

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

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1. Officers of the Walden Fire Department, 1904: Alexander Kent, President of Village of Walden; Thomas B. Gibson, 1st Assistant Chief; William M. Durkee, Chief; George Birch, 2nd Assistant Chief; Egbert A. Nichols, Treasurer. [illustrations]
2. Officers of the Goshen Fire Department, 1904: Andrew Jackson Moore, 1st Ass't Chief; Charles G. Elliott, Chief Engineer; Hiram P. Tuthill, 2nd Ass't Chief. [illustrations]
3. William Johnson, Foreman, Dikeman Hose Co. [illustration]
4. Edward Roat, Asst. Chief; George Warner, Chief Ellenville Fire Department; Ex-Chief Francis. Hand dated 1904. [illustrations]
5. William Booth, Jr., Foreman Scoresby Hose Co. [illustration]
6. Saugerties Post, Nov. 4, 1904. – Were Treated Well. The Saugerties Masons Have Many Courtesies Extended Them.
The Saugerties Masons, including Ernest Hassinger, who went to Middletown Thursday, to attend the funeral of the late Jacob H. Suderley, were given every courtesy possible by the Masonic lodge members there, and two of our former townsmen, J. W. Tompkins and William J. Fiero. The party were entertained royally also by "Chic" Higham, of the Commercial House.
7. Frank Kelder, Foreman Scoresby Hook and Ladder. [illustration]
8. Blue 5 cent Lincoln stamp, partly removed.

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9. James Markstahl, 1st Ass't Chief; Emmet Gridley, Chief; Charles Tice, 2nd Assistant Chief, Egbert Douglas, Foreman Wallkill E. & H. Co. Hand dated 1904. [illustrations]
10. H. W. Judson, 1st Ass't Foreman, Wallkill E. & H. Co.; Jas. Kelly, 2nd Ass't Foreman, Wallkill E. & H. Co. William McNeal, Foreman, Fleet H. & L. Co.; S. F. Legg, 1st Ass't Foreman Fleet H. & L. Co. Hand dated 1904. [illustrations]
11. C. Johnson, Rec. Sec'y Scoresby's; H. S. Wells, Representative Scoresby's; W. R. Du Bois, Fin. Sec'y Scoresby's; M. C. Wood, treasurer Scoresby's. Hand dated 1904. [illustrations]
12. Hand dated Jan 18, 1905. Snyder Hose Officers.
The following officers were elected in Snyder Hose Co. Tuesday evening: John Gordel, president; Wallace F. Winchell, vice-president; John M. Adams, foreman; Wm. Voerge, first assistant; C. W. Davis, second assistant; Ernest Hassinger, secretary; W. Ziegler, treasurer; Jacob Bruckner, H. R. Cordes, Irving Russell, trustees; Wm. Doyle, Jr. representative; Wm. Keenan, delegate to H. R. V. V. A. ; Floyd Lewis, alternate; Henry R. Cordes, delegate to State F. A. ; Jacob Bruckner, alternate; M. W. Fitzgerald, janitor.

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13. Hand dated Jan 7, 1905, Post. Encampment Installation.

District Deputy Grand Patriarch Wm. E. Comfort and staff installed the officers in Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F. Friday evening as follows: Wm. H. Mac Mullen, chief patriarch; James Smith, high priest; William Ward, senior warden; Robert Webber, scribe; Ernest Hassinger, financial scribe; Wm. E. Comfort, treasurer; Wm. J. Stewart, junior warden; Otis Snyder, inside sentinel; S. Y. Knight, guide; Wm. J. Stewart, first watch; Robert Webber, second watch; S. F. Barker, third watch; Robert Espey, fourth watch, John Lang, first guard of tent; Herman Gleisner, second guard of tent.

14. Joseph P. Wheeler, Foreman, Phenix Engine Co. Hand dated 1904. [illustration]

15. Hand dated Nov 26 1904, Post. Arcanum Entertainment. The Grand Officials Visit Saugerties Council Friday Evening.

Grand Regent Hoag, of the Royal Arcanum, accompanied by Grand Vice Regent Thonet, paid an official visit to Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Friday evening. The event was a very pleasant one, the wives, daughters and lady friends of the members being guests. Martin's orchestra was present and augmented the enjoyment in their usually fine manner. Interesting speeches were made by the grand officials and the social intercourse which followed refreshments being served, made everyone feel well repaid for coming.

