthusiasm of the audience, heretofore inclined to simmer somewhat low, began to rise.
The glee club cut loose a serenade or two after this. When the glee club cashed in the last song and quit,
everyone was glad. [badly faded]

Following is the result of Tuesday’s election in this town. Those who ran on the Republican ticket are
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The proposition to purchase a stone crusher and an appropriation of $2,000 for roads and bridges were voted by a large majority.

The prohibition ticket received about [article ends, at bottom of page]
At the regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors held Saturday evening, March 7th, all the directors were present except Mr. Rogers. President Cantine presided.

Complaint being made as to the dangerous condition of an old well on Partition near Montgomery street by the street caving in about it, was on motion referred to the street committee who will examine it today, and will also visit Malden avenue to deside [sic] on needed improvements upon that thoroughfare. The committee will also visit the stone crusher and make preparations for the crushing of the large amount of stone that is in readiness to be crushed.

On motion, the clerk was directed to present a bill to the Town Board for the use of Firemen’s Hall for election purposes.

Upon the application of the Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol, Edmund M. Wilbur, William L. Finger and Reuben Quick were confirmed as members of the Patrol.

Laflin Hose Company presented the name of William G. Binder as a member of that company, and on motion he was confirmed.

The following bills were ordered paid:

- John Maxwell, care of lamps, $39.00
- Howard & Van Valkenberg, labor, 12.38
- Lutz & Carle, quarrying stone, 27.28
- H. L. Finger, for stone, 5.83
- A. Pultz, for men and teams on street and at crusher, 84.50

The bill of The Corner Drug Store for supplies to the village Board of Health amounting to $32.28 was referred to the finance committee.

John Maxwell was unanimously appointed lamp lighter for the ensuing year at a salary of $46.00 per month.

The tax-budget for 1896 was made up as follows:

- Interest on $7,000 Ulster avenue bonds, $245.00
- Interest on $8,500 village indebtedness bonds, 340.00
- Certificate of indebtedness, 500.00
- Interest on same, 6.47
- One bond maturing, 1,000.00
- General fund, 3,000.00
- Road fund, 4,000.00
- Health fund, 506.33

Total, $9,600.00

The clerk was directed to notify the assessors to levy their assessments at once in compliance with the provisions of the charter.

The clerk reported $5.00 license collected from S. Vogel & Son for the horse sale.

The Clerk was directed to furnish the Exempt Firemens’ Association with a key to the Director’s room.

On motion the Board adjourned.

2053. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 10, 1896. – Ladies Organize.

The ladies to have charge of Laflin Hose Co.’s booth at the coming Fair of the Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol met in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms Thursday evening and organized by choosing Miss Maggie Wood, president; Mrs. William Bradley, vice-president; and Mrs. Edward Reynolds, secretary and treasurer. The Exempt committee met with them and made known the objects and aim of the proposed Fair which was enthusiastically endorsed after which the meeting adjourned.

The matter of purchasing oil for street light was rather an exciting action of the regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors held Saturday evening, March 21st. All the directors except Mr. Rogers were present, and President Cantine presided. The finance committee reported favorable on the bill of H. A. Hildebrandt for supplies, and on motion the same was ordered paid. The finance committee reported on the bill of The Corner Drug Store, for supplies furnished to Board of Health that charges amounting to $15.26 was correct and recommended that bills amounting to $17.02 should be referred back and presented to the individuals for whom the supplies were furnished, as they are perfectly able to pay more so that the village itself. The street committee reported work done on various streets and sewers. The crusher committee have not as yet decided just in what manner the shoots will be arranged to convey the stone from the screens to the bins but will report in full at the next meeting. The Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol asked permission to use Firemen’s Hall for the purpose of holding a fair on May 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th. The request was granted with the exception of the Directors’ room and providing consent had been given by the other fire companies. Dr. Bowman asked permission to erect a sign post in front of his new office on Main street, to be set just inside the curb. The request was granted. The matter of purchasing oil for street lighting was next brought up and caused considerable discussion. For the past few years oil has been furnished by S. M. Gray and it was the expression of some of the members that the purchase of oil should be divided among those who wholesale it in the village, while others contended that as there is nothing to gain by making the change and as Mr. Gray had always given satisfaction it would be wrong to make the change without getting estimates and then give the contract to the lowest bidder. Mr. Lasher moved that the purchase of oil be divided, which was seconded by Mr. Cornwell. Mr. Cunyes called for the ayes and nays which resulted as follows: Ayes: Lasher, Cornwell and Cantine. Nays: Cunyes and Quick. Mr. Cunyes then moved that three barrels be purchased of Daniel Lamb and called for the ayes and nays. The motion was lost, the directors voting just the reverse of the first ballot. Mr. Lasher moved that three barrels be purchased from Theo. B. Cornwell, which motion was carried, the ayes and nays being called as on the former ballots. The following bills were read and ordered paid:

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The bill of Wm. H. Hommel for services in disinfecting and as a sanitary inspector, amount $39.00 was on motion referred to the finance committee. On motion the Board adjourned.
On motion, the finance committee were instructed to look into the matter of collecting the bill for curbing and guttering in front of the Van Stanford Rosa property on Main and John streets. The street committee reported that the curb and gutter on East Bridge street is again washed out and upset.

The Sheffield Paper Co. were given permission to have the bridge over the gutter at the entrance to their mill on East Bridge street, providing an opening is made large enough to carry all the water. The proprietors of the warehouse to be erected near the West Shore crossing offered the village all the stone they desire, if the village will draw it away. This matter caused considerable discussion. Some of the Directors suggested that enough stone be taken to repair the walk on the south side of Ulster avenue from the crossing to the property of Adam Knause, others contended that the expense of drawing and spreading would be too great. A motion was finally made that one team be hired for one day and see how much walk could be covered and if the street committee thought advisable they could continue the work, which motion was carried.

The crusher committee reported work progressing finely. The chutes will be placed in position this week and everything ready to crush stone.

On motion, the crusher committee were authorized to put more men to work quarrying stone. A resolution was unanimously adopted to settle the case of Freligh against the village by Freligh giving the village a release from damages, etc. and the village giving him a satisfaction piece.

D. E. Abeel presented his bond as collector in the penal sum of $20,000, with Wellington Porter and Louis J. Butzel as surities. The bond was accepted.

Some discussion was had on the subject of purchasing a horse road roller, but no definite action was taken.

Martin Bam Berger, a former resident of this village, now a resident of New York city, asked for an exemption certificate, having served with Rough and Ready Engine Co.

On motion a Siamese was ordered purchased from Chas. Miller & Son, of Utica, N. Y. This one will be tried and if found necessary to have another, it will be purchased later.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

- A. Pultz, men and teams at crusher and on streets, $97.40
- F. M. Murphy, supplies and labor, 2.40
- Dr. S. L. Dawes, three months' salary as Village Health Officer, 59.00
- Dr. Warren Kimble, reporting vital statistics, 9.00
- Sheffield Mfg. Co., supplies, 1.00
- John Maxwell, care of lamps, 46.00
- Saugerties Electric Light Co., lighting Empire Engine house, 13.50

The bill of Edward Wright, for digging grave for horse of Hull & Bedell, which was ordered billed on account of glanders, amount of $5.00, was referred to finance committee.

The bill of J. T. Washburn, for error in assessment, amount of $3.00 was referred back for affidavit.

Mr. Cunyes stated that S. M. Gray was perfectly willing to put in a sealed bid for oil for six months from May 1st, and he moved that all wholesale dealers be notified by the Clerk to present bids for oil for six months from May 1st. The board to reserve the right to accept any or all bids, which motion was carried.

2056. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 16th, 1896. – Death of J. E. Ostrander.

A telegram from Clinton prison at Dannemora, was received in Kingston last Saturday morning, announcing the death of James E. Ostrander, late cashier of the Ulster County Savings Institution. His
decease calls to mind the excitement into which the city of Kingston, as well as the greater part of Ulster county, was plunged nearly five years ago by the discovery that there was a deficiency of $365,918.50 in the accounts of the Ulster County Savings Institution.

The story of Mr. Ostrander’s crime is familiar to most of the readers of the Telegraph, but the following from the Freeman may be of interest at this time:

In the latter part of September, 1891, rumors began to circulate that something was wrong in the accounts of that well-known bank, and on October 2nd of that year Bank Superintendent Preston found upon examination that the amount of shortage was sufficient to make the bank insolvent. On October 3rd the doors were closed. It was about six weeks later, when a more exhaustive examination disclosed the total amount of the deficiency.

It was also found that the thefts of money had been systematic, extending over a period of about 20 years. During that time the trustees of the bank, and the officers of the state banking department had made between 40 and 50 examinations of the bank’s books, without discovering that anything was wrong. It was found that the trustees of the bank had been guilty of many glaring irregularities and oversights in the performance of their duties, but nothing criminal was ever brought home to any one of them, and Mr. Ostrander, with his assistant, Matthew T. Trumpbour, were convicted and sentenced to long terms of imprisonment in Clinton prison. Both men stood high in the community before the revelation of their misdeeds, and after the first indignation of the public had worn away, several attempts to secure their pardon were made, but always without result. Two years ago, Mr. Trumpbour, although the younger and more vigorous of the two men, died in the prison hospital. Mr. Ostrander at the time of his conviction was in very bad health, and constantly required the care of a nurse.

It has been a surprise to many that he should have so long outlived his colleague. There are probably not half a dozen persons in this city who understand precisely the methods by which the books of the bank were falsified so skillfully. The matter has been explained several times, but the process was so intricate that it was difficult for any one but a skilled bookkeeper and accountant to realize precisely how it was done. There is nobody at all who knows where the money went which was taken by the two men.

Both Ostrander and Trumpbour lived beyond their apparent incomes, but not so much so as to have wasted over a third of a million dollars in less than 20 years. Now that both men are dead, and that unfortunate episode in the history of Ulster county is closed, the many mysteries which surrounded that sensational bank wrecking will never be fully elucidated.

Beside two children by his second wife, who is living in this city, Ostrander leaves two sons, living in New York, by his first wife, and two daughters, Mrs. Jacob H. Tremper and Mrs. Egbert Kiersted.

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The regular meeting of the village directors on Saturday evening was a short and quiet session. All the directors except Mr. Rogers were present and President Cantine presided.

The finance committee reported progress on several bills and were granted an extension of time.

Water flowing from the banks along Underwood and Valley streets, causing much damage to curb, gutter and roadway, caused some discussion. The matter is in the hands of the street committee and will receive attention.

The committee on streets reported that one day’s work drawing gravel on the sidewalk along the south side of Ulster avenue, had been done, and recommended that enough more be drawn to finish the walk, which will be done.

Crushed stone has been placed on a portion of Ulster avenue, and Malden avenue will be the next street to receive the attention of the street commissioner.
Sherwood Myer appeared before the board and complained of the damage being done to his property by the two sewers which empty on his land. Mr. Myer stated that fruit trees were being undermined and meadows flooded so he is unable to cut hay where the water settles as nothing by wild grass will grow there now.

The board will meet as a committee of the whole and investigate the matter on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

William E. Simmons appeared before the board and asked permission to lay a tile drain pipe through Division street, from his property to the common sewer which empties into the Esopus creek. On motion permission was granted.

Mr. Simmons also asked for a grade and curb line of Division street, the he may set curb and gutter. On motion a surveyor was ordered employed to furnish the grade and curb line.

The crusher committee reported that 270 tons of stone had been crushed and is now being placed upon the streets.

The advisability of purchasing a horse road roller was discussed, but the matter was laid over until the next meeting, when prices from various manufacturers will be presented.

Director Quick, the committee to procure badges for the exempt Firemen’s Association reported that they had arrived and he produced them for the inspection of the board.

Each member of the Board of Directors will wear special police and patrol badges, the same as members of the Association.

L. P. Hagadorn, who conducts a machine and repair shop on Post street, asked the privilege to erect a sign post at the corner of Partition and Post streets. Permission was granted, provided he gets the consent of the property owner on the corner.

The President reported that he had executed and delivered the satisfaction piece in the Freligh case, and received the release from Freligh, which he had filed with the clerk.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

- Charles G. Braxmar, for Exempt badges, $32.50
- A. Pultz, for men and teams on streets, 215.40
- J. M. Styles, storing oil, 6.00
- J. L. Butzel’s Son, 8.16
- Saugerties Gas Co., gas month of March, 57.36
- J. G. Palmer, four months’ salary as janitor, 24.00

The bill of S. M. Gray for oil, amount $184.36, was, on motion, referred to the finance committee.

Corporation counsel Cantine, accompanied by Senator Davis, was present at the meeting and furnished such legal advice as was required.

S. M. Gray and Theo. B. Cornwell, were the only parties who presented bids for furnishing the village with oil for the next six months. The contract was awarded to S. M. Gray, he being the lowest bidder.

Complaints have been made to the Directors, concerning a number of oil lamps being out evenings, and the street lighter who has been investigating the matter, states that the lamps are in good condition, and are filled with oil, and he is positive that the lights are put out by persons for some reason best known to themselves. The Directors will make every effort to catch the guilty parties, and they will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

On motion, the Board adjourned.


The Kingston Leader in speaking of the Laflin Hose at Clinton Hose Fair, says: They arrived in town early, and were taken by Colonial cars to Wall street, where they gave a creditable drill and then were escorted by Clinton Hose to the Academy of Music. After Deputy County Clerk, Christopher C. James, of Saugerties, the silver-tongued orator, presented the Clintons with a large portrait of Col. Laflin, Surrogate Betts replied on behalf of the Clintons. The Laflins then went through their drill, executing
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over eighty movements for which they are noted, and were greeted with tumultuous applause. The Academy of Music was thronged with people, over 1,500 people being present. Saugerties takes great pride in her crack drill company. Chief Engineer Burhans and assistants McCormick and Hassinger accompanied them.

The fair of the Exempt Fire Company, held at Firemen’s Hall during last week, was largely attended and everything connected with the affair was highly satisfactory throughout. A large number of prizes were awarded during the fair, the most important of which were as follows: There were fifteen babies present to be voted upon at the baby show Thursday afternoon. The baby of Mrs. W. C. Comfort received 104 votes. The baby of Mrs. Homer Russell received 65 votes and the baby of Mrs. Henry Miller 64 votes. Mrs. Comfort’s baby received $15 in gold and Mrs. Russell’s baby $10 in gold. William Zeigler held No. 336, which drew the Majestic bicycle. In the trumpet contest R. A. Snyder hose company was far ahead of Laflin hose company, and was awarded the silver trumpet. Jeremiah Russell, Jr., won the door price of $5 in gold.

Saugerties, April 11 – John H. Hardenburgh vs. John Tyler Washburn is the title of a case that will be on the calendar of the next term of the Supreme Court held in Ulster County. When this case is tried Saugerties will enjoy the biggest scandal in its history. Although gossips have been busy for several months, nothing definite has been ascertained by them, so carefully have the facts been guarded. Of course, there is a woman in the case. She is Mrs. Hardenburgh, about 28 years old, and possessed of lively manners and surprising beauty. Her husband, who is the prosperous proprietor of the village market, is 30 years the senior of his wife, and has children that are older than their stepmother. John Tyler Washburn, the defendant, is a member of the millionaire firm of Washburn Brothers, brick manufacturer of Glasco, where they have the largest yards on the Hudson above Newburgh. He is 55 years old, lives in fine style in one of the handsomest residences in the village, is a widower, a pillar in the Reformed Church, and a power in local politics.
Hardenburgh in his complaint makes some startling charges against Mr. Washburn. In an affidavit he claims that during the years 1893, 1894 and 1895, at his house and in other places, Mr. Washburn made signs, signals, avowals and pretension of great love and affection for Mrs. Hardenburgh. Hardenburgh also swears that Washburn represented to Mrs. Hardenburgh that his wife was ill with an incurable disease and had not long to live, and offered, if Mrs. Hardenburgh would procure a divorce, to marry her in one year after the death of his wife. Hardenburgh also makes affidavit that Washburn offered to pay Mrs. Hardenburgh’s expenses in procuring a divorce in some State where divorces are easily obtained and that he promised her a life of ease, comfort and luxury if she would marry him, impressing upon her his great wealth and social position and urging that he, Hardenburgh, was unworthy of her. As a result of these alleged representations, Hardenburgh claims, his wife became infatuated with Washburn, neglected her household duties, repulsed and abused her husband and child and received the caresses and embraces of Washburn. He charges that while he was in New York on Sept. 4, 1894, Washburn and Mrs. Hardenburgh were guilty of improper relations in his house. For all of this he demands $25,000 damages.
Mr. Washburn claims, in his answer, that the whole thing is a conspiracy between Mr. and Mrs. Hardenburgh, and that for a long time they have sought by subtle and ingenious artifices to decoy him into a conference or situation by which they could take advantage of him and endeavor to extort money.
Hardenburgh has not as yet begun proceeding for divorce, and his wife still lives with him. The case will be fought to the bitter end. The best legal talent to be had in Kingston has been employed. County Judge Clearwater has been retained by the defendant, while the plaintiff is represented by Brinnier & Newcomb. [hand dated]

2061. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 21, 1896. – Freed at Last. The Baptist people are in high spirits over the fact that their debt has been removed. The Rev. F. H. Gates, Chas. E. Cornwell and W. E. Simmons left town for Newburgh this morning, to complete the final arrangements for removing the burden. They are making preparations for a grand jubilee and memorial service to be held shortly.