16. Hand dated Jan 5, 1905. Protected Home Circle Officers. The Officers of Saugerties Circle, P. H. C. No. 405 were installed Wednesday evening as follows: Past president, J. Chester Tymeson; president, S. William Shultis; vice-president, Jonas Myer; guardian, Adella Legg; chaplain, Ernest C. Styles; secretary, James W. Kearney; treasurer, Charles Holsapple; accountant, Gertrude Sedylmyer; guide, Harry Hill; companion, Emma Yake; porter, Minnie Wolven; watchman, Milton Hill; trustees, I. N. Griffis, J. C. Tymeson and J. W. Kearney.

17. Three lovely ladies, unidentified. [illustrations]

18. Saugerties Post, Dec. 6, 1904. Attended Funeral. Officers of Hudson Valley Firemen's Association. Ernest Hassinger, of this village, Geo. H. Scott, of Coxsackie, E. H. Davis and Herbert Harding, of Hudson, and C. A. Weiant and James A. Goldsmith, of Haverstraw, of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, attended the funeral of John M. Bruck at Kingston Monday. Mr. Bruck was a prominent member of the association.

19. Rev. W. H. Searles, Chaplain, ---K-Man Hose [illustration] [printing is worn away, possibly Dikeman]

20. Hand dated Jan 18, 1905. Death at Firemen's Home.

William J. Thornton, who was admitted to the Firemen's Home from New York city, died Friday afternoon. He was 67 years old. [illustration]

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21. Picture of two pink roses. [illustration]

22. James F. Mc Kissock, Protective No. 2, Lowell, Mass. [illustration]

23. Joseph Cannon, Chief Walton F. D. Hand dated 1904. [illustration]

24. Elisha Kingsland, First Chief, New York Paid 1865-1869. [illustration]

25. Hand dated Aug. 12, 1907. From New York to Troy.

It has been suggested that all the factories along the Hudson river give a salute next Saturday, the 17th, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. This is the time a century ago that Fulton started his trip up river

on the Clermont.

- 26. Chief George N. Parker, Hudson, N. Y. Hand dated 1904. [illustration]
- 27. Nathaniel W. Bunker, Chief Cambridge, Mass. Fire Department. Hand dated 1905. [illustration]
- 28. Ex-Chief Harry Howard, New York Volunteers 1850. [illustration]
- 29. President John T. Mertz, Ohio Chiefs' Association. Hand dated 1904. [illustration]
- 30. Frederick H. Cowles, Champion of Two-Platoon System. [illustration]
- 31. Soldiers Monument and Fire Engine House, Walden, N. Y. [illustration]
- 32. Colored picture of two monuments. [illustration]
- 33. Theo. Thonet, Grand Vice Regent of N. Y. [illustration]

- 34. Hand inscribed, Saugerties Post, March 23, 1905. In Death's Realm.
Nathan Kellogg, a relative of Col. H. D. Laflin, died in Dansville, N. Y., this morning. The funeral will be held in New York city, and the remains brought here for interment Saturday afternoon, Rev. D. M. Hunter, of the Reformed church, will officiate. Mr. Kellogg was connected with the Bigelow Bluestone Co. in its palmy days, and resided at Malden. He was one of the Democratic leaders of the town, and was chosen Supervisor in 1851 and 1867. [illustration]

- 35. Palmengarten, Hauptbahnhof, Frankfurt a. M. Hand dated June 25, 1904. [3 illustrations]

- 36. Sir John MacDonald Monument, Hamilton, Ont. [illustration]

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- 37. Souvenir The Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association Fair Jamaica October 12th, 13th, 14th, 1904. [illustration]

- 38. John B. Merrill, President Queens Borough Volunteer Firemen's Association. [illustration]
- 39. Benjamin F. Everitt, 4th President 1901. [illustration]
- 40. Old Neptune Engine, No. 2. [illustration]
- 41. Continental Bucket Carriage, No. 1. [illustration]
- 42. John E. Tator, Delegate to Southern N. Y. Firemen's Ass'n Convention, 1904. [illustration]
- 43. Douglas Wilson, Secretary Fair Committee. [illustration]
- 44. Joseph L. Ashmead, Treasurer of Fair Committee. [illustration]
- 45. Stephen H. Henderson, Secretary, In active service 43 years. [illustration]
- 46. Assistant Chief J. C. C. Garner, Chattanooga, Tenn. [illustration]
- 47. George H. Creed, 7th President 1904. [illustration]

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- 48. Wm. E. Everitt, 1st President 1897-1898. [illustration]
- 49. Charles E. Twombly, 2nd President 1899. [illustration]
- 50. Seven pictures of unidentified ladies. [illustrations]

- 51. Saugerties Post, May 22, 1906. Sewer Construction.
The last section of the village sewers has been completed and connection can now be made with the entire system. By order of the Sewer Commissioners C. H. Vedder, Clerk.

- 52. Firemans Herald, hand dated March 4, 1905. Devoted to the American Fire Service.
Ernest Hassenger, of Saugerties, N. Y., whose collection of firemen's and other badges, souvenirs, etc.,

is one of the finest in the state, has just added two large frames, each containing one hundred badges bearing photos of his firemanic friends. The collection is worth going to see as it is a large one. Numerous firemen have visited his place of business at Saugerties and have greatly admired the large collection.

53. Hand dated March 2, 1905. Visited Madalin Lodge.

A party of Saugerties Masons, Wm. V. Burhans, William Ziegler, William A. Hanna, Edward Klem, Byron Hallenbeck, A. R. Burhans, Ernest Hassinger, Charles Freder, Genio Gutchius, Charles H. Vedder, Theodore De Shong and Capt. James K. Winans visited Monumental Lodge at Madalin Wednesday evening, going and returning in one of Van Buskirk's sleighs. The local brethren were hospitably received by Worshipful Master Burnet of Monumental Lodge, and after witnessing the conferring of the third degree, enjoyed a banquet. They returned home at midnight.

54. Picture of unidentified male. [illustration]

55. Saugerties Post, Feb. 28, 1905. Moses Krohn Dead.

Moses Krohn, a former Saugertiesian, died at his home in Cincinnati, Ohio, Saturday February 25th. He had been ill six days with pneumonia. The funeral was held Monday. Mr. Krohn, when a resident here was a manufacturer of cigars and dealer in leaf tobacco. He was located in a brick building on the site of the present Brede block, Partition street. Mr. Krohn's building was razed by the late Jacob Brede, who purchased it. He replaced it with the handsome structure bearing his name. [illustration]

56. Hand dated May 31, 1906, Post. Queen Ulster Instituted.

About seventy-four members of the Colonial Rebekah Lodge, No. 48, I. O. O. F., of Rondout, came to Saugerties on Tuesday night to attend the institution of Queen Ulster Lodge, No. 34. The new lodge starts with forty-seven charter members. Visitors were present from Poughkeepsie and Atharhacton Lodge of Kingston. The institution was conducted by District President S. Jennie Stratton of Ellenville, and the degree work was done by Colonial Rebekah Lodge. Seventeen were initiated. The work was of high order and the team was highly complimented by the officers present. After the ceremonies a banquet was served.

57. Albert T. Olson, Globe Manufacturing Company. [illustration]

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58. Hand dated Haverstraw Times, Feb. 18, 1905. Firemen's Troubles. Chief Higham of Middletown Appears to be the Only Effervescent Article in Sight. Poughkeepsians at Odds. Hudson Valley Firemen's Fight Rapidly Warming Up With Hassinger In Lead. "ah am heap o' trouble on de ole man's mind, and 'dere is a coon in de wood pile," are two expressions that might be appropriately used in discussing the various volunteer firemen's organizations in some of the large cities and towns throughout the Hudson Valley. There is just one place that appears to be immune from any controversy, the city of Middletown. Charles Higham popularly called "Chic," is chief of the fire department and has been for many years. He possesses one of those indescribable dispositions that might be properly termed by any one of a combination of names, of an active athletic makeup constitutionally, exceptionally clever generally a diplomat by experience and fountain of whole-souled geniality. His is indeed a rare combination.