2062. The World, Monday, April 13, 1896. Loves “Papa” Not “Hubby.” – Mrs. Hardenburgh Declares Her Husband’s Grievance Is Just and that she Deserves Pity. (Special to The World)
SAUGERTIES, NY, April 12, - John H. Hardenburgh has brought suit for $25,000 damages against John Tyler Washburn. Hardenburgh declares that Washburn alienated his wife’s affections. Mrs. Hardenburgh vows she dearly loves Washburn and that she deserves pity, and Washburn swears the suit is a conspiracy between husband and wife, with blackmail for the object.
Mrs. Hardenburgh is very pretty and vivacious. She is twenty-three years old, her husband is fifty-seven, and has children older than his wife. Washburn is one of the rich firm of Washburn Brothers, brick manufacturers. He is fifty-five years old, a widower, a pillar of the Reformed Church and a power in politics. He emphatically says that both Hardenberg and his wife have tried to decoy him into a compromising situation.
The World correspondent called upon Mrs. Hardenburgh to-day. She still lives at her husband’s house, but he is in New York temporarily. Mrs. Hardenburgh spoke with most ingenious frankness.
I was married in 1890,” she said, “and we have a boy five years old. He looks like his pretty mother, who is very proud of him. My infatuation for Tyler Washburn began in April, 1894, and he returned my love. Mr. Washburn’s wife was then in poor health. He promised to marry me a year after his wife’s death, if I would go to some State where it is easy to get a divorce. Mrs. Washburn died in January, 1895.
“I was willing to get a divorce,” said the sprightly Mrs. Hardenburgh, “and I asked “Papa” when we would get married. I always called Mr. Washburn ‘Papa.’ He kept saying ‘all right, only wait.’ still I loved him, and love him now, although I have not seen him for five weeks. Whenever he drives by, my heart flutters so!”
Mrs. Hardenburgh pressed her hand over that part of her well-fitting corsage where her heart flutters, regained her composure and continued:
“My husband only discovered my affection for Mr. Washburn five weeks ago, when he found me in tears. In a moment - a moment of I don’t know what – I told him all. He was furious – so enraged that I thought he would commit suicide. But he sent for his lawyer to begin suit for divorce. Since then we have been estranged, although I have remained under his roof.
“My husband’s grievance against Mr. Washburn is just. There is no conspiracy. I can never marry Mr. Washburn now, so I want these facts to be known. I have made affidavit to them. Mr. Washburn deceived me, and I know people will not blame me, but will sympathize with me.”

2063. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 9, 1896. – Organized Wednesday Evening. Wednesday evening a very large number of ladies, representing the committee having in charge the Exempt Fireman’s booth at the coming Fair, met in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms and organized by choosing Mrs. Dr. M. H. Wygant, president; Mrs. John Lang, vice-president; Miss Cora E. Rogers, secretary and Mrs. John G. Palmer, treasurer.
Owing to the entertainment given that evening at St. Mary’s Hall, only a few of the ladies representing the Laflin Hose booth were present, and they suggested that the organization of their committee be
postponed until this evening, which request was cheerfully complied with on the part of the Exempts. In consequence the meeting will be held in Snyder Hose Co.’s rooms this evening promptly at 7:30 o’clock.

2064. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 19, 1896. – Raffle for Quilt. A handsome quilt was raffled at the tonsorial emporium of Gus. Kehr, on Partition street, Friday evening. The proceeds are to be used toward purchasing a new organ for the German Lutheran Church. Mrs. Henry A. Hildebrandt was the fortunate possessor of the winning ticket. Mrs. Hildebrant is a very lucky person, having won several valuable articles.

2065. New York Herald. Monday, April 13, 1896. – INGERSOLL IN AN ORTHODOX CHURCH. – He Delivers an Eloquent Address Before the Militant Church Congregation in Chicago. – Columbia Theater Packed. – Three Thousand Person Applaud the Denier of All That Is Called Supernatural. – A Remarkable Spectacle. (BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.)

Chicago, Ill., April 12, 1896 – Robert G. Ingersoll and the Rev. John Rusk, of the Church Militant, joined hands this morning at the Columbia Theatre. The spectacle was a most remarkable one, for the Church Militant is orthodox. Three thousand persons were present, and three times that number endeavored to gain admission. The great audience bowed in silent sympathy with an orthodox Christian invocation and then listened for two hours to the eloquent denier of all that is called supernatural or divine, of all that is unknowable, except in faith, in religion. Ingersoll faced an audience that was keenly appreciative, and it did not deny him frequent and generous applause.

The audience or congregation, was composed of the best element of Chicago; men predominating and these representative of the business, professional and literary life of Chicago. There was a musical prelude, both vocal and instrumental; the usual invocation and the Lord’s prayer. Thus the service proceeded through the usual programme of Scripture reading, prayer, offerings and announcements to the sermon. But the sermon was called an address, and it was not delivered by an ordained preacher.

In introducing Mr. Ingersoll, the Rev. John Rusk said: - “The differences between men are accidental, not essential. We cannot afford to talk about our disagreements, but should consider only our agreements. The agreement between Colonel Ingersoll and myself is that he is a man and trying to do good. This is no time to talk about his beliefs. Whenever I find a man doing good, whether he believes in God or not, I believe God is there.”

“I have followed custom and taken a text.” said Colonel Ingersoll, on rising. “It was penned by the greatest of human beings – a line overflowing with philosophy: - “There is no darkness but ignorance.” Now, don’t hold Dr. Rusk responsible for my heresies, of my philosophies. I must give you my honest thought.”

COLONEL INGERSOLL’S ADDRESS

Colonel Ingersoll said, in part: -
“Every human being is a necessary product of conditions, and every one is born with defects for which he cannot be held responsible. Nature seems to care nothing for the individual, nothing for the species. “Life pursuing life, and in its turn pursued by death, presses to the snow line of the possible, and very form of life, of instinct, thought and action is fixed and determined by conditions by countless antecedent and coexisting facts. The present is the child, and the necessary child, of all the past and the mother of all the future.
“Every human being longs to be happy, to satisfy the wants of the body with food, with roof and raiment and to feed the hunger of the mind, according to his capacity, with love, wisdom, philosophy, art and song.
“The wants of the savage are few, but with civilization the wants of the body increase, the intellectual horizon widens, and the brain demands more and more.
“For eighteen hundred years peace has been preached and yet the civilized nations are the most warlike in the world. [actually ‘yorld’] There are in Europe to-day between eleven and twelve millions of soldiers ready to take the field, and the frontiers of every civilized nation are protected by breastwork and fort. The sea is covered with steel clad ships filled with missiles of death. The civilized world has impoverished itself, and the debt of Christendom, mostly for war, is now nearly $30,000,000,000. If we wish to do away with war, we must provide for the settlement of national differences by an international court. This court should be in perpetual session, its members should be selected by the various governments to be affected by its decisions, and at the command and disposal of the court the rest of Christendom being disarmed, there should be a military force sufficient to carry its judgments into effect. There should be no other excuse, no other business for an army or a navy in the civilized world.

WEALTH AND ENERGIES WASTED

“There is another direction in which the wealth and energies of man are wasted. From the beginning of history until now man has been seeking the aid of the supernatural. For many centuries the wealth of the word was used to propitiate the unseen powers. In our own country the property dedicated to this purpose is worth at least $1,000,000,000 a year. The interest on this sum is 50,000,000 a year, and the cost of employing persons whose business it is to seek the aid of the supernatural and to maintain the property is certainly as much more. So that the cost in our country is about 2,000,000 a week and counting the hours as a working day, this amounts to about $200 a minute.

Now, it seems to me that it would be far better for the people of a town having a population of 4,000 or 5,000 to have one church, and the edifice should be of use not only on Sunday, but on every day of the week. In this building should be the library of the town. It should be the club house of the people, where they could find the principal newspapers and periodicals of the world. Its auditorium should be like a theatre. Plays should be presented by home talent, an orchestra formed, music cultivated. The people should meet there at any time they desire. The women could carry their knitting and sewing, and connected with it should be rooms for the playing of games billiards, cards and chess. Everything should be made as agreeable as possible.

“A penitentiary should be a school; the convicts should be educated. So prisoners should work, and they should be paid a reasonable sum for their labor. The best men should have charge of prisons. They should be philanthropists and philosophers; they should know something of human nature. The prisoner having been taught, we will say for five years – taught the underlying principles of conduct, of the naturalness and harmony of virtue, of the discord of crime, having been convinced that society has no hatred, that nobody wished to punish, to degrade or to rob him and being at the time of his discharge paid a reasonable price for his labor, being allowed by law to change his name so that his identity will not be preserved – could go out of prison a friend of the government.

WOULD EXEMPT A HOMESTEAD

“I would exempt a homestead of a reasonable value, say of the value of $2,000 or $3,000 not only from sale under execution, but from sale for taxes of every description. These homes should be absolutely exempt. They should belong to the family, so that every mother could feel that the roof above her head was hers; that her house was her castle, and that in its possession she could not be disturbed, even by the nation.

“Marriage is the most important of all institutions. Of course, the ceremony of marriage is not the real marriage. It is only evidence of the mutual flames that burn within. There can be no real marriage without mutual love.

“After all, marriage is a contract, and the parties to the contract are bound to keep the provisions, and neither should be released from such a contract unless in some way the interests of society are involved. I would have the law so that any husband could obtain a divorce when the wife had persistently and flagrantly violated the contract, such divorce to be granted on equitable terms. I would give the wife of divorce if she requested it, if she wanted it.
“And I would do this not only for her sake, but for the sake of the community, of the nation. All children should be children of love. All that are born should be sincerely welcomed. The children of mothers who dislike or hate or loathe the fathers will fill the world with insanity and crime. No woman should by law or by public opinion be forced to live with a man she abhors. There is no danger of demoralizing the world through divorce.

EDUCATE THE CHILDREN
“Every child should be taught to be self-supporting, and every one should be taught to avoid being a burden on others as it would shun death.
“Every child should be taught that the useful are the honorable, and that they who live on the labor of others are the enemies of society. Every child should be taught that useful work is worship, and that intelligent labor is the highest form of prayer.
“Let each human being within the limits of the possible be self-supporting; let every one take intelligent thought for the morrow, and if a human being supports himself and acquires a surplus, let him use a part of that surplus for the unfortunate, and let each one to the extent of his ability help his fellow men.
“This, in my judgment is real religion. The old creeds are too narrow; they are not for the world in which we live. The old dogmas lack breadth and tenderness; they are too cruel, too merciless, too savage. We are growing grander and nobler.”

2066. New York Herald. Monday, April 20, 1896. – How Ingersoll Lost Religion – Rejoices That at an Early Age He Experienced Infidelity and Found Light. – He is Bolder Than Ever. White Haired Old Man Encourages Him with Audible Expressions of Approval – Says He Hates Jehovah. Robert G. Ingersoll, balder and bolder than ever before, in his revised and enlarged lecture, “Why I am an Agnostic,” made a determined attack upon Christianity, the belief in God and a hereafter, last evening. When he was through he had completely satisfied himself at last that the last vestige of creeds had been swept away. Never has he gloriied so thoroughly in his separation from all ideas of religion.
He spent about two hours in telling how he experienced irreligion. “Some persons,” he said, “take delight in telling how they found religion, I am happy in telling you how I lost it.”
As his narration progressed a gaunt old man, with flowing white hair and a long mustache and imperial, interlarded respectful expressions like “Fine,” “Very good,” “Exactly,” and he looked as saintly and circumspect as an old time Methodist, breathing “Amens” at a revival.
Mr. Ingersoll told of his early life, and his associations with “good, orthodox people, who knew,” and how at last, by his reading of various books of poetry, science, art and religion he groped his way out of the night of Christian belief into the broad day of agnosticism.
“One of the first books which impressed me,” said Mr. Ingersoll, “was the poems of Robert Burns. Somebody has said that the title of the book would make a splendid epitaph for me – Robert Burns.” “Good,” exclaimed the gray haired admirer.

WHAT HE SAYS, THEY TOLD HIM
“They told me,” said Mr. Ingersoll, “that those who believed in the remission of sins by the shedding of innocent blood would become winged angels forever, and that he who thought otherwise would find himself an eternal convict in the doorless prison of a compassionate God. Yet they wondered why I did not fall upon my knees and worship a wild beast. Think of angels being happy with the glare of hell in their faces. It would shock the conscience of a hyena. I do not remember when I did not passionately hate Jehovah. If we are to have a God let us give him the disposition of a day in June.
“I wouldn’t want to punish the meanest enemy I had forever. About ten years roasting on a red hot griddle would satisfy me, I am not as good as God. I despise a God that does not pity. If we must have a God let him not be the keeper of an eternal penitentiary. Do not fall on your knees before a turnkey.”
Mr. Ingersoll then attacked the authenticity of the Scriptures and miracles along the lines which are familiar to the readers of his writing. He told of his study of ancient history, science and philosophy which led him to discard Christianity.
“I began to have some sense,” he continued. “Good,” said the old man with the gray mustache.

STUDIED OTHER RELIGIONS

“I studied other religions, and I found that our religion was a poor one. It had only an old bachelor God, a Hebrew carpenter and a dove. I studied the religions of all the world. I believe that Christ was originally a sun god. There are forty sun gods. They were all born of a virgin in the winter solstice, or about Christmas time, in some humble place; their parents all had to flee from tyrants; every one fasted forty days, except one, who was without food for fifty-two days; all taught parables, every one met a violent death and rose from the dead. Thirty more of them lived and died centuries before Christ was born.

“There is nothing original in Christianity. The cross was the emblem of eternal life before Christ was crucified. Baptism was practised on the banks of the Ganges and the Nile, and the salvation of the few and the damnation of the many is centuries old.

THERE IS NO CREATION.

Mr. Ingersoll then entered into a lengthy argument, in which he held that as matter is indestructible, it could never have been created, and that there could have been no creator.

“There is no creation,” he said, “only eternal and endless change. Do you ask me if there is a controlling being? I do not say ‘No.’ I say merely that I do not know. I cannot explain it. You’ll have to go to a minister for that – one who writes his own sermons.

He concluded his lecture by saying: - “Man is the Providence of man,” and that the reformation and salvation of the human race determined upon science and education, not upon “devils, ghosts and gods.”

The large audience for the theatre was packed, applauded vigorously at the conclusion of the lecture, and insisted upon recalling him to the stage before it left the house.


The Esopus Bathing Club held their annual meeting Monday evening at Ziegler’s Cafe. The treasurer’s report shows a balance on hand. The trustees reported that considerable improvements have been made at the park and they have under consideration the building of an addition to the club house. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. W. Bohr, President; George B. Snyder, Vice President; John D. Fratsher, Secretary and Treasurer; William Ziegler, William Liddle, E. J. Lewis, Trustees.

Leonard B. Howard, Byron Hallenbeck and Luther Hommel were elected members. The club will meet again Monday evening, May 11th.


At the regular meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Company, held Tuesday evening, Edward Snyder was elected an active member, and Charles Clum, E. C. Reed, George W. Palmer, James A. Greene, Albert Nicolai, Byron Hallenbeck, John Hallenbeck, Peter E. Bell, David W. Maxwell, Frank Pidgeon, Charles Coon, John B. Kearney and William Stanley were elected honorary members.

2069. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 23, 1896. – A Swell Event. – The Social Dance a Fine Affair. – A Brilliant and Successful Terpsichorean Event at St. Mary’s Hall.

Amid the perfume and sweet aroma arising from the handsome palms and fine potted plants which cause St. Mary’s Hall to shine resplendent, on Wednesday evening a fashionable and merry party of the elite of Saugerties gathered to participate in the dancing festivities of the hour. The attendance was large and the gay whirl of the fair devotees of the dansee was a handsome scene. The prettiest of Saugerties fair damsels were there and the costumes worn were of the finest fabrics and presented a gorgeous sight. This affair was a delesarte in Saugerties society and everywhere throughout the spacious ball room did the participants smile with favor, and express their opinion and sentiment
regarding the successful management of the event. Gentlemen with dress suits and beaming countenances were in evidence everywhere and the music was fine, Prof. Martin handling the baton in his usual characteristic manner.

The following selection were rendered preceding the dancing:

- Overture, Bridal Rose
- Waltz, Birth of the Rose
- March, Defender
- Polka, Anvil

The following is the personnel of the Orchestra:

Prof. F. Martin, Violin; James A. Sickler, Cornetist; F. B. Zelie, Clarionet; J. Collins, Flute; A. Miner, Trombone; M. Van Buren, Trap Drummer; F. W. Loerzel, Piano.

Several out of town guests were present and mingled with the rosy cheeked maidens and fair haired youths of this place, making the affair most charming indeed. The event was a brilliant success, eclipsing all the past efforts of the committee and will long be remembered.

Among the fine dancers who graced the affair with their presence were:

Mayor Cantine and wife, Mrs. D. G. Gale, Jr., the Misses Corse, Misses Katherine and Harriet Washburn, Ethel and Grace Chaney, Martha and Bertha Carnright, Florence and Katherine Turck, Carrie and Emma Bruckner, Prof. M. M. Garner, Troy; Miss Carrie L. Fox, Perth Amboy, N. J.; Frank Stickle, Red Hook; B. S. Crosby, Canaan Four Corners; Misses Katherine Deyo and Bertie Supplies, of Kingston; J. B. Sheffield, Clyde Van Steenburg, Geo. B. Snyder, Edward Snyder, Fred. T. Lewis, Jacob Bruckner, H. T. Keeney, John A. Snyder and wife, W. W. Bohr and wife, P. H. Davis and wife, John B. Kearney and wife, Misses Clara Valk, Mamie Adams, Nellie Elmendorf, Fannie Morrisey, Anna Hotaling, Anna Potts, Lulu Russell, Anna Voerge, Katherine Cole, of Connelly, N. Y., Nettie Derby, Mabel Maxwell, Ratie Van Leuven, Mamie McCormick, Ed. J. Lewis and wife, Luther Hommel, J. M. Reed, John Adams, Charles Adams, John Greene, Jacob Hardenberg, Wm. Voerge, W. E. Simmons, A. C. Gillespy, F. G. Phelps, Ed. Moran, C. S. Clark, John C. Shultis, John McCormick.