While "scraps" permeate every department to a greater or less degree, there are no ripples in the placid surface in Middletown. The political parties there are about evenly divided. "Chic" is supposed to be a Republican, sort of a Democratic one, sort of an uncertain one, as he runs to fires in his own automobile. However, one would not think he had the slightest interest in political matters to judge

from his acts or talks. With him it is just [one word, printing erased] firemen and he does it, oh, so smoothly. Both sides think he is on the level and he is. The firemen appreciate his ability and the citizens have confidence in his honesty and industry. So much so that it has developed through a quarrel between Chief Engineer O'Brien of Newburgh and the city authorities, that the Middletown chief not only manipulates the fire department to suit himself, but actually is the purchasing agent for the department, as he buys all the supplies, and in a letter to the Newburgh Chief among other things says in speaking of the situation, "I have enjoyed the most cordial relations with all of the city officials of both political parties and more particularly with the several committees of the Common Council, with whom I have come in contact in the discharge of my duties. Harmony prevails," he says, "because we always come to an understanding before taking a decisive step, by consultation and discussion." If the harmonious feeling that seems to blend a sweet aroma in Middletown could only be inculcated in the soul of other communities, what a wonderful transformation would take place!

Chief Higham, who has served as chief of the Middletown fire department for eight years, and who has had more honors thrust upon him in the firemanic line during the last decade than any other individual in the Hudson Valley, is to succeed James H. Carson as president of the Board of Representatives of the Middletown fire department, and the Newburgh Register in commenting on this says that Higham ought to be "head of the State organization, as there is nothing too good for him."

Higham does not do his work in the glare of the calcium, nor with the sounding of the cymbals. During the rage of the \$100,000 fire in Port Jervis last week, by the aid of a telephone he loaded a fire engine and hose wagon with 2,500 feet of hose and succeeded in gathering 30 of the members of his department together and with a special train went to the assistance of the Port Jervis firemen.

The contrast of the Middletown department with that of Newburgh is extremely interesting. The delegates elected by the various companies at their last meeting favored Michael O'Brien as chief of the fire department. O'Brien is exceedingly popular in the city on the hillside, and he makes an excellent official and has ability as well. The services of his department are curtailed because of the hostile attitude of the aldermanic committee who have charge of the fire department matters. O'Brien is not even permitted to attend the meetings of the committee. Any suggestions he makes for the betterment of the department are usually ignored, and even his report and suggestions are eliminated from the proceedings of the Common Council. This demonstration of the smallest kind of peanut politics has set the 575 members of the department on an "edge" and O'Brien is being urgently requestly [sic] to make an issue with the aldermanic committee in hopes that some of the red tape used for tying up his bundles of information will be unwound.

The quarrel between Mayor Brush on one side and the firemen of the city of Mount Vernon on the other that threatens to seriously interfere with the parade of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association in June of next year, is being re-echoed throughout the Hudson Valley. Lewis E. Lansing of Davy Crockett Hook and Ladder Company of Poughkeepsie some few weeks ago announced his candidacy for president of the association in opposition to the candidacy of Ernest Hassinger of Saugerties and Fred Preston of Mount Vernon, is having no easy time of it. Phoenix Hose Company of which ex-Chief Engineer Bieber of Poughkeepsie, the present treasurer of Hudson Valley Association is a member, is out openly opposing the candidacy of Lansing says the Post of that city.

The firemen in Mount Vernon are not strenuous in support of Preston, while Ernest Hassinger, the present president of the association occupies a rather unpleasant position.

For several years, lately, a situation that is not a theory but a condition, has taken hold of the affairs of the Hudson Valley Association. A small ring from Kingston, Hudson, Poughkeepsie and Catskill have practically controlled, by manipulation, the affairs of the Hudson Valley Association. The city of Kingston alone cast 40 per cent of the votes. Something more than a year ago when no village of any size, would provide a meeting place, and suitable demonstration for the annual convention of the association to be held last year, Hassinger was approached and offered the presidency of the association if he would get "busy." Consequently he went to work with a will and succeeded by

personal effort in accumulating a sufficient sum to entertain the delegates and pay the convention's expenses. Of course, no prizes were awarded nor were handsome badges given to the delegates. Nevertheless the welcome extended by the Saugerties firemen was none the less genuine. Hassinger was the very life of the show, his active personality made the convention and parade the success in which it resulted, and, as a result, he was elected president of the association. Hassinger knew the sentiment of the conservative members of the organization.