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Honorable William Fiero Russell, one of the oldest and most respected citizens of this village, died very suddenly at his resident on Market street yesterday afternoon at about half past three o’clock. He was in his usual health during the forenoon, and was in the Saugerties Bank, of which he was the president, until about noon time, when he returned to his home where he was taken with a severe neuralgic pain in the muscles of his left arm. His physician was sent for but the pain grew worse and gradually extended to his heart when he suddenly passed away.

William F. Russell was the third son of the Hon. Jeremiah Russell and Elizabeth Moose, and was born at Trumpbour’s Corners, in this town, January 14th, 1812. – Shortly after his parents moved to this village. In his early years he attended the district school and at the age of 13 years entered his father’s store in the capacity of clerk, and was afterward in business for himself. Mr. Russell had held several public offices, being postmaster of Saugerties from 1833 to 1840. In 1852 he was elected to the assembly. In 1856 he was elected to the 53d congress. He was appointed navy agent for the port of New York in 1859 and in 1860, he, in company with a number of leading citizens, established the Saugerties Bank, of which he has since held the office of president. Although over 84 years of age, Mr. Russell was still remarkably vigorous, and was daily seen on our streets and at his place of business. He has by a life of industry, accumulated an immense amount of property. Mr. Russell’s recent gifts to the various churches in this vicinity reach to about $8,000 or over, beside many private charities.

The funeral will be held at the residence on Market street Saturday afternoon at 3 o’clock. [line drawing of Mr. Russell, illustration]
Hon. William F. Russell died very suddenly at his residence on Market street, Saugerties, at about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He was at his desk at the Saugerties Bank as usual yesterday, but after returned home in the afternoon, he complained of illness and Dr. S. Lyman Dawes was sent for and responded promptly, but his services were not required, for Mr. Russell breathed his last a few seconds after the doctor arrived. Neuralgia of the heart is assigned as the cause of death. For the past few weeks Mr. Russell's health had been better than during the winter, when he suffered from an attack of the grip, and notwithstanding his advanced age, he seemed to have a new lease of life until suddenly stricken.

Mr. Russell was a life-long resident of the town of Saugerties. He was born at Trumpbour's Corners on January 14, 1812, and when he was two years old, his father removed to the present village of Saugerties. His grandfather, Ludwig Roessell, as the name was originally spelled, was a native of Wurtemburg and came to America about 1760 as a soldier in the French army, having been impressed while in Strasburg. At the end of the war between the French and English, the elder Russell settled at West Camp, near where the subject of the present sketch was born.

In early life William F. Russell had only the advantages of the district school in the matter of education and at the age of 13 he became a clerk in his father's store in Saugerties. At the age of 21, in connection with his brother-in-law E. J. MacCarthy, he bought out his father's business, which had grown to large proportions. In 1836 he became sole proprietor of the business, and a year later he added the purchase and sale of bluestone to the other lines in which he was engaged. Mr. MacCarthy was again associated with him in 1840 and the partnership continued until 1849, when Mr. MacCarthy took sole control, and Mr. Russell retired from mercantile life and devoted his attention to the large interests he had then acquired in various investments and properties.

In 1860 the Saugerties Bank was organized and from that time until the day of his death, through its career as a state and national bank, Mr. Russell was its president, principal stockholder and active manager. As a banker he was well known in financial circles throughout the state. Many years ago he became a trustee in the Union Trust Company of New York, now one of the most important financial institutions in the country. At one time, through the crimes of a defaulter, the company's existence was threatened, but largely by Mr. Russell's efforts, it was restored and brought to its present commanding position. Mr. Russell always made it a point to attend the meetings of the trustees of the company and no member of the board was more respected by his associates than he. In April, 1878, the Sixpenny Savings Bank of New York failed, and Mr. Russell, on account of his well known skill for managing trusts, was made its receiver. The bank was possessed of over $1,800,000 in assets and had over 30,000 open accounts. Within four months Receiver Russell paid a dividend of 50 per cent to the depositors and by his care and personal attention to the details of the trust, there was paid to the depositors of 85 per cent of their claims. This was regarded as a very remarkable achievement at a time when banks were failing and sureties were failing in the market.

Mr. Russell was connected with a great many different enterprises in the village of Saugerties. He was a principal owner of the village gas plant, of the Woodstock Turnpike, and other corporations, and at one time was president of the Saugerties Savings Bank. It would be a difficult task to enumerate all the branches of trade and business with which he was connected during his long life of 84 years. In 1889, when the failure of J. B. Sheffield & Son and the Saugerties Blank Book Company with liabilities of over a million dollars was announced, Mr. Russell, who was a creditor personally and whose bank was also interested, at once took an active part in reorganizing the industries. He was names as the permanent receiver of J. B. Sheffield & Son and when the new company, known as the Sheffield Manufacturing Co., was organized, he was chosen its president. He devoted much time and energy to
Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

the success of the new concern, his principal effort being to keep the bills going and restore prosperity to the village.

In the recent controversy between the village of Saugerties and the Saugerties Water Company, which ended in the purchase of the water plant by the village, Mr. Russell was a prominent factor, his judgment regarding the introduction of water by a private company in Saugerties having been verified by the result, and if was largely through his advice as a member of the Water Board that the purchase was finally made on favorable terms.

In politics Mr. Russell was a strong, uncompromising Democrat. His first vote was for Andrew Jackson and during his long life he took an active part in the councils of his party, always contributing most liberally to the campaign funds and infusing a spirit of enthusiasm among his party associates that was almost irresistible. From 1838 to 1840 he was postmaster at Saugerties. In 1851 he was elected to the Assembly. In 1856 he was elected a Representative in Congress and was in Washington during the stirring debates and incidents of the Thirty-Fifth Congress in 1859 he was appointed purchasing agent for the Navy Department in New York city. These are all the public offices except town and village offices, that he ever held, although in his later years he could have been nominated for state offices several times, had he chosen to accept, and in 1885 he declined the office of Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York, tendered to him by President Cleveland. He was a warm, personal friend of Samuel J. Tilden and enjoyed the close friendship of many prominent men throughout the country. He was repeatedly elected a delegate to State and National Conventions, and served as a member of the Democratic State Committee and its treasurer for several years.

On October 9, 1893, [sic] Mr. Russell married Margaret Garey Keeney of Norwich, Conn., who survives her husband, although in delicate health. They had no children.

One brother, Peter Russell, and a sister, Mrs. Thomas S. Dawes, are still living, together with a large number of nephews and nieces.

Mr. Russell leaves a large fortune in real estate, stocks, bonds and other property. The Russell Block in Saugerties built by him in 1872 is one of the largest and handsomest buildings in that village and his other holdings of real estate in Saugerties and elsewhere are very large. He was always ready and willing to give his friends the benefit of his vast business experience, and no man was more consulted on financial questions than he. Many a man in Saugerties and in other places owes his success in life to good advice given by Mr. Russell and to many cases to much more substantial aid than mere advice. He was a liberal contributor to almost every good cause. During the past year or two he has given nearly, if not quite, $10,000 to the churches of Saugerties and vicinity, and it was his habit for years to give largely, but never ostentatiously to widows and unfortunate persons, who deserved help. His friendship was of great value to all who possessed it, for there was not task too heavy for min to attempt in behalf of one who had his confidence. His sudden death will be greatly deplored by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

2072. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 18, 1896. – Schoolmarms Flurried. – Saugerties Comely Teachers Forbidden to Have Beaus. (Special to the World.)

SAUGERTIES, N. Y., April 17. – The Saugerties Board of Education consists of nine of the village fathers. They employ fourteen teachers to instruct the village youths. Several of the teachers are young and pretty. The young men of the village naturally find the company of the young schoolmarms agreeable. At a recent meeting of the board a resolution was passed reproving the young women for receiving the attentions of the young men.

Upon receiving this information they were much incensed at the action of the board, and called an indignation meeting, at which they freely expressed their views. They declare they will give up their positions rather than the company of the young men.

The situation is critical.
The teachers are invited to attend a social dance next Wednesday evening. The trustees declare if they attend they will be discharged.
Public interest in at a high pitch.

The above article appeared in the New York Word of this morning. A POST representative interviewed a majority of the Board of Education, who denounced the article as a lie made out of whole cloth, claiming that no such resolution has ever been thought of or presented to the board. The faculty and the board are now and always have been working in harmony. The article has caused the members of the board and their friends to denounce the writer in strong language. A meeting of the faculty and board will be held at the board's rooms this evening, when resolutions will be passed denouncing the writer as a falsifier and mischief maker.

2073. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 27, 1896. – Will Have the Crack Band.
The committee of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. to procure music for the Tri-County tournament at Kingston, have secured the Catholic Protectory Band, of Westchester, N. Y. This band is composed of 55 musicians, handsomely uniformed. They will arrive in this village on the morning of June 17th by steamer Saugerties. An opportunity will be given our citizens to hear this band before the company depart for Kingston.

The meeting of the lady friends of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. held at Fireman’s Hall Tuesday evening in the interest of the coming Fair of the Exempt Fireman’s Association and Fire Patrol, was well attended, and quite enthusiastic in its nature. The Exempts’ committee met with the ladies and explained its objects and aim and unfolded the general plan to be carried out, after which a permanent organization was effected as follows:
For Snyder Hose Co.’s booth: Mrs. Edgar T. Myer, president; Mrs. F. D. Wygant, vice-president; Mrs. W. Webster Bohr, secretary and treasurer.
For Washington Hook & Ladder Co.’s booth: Mrs. Martin Cantine, president; Mrs. William Fosbrook, vice-president; Mrs. M. L. Hull, secretary and treasurer.
This evening the lady friends of Laflin Hose Co. and the Exempts will meet in Snyder Hose Co.’s room and organize in similar manner to Snyders and the Washingtons. A committee from the Exempts will meet with them and explain their wishes in detail.

2075. New Members of Snyder Hose.
At the regular meeting of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., held Tuesday evening, Le Roy Turck and John Lang, Jr. were elected active members. The following were unanimously elected honorary members: Wm. V. Burhans, J. T. Washburn, John Gordell, C. C. James, H. D. Van Leuven, Wm. Mould, Howard Gillespy, Chas. Quase, Wm. Mattes, James Dederick, E. L. Quick, Martin Cantine, J. P. Russell, Chas. L. Maines, Edward Jernegan, Dr. S. L. Dawes, Edward Hayes, H. S. Morgan, Chas. Cox, S. Y. Knight, A. D. Myer, O. T. Simmons, Elisha Paradise, L. J. Butzel, E. M. Wilbur, Chas. Lusk, Gus. Kehr, Joseph Sheffield, Charles Siesenitz, Chauncey Rightmyer. The company have accepted the invitation to attend the Tri County convention to held at Kingston in June.

Happy fathers, happy mothers, and the handsomest babies in the county, if not in the State, everyone delighted with the exhibit. Babies examined from head to toe, all passed the trying ordeal, without blemish, or spot. Of course, each mother knew her baby was the best and handsomest, and were
perfectly satisfied in their own mind even though the Judge, awarding the prizes, decided different. How many fathers and others envied the happy parents, and several have been perfectly satisfied with anyone of the precious exhibits. They have this consolation: “Go thou and do likewise.” The first prize of $15 in gold, was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Comfort. Second prize, $10 in gold, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Russell. It is a fact, that Saugerties has the prettiest ladies and the handsomest babies in the State, and the best fire companies extant.

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2077. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 30, 1896. – Death of Hon. Wm. F. Russell. The Sudden Ending of a Long and Useful Career. – Died at His Home on Market Street Yesterday Afternoon at About Four O’clock – One of Our Most Prominent Citizens – A Brief Review of His Life and Services. Our village was startled Wednesday afternoon by the announcement that he Hon. William F. Russell, one of our oldest and most respected citizens, had suddenly died at his residence on Market street. His death was entirely unexpected, as he had been out in the morning as usual to the Saugerties Bank, of which he was president. He returned to his home about noon, when he complained of severe neuralgic pains in his left arm. Dr. S. Lyman Dawes was summoned, but could do nothing for him, the pain gradually growing worse and finally extended to his heart, which caused his death. Mr. Russell leaves a wife, but no children. The funeral will be held at the family residence on Market street, on Saturday afternoon at three o’clock.

William Fiero Russell, the third son of Hon. Jeremiah Russell and Elizabeth Moose, was born at Trumpbour’s Corners, this town, January 14, 1812. When two years of age, he came with his parents to what is now the village of Saugerties, where he has ever since resided. At that time the inhabitants numbered less than 60; now they number nearly 5,000. He attended district school till he was 13 years of age, when he was taken into his father’s store in the capacity of clerk. Here he remained till he was little past his majority, when, in connection with his brother-in-law, Col. E. J. McCarthy, he bought out the business of his father, located in the place now known as Lamb’s hardware store – the block which his father had built for his own purpose – the stock of goods being purchased from his father on a credit of four years without a dollar in cash to pay on the purchase, and where for a number of years an increasingly successful business was carried on by them. In 1836 Mr. Russell purchased the interest of his partner in the concern, and to this added the purchase and sale of blue-stone, a business which was then in its infancy, but which soon reached immense proportions. In the year 1842, and for several years following, his sales of stone averaged $100,000 per annum. By the year 1850, Mr. Russell had acquired a large property, and finding that other interests required his attention, he sold out the business to Col. McCarthy, and thus closed his career as a merchant.

Although not having sought it, Mr. Russell has always been identified with politics. Having been brought up in the Democratic faith, being a person of positive opinions and being brought into association with prominent members of his party he has again and again had office thrust upon him; but to his praise be it spoken, he has more time absolutely refused office than he has accepted it. His first vote was cast for “Old Hickory” in 1832. In 1833 he was appointed postmaster of Saugerties, which position he held till 1840. In that year he was chosen a delegate to the Young Men’s Democratic State Convention held at Utica. In 1851 he was elected to the Assembly. While in the Legislature he was elected a member of a joint committee of the Senate and Assembly to examine and investigate the accounts of the Comptroller, State Treasurer, and Auditor of the Canal Department, and the securities and condition of the Banking Department of the State of New York, a trust of great importance, and which was bestowed by his friends during his absence. In 1856 he was elected to the Thirty-Fifth Congress, was appointed Navy Agent for the port of New York in 1859, and in 1860, he, in company with a number of leading gentlemen, established “The Saugerties Bank,” of which he was chosen President, and which position he has filled continuously since its organization.
March 29, 1878, he was tendered by the Supreme Court and Attorney-General of the state of New York, the receivership of the Sixpenny Savings Bank of the city of New York. Not having sought the position, and being already pressed with business, the trust was very reluctantly accepted, but being accepted the duties of the position were discharged in such a manner as to give him a record of which any man might well feel proud. With 33,000 depositors; liabilities $1,787,827.53; assets $1,746,814.01; to adjust affairs in such a condition required executive ability of no mean order. Suffice it to say, that when Mr. Russell was finally discharged from his trust in 1883, dividends to the amount of 85 55-100 per cent, had been paid to the depositors, and the affairs of the corporation settled to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. At the conclusion of the business, there was still remaining in Mr. Russell’s hands, cash amounting to $39,319.89, monies uncalled for, and belonging of right to the depositors, which amount was paid over to the Superintendent of the Banking department of the State of New York.

About a year after the failure of the Sheffield Paper Mills in 1890, Mr. Russell was appointed Receiver. Soon after, at his suggestion, the Sheffield Manufacturing Company, composed of the creditors of the concern, was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York. Mr. Russell was immediately chosen President of the organization, and held that office until recently, when his resignation, presented over a year ago, was accepted, and Hon. Robert A. Snyder appointed in his place.

The controversy between this village and the Saugerties Water Company, which ended in the purchase of the water plant by the village, Mr. Russell was a prominent factor, and it was largely through his advice as a member of the Water Board that the purchase was finally made on favorable terms.

On October 9th, 1833, Mr. Russell married Margaret Garey Keeney, of Norwich, Conn., who survives her husband. They had no children. One brother, Peter Russell and a sister Mrs. Thomas S. Dawes, are still living, together with a large number of nephews and nieces.

Mr. Russell leaves a large fortune in real estate, stocks and bonds. The Russell block, in this village, was built by him in 1873, and is one of the handsomest buildings in this place. He was a very public spirited and liberal man. He was always ready to give his friend the benefit of his business experience, and many a man owes his success in life to the good advice given by Mr. Russell and in many cases to much more substantial aid. He was a liberal contributor to almost every good cause; only recently he presented the several churches of this village with a cash gift of $1,000 each, and has helped them in other ways.

It was always his expressed wish that the world might be none the worse for his having lived in it. Let us hope that it will be the better, as we have no doubt it will.

Mr. Russell had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, by whom his sudden death will be greatly deplored.


In pursuance and by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made in the above entitled action, on the 19th day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, and on the 29th day of May, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, duly entered in the Ulster County Clerk’s office, I, the subscriber, the referee therein mentioned, for that purpose duly appointed, will sell at public auction, at the main entrance of the Palmer House, in the village of Saugerties, on the 8th DAY OF JULY, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, at twelve o’clock noon of that day, the real estate and the mortgaged property directed by said judgment to be sold, and therein described as follows:

All that real estate in the town of Saugerties, county of Ulster and State of New York, generally known as the Ulster Iron Works property, and all the rights of J. B. Sheffield & Son, its successors, representatives and assigns and its and their grantees, in and to the water power of the Esopus creek, at Saugerties, New York, as conveyed to it by the Ulster Iron Works Company, Limited, which real estate is bounded and described as follows:

All that certain tract, piece or parcel of land situate near the mouth of the Esopus creek in the town of Saugerties, in the county of Ulster, beginning on the easterly shore or margin of the pond in the said
creek where it is intersected by the easterly extremity of the circular dam lately erected over the said
creek and where the chief canal called Canal No. 1 unites with the said pond, thence running south
eighty-five degrees east along the northern shore or margin of the said canal six chains, thence north
twenty-one degrees and thirty minutes east three chains and sixty-seven links to the dam of the
reservoir, thence along the said dam north sixty-eight degrees and thirty minutes east two chains to the
most northerly angle of the said dam, thence along the said dam south forty-six degrees east fifty links
to the northerly shore of the or margin of the canal leading eastwardly from the said reservoir called
Canal No. 2, thence along the same north fifty-eight degrees and thirty minutes east three chains and
seventy five links to the confluence of the said canal with the canal leading to the paper mill called Canal
No. 3 on the north-east side thereof, thence north thirteen degrees east one chain and forty links
passing a black poplar and cypress tree on the brink of the precipice to the foot thereof thence down
and along the cove to inlet in a line parallel with and distant fifty feet southwardly from the front line of
the wharf, being between the rolling mill now (or formerly) standing on the hereby granted premises
and the office building (formerly) of the Ulster Iron Company to the Esopus creek and thence up and
along the southerly shore or margin of the said creek, the several courses thereof to the place of
beginning, as the said premises are designated on a map annexed to a certain deed of conveyance from
Henry Barclay to Henry Carey, dated October 30th, 1829, and recorded in the office of the clerk of Ulster
county in Liber 35 of Deeds, page 397, together with the three water wheels and their shafts. And also
the right and privileges of drawing and taking from the said mill-pond, reservoir and canals through the
canals and reservoir, or any one or more of them, and of using and employing for the purposes of any
mill, manufactory or business on said premises, a like quantity of the water of said creek, as is now or
shall at any time thereafter be required and used in driving or propelling the present water wheel of the
said mill, manufactory or business, or any water wheel requiring the same quantity of water, and also
such further quantity of the said water, to be used for other hydraulic purposes, as shall be fully equal in
effect to a clear twenty-five horse power, according to the Watt and Bolton’s calculations of hydraulic
power, to be applied on one wheel of not less than twenty-five feet diameter, and also all the land
covered with the waters of the Esopus Creek lying between the land hereby first conveyed and the
middle of the channel of the said of the said creek and together with also all and singular the houses,
edifices, buildings, wharves, docks, water rights, privileges, tenements, hereditaments and
appurtenances to the said hereby granted premises belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all
the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity of
the said J. B. Sheffield & Son, its successors, representatives or assigns, and its or their grantees, of, in or
to the last above described premises and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances as all of
the said premises are described and conveyed in a deed executed by Henry Carey to the Ulster Iron
Company, bearing date the thirty-first day of March, 1843, and recorded in the clerk’s office of Ulster
county in Liber 63 of Deeds, page 95, and in the deed executed by Charles Brodhead, sheriff of Ulster
county, to Joseph Tuckerman, dated the fourth day of August, 1849, and recorded in the clerk’s office of
Ulster county, in Liber 72 of Deeds, page 528, or otherwise.
And also all the perpetual first right to the use of the water of the canal No. 2 in the same quantity and
to the same extent as used for the following or fan power of the said iron mill before the destruction of
the Barclay dam, by Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman under the lease of the same from Henry
Barclay, deceased and (as) fixed and determined by an award fully set forth in a deed from Norman
White and Joseph B. Sheffield and Sarah Sheffield, his wife, to Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman,
dated July 10th, 1859, and recorded in the office of the clerk of Ulster county, in Book 109 of Deeds, page
33, the said water after being so used to be returned to the canals and the first to the use of so much of
the said water power as was used by Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman before the destruction of
the said Barclay dam, upon their large wheel and upon another wheel called the twenty-five
horsepower, as held by them under the said deed executed by Charles Brodhead, as sheriff of Ulster
county, to the said Joseph Tuckerman, and as fixed and determined by the said award and also such
supply of water for the minor purposes of said mill, manufactory or business, as affixed by the said award. It being understood that the grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns may substitute any other wheel or wheels producing the same or more power, but are to use only the quantity water used for those existing on the 10th day of July, 1859, as determined and fixed by the said award. And also the lands forming a part of the reservoir, so called, as laid down on a certain map filed in the office of the clerk of Ulster county, entitled Map No. 3 of property in the village of Ulster, town of Saugerties, late belonging to Henry Barclay, deceased, lying north and west of the middle of the new canal connecting canals Nos. one (1) and two (2) on said map. Being all that piece of land between the middle of the said new canal and the land formerly belonging to Norman White and Joseph B. Sheffield, and as conveyed by them to Joseph and Lucius Tuckerman, with all the one undivided one-half part of all the aforesaid new dam and canals as they existed on the 10th day of July, 1859, and as described and set forth in an agreement between Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman of the one part, and Norman White and Joseph B Sheffield, of the other part, dated the 20th day of April, 1857, and recorded in the office of the clerk of Ulster county, in Book 100 of Deeds, page 226, being all and every the rights, privileges, water rights, property and lands of every kind and nature whatsoever sold, granted described and conveyed in and by a certain deed dated the tenth day of July, 1859, made by Norman White and Joseph B. Sheffield, and Sarah Sheffield, his wife, to Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman, which deed is recorded in the office of the clerk of Ulster county, in liber 109 of Deeds, page 33. Together will all and singular the houses, wharves, docks, water rights, privileges, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances to the said premises belonging or in anywise appertaining, and also all the estate, right, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever as well in law as in equity of the said J. B. Sheffield & Son, its successors, representative, or assigns and its or their grantees of, in and to the last above described premises, and each and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances. And also all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate between the Iron Mill and Paper Mill on the south side of the Esopus creek, in the village of Saugerties, in the county of Ulster, bounded and described as follows: -

Beginning at the south-east corner of the dock now built which corner is in a straight line drawn from the north-east corner of the small dock on the east end of the paper mill to the south-east corner of east end of the iron mill dock, thence running about north eighty-one degrees west eighty-seven feet and ten inches to a stake set in the ground sixty feet northerly from the north-east corner of the rag boiler room, from thence north forty-nine degrees west one hundred and seventy-five feet six inches along the bank to a stake set in the ground, thence north eighty-seven degrees to a division line with lands of the party of the first part known as the Ulster Iron Company’s lands at a point distant forty-eight feet six inches northerly from the south-west corner of the six inch mill, a frame building thence along the division line with lands formerly belonging to the Ulster Iron Works Company, limited, to the paddy gut, thence easterly along said division line through the paddy gut to the south-east corner of the east line of the Iron Mill dock, thence in a straight line southerly to the place of beginning, being the same premises conveyed and described in a certain deed from Joseph B. Sheffield and Agnes L. Sheffield, his wife, to Joseph Tuckerman and Lucius Tuckerman, dated June 27, 1867, and recorded in the officer of the clerk of Ulster county in Book No. 145 of Deeds, page 93; subject, however, to all the restrictions and provisions in said deed contained: subject also to the changes and limitations in the bounds of the last above described and conveyed premises as set forth in a certain agreement made between Joseph B. Sheffield and William Mulligan, dated October 17, 1873, and recorded in the office of the clerk of Ulster county in Book No. 184 of Deeds, at page 463, and also subject to all restrictions and provisos in said agreement contained. Together with all and singular the houses, edifices, buildings, wharves, fixtures, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, and the reversion and revisions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and also all the estate, right, title, interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever as well in law as in
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equity, of the said J. B. Sheffield & Son, its representatives, successors and assigns and its or their grantees of, in and to the same, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances To Have and to Hold the above granted, bargained and described premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said grantee, his heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, to his and their own proper use, benefit and behoof forever. Dated Saugerties, N. Y., May 20th, 1896.

CHARLES DAVIS, Referee,
ROSENDALE & HESSBERG, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Commerce Insurance Building, Albany, N. Y.

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2079. The Kingston Leader, Kingston, NY. Saturday, May 16. - Wm. F. Russell’s Will – It disposes of nearly $400,000 of Property – The Vast Estate Divided Among Many Relatives – An Abstract Showing How Much Each Legatee is to Receive – Mr. Russell Made no Will Until He was 83 Years of Age.

Yesterday afternoon Hon. Peter Cantine of Saugerties came to the Surrogate’s Court and filed the will of the late Hon. William F. Russell, of Saugerties, with a petition for its probate and the affidavit required by law, stating the names of the legatees, and amounts received by each, etc. and then took out papers for the purpose of citing those interested to appear at some future day, when the will will be offered for probate. According to the papers, Mr. Russell’s estate is valued at $369,500, of which $300,000 is personal, and the remainder real estate. The will was made April 18, 1895, and in the closing clause, the testator declares that he never made a previous will. The witnesses whose names are attached to the will are Peter Cantine, Edmund M. Wilbur, Jesse Fiero and Benjamin M. Coon. The following is the opening clause:

“I William F. Russell, of Saugerties, by occupation a banker, having been 83 years of age on the 14th day of January last, and being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following:"

The executors are then directed to pay the funeral expenses of the testator and those of his wife, and her sister, Mary Jane Keeney, if they shall survive him, and to erect a suitable monument to himself with a suitable inscription thereon to himself, his wife and to said Mary Jane Keeney, and also to pay his just debts. Then follow some 48 clauses, or items; the devises and bequests, in condensed form being as follows, in the order they appear in the will:

To the wife, Margaret, and her sister Mary Jane Keeney, the testator’s residence and homestead, situate on Market street, Saugerties, with all the household furniture, plate, plated ware, horses, wagons, sleighs, etc., a bond and mortgage on real estate executed by Norman White and Joseph B. Sheffield to George Barclay of $25,000, also $7,000 of water bonds of the city of Grinnell, Iowa, or if the testator has collected the bonds and mortgage during his life, then the executor to pay to Mrs. Russell and Mary Jane Keeney, $32,000.

To the nephew, Frederick T. Russell, son of his brother, John W. Russell, the property known as the Russell Block, corner of Main and Market streets, in Saugerties.

To William F. Russell, Jr., son of the nephew, Frederick T., a lot with brick building thereon situate on the north side on Main street, Saugerties. The said William F., Jr., being an infant, his father, Frederick T., is appointed trustee during his minority.

To William McC. Russell, son of deceased brother, John H., land on the east side of Market street, with brick building thereon.

To the niece, Ellen M. Finger, daughter of deceased brother, David M., a lot on the north side of Livingston street in Saugerties, with dwelling house thereon.

To Homer Russell, son of nephew, Jeremiah P. Russell, land on the south side of Ulster avenue, Saugerties.

To Louisa Russel, [sic] daughter of nephew, James, the south half of double brick house on the east side of John street, Saugerties.
To Irving Russell, son of nephew, James, the north half of the said double brick building.
To Spencer Lyman Dawes, nephew, and a son of his sister, Elizabeth R. Dawes, lot on the southeast corner of John street and Irving Place.
To Eleanor R. Barrett, wife of Eugene Barrett, daughter of brother Peter, house and lot on southwest corner of Washington avenue and Irving Place.
To Ellen H. Russell, widow of deceased nephew, Edmund McC., house and lot on east side of Partition street.
To De Witt Russell, son of nephew William McC., farm on east side of Washington avenue, with all the farming implements of the same.
The testator orders all the other real estate to be sold by the executors and turned into money. The following bequests are then made.
To sister, Elizabeth R. Dawes, $5,000; to Mitchell and Jessie F. Dawes, Maria Carl and Spencer Lyman Dawes, each $5,000; to brother Peter Russell, $2,000; to Eleanor R. Barrett, wife of Eugene, $1,000; to Julia Barrett, $5,000; to Mrs. Kate Murphy, $1,000; to Thomas Barrett, $1,000; to niece Mary Davis, daughter of brother Peter, $10,000; to nephew George W. Russell, son of David M., $15,000; to Robert D. Russell, son of George W., $5,000; Ella M. F. Finger, daughter of brother David H. Russell, $2,000; to Egbert, Alida and Carrie Russell, children of nephew McC. Russell, each $4,000; to DeWitt Russell, son of said William McC. Russell, $1,500; to John Russell, also son of William McC., $5,000; Alida and Carrie being infants, William McC., their father be appointed trustee. To Frank Russell and Mrs. Eliza Seamon, children of nephew Jeremiah P. Russell, each, $5,000; to Homer Russell, child of Jeremiah P., $2,000, to George Seamon, as trustee, one-quarter of the interest of the capital stock of the Saugerties and Woodstock Tramway Road Co., in trust, the interest to be expended for the maintenance [sic] of Arthur Russell, son of Jeremiah P. In case he shall reform and give up intemperate habits and become industrious, the executors may give the whole of said bequest to said Arthur; to nephew William R. Condon and niece, Josephine Condon, each $2,500; to Christina Russell, wife of Jeremiah P., $4,000; to niece Alida Wynkoop, daughter of deceased brother, John H. Russell, $5,000; to Mari James, wife of Christopher C. James, Elizabeth S. Wynkoop and Russell Wynkoop, each $5,000; to nephew James Russell, a note of $2,839.10; to Irving Russell and Louise Russell, children of James Russell, each $1,000, to Jane Russell, wife of Silas Wright Russell, $3,000, and to Nellie and Jessie D., daughters of the said Silas Wright Russell, each $5,000, as Jessie D. is under age, Jesse F. Dawes is appointed her trustee; to James Russell, $5,000, to be held in trust for him, interest to be paid for the support of niece Elizabeth, daughter of brother, James, during life, with the privilege of using the principal and if anything remains at her death, the same to go to Nellie and Jessie D.; to Ellen H. Russell, widow of nephew Edmund Mc C. Russell, $4,000; to Charles E., son of above named Edmund McC., $5,000; to nephew, Russell McCarthy, $8,000; to Harry T. Keeney son of nephew, Thomas E. Keeney, $5,000; to Julia Beach Bogardus, daughter of George Beach, $1,000; to Gertrude S. and Mariam Scott, children of Mary E., wife of Walter Scott, each $1,000 (The mother is appointed trustee.)
The testator states that in being probable there will be a surplus after the payment of funeral expenses, debts, expenses of administration, payment of legacies, etc., and directs such surplus to be added to the values of the devises and legacies of the following persons:
To Louise and Irving Russell, each $3,500; Spencer Lyman Dawes, $1,000; Eleanor R. Barrett, $4,000; Ellen H. Russell, $2,000; Homer Russell, $3,000; De Witt Russell, $3,500; Elizabeth H. Dawes, $5,000; Mitchell Dawes, $5,000; Maria Carl, $5,000; Jessie F. Dawes, $5,000; Julia R. Barrett, $5,000; Mary Davis, $10,000; George W. Russell, $15,000; Robert D., $5,000; Egbert, $4,000; John, $5,000; Alida, $4,000; and Carrie Russell, $4,000; Russell Mc Carthy, $8,000; Harry T. Keeney, $5,000; Charles E. Russell, $5,000; Eliza Seamon, $5,000; Alida Wynkoop, $5,000; Mari James, $5,000; Elizabeth S. Wynkoop, $5,000; Russell Wynkoop, $5,000; William R. Condon, $2,500; Joseph Condon, $2,500.
“If any legatee or devisee shall contest this will he or she shall not take or receive anything under the same.”
In the 48th clause the testator names Frank C. Bogardus and John Seamon as the persons whose lives are to measure the time in which “My real estate ordered sold shall be sold.” He appoints his nephews, George W. Russell, of Albany, N. Y., and Frederick T. Russell, of Saugerties, to be executors and trustees and fixes their compensation at $2,000 each, besides disbursements. In the affidavit the value of the real estate is fixed as follows: The homestead, which goes to Margaret Russell and her sister, $6,000; the plate etc., to them, $2,000; Fred T. Russell, real estate, $20,000; that of William F. Russell, $3,000; William McC. Russell, $5,000; Ellen M. Finger, $1,000; Homer Russell, $3,000; Irving Russell, $3,500; Spencer Lyman Dawes, $1,000 (the affidavit states that this real estate of S. Lyman Dawes and legacy of $5,000 to him, had been given to his wife); land to Eleanor R. Barrett, $4,000; that to Ella H. Russell, $2,000; farm to De Witt Russell, $3,500; that to George W. and Fred. T. Russell as trustee, by the 43rd paragraph of the will, $15,000. Time being required to serve papers on parties residing outside the state and getting their consent, no day has been fixed for the proving of the will.

2080. Office of Charles Zimmerman, Manufacture of Cigar Boxes, 75 Furnace Street, near Liberty Street. Kingston, N. Y. [card] [illustration]
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening in the court room in Russell block at 8 p.m., with all directors but Mr. Rogers present. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last regular meeting read for information.
Committee on street reported that the roller had arrived and appeared to be working satisfactorily, and that road making was stopped for the present, owing to the pump on the crusher being out of repair. Committee also reported progress on Myer sewer at the end of Livingston street. Also reported that the bridge in front of Sheffield Paper Co. had been placed as ordered previously by the directors. Committee on crusher reported that new drilling had been made in the quarry and that blasting had been made satisfactorily. Also reported that the fixtures ordered for the crusher had arrived and been placed and were working to the satisfaction of the committee. Committee on siamese reported progress.
On motion a trumpet was ordered bought for the Chief Engineer at the price not to exceed $20, same to be the property of the village.
On motion the Clerk was ordered to notify Edward Simpson and Henry Kranz that the time had expired for them to lower their sidewalk in front of their property on Washington avenue and to do so at once. On motion the Clerk was ordered to send Frank Quick and Jasper Valk a copy of the village ordinances and call their attention to the ordinance relating to the hanging of meat over the sidewalk. On motion 100 feet or more of 18 inch drain tile was ordered purchased of Daniel Lamb at 58c. per foot for Myer sewer.
Bills of Wm. H. Hommel and E. Wright were ordered paid. The following bills were ordered paid:

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Farrell Foundry and Machine Co.,
fixtures for crusher,  
James Carew, at crusher 10 ¾ days,  
A. Pultz, “ 12 days,  
Wm. Doyle, team drawing stone at crusher,  
Henry Kipper, at crusher 8 days,  
Wm. Doyle, team on street 10 days,  
Will Younker, “ 7 ½ days,  
Will Carle, 12 days  
Fred Younker, 10 days,  
Wm. Tueman, 8 days,  
Henry Kipper, 4 days,  
John Miller, 12 days,  
Ben Lutz, 12 days,  
Frank Lutz, 12 days,  
Thomas Tracey, 7 ½ days,  
James Donahue, 7 ½ days,  
M. Lowther, 3 ½ days,  
James Lavey, 5 days,  
Michael Lynch, 1 ¾ days,  
On motion adjourned.  J. Dederick, Clerk.

The Exempt Fireman’s Fair was ushered in last night in a blaze of glory. The streets and sidewalks were literally crowded with people. Barnum and Bailey’s show could not have proved so grand an attraction, as the parade of the Saugerties Fire Department. The line of march was necessarily a short one, starting promptly on time, as usual, led by the splendid uniformed brass band, of East Kingston. Chief Engineer Burhans, and assistants, McCormick and Hassinger in front. Following as escorts came the Exempts, now our new Fire Patrol, in their new and splendid uniforms of dark bottle green, nothing finer, looked like one of the finest, as they were. Second in line came the R. A. Snyder Hose Co. They made a splendid appearance, are a fine body of men, and marched well. Third in line came H. D. Laflin Hose Co. in full ranks, who proved themselves well up to the fine reputation they have gained in proficiency of drill and fancy movements. Fourth in line came the Washington Hook & Ladder Co., not to be outdone by any in their neat uniforms. Capt. O’Dea in command, may well be proud of them; they looked fine, out of sight. Saugerties may well be proud of the splendid body of firemen and will undoubtedly show their appreciation by liberal expenditures at the Fair now being held at Firemen’s Hall this week.  
At the conclusion of the parade the fire companies were drawn up in a square and in the centre a splendid carriage, the occupants of which were the Hon. Augustus Van Buren, Col. Christopher C. James, and two ladies. Col. Kit introduced the speaker, Mr. Van Buren, who opened the fair in a very complimentary speech and was interrupted with frequent applause. Speaking of the firemen he said they were deserving of all the honor paid them by our citizens for saving life and property. He proved himself a fine speaker sentimentally, and was very funny and witty in his remarks and was listened to with a respect that would have done honor to the highest dignitary in the state. As usual at the finish, he was well cheered by not only the firemen but by the people that were in attendance. On entering Firemen’s Hall, that is we tried to enter, and did finally get in, to see the many fine attractions that are now on exhibition. No one should miss spending an evening there. The articles of fancy and useful, and
many articles of the fine art are there. Together with the handsome ladies as saleswomen, one can not but be well pleased and paid for the time spent there. The fair is no ordinary one. The different booths, named after the different companies, are splendidly arranged and fully packed with nice things for all who have a dime to spend. The firemen take great pleasure in acknowledging the splendid gifts of its many contributors.

The Cortland Hook & Ladder Co., of Peekskill, presented a very fine silver ice cooler, with all the fixtures, one of the handsomest we ever saw. Messrs. Seamon Bros., 350 Greenwich street, New York, through our enterprising merchant, the only Lasher, contributed twenty-five dollars’ worth of groceries, and our citizens can well afford, when wanting family supplies, to purchase only Seamon’s goods, of which Lasher carries the only line. We cannot give with this any further account of the different articles and the many generous contributors, but will some other time give more of a notice. Suffice it to say, the Fair had opened well, and is deserving of a hearty support by all of our citizens, which they will undoubtedly have. Let us make this Fair a great success. What Kingston had done for their firemen, let us do for ours.

NOTES OF THE PARADE
Philip Mattes was the proudest fireman in line.
Snyder Hose, as usual, received a large amount of admiration.
Col. Laflin drilled his company in front of the Palmer, after the parade.
Foreman Jernegan was right in his glory Tuesday night. Ed’s the stuff.

2083. Black sticker, white lettering – Health, for 10 cents, Health. [illustration]
ZIEGLER – In this village, Wednesday, May 29th, Sarah C. Myer, widow of the late Lewis Ziegler, aged 38 years and 3 days.

2087. Death of Mrs. Lewis Ziegler.
Sarah C. Myer, widow of the late Lewis Ziegler, died suddenly at the residence of her brother-in-law William Ziegler on Partition street, Wednesday afternoon, at 3:30 o’clock, aged 38 years. Mrs. Ziegler was only sick about thirty hours. Congestion of the brain was the cause of her death. Mrs. Ziegler was well known throughout the town, and her many friends will be shocked to learn of her sudden demise. The funeral will be held at the residence of William Ziegler, on Friday afternoon, at 2 o’clock. The Rev. J. A. Sebring, of the Reformed Church at Katsbaan, will officiate. The interment will be in the family plot, in the Main street cemetery.

President Cantine and directors Quick, Cunyes and Lasher were present at the regular meeting of the village directors on Saturday evening.
The finance committee reported the bill of S. M. Gray, amount $184.86, for oil to be correct and the same was ordered paid.
The committee on sewer at the head of Livingston street, reported that one hundred feet of tile will be necessary to make a first-class job.
Ex-president Simmons appeared before the board and complained of the condition of the sewers on Ferry street and the one crossing his property from Underwood street.
Complaints were also made as to the bad condition of the tram road, near the stone docks.
Crushed stone was ordered placed on East Bridge street, against the hill.
Corporation Counsel Cantine, rendered an opinion in regard to bills contracted by the Board of Health, after which the bills of Edward Wright and Wm. H. Hommel were returned to the health board with a letter of explanation from the directors.
Four complaints from the health officer were read by the clerk in regard to cesspools and other nuisances on Post street. The matter was referred back for the action of the board of health.
A remonstrance signed by a number of residents, complaining that the use of soft coal by the Electric Light Co. is a nuisance, that the soot soils their clothes and settles on the roofs of the buildings and spoils the cistern water, was read by the clerk, and on motion the clerk was ordered to notify the company to abate the nuisance at once.
The crusher committee reported that it was necessary to purchase some new parts for the crusher, which on motion was ordered.
Upon application of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., James O’Hara, Frank Quick, William Tracey, Charles Whitaker, Elmer Walker, Charles Buckley, James P. Sweeney, Thos. F. O’Dea, Harry Wilson, George Gippert, S. B. Lang, Fred. Hildebrandt, Fred. Grothwold, Edgar Morgan, Albert Nicolai, Henry Snyder and Patrick Doyle were confirmed as members of that company.
Director Quick reported that the Siamese for the steamer had arrived, but had not been tested.
The question of the purchase of a road roller was next taken up. Catalogues from several manufacturers were presented. After discussing the merits of the various machines it was decided to purchase a “Champion,” manufactured by the American Machine Co. of Kennett Square, Penn., for $250, on a thirty days’ trial.
A motion to lay a double cross walk on Main street, mid-way between the store of James Russell and the post office was lost.
J. T. Washburn was refunded $3, for error in assessment.
The following bills were read and ordered paid:

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Ernest Hassinger’s Scrapbook

A. Pultz, men and teams on streets and
   at crusher, $388.25
Charles Davis, services in Freligh case, 75.00
Charles Davis, services in the Gordon case to date, 30.00
John Maxwell, care of lamps, 46.00
George Burhans, repairs, 3.62
On motion, the Board adjourned.

The will of the late William F. Russell was taken to Kingston to-day by Peter Cantine, the attorney for the executors, and filed in the office of the Surrogate. The will is dated April 18th, 1895, and fills thirty pages of closely written manuscript most of which covers the description of real estate devised and details not necessary to be given. The executors are his nephews, George W. Russell, of Albany, and Frederick T. Russell, of this village.
The following is an abstract of the will:
He first provides for the payment of his, his wife’s and his wife’s sister, Jane Keeney’s funeral expenses, and the erection of a monument, with a suitable inscription thereon for all three of them.
He next gives to his wife and her sister Jane Keeney his homestead and the entire outfit of the house, horses, wagons, sleighs, etc., during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them. He also gives to them in equal shares unconditionally a bond and mortgage for $25,000 and $7,000 in bonds; requires his Executors to pay the taxes on his homestead, keep the buildings in repair and insured.
He gives to F. T. Russell, a nephew, “Russell Block,” and to F. T. Russell’s son William F. Russell, Jr., the building between “Russell Block” and the former residence of Dr. A. B. De Witt, deceased, on the north side of Main street.
He gives to William Mc C. Russell, the buildings on the east side of Market street, between Russell Block and the store of Daniel Lamb.
He gives to his niece, Ellen M. Finger, a house and lot on the north side of Livingston street, and a legacy of $2,000.
Devises to his Executors, in trust, all of his real estate, not expressly devised to particular named persons, in his will; (including his homestead, after the death of his wife and Jane Keeney, or the survivor of them and if they desire it sold before the death of both or of the survivor, then the Executors are to sell the same, and to pay to them or the survivor five per cent, on the amount for which is sells, during their joint lives and the life of the survivor,) with directions to sell the same at public or private sale and with power to rent the same. Also with power to complete any unfinished contract for the sale of real estate.
Also the following legacies:
To Peter Russell, brother, $2,000.00
To George Seamon, in trust for Arthur Russell, son of J. P. Russell, par value of capital stock, in the Saugerties and Woodstock Tram Road Company, $5,000.
Christina Russell, wife of J. P. Russell, $4,000.
James Russell (a note for) $3,839.10, with interest from Dec. 1st, 1887.
James Russell, in trust, for the support of his sister Elizabeth, $5,000, and if anything remains, not so expended, at the time of her death, the same to go to Nellie and Jessie, daughters of S. W. Russell and Irving and Louisa Russell, children of said James.
To Gertrude and Miriam Scott, each $1,000. If either dies before the testator, the survivor takes the share of the deceased; Miriam having died, Gertrude takes the entire $2,000.
Here follows a list of legacies and devises, but which are hereafter mentioned under the 43rd clause of the will. The testator by the 43rd clause of the will expresses his opinion that after payment of funeral expenses, expenses of administration, debts and legacies, and provides in the clause for the making of additions to certain persons, who are both devisees and legatees, and to certain persons who are only legatees named in said 43rd clause, on their legacies and devises and excluding all devisees and legatees not named in said clause, from participating in receiving additions from the surplus. The additions are to be made ratably and proportionately to the persons and on the amounts names in said 43d clause, as follows:

Louisa Russell, $5,000
Irving Russell, 5,000
Spencer Lyman Dawes, 6,000

The legacy and devise to said Lyman Dawes having been satisfied in his life, but the right to participate in and receive the addition to said $6,000, was reserved to him.

Eleanor R. Barritt, 5,000
Ellen H. Russell, 6,000
Homer Russell, 5,000
De Witt Russell, 5,000
Elizabeth R. Dawes, 5,000
Mitchell Dawes, 5,000
Maria Carll, 5,000
Jessie F. Dawes, 5,000
Julia R. Barritt, 5,000
Mary Davis, 10,000
George W. Russell, 15,000
Robert D. Russell, 5,000
Egbert Russell, 4,000
John Russell, (son of William Mc C. Russell,) 5,000
Alida Russell, 4,000
Carrie Russell, 4,000
Russell McCarthy, 8,000
Harry T. Keeney, (upon conditions,) 5,000
Charles E. Russell, 5,000
Frank Russell, 5,000
Eliza Seamon, 5,000
Alida Wynkoop, 5,000
Elizabeth S. Wynkoop, 5,000
Russell Wynkoop, 5,000
Wm. R. Condon, 2,500
Josephine Condon, 2,500

Total $162,000

In cases where there are infants as well as in some other cases, the testator has appointed trustees to hold and invest, and pay over the income and ultimately to principal, the details of which are omitted. He also has a provision in the will that any person having a devise or legacy, who contests the will, shall forfeit all rights under the will.

The eight magnificently trained oarsmen, who carried the beloved red and white of Cornell, propelled their fragile shell over the finish line first Friday and won the greatest intercollegiate boat race ever rowed in America. Harvard was second, two and a half lengths behind the Cambridge men and Columbia was practically distanced.

Contrary to the predictions of the sharps who have been telling their friends and the public that Harvard would be last, that Columbia would win, and that Cornell and Pennsylvania had merely place chances, the result of the struggle was a big surprise. The Columbia men, after getting away well at the start, fell back and were practically out of it after the first mile post had been passed. The three other crews, however, rowed what was probably the most exciting and nerve-testing boat race on record.

Harvard started out well, and for nearly two miles held that lead, the Cambridge men averaging about thirty six strokes to the minute. Then Cornell’s crew began to show the advantages of the professional training they had received from Coach Charles E. Courtney, and with the most beautiful style and watermanship they gradually cut down the lead of the New Englanders inch by inch, until finally the nose of the Ithacan shell was ahead.

From that time on it was a contest of brain, muscle and nerve, but in spite of everything the Cornell eight slowly but surely gained until the goal was won. Pennsylvania rowed strongly for two miles and reduced the gap between themselves and Harvard to two lengths and a half. Columbia was eighteen lengths behind Pennsylvania and when the line was crossed the New York collegians were ready to fall in a faint.

The start was delayed by Columbia’s stake boat getting loose, but at 5:44 the start was made, Harvard taking the lead by about half a length, with Pennsylvania second. For two miles Harvard and Cornell struggled for the lead, and at the two-mile mark they were neck, with Pennsylvania six lengths behind and Columbia away in the rear. At 5:57 Pennsylvania was gaining on Harvard and Cornell had secured the lead by half a length. Under the bridge Cornell held a good lead with Pennsylvania only three lengths behind Harvard, and it was then apparent that Cornell would win.

A quarter of a mile from the finish, Cornell had gained still more, while the Pennsylvanians had got within a length and a half of Harvard, although their oars were splashing. But the easy quick swing of Cornell put more water between their rudder and Harvard’s bow, and the race ended with the boys from Ithaca two lengths ahead of Harvard, while Pennsylvania was steadily gaining on the crew from Cambridge. Two or three of the Harvard crew fell over as the line was crossed, but every man in Cornell’s boat was a straight as an arrow.

The time was as follows: Cornell, 19:29; Harvard, 19:32; Pennsylvania, 20:11; Columbia, 21:25.

This beats the record for eight-oared shells in four-mile races. The record was held by Yale at 20:10, made in a race with Harvard at New London on June 25, 1888. It will be noticed that Harvard’s time yesterday also beats the record and that Pennsylvania was but a second behind it. Columbia, although finishing nearly two minutes behind Cornell, made exactly the same time as was made last year, when Columbia was the winner over Cornell and Pennsylvania.


Ex Corporation Counsel William C. De Witt, the well-known Brooklyn lawyer and member of the Greater New York Commission, was married on Saturday evening to Maria Belle Shepard Langley, the divorced wife of Millionaire Major William H. Langley. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Pease, the new pastor of the Universalist Church of Our Father in Grand avenue and Lefferts place, and took place at the pastorate. In addition to the bride and bridegroom, Mr. Shepard and Miss Shepard, the father
and sister of the bride, were the only persons present. The couple have been stopping at the Oriental
Hotel since their marriage, but in a few days they will go to their cottage at Long Beach.
Major Langley, who was well known in yachting, driving, and military circles, and his wife separated
about four years ago, and subsequently Mrs. Langley instituted a suit for absolute divorce, but the trial,
which lasted nearly two weeks and caused a sensation, resulted in verdict for the defendant. Mrs.
Langley then tried to get a limited divorce, but also failed in this. About a year ago Major Langley took
up his residence in South Dakota, and a few month [sic] ago got a divorce on the ground of
abandonment. It was about the same time that Mrs. DeWitt also obtained a divorce, no defense being
interposed in either case.
Mrs. Langley was a teacher in a school up the Hudson at the time of her marriage to Major Langley.
When they separated Mrs. Langley assumed the custody of the three children, who are still under her
care. It is understood that Mr. Langley has made ample provision for the support of the children.
Mr. De Witt and Major Langley used to be close friends, and went frequently together on cruises on
Major Langley’s famous yacht Comet. When the trouble between him and his wife broke out, Major
Langley broke up his famous establishment on Pierrepont street, and moved to the Waldorf. He has
since been seldom seen in Brooklyn. The groom is a brother of Hon. D. M. De Witt, of Kingston, Dr. John
H. De Witt, of this village, and is well known hereabouts.

2092. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 25, 1896. – Cornell Wins the Race. – Freshman Race on the
Hudson, Results in a Big Surprise.
The red and white banners of Cornell float triumphantly from every vantage point in Poughkeepsie
Wednesday, and the yells of the jubilant Ithacans are heard in almost every group of visitors. They are
joyous rather than aggressive, and there is more grief that resentment in the solid faces of the Harvard,
Pennsylvania and Columbia ranks.
The freshman race, which had been looked forward to with an amount of interest second only to that
which centers in the big contest has been lost and won, and the victory of the Cornell boys was so clean
that even the enthusiasts who laid odds on Harvard, are satisfied the best crew won
It rained from about 1 o’clock until a few minutes before the start but when the crews were lined for
the start the water was smooth, the breeze from the south had almost ceased and there was a strong
ebb tide, every condition telling favorable to fast time and a successful race.
Pennsylvania and Cornell were ready first and the other crews were soon in line. At 5:27 only seven
minutes after the time set for the start, the boats were off on the two mile course. Harvard suffered a
little disadvantage at the start, not getting away from the launch as quickly as the others, but it was
soon apparent that it was to be a beautiful contest between Harvard, Pennsylvania and Cornell,
Columbia being left so far behind in the first half mile as to make it impossible for her to win. At the big
bridge, half way down the course, Cornell had a handsome lead, but from the bridge Harvard gained
steadily, putting up a splendid stroke, much faster than that of the leaders.
At the finish it was almost impossible to tell which crew was ahead, both the Pennsylvanians and the
boys from Cambridge making tremendous efforts, that were almost successful, to pass the Ithacans. If
the course had been half a mile longer, the result might have been different, but the lead of the
Cornellians was too great to overcome, and they passed the stake boat about a length ahead of
Harvard, the Harvard boat being almost lapped by Pennsylvania. Columbia was way behind. There was
a great tooting of whistles from the steamers and yachts at the finish and loud cheers from the partisans
of Cornell on the observation train, and the race was over. The time made was excellent, and was
announced by the judges to be as follows: Cornell 10:18, Harvard, 10:22, Pennsylvania, 10:26, Columbia
10:51.
The record for freshmen eights over a two-mile course straightaway is held by Harvard and was made at
Back Bay, Boston, June 30, 1881, beating Columbia in 9:05¾. Columbia has also twice beaten
yesterday’s record, at New London, June 26, 1884 in 9:43½, and June 24, 1891 in 9:41. With these
exceptions Wednesday’s time is the best in nineteen freshman races since 1880. Last year Yale beat Harvard and Columbia at New London in 10:28.

2093. Handsome Badges.
Ernest Hassinger has added four new badges to his firemanic collection as follows: One each from the Kitatinny Hose Co., of Newton, N. J.; Washington Heights Hose Co. No. 3 of Newburgh; Chapman Steamer Co. No. 1, of Newburgh, and Hope Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, of Yonkers.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. President Cantine was the only absentee. Vice President Cornwell presided.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Owing to the absence of Counsellor Cantine, the finance committee were unable to report.
A petition from John Sinnott to erect a sign inside of curb in front of his property was read and on motion same was granted.
The street committee reported the tram road to stone dock had been repaired. Also sewer at gas house had been repaired. On motion, it was ordered to purchase five hundred feet of tram stone of Oliver Holden at thirty-five cents a foot. Also to purchase stone for covering sewer on Myer street.
Director Cornwell was given power to build a catch basin on Underwood street.
It was also moved that curb on south side of East Bridge street be placed out eighteen inches beginning at Underwood street to sewer opposite the ferry landing.
It was decided to place crushed stone from Burt street to the Trinity Church.
The surveying of Division street and upper Main street was also reported.
The firemanic committee reported they had purchased the fire trumpet.
Chas. Fosmire appeared before the board in relation to cleaning up the Main street cemetery, and he was instructed to begin his subscription paper and report to the board at the next meeting, and action would be taken.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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The bill of Wm. H. Hommel, as sanitary inspector was laid on the table. A recess was then taken and Mr. Odell, representing the Gutta Percha Rubber Co., of New York, and Mr. White, of the Boston Wove Co., submitted samples of hose, after which board adjourned.
2095. A Minute or So Late.
Sweet wife – Oh, Herald, the hall clock just fell and narrowly missed mother. Had it struck her she would have been killed.
Herald (aloud) – You don’t say so! (Aside) I always did say that clock was slow. (Indianapolis News.)

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The seventh annual convention of the Tri-County Firemen’s Association comprising the counties of Ulster, Greene and Columbia assembled at the City Hall this morning. The convention was called to order by Henry Ohley, of Saugerties, the President of the Association. There were seated upon the platform the Mayor, Dr. Burtsell, Rev. J. Edgar Winne, James G. Tubby and the officers of the Tri-county Association.
Rev. J. E. Winne opened the convention with prayer, after which he thanked the firemen for the honor of addressing them in the convention. He told of his experience as a fireman with Ringgold Hose company, No. 17, of New York city, when he was 10 years old. His remarks were received with great applause.
Mayor Wieber was then introduced. He made an address of welcome as follows:
Gentlemen of the Tri-county Firemen’s Convention; It affords me pleasure as Mayor of this city, and in behalf of its citizens, to extend to you a cordial welcome. You are the representatives of a class of American citizens whose services command the esteem of all considerate persons and who deserve to be placed on a “Roll of Honor” side by side with the gallant soldier who goes forth to defend his country. The volunteer fireman, who enlists in the cause of humanity for the protection of the lives and property of his fellow citizens, is entitled to all the respect and consideration which a grateful community has the power to bestow.
The fiery element is one of the most dangerous foes that civilization has to combat and it requires the strongest nerve, the most vigorous arm, and the greatest valor and skill for its extinguishment. Generally starting in the lonely hour of the night the signal bell calls the brave fireman to give up the warm bed and the alluring comforts of sleep and hasten to the scene of danger. Delay means additional danger and this fact sends the firemen half clad, to exposure from water and the chilling night air, but he fears not, fails not, but presses on to fight the foe and save property and oftentimes human life, at the risk of his own.
No one well appreciates the value of time as the intelligent fireman. He knows that every moment increases the strength and power of the devouring element, and every lap of its fiery tongue increases its momentum and this knowledge sends the truck and engine rattling over the street as though propelled by steam or electricity. Once at the fire he has no time for study but must avail himself of practice and experience in determining the point of attack. And just here comes the value of these annual conventions in which the experience of the past and friendly suggestions of the present, become the common property of all. And the test of endurance, the speed of the run and the skill in handling the apparatus, although subjected to the keenest rivalry, all tend to improve the service and efficiency of the departments of each town represented here.
The annual parade with its well kept and glittering apparatus, also tends to the preservation of the machinery, of the several fire departments. So also the attractive uniforms, the soldierly march and the gentlemanly bearing of the men in the ranks of the procession, are effective aids in securing the services of efficient young men in keeping up the requisite number of useful members of each company, while the prompt obeyance of orders on the line of march tends to good order and harmony while on active duty.
And more gentlemen, if you will pardon the digression. I wish to say that any good opinion of the volunteer fireman has been based on my observation of the good and effective work done by the fire
department of my own city. Our firemen always prompt in responding .... [words missing at bottom of page] of fire and are also active and efficient in their discharge of duty, in the extinguishment of fires. I scarcely remember of a fire in which the flames have been allowed to spread to adjoining buildings, but the damage has usually been confined to the building in which the fire originated, and no extensive conflagration has occurred within our limits in a number of years, so you see I have the right to refer to our fire department with pardonable pride. And I have no doubt that the same may be truthfully said of every department represented here to-day.

For these and many other considerations we welcome the firemen and extend to them one and all, the freedom of this time honored town. While this old Colonial town has always been noted for its proverbial hospitality, to visitors and strangers, permit me to say that the no class of men in convention will receive a more hearty and cordial welcome than the gathering of the active, and exempt firemen who are to meet and hold their conventions in our midst during the two days designated for this assemblage.

While your may find many things lacking as to modern methods, for the protection of life and property, I may safely assure that you will not find as genuine American hospitality, and I trust and believe that you will find nothing left undone that may contribute to your pleasure and comfort while temporarily residents of our city.

In conclusion permit me to wish for our convention a harmonious and successful session and one that shall have its impress for good not only on this city but to all the cities and villages that are represented here, and when you return to your respective homes may it be with a unanimity of sentiment that these annual firemen's conventions shall long continue and that this city is one of the just, places where they ought to be held. Again extending to you all a hearty and cordially welcome with my sincere thanks for your kind attention. I leave you to your deliberations.

Mr. Ohley, who responded in behalf of the association had the following to say:

Mr. Mayor: The freedom of the Colonial city and the hospitality of its citizens is assured to the Seventh annual Tri-county convention and tournament in the welcome greeting tendered in your official capacity.

As President of the Tri-county Association, I accept for it the welcome you have preferred. This association at its last annual meeting accepted the invitation to hold in your city our convention and tournament of this year, and we well remember that it was here five years ago and that the organization was more fully perfected after its birth at Coxsackie.

That which comprises the city to-day in its infancy as village and town passed through as it were a baptism of fire and in the last few years the activities of your volunteer fire department has most frequently been called upon. The colonial village and town of the past has been consolidated into a city replete with historic incidents and your municipality is one of increasing growth and boundless enterprise, within the limits over which you exercise the function of your official authority, education, religion, government, commerce, progress and enterprise are fully represented. Education by your academies and school houses; dissemination of the current topics of the day by your several daily and weekly newspapers. Religion by the number of your beautiful church buildings. Government by your court house, supreme court chambers and police courts. Commerce at the one end of your city, by a water way leading into the noble Hudson; a water way that is continually freighted with the products of the artisan, [sic] mechanic, agriculturist and laborer; at the same end a railway that by winding course and steep ascent leads into the very heart of the Catskills under the shadow of whose foot hills your city is so beautifully located; and the other end of your city a railway passing through fertile lands to an adjoining county noted for its dairy and agricultural products; still further by a great trunk line bringing you into close touch with the chief city of the country and the great cities of the West, from which points and others there come to you the tourists seeking rest in the different mountain ranges.
Progress, enterprise and prosperity are represented by the many attractive and costly private residences; railway surface lines, paved streets and macadamized avenues; the many varied industries that give employment to the people. The charities of your city are shown by the Industrial Home, Alms House and hospital. Your several cemeteries testify that you are as thoughtful of those who have gone to join the ranks of the great majority as of those who remain with you, considering all that you enjoy and possess, Mr. Mayor, you have a city worthy of your best efforts.

But to come to matters more nearly relating to the occasion of this gathering here, there is undoubted evidence that your city enjoys an active, efficient and well equipped volunteer fire department, one that has no peer in any other city of your size. I recall three years ago when it was so well represented in the Tri-county tournament at Saugerties and with pride and satisfaction, I say that on the morrow, in reciprocation of your then representation, the entire fire department of Saugerties will be with you to give effect to the parade and tournament.

It may be asked why these annual conventions of this association? My reply thereto would be, there is no association more deserving of a re-union. There is none to be more honored than a volunteer fire company. The utter forgetfulness of self in the many heroic deeds that have been performed; the want of selfishness in the execution of self imposed duty that always imperils health, limb or life, these merit all the praise of a community in which the organization may be located.

The fire department has its heroes as well as army and navy, it would be a long list of the names of the brave men could be enrolled, who have sacrificed their lives in their efforts to protect the individuals or community from all the disasters occasioned by the fiery element.

Aye, there are no more deserving of the people than are the gallant laddies of the volunteer fire department, their courage and heroism in fighting flames or rescuing life and property is the equal, if not the superior, to any that has been displayed upon the battlefield by the trained and disciplined soldier. There is a fraternization among volunteer firemen that does not exist in the ranks of other organizations or societies. These annual conventions are re-unions bring us into a closer touch. They excite emulation, they excite the interests of the people of the district from which come our delegates and fire company representation, and this tends to a wider liberality on the part of officials to support and maintain the various fire companies and this contribute to a fire company’s enjoyment and effectiveness.

To-morrow, if weather conditions do not interfere, your city will be filled by volunteer firemanic bodes, from the three counties. Your streets will be resonant with the fanfare of parade. And in the long procession you will see the old who having done long years of service, are forced to retirement from active duty. They are the exempts. Following them will be the younger and active members, who in uniform and with polished equipments, ask your approbation and the smiles of the ladies.

Mr. Mayor and citizens of Kingston, great as is our pleasure in coming it is to be hoped that our parting may be one of deeper regret, and in behalf of this Tri-county Association and of the fire companies gathering here to-morrow, I thank you for the welcome extended. After addressing the delegates and members of the convention the president asked the further pleasure of the convention.

Mr. Coffin, of Catskill, offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Roger, of Hudson: Inasmuch as the Tri-County Firemen’s Association has heretofore reported Cornell Hose company of Rondout, N. Y. as delinquent for non-payment of dues, said report being made upon the floors of the convention and published in the printed proceedings and Inasmuch as investigation has shown that said report was untrue

Resolved, That the Tri-county Association in justice to Cornell Hose company desire a public correction of said report and publication, and

Resolved, That Cornell Hose has been and is a member of that Association in good standing.

The resolution was unanimously adopted. The Chair appointed Mr. Coffin, of Catskill, Mr. H. Mc Kenzie, of Port Ewen, and Mr. Lewis, of Saugerties, a committee on credentials. During the convention the Twentieth Regiment Band discoursed music.
On motion of E. J. Lewis, of Saugerties, the convention took a recess until 2:30 o’clock.
When the convention reconvened at 1:30 o’clock this afternoon, Mr. Coffin of Catskill, as Chairman of Committee on credentials, reported that the delegates as read by Secretary Charles McArthur was acceptable to the committee. The Secretary read the names of the delegates of the different companies of the Association and as their names were announced each man was presented with a souvenir button of the convention by the Secretary. Buttons were also presented I. Farrington and Jonathan Deyo, representing Lawson Hose, of Newburgh, and John F. Tucker and William Brush representing Newburgh Fire Department Association. [sentence as printed.]
Geo. L. Wachmeyer was elected president of the Association for the ensuing year.
Charles MacArthur, of Hudson, was re-elected Secretary.

The following are some of the extracts from the account of the visit of 7-7-7 of Cornell Hose to Newburgh on Thursday evening.
Isaac N. Weiner, after whom Weiner Hose Company is named, congratulated Ringgold Hose on the victory scored and the trophy won. He assured them that their appearance on the day of the parade, was such that in his estimation no other decision could truthfully have been rendered. He had stood at the door of his place of business as the column marched along, and he then felt confident that there was really but on [sic] contestant in the class, and that was Ringgold Hose Company. Their personal appearance, fine physique, attractive fine fitting uniform, excellent marching and general bearing all combined to make a combination that was simply unapproachable. He thought the friendship between Newburg and Kingston ought to be warmer and closer that it has been in the past, and for this reason, if no other, he was glad to see the firemen fraternizing, as the firemen invariably guide the public pulse in everything. Washington had a headquarters in Newburgh; he had one in Kingston. There is no necessity for a feeling of distrust, of rivalry, of jealousy, and he hoped the bonds of friendship formed between Cornell and Ringold [sic], in 1894, and reformed in 1896, would be so strengthened and cemented that they would become everlasting in their character. The address that elicited the greatest applause from guests and hosts was a brief one by Marshal Perrott, who announced that speech-making was a trifle out of order on an empty stomach, and extended to all, with the regards of Ringgold Hose, an invitation to inspect the commissary department located in the basement.
George S. Sleight, clerk of Ulster county, opened his remarks, by saying “Here’s another who says Ringgold hose was all right and is all right at the present time. The award was made on its merits, and while there may be some disgruntled enough to “kick” against the righteous decision of an unbiassed [sic] set of judges- there are others and they say the “kickers” are “not in it.”
Frank H. Griffiths, better known as “Old Crockery,” made the address of the evening. He talked for fifteen minutes and one of the members remarked that with one more turn of the key he would be in condition to run on all night. Mr. Griffiths is highly educated, speaks entertainingly, and is a firm friend of the two companies, as was evidenced by his remarks. He is also a strong advocate of calling the town where his lived by the full title of Rondout, instead of Station R., as the postal authorities persist in having it.
Mr. McCausland being called on for a few additional remarks, said there was but one utterance he desired to make; that since the last parade he is more fully convinced that there is but one Newburgh in the state, but one Ringgold Hose, and she is in the above city aforesaid; that there is but one Rondout, and she is a small hamlet to the big city of Kingston, yet is the abiding place of Cornell Hose.
Mr. Corwin and Mr. Weiner in turn spoke parting words, each reiterating what had been previously said, after which the guests were escorted to the 10:35 West Shore train. The scene at the depot must have
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surprised passengers on the train. Colored fire was lighted, cheers given, hands shaken, and farewells spoken, after which, as the train pulled out at the depot, all joined in singing “Adieu, But Not Farewell.” Some one sent Mr. Griffiths, after whom Griffiths Division, U. R. K. P., is named, a telegram to be read at the carriage house. It notified Mr. Griffiths that his speech had been found, but the finder was unable to send it in time to be of any use. It recommended [article ends]

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At the afternoon session the Committee on Credentials reported that the roll about to be read by the Secretary was accepted. Adopted.

In accordance with the order of the President, the Secretary called the roll and the delegates stepped forward and received their souvenir buttons and cards of membership. Many of the prominent firemen were greeted with loud applause as they walked to the platform.

The report of the treasurer of the Firemen’s Home at Hudson was read, showing $11,500 debt on the Home. It showed receipts of $11,600 and disbursements of $7,798.88 [sic] during the year. Received and placed on file.

The special committee appointed last year on extension of the association reported through their chairman, Editor Hall, of Catskill, that they had sent invitations throughout Orange and Dutchess counties. Newburgh companies took action. The report was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes, together with the circular letter sent out by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Simmons, of this village, a vote of thanks was given the representatives from Orange county for attending.

Election of officers was taken up. Mr. Solomon, of Hudson and Mr. Hassinger, of this village, were appointed tellers.

George W. Newkirk, of Kingston, nominated George Wachmeyer for president. There was no opposing candidate. Mr. Wachmeyer was escorted to the platform by Col. H. D. Laflin, and Mr. Coffin. He was congratulated by President Ohley, after which he gracefully thanked the convention for electing him.

Charles L. MacArthur, of Hudson, re-elected secretary; Eugene Wolfe, of Athens, treasurer; R. P. Barker, of Catskill, 1st vice president; J. Charles Snyder, of Kingston, W. A. Miller, of Hudson, and John F. Tucker, of Newburgh, 2nd vice presidents.

Mr. Lewis asked unanimous consent to suspend the rules. Consent was given and Mr. Rogers, of Hudson, in a neat address, presented to President Ohley, a fine cane. In closing he said: “While we all hope that the life of you and yours and your household will be spared many years and that you will never need to lean upon this gift, still, if it is ever necessary for you to clutch it for support, we trust that you will feel as you lean upon it that it came as a token of esteem from your friends.”

President Ohley said the presentation had been so sudden that he was too much overcome by his feelings to find suitable words to reply. He hoped to live long enough to lean his weight upon the gift. On motion of Mr. Simmons, of Saugerties, it was resolved that any person five years a member of the Association may become a life member on payment of $1 a year thereafter, even if he ceases to be a member of his company.

Mr. Simmons moved that the selection of a place for holding the next meeting be left for the incoming Executive Committee.

On motion of Mr. Coffin, it was resolved that hereafter members pay dues in accordance with the rules of the State Convention –send in the money two weeks before the meeting and receive a card which entitles them to a badge. By this means no member will have a badge until his dues are paid.

On motion of Mr. Hall, of Catskill, a vote of thanks was given the retiring officers.

On motion of Mr. Coffin a vote of thanks was given the local committee and citizens of Kingston, for their efforts to entertain the association.
On motion of Mr. Coffin, the name of President Ohley was placed on the list of life members.
The convention then adjourned.

George Kefer, Henry C. Bunke and Edward Cooley, representatives of Columbia Hose of Whitestone, L. I. and Charles O’Hara of Brooklyn, were guests of Wm. Ziegler on Tuesday evening. To-day they visited Kingston as guests of R. A. Snyder Hose Company.

2100. Our Fine Firemen – They Make a Short Parade This Morning – The Protectory Band.
The Catholic Protectory Band, of New York, sixty-two strong, arrived in this village, the morning by steamer Saugerties. They were met at the boat by a delegation from R. A. Snyder Hose, whose guests they are, and escorted to the engine house. They are a fine body of boys, and it is safe to say that no finer band music has ever been heard in Saugerties. They were accompanied by four Fathers from the Protectory. After rendering a few fine selections at the corner of Main and Partition streets, the firemen were formed in line and gave a short parade. The line of march was down Partition street, a short distance, countermarch to Main, then to Market, to Ulster avenue, to the depot, where they took a special train, at 8:30, for Kingston. Notwithstanding the heavy down pour of rain this morning, which covered the streets with mud and made marching almost impossible, the firemen made a good showing and no doubt will attract a great deal of attention in Kingston. It is doubtful if any place of its size can show a finer body of men than the Saugerties Fire Department. The Exempts were particularly attractive in their new uniforms. The order of march was as follows: Chief Engineer and Assistants, Protectory Band, R. A. Snyder Hose, Exempts Association, Quarryville Band, Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and Laflin Hose.

The handsome firemen’s trumpet offered by the Exempts at their fair for the company receiving the largest number of votes was won by R. A. Snyder Hose Co., they having collected $60.55 [changed to $60.15] Laflin Hose Company had $37.15 [changed to $37.55]. It is due to the untiring efforts of Mrs. E. J. Lewis and Miss Lizzie Hassinger that Snyder Hose Company collected such a large amount of money.

Laflin Hose, of this village, won first prize in the Tri-County Drill, having 100 points. Edmonds Hose, of Hudson were second. Laflin Hose won the free for all drill. The drill of H. D. Laflin Hose Company, was witnessed by more people than usually attend Barnum’s circus, and both they and Edmonds Hose Co., of Hudson, were highly applauded. It is safe to say over twelve thousand witnessed the drill. The drill ground, provided by Chief Kolts and committee, was well laid out and enclosed, staked with ropes, 100x150, and gave ample room for the movements of the companies drilling. There were three companies entered for the Tri-County. viz: H. D. Laflin Hose Co., Rescue Hook & Ladder Co., Athens, and Edmunds Hose Co., of Hudson. The Athens company failed to show up, to the great disappointment of many, and the Laflin and Edmunds companies participated in both drills. Prizes were one hundred dollars for the first in the Tri County drill, and fifty dollars for the second. The Laflin’s took first prize, and Edmunds second. The free for all, United States and Canada, the prize being one hundred and fifty dollars, was given to the Laflin Hose Company. The judges were Capt. Tompkins, of Kingston, Capt. Haubennestell, of Poughkeepsie, and Capt. Hunter of Newburgh. The intricate movements of Laflin Hose were gone through with the utmost precision. They drilled thirty-two men, and executed military evolutions like old veterans, and when they came down to fancy and emblematic movements, such as forming squares, crosses, stars and circles, they were right in it. Every now and then Col. Laflin would give an order and...
the company would scatter in different directions, only to reform in some different figure at the word of command. Col. Laflin’s reputation as a military tactician does not consist of Firemanic drills altogether, as he has been a member of a great many companies in different states. The Chicago Zouaves, in which he was one of the officers, was the champions of the State, in 1860. The Colonel seems to have kept up in the tactics, and has lost none of his skill as a commander. He has the confidence of his men, and while not arbitrary or tyrannical, is one of the strictest disciplinarians in the country, and his orders are obeyed instanter, the same as in the army, and it goes hard with any one disobeying.

When the drill was nearly half through the judges said, after the long march the men must be tired and that the [sic] were fully satisfied as to the neatness of the drill, and awarded them the prize and 100 points in drill. Col. Laflin called his company to attention and said to them, “Boys, we have won both prizes; I know you are tired; but you see the thousands of spectators surveying us; will you drill a few moments longer and show the judges what you can do? ” All were in favor and a drill was given, entirely different, and the men were put through a series of evolutions that made the judges and spectators wild with delight. They returned home last night and made a short parade with the famous 19th Separate Co. Drum Corps and then went quietly to their homes and glad to rest their tired feet, that had carried them so successfully during the day.


The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday night, all the directors being present. President Cantine presiding. Corporation Counsel Cantine and Senator Davis were also present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The street committee reported progress.

A long discussion occurred regarding the building of a covering over the feeder at the crusher, and upon motion the crusher committee was instructed to visit same and if advisable build one.

A petition was received from property owners on Main street, asking for a double crosswalk from the Brede property to the Searing property, and upon motion it was placed on file.

A petition from the residents on upper Partition street near Lafayette, asking for a grade, was received. Director Cunyes informed the board that such had been surveyed and a grade established, and upon motion the clerk was ordered to notify the property owners, to reset curb, so as to conform to the grade.

Ovid T. Simmons, representing the Exempt Firemens’ Patrol asked permission to take the Empire engine to Kingston, tournament day. It was granted. He also asked that suitable rooms be provided for holding meetings and to erect lockers for uniforms. It was referred to the firemanic committee.

Certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose company No. 1, was granted to Roy Turck, John Lang, Jr., Edward Snyder and Michael Fitzgerald. Exemption certificates were granted to W. E. Simmons, John Bruckner, R. E. Young, Alfred Nestlen and E. L. Seaman.

W. F. Van Hoesen appeared before the board in relation to names and number of streets, and on motion it was referred to the street committee.

The firemanic committee reported the Siamese had been tested, and worked satisfactory; also they were unable to purchase trumpet at $20.00 and on motion, five dollars was added to purchase same. Senator Davis then gave an exhaustive opinion on the power of the Board of Health, regarding the bills of Edward Wright and W. H. Hommel. Corporation Counsel Cantine also discussed the matter in an able manner.

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J. G. Palmer, janitor, 6.00
John Maxwell, care of lamps, 46.00
Norman Cunyes, labor, 48.73
C. Miller & Son, Siamese, 27.50
E. I. Quick, expressage, 2.25

ROAD FUND
Men and teams, $414.47
F. B. Rightmyer, drilling at crusher, 88.46
Myer and Carnright, wood, 4.86
A. Pultz, salary, 97.50

On motion, Board adjourned.

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St. Mary’s Church was the scene of a brilliant wedding on Tuesday afternoon, when Annie K. Yerger of his village was united in marriage to John H. Link of New York city. The bride was handsomely attired in a bridal robe of white organ and wore a veil of tulle, carrying a bouquet of bridal roses. The maid of honor, Miss Emma Yerger, a sister of the bride wore a similar costume. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley and wore a white hat. The groom and groomsman were attired in conventional black. The groomsman was John Roesch, of New York city, a friend of the groom. The bride was escorted to the altar and given away by her brother, Frank A. Yerger. The ushers were John Becker, of New York, and George E. Yerger, of this village. Rev. M. J. Murray performed the ceremony. As the bridal couple entered the church, Mr. James Sickles sang very effectively “Faithful and True,” by Lohengrin. Upon leaving the church Mendelsohn’s wedding march was played by Prof Frank W. Loerzel. Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was given the newly wedded couple at the Yerger homestead on Market street where a sumptuous banquet was served. The wedding gifts were numerous and handsome. Among those present were; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Link, Miss Annie Link, Alexander Link, Mrs. Krees, Mrs. John Dinkle, Mrs. Jacob Gross, Mr. and Mrs. John Becker and daughter, of New York city, Mrs. John Vogel, of Newark, N. J., Mrs. Anthony Koons, of Greenville, N. J., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hahn, Miss Minnie Lehman, of Albany, Mr. and Mr. F. W. Loerzel, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Donlon, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Reinhardt, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Yerger and daughter, Mr. James Sickles, Mrs. Louis Henkle, Rev. M. J. Murray, Mr. & Mrs. Irwin Ronk of this village. The newly wedded couple left on the 9:05 up West Shore train for a trip to Niagara Falls and the West. Mrs. Link has a host of friends in this village who wish her a long and happy life. The groom is a member of the New York fire department and has friends without number in the city as well as many in this village. Mr. and Mrs. Link will reside at No. 450 West 164th street, New York city where a handsomely furnished home awaits the on their return.

Miss Jennie Whiting Post, Becomes Mrs. W. F. Stowe at the Congregational Church.
The marriage ceremony of Miss Jennie Whiting Post to the Rev. Wilbur Fisk Stowe, pastor of the Congregational Church, was solemnized at the Congregational Church at high noon to-day. The Church was filled with friends and during their arrival organist W. Whiting Fredenburg rendered several selections. Preceding the ceremony the choir sang sweetly “The voice that breathed o’er Eden.” The altar and organ were decked with potted plants, palms and ferns. As the bridal party entered the church, organist Fredenburg rendered Lohengrin wedding march. The bridal procession was led by the ushers and the maids of honor, and the ceremony was performed under a floral arch by the Rev. Leroy S. Stowe, D. D., father of the groom, in a very impressive manner, a ring being used. As the party left the church Mendelsohn’s march was rendered. The bride was charmingly attired in white silk with a train
and wore a veil of tulle. She carried in her hand a beautiful ostrich feather fall. The maids of honor, the Misses Grace and Gertrude Stowe, were attired in white lawnsdale silk, and carried bouquets of white carnations, both wearing hats. The groom wore the conventional high noon dress. The ushers were Wm. B. Parsons and Frank Carpenter of New York, A. C. Gillespy, Mervin Gillespy and George Rosepaugh. After the ceremony a light luncheon [sic] was served to out of town friends. The following out of town guests were present. Mr. Robert Seaton, wife and son, Miss Lida Stowe, Mr. Frank Carpenter and Wm. B. Parsons of New York, William H. Fredenberg and wife, Walter S. Fredenberg, wife and daughter, and W. Whiting Fredenberg of Kingston. Mrs. Stowe is an estimable lady and her many friends extend their congratulations for a happy wedded life. The groom is the popular pastor of the Congregational church.


The divorce suit of John H. Hardenberg and his wife, Lucy, came up before Judge Alton B. Parker Tuesday morning, William D. Brinnier representing the plaintiff. Luther Carle, Louis B. Adams and Alonzo Carle were witnesses for the plaintiff. Judge Parker granted the decree for an absolute divorce and awarded the custody of the child, Harold, to the father. Mrs. Hardenberg is living with her father, a famer at Marbletown. The testimony which was very spicy has been sealed and will be used in the twenty-five thousand dollar suit of Hardenberg vs. Washburn.

2106. Absolute Divorce Granted.
The trial of the case of Cora Garrison against Fenton H. Garrison for an absolute divorce, came up before Judge Parker in the Supreme Court at Kingston Tuesday. Witnesses were present for the plaintiff from New York city and elsewhere. At the conclusion of the testimony, Judge Parker at once granted Mrs. Garrison a full divorce from her husband, allowing her twenty dollars per month alimony, and allowing her attorney Carroll Whitaker $100 counsel fee. The Court ordered also that Mrs. Garrison be restored to her maiden name (Miss Cora Minkler), and directed that the evidence be sealed up and filed in the County Clerk’s office. The Court order also permits Mrs. Garrison (now Miss Minkler) to marry again and forbids her husband to marry again. The parties formerly resided in this town.

The names of the successful competitors in the civil service examination for special excise agents have been given out by the Civil Service Commission. Five names are certified to State Excise Commissioner Layman in each judicial district, from which he may make his appointments. In the majority of instances veterans will have preference if they can do the work Col. Layman expects. The eligible list of five in this, the third district, from whom the special excise agents will be chosen is as follows:
Henry Van Hoesen, Hudson, who passed the highest in the State.
Alfred Tanner, veteran, Kingston.
Chauncey S. Titus, veteran, Albany.
William H. D. Sweet, veteran, Albany.
The following named persons also passed: Maurice W. Eltinge, Kingston; Charles H. Mills, Albany; George E. De Freest, Lansingburgh; Charles E. Nichols, Jefferson; John B. Twichell, Barryville; David E. Pugh, Albany; Edward Y. Lefever, Plattsburgh; Henry Waterman, Hudson; William C. Pierson, Bowen Stanley, Jacob M. Platner, Orlando R. Croff, Albany; John Laughlin, Cohoes; M. M. Dunsphaugh, Hoosick Falls; William W. Allen, Matthew O’Connor, Albany; Frank Kromer, Garnerville; John H. Rivenburg, Ghent; Smith B. Simmons, Albany; Charles H. Brewer, Lansingburgh; James W. Becker,
Nassau; William J. Joy, Rondout; Clarence Robinson, Howes Cave; Edward J. Lewis, Saugerties; Patrick J. Sullivan, Troy road, Albany; Joseph McNary, West Troy.

2108. Saugerties Wins – They Defeat Stottville in Fine Style by the Score of 4-3.
The Saugerties base ball team went to Stottville Saturday and played the team of that place, a large number of people being present to witness the game.
The game was one of the finest ever played in that town, and our boys were accorded the best of treatment for which the Stottville team are noted. The game was full of fine plays. Both pitchers, Flynn of our team, and Hermance of Stottville, pitching fine ball and the field work was gilded. [sic] Neither side had scored up to the seventh inning, and it seemed if the game would result in a tie, but our boys broke the ice in the seventh by knocking out two runs. In the last half of the eighth, with the Stottville at the bar and two men out, a slight error gave Stottville three runs, otherwise they would have been shut out. With the score 3-2 in favor of Stottville, the boys rallied and knocked out two more runs and won the game.
The Score:
Saugerties,  0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2 0 -4
Stottville, 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 -3

2109. Another Good Law.
The last legislature passed a law making it a misdemeanor for any man to wear the badge or regalia of a society of which he is not a member. It is a good law and will have a tendency to stop much of the imposition practiced through the agency of society badges.

Owing to the regular meeting night of the Board of Directors coming on July 4th, the meeting was held Tuesday evening, July 7th. President Cantine presided. Directors present, Cornwell, Quick and Lasher. Absent, Rogers and Cunyes.
Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
The street committee reported that road on Barclay Heights finished, the Myer sewer finished and the sewer at East Bridge street progressing.
Crusher committee reported one hundred and fifty tons of stone on hand and that crusher would be laid up till fall.
Chief Engineer Burhans being present gave a brief report of the fire department in which he said everything was in first class condition. He also suggested the buying of web hose. This report was accepted.
Special committee on lockup reported some agreement made, but it was decided to appear before the town board in person and settle the matter.
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Representatives of several hose companies were present and were heard, and after discussion the contract for furnishing five hundred feet of hose was awarded to the Fabric Fire Hose Co., of New York, after which board adjourned.

2111. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 8, 1896. – Firemanic.
At the regular monthly meeting of the Exempt Firemen’s Patrol, held Tuesday evening, the names of James Maines and Thomas J. Barritt were placed on the roll of honor. A committee of five were appointed, namely D. N. Finger, W. A. Stanley, W. S. Manning, Egbert Cooper and Edson Finger to dispose of the remaining articles of the late Fair.

2112. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 1, 1896. – Mrs. Ziegler’s Funeral.
The funeral of Sarah C. Myer, widow of the late Lewis Ziegler, was held at the residence of her brother-in-law William Ziegler on Friday afternoon at 2 o’clock, and was largely attended. The bearers were: J. D. Fratsher, E. J. Lewis, Ernest Hassinger, William V. Burhans, Martin Baker and Irwin Ronk. The interment was in the Main street cemetery.

The grand parade of the Tri-County Firemen’s Association was held at Kingston, Wednesday. Although early in the morning the heavy rain which was falling caused many to feel sad, yet it soon passed away, and the sun shown brightly, making the day all that could be desired. The marching was difficult, the streets being in somewhat a muddy condition. The many trains on the West Shore, Wallkill Valley and Ulster & Delaware railroads brought thousands of people to witness the grand affair. The streets along the line of march were one mass of people and everyone smiled in approbation on the pretty uniforms and handsome carriages of the companies. The sounds of music kept vibrating through the air, adding much to the success of the event. The following is the position in which the divisions formed:
The first division formed on Hasbrouck avenue, the right of line resting on the Strand, the left on Mill street; the second on Hasbrouck avenue, right near Ulster & Delaware crossing, left on Union street; the third on Delaware avenue, right near Hasbrouck avenue, left on Broadway; the fourth on East Chester street, near Broadway; the fifth on Broadway, right near Chester street, left on Staples street; the sixth on Foxhall avenue, right near Broadway; the seventh on Broadway, right near Pine Grove avenue, left on O’Reilly street; eighth and Broadway, right near O’Reilly street, and left near the West Shore crossing on Broadway.
The following was the order of procession:

    Chief of Police Hood.
    Platoon of Police.

Mayor and City Officials in Carriages, Grand Marshal, Captain Robert F. Tompkins.
Adjutant and Chief of Staff, Robert N. Herdman; Aides-de-Camp, Dr. C. W. Crispell, George Washburn, George Hutton, Harry A. Madden, Dr. A. H. Mambert, Bernard Sweeney, Dr. J. A. Huhne, A. S. Staples, Jr., Fred Webster, John Turck, William T. Brodhead, Dr. H. F. Meinhardt, Elting Van Aken.

Chief Engineer Kolts and Visiting Chiefs.

FIRST DIVISION.
The Exempt Firemen Association, of Kingston, headed by the Margaretville Band, were first, followed by the Exempt Firemen’s Association and Fire Patrol of this place, and the Exempt Firemen’s Association of New York, headed by the Sixty-ninth Regiment Band. The companies of this division received much applause.

SECOND DIVISION.
Ringgold Hose Co., of Newburgh, in handsome light fawn colored uniforms, with the Eighth Regiment band were at head of this section. The next were Scorsby Hose Co., Ellenville, in neat blue uniforms, with the Clayton cornet band in the lead. They were presented with a handsome bouquet by an admirer. Star Hose Co. and Ulster Hook and Ladder Co., of New Paltz, with Rupps’ Military Band and the Walden Drum Corps, looked fin in their new uniforms of chocolate color.

THIRD DIVISION.
The Sixth Artillery Band, of twenty-five pieces, leading Cortlandt Hook and Ladder Co., of Peekskill, evoked much clapping for their fine marching. Hope Hose Co., of Tarrytown, in fawn colored uniforms with their elegant parade carriage, the James Hill Hook and Ladder Company, of Greenbush, Clinton Fire Co., of Hobart, and Osgood Steamer Co., comprised this division.

FOURTH DIVISION.
Robert A. Snyder Hose Co., with fifty handsome uniformed men, drawing their fine carriage, were much admired. The company had the Catholic Protectory Band, of New York, consisting of sixty-two pieces. Col. H. D. Laflin with his crack drill company. Washington Hook & Ladder Co., in fine blue uniform, led by Quarryville band, and Wiley Hose, of Catskill, with the Nineteenth Separate Co. Drum Corps, of Poughkeepsie, composed this division, which received continuous applause.

FIFTH DIVISION.
Edmunds Hose Co., No. 1, Hudson was led by the Craver Fife and Drum Corps. There were about 30 men in line, all of whom were dressed in uniforms of regulation blue. Washington Hose Co., No. 3, of Hudson, had 30 men in line, headed by the Philmont Band 16 pieces. The men wore uniforms of regulation blue.
Thirty members of Hoiysradt Hose Company, of Hudson, wore uniforms of regulation blue. Phoenix Hose Co., of Hudson, marched with about 28 men. It was led by the Chatham Band of sixteen pieces. Regulation blue uniforms were worn. A delegation of the T. P. Harder Steamer Company of Castleton, ended the fifth division and attracted much attention.

SIXTH DIVISION.
Phoenix Hose Company, of Poughkeepsie, marched in the sixth division with about 66 men in uniform. It was led by Pope’s Military Band of Hartford. The William M. Sayers Steamer Company, of Rhinebeck, mustered about 30 men for the parade. They wore neat regulation uniforms of tan cloth. The Port Ewen Fire Department ended the Sixth Division. There were about 40 men in line. They were headed by a band.

SEVENTH DIVISION.
The Seventh Division consisted exclusively of Rondout fire companies. The Rescue Hook and Ladder Company was led by the Tenth Regimental Band, of Albany; Rapid Hose Company, No. 1, by Garland’s Band, of Albany; Cornell Hose, No. 2, by Doring’s Band, of Troy; Weber Hose, No. 3, by Peckham’s Band, of Kingston; Union Hose, No. 4, by Peabody’s Band, of Poughkeepsie; Cordts Hose, No. 8 by Troop A Band, of New York city.

EIGHTH DIVISION.
In the Eighth and last Division were the following Kingston companies which marched with the following bands: Wiltwyck Hose, No. 1, with Schofield’s Band, of Poughkeepsie; Excelsior Hose, No. 4, with the Whiteport Band; Twaalfskill Hose, No. 5, with the C. V. Hester Drum Corps; Weiner Hose, No. 6, with the Troy Cadet Band, Clinton Hose Company, No. 7, with Twentieth Regiment Band of Kingston.

THE TRI COUNTY PRIZES
Ringgold Hose Company, of Newburgh, were awarded the prize of $100 in gold for having the finest appearing company in the parade.

In the Hose drills Laflin Hose, of this village won first prize of $100 in the Tri-County Drill; Edmunds Hose took the second prize of $50. In the free for all drill, Laflin Hose took both prizes, $150. There were three contestants in the Hose race. Morgan Hose Company, of Coxsackie, took first prize; Lafayette Hose, of Valatie, second prize and Purcell Hose, of Valatie, third prize.

THE SPECIAL PRIZES
The Committee on Special Prizes, consisting of Adam Hauck, Dr. A. H. Mambert and Henry W. Otis, have awarded the special prizes as follows:
Henry Tepe, of Saugerties Exempts, the shoes offered by S. Hymes to the fireman with the biggest feet.
Hill Hook and Ladder Company, of Greenbush, the five gallons of wine offered by Casper Michels to the company in line having the greatest number of Germans.
William Melick, of the Firemen’s Sons Association, of Albany, the clock offered by M. Oppenheimer & Son for being the youngest married fireman in line.
M. Wortz, of Sayer Steamer Company, of Rhinebeck, the pair of trousers offered by M. Hymes to the biggest fireman in line. The winner measures 60 inches around the waist.
Phoenix Hose Company of Poughkeepsie was awarded the chair offered by the Retail Merchants’ Protective Association for having the largest number of merchants in line.
The foreman of Ringgold Hose Co., of Newburg, got the basket of champagne offered by M. Madden’s Sons, his company having taken the prize for finest appearance.
The committee has not yet decided who is entitled to the range offered by the Canfield Stove Company to the most recently married man in Ulster county, and who is to receive the baby carriage offered by the Hudson River Company, to the fireman having the most children under 10 years of age.

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The elegant carriages of Phoenix Hose, of Poughkeepsie, Clinton and Cordts and Weiner, of Kingston, Hope of Tarrytown, received much applause.
It took the parade to pass a stated point just one hour.
Col. Laflin came back in triumph.
Our Exempts wore the prettiest uniforms of any Exempt Company in line.
Many prominent men were in line, among whom were Major C. L. Quackenbush, Hon. John C. Adams, Ex-Senator Jacob Rice and others.
Col. Laflin brought the 19th Separate Drum Corps back with him and they paraded up and down the streets.
The oldest fireman in line at Kingston yesterday, was a member of the New York Exempts, eighty-three years of age. The next was Philip Mattes of this village, seventy three years of age, who was awarded the special prize for the oldest fireman in line of the Tri-County Association.
Street committee reported work on East Bridge street completed.
Firemanic committee reported progress on repairs to Laflin Hose house.
Charles Davis counsel to the Board of Water Commissioners submitted a detailed statement and conditions of the work done up till July 1, '96, showing an income sufficient to meet all running expenses and interest and to accumulate sufficient sinking fund to meet the maturing bonds. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file.
Charles Jones appeared before the board in regard to water running in his cellar. Referred to street committee.
The following bills were ordered paid:

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The bill of Daniel Lamb of $150.61 was referred to the finance committee.
On motion board adjourned.

Referee Charles Davis sold at auction, at the Palmer House to-day, for John G. Myers, the mortgagee, the plant of the Barclay Fibre Company. The purchaser was William C. Gordon, of Albany, who bid five thousand dollars subject to mortgages which amount with interest to thirty-one thousand dollars, making purchase price, thirty-six thousand dollars. Rosendale & Heesburg were Mr. Myers’ attorneys.

2117. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 22, 1896. - Lynch Taken to the Asylum
Bernard Lynch who became suddenly insane on Friday, and who was placed in the lockup on Sunday by Officer Hommel assisted by several men while he was under the influence of chloroform was taken to the State Asylum for Insane at Middletown Tuesday afternoon by two officers from the above institution. All day Monday Lynch refused to wear any clothes and during his stay in the cell was in a nude condition. It was necessary to back the coach in the Hook and Ladder House to get him in and then he refused, but upon being told by the larger of the men, who called himself Corbett, he replied, If Corbett says so I’ll go in, he’s whipped to many men for me. After getting out side he began yelling and kicking while being taken to the station.

2118. The Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 20, 1896. - A GALA DAY. – Saugerties Big Bicycle Meet at the Driving Park Saturday. – Finely Contested Races – A Large Attendance and a Big Success – Two Men Hurt – Osterhoudt of Kingston, Wins the County Championship.
The big wheel meet of the Saugerties Bicycle Club was held at the Driving Park, Saturday, and was witnessed by a crowd of over two thousand people.
The day was perfect, the sun shining brightly, it being all that could be desired, and the track was in fine condition.
It was a gala day for this town, the crowd being one of the largest ever here and everything passed off pleasantly.
The races were finely contested and every muscle of the participants was exerted to win.
The Quarryville Band dispensed music in a satisfactory manner.
Several excursions came in from places along the river, and helped swell the number.
The first heat of the Ulster County Championship, resulted in no race, Robert Coykendall, of Kingston, fouling William Hanna and Harry Keeney, two of our town riders, throwing both and bruising them
severely. In the final race Rodney Osterhoudt, of Kingston, won, with Walter Deyo, of the same place second. William Hanna, of this place, gave a good account of himself being third in the two-thirty class, beating some of the best riders along the river.

Great credit is due the bicycle club in furnished such fine sport. The following is a summary of the races:

The mile novice: first prize gold medal; second prize gold medal. First heat won by I. Paulding, Po’keepsie, Ferguson, New York, second, and Blair, New York, third. Time 2.35.


The final heat resulted in a victory for R. Osterhoudt, Kingston, C. Tuill, Po’keepsie, second. Time 2.35. The half mile open, first prize, fifteen dollar alligator travelling bag; second prize, fiver dollar search light. The heat was won by W. A. Ladue, Cold Springs, second, George E. Ruppert. Time 1.13 1-5.

The second heat won by A. B. Miller, Jackson’s Corners, second Wm. Wortman, Hudson, third, Edward Stanton, Po’keepsie. Time 1:10. The final heat was won by W. A. Ladue, Cold Springs, W. F. Hanks, Syracuse, second. Time 1.18 ½.

The two mile handicap, first prize thirty dollar diamond Watch Charm, second prize ten dollar pair Morgan & Wright Tires. First heat won by W. F. Hanks, Syracuse, scratch; second A. S. Lee, Cohoes; time, 5.04½. Second heat won by O. H. Munro, Cohoes, F. L. Kuhl, Jersey City, second; time, 5.10½ Final heat won by O. H. Munro, Cohoes, twenty-five yards; second, A. S. Lee, Cohoes, time, 5.56.

The one mile open, first prize, twenty five dollar bicycle suit, second prize ten dollar Silk Umbrella was won by O. H. Munro, Cohoes. W. A. Ladue, Cold Springs, second; time 2.48.

The one mile, 2:30 class, first prize, fifteen dollar clock; second prize five dollar Bicycle Shoes, was won by Chas. Schue, Poughkeepsie, second, W. H. Manney, Poughkeepsie. Time 2.38.

The two mile open, first prize thirty five dollar Gold Watch, second prize fifteen dollar Banquet Lamp, third prize Golf Stockings was won by W. F. Hanks, Syracuse; second, W. A. Ladue, Cold Springs; third, G. E. Ruppert, New York; time 6.16 ½

The Ulster County championship, prize, a thirty-five dollar Gold Medal, was won by Rodney Osterhoudt, Kingston; Walter C. Deyo, Rondout, second and Robert Coykendall, third, time 2.34.

The five mile handicap, first prize, thirty-five dollar Diamond, second prize fifteen dollar set of Gold Studs, third prize Twentieth Century Lamp, was won by W. A. Ladue, Cold Springs; second, W. L. Gilbert, Hyde Park, seventy yards: third, Thomas Thompson, New York, three hundred and seventy-five yards; time 13.06.

The boy wonder of Matteawan, Master Herman Inman, rode an exhibition half mile paced on a tandem by Ladue and Ackerman in 1.12.

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Crocketts wheelmen, the P. B. C. and Hyde Park B. C. were here in large numbers.

The riding of Hanks, Ladue and Munro was the subject of much comment.

Hanna, our crack rider, although pocketed in the 2:30 class finished third, defeating such men as Miller, champion of Columbia county, and Haight and Stanton, champion of Dutchess county. Had he not been run down in the county championship race things might have resulted differently.

Charles Cossum, of Poughkeepsie, Vice-President of the National L. A. W., was an interested spectator.

A party of rooters of the P. B. C. remained in town over Sunday and dressed grandly in their colors left town with a four horse rig for Kingston, whence they departed for home loudly cheering for their successful club mate, Schou, who won the 2:30 class.

2119. A Tussel With a Mad Man.

Saturday morning, the family of Michael Lynch, who reside on McCarthy street, sent for officer David E. Abeel, their son Bernard, having become violent and raving insane. At the sight of Mr. Abeel, the maniac sprang at the officer and tore his clothes from his back, grabbed him by the throat and began
choking him. The officer appealed for assistance to several bystanders but they did not respond, and he was obliged to club the man into submission, and thus save his life. Sunday morning officer Hommel, succeeded in placing Lynch in the lockup and he made the air lively with yells. The report about town and other places that officer D. R. Abeel had fractured his skull is false. [no date or newspaper named]

2120. Two Questions Put and Answered.
Two ministerial candidates named Adam and Low recently preached to a Scottish church. Mr. Low preached in the morning and took for his text, ‘Adam, where art thou?’ He made a most excellent discourse, and the congregation was much edified. In the evening Mr. Adam preached, and took for his text, ‘Lo! here I am.’

2121. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 6, 1896. - Greene County Firemen’s Annual Meeting.
The annual meeting of the Greene County Firemen’s Association was held at the house of Citizens Hose Co. at Catskill on Friday afternoon. The meeting was well attended, and the proceedings showed that the association is in a healthy condition.
The following officers were elected: President, Fred Gould, of Coxsackie; 1st Vice Pres., W. A. Pennoyer, of Castkill; 2nd Vice Pres., John E. Palmatier, of Athens, 3d Vice Pres., W. B. Townsend, of Coxsackie; Secretary, Frank M. Thomas, of Catskill; Treasurer, Eugene Wolf, of Athens; Delegates to the State Convention, Jerome E. Brown, of Coxsackie; alternate, Oliver G. Porter, of Athens; Executive Committee, E. C. Hallenbeck, of Coxsackie; Vanderhoff Person, of Catskill; W. C. Brady, of Athens; B. P. Barker, of Catskill.

2122. The Fourth at the Driving Park.
Both games of base ball at the Saugerties Driving Park, between the local team and the Franklins, of Kingston, on Saturday, were largely attended. The local team at the morning gave was defeated by a score of 15 to 4. Batteries: Franklins – Cullen and Whitaker; Saugerties – Phillips and Hanna. The Saugerties club beat the Franklins in a return game during the afternoon by a score of 15 to 13. Batteries: Franklins – Flynn, Allen, and Whitaker; Saugerties – Hanna and Barritt. Fully five hundred people witnessed the afternoon game.

There is on exhibition in the show window of Kehr’s barber shop a number of handsome hand painted firemanic badges which are the property of Ernest Hassinger, and were presented to him by local fireman friends. Several have painted upon them excellent portraits, in oil of the donors, while others contain various firemanic emblems, besides the necessary lettering. The work is that of a first-class artist, and these badges are the finest ever exhibited in town. Mr. Hassinger has, without doubt, the finest collection of badges of any fireman in this state.