From its organization the same old gang had fed as various committeemen, executive officers, etc., and succeeded in getting their hands at the treasury and having a good time at the expense of the association's members. So understand - [*sic*] the antipathy and continuation of this system. Hassinger having been elected, set aside the old timers of the several committees and appointed brand new members. The manipulators did not take kindly to the medicine that was prescribed to them by Hassinger, and consequently the time honored custom of giving a president two terms was to be abandoned if the scheme could be worked. Preston refuses to make any binding agreement. Bieber's fight against Lansing and Hassinger's sturdy honesty may win the prize.

59. Saugerties Post, Aug. 9, 1905. Horrible Catastrophe at the Myers Store. The most Frightful in the Annals of the City – The Bodies Found are Twelve Thus Far – Many Injured. Staff Correspondence. Albany, August 9. – In a space of time measurable only by a few seconds, shortly before nine, Tuesday morning, a score or more lives were snuffed out; two or three score persons were injured and a property loss approximating a quarter of a million dollars occurred. The large department store of John G. Myers Co., 39 and 41 North Pearl street, one of the busiest marts of retail trade in Albany, where thousands of this city, and other cities congregate to do shopping, and on whose counters was displayed a wealth of fabrics, was suddenly transformed into a scene of death and ruin. It was exactly 12 minutes to 9 o'clock when the building collapsed, as indicated by a large clock on the second floor which stopped at that time. The crash came suddenly and with but little warning, nevertheless several employees and the workmen of Contractor Dyer, managed to get out of harm's way before the walls caved in. The cause of the disaster seems to have been the giving way of a brick pier, on which rested an iron column supporting one of the center walls of the building, the collapse being due to an excavation being made beneath the pier for a foundation on which new work, forming part of extensive improvements was to rest. When the pier and column gave way the wall fell and with it the floors and roof of the whole central portion of the building back of the elevators. That the catastrophe was one which could have been prevented by ordinary precautions, which the commonest of human foresight would have suggested is the universal consensus of public opinion. The first indication of the collapse, some of the employees said was noticed by the goods on the counter shaking. A loud crash followed and there was a rush for safety. Some succeeded in getting out through various exits, others by means of fire escapes, but many were buried in the debris. The work of rescue began immediately, and all the stores in the neighborhood ceased business and were converted into temporary hospitals. The groans and moanings of those imprisoned in the ruins were agonizing. Hurried calls for physicians, nurses and ambulances, brought them in great numbers, together with many clergymen and priests. The fire department also responded together with the wrecking crews of the West Shore and D. & H. R. R. All of the city contractors also responded. The news of the disaster spread like wild fire and soon the street was lined with a dense throng. The scenes were pitiful and heart-rending. Mothers and fathers sobbed and appealed for their loved ones, who were employed in the store and when the various ones were taken out covered with blood, dirt and lime, many were frantic. It was a picture of intense horror, and the city is grief stricken. In many homes there hangs a deep pall, many contain the mangled forms of loved ones. Others have members in the hospital, while others have theirs in the mass of debris. No such a calamity has ever befallen the city. As soon as the victims were removed they were hurried to the hospitals, many acts of heroism being manifest in the work of rescue. There were 325 employees in the store, 50 are away on vacation, 12 are known to be dead, 28 women and 37

men and boys are unaccounted for, 27 are in hospitals and 171 are accounted for. About 100 in all are injured or killed. Fortunately there were but few shoppers in the store, for had the collapse occurred near noon when the rush hour is on, the death roll would have been tremendous. Mr. Hilton was at the scene all day and it was reported that he was injured and could not be found, but such was untrue. Mr. Chambers of the firm had a leg broken and was otherwise injured. Up until two o'clock this morning nine bodies had been recovered and identified and shortly after three o'clock, three more were located in the ruins making 12 in all. The city authorities have decided to make a rigid investigation as to the culpability in the matter, and those criminally liable will be prosecuted. According to the contract, Dyer was to personally supervise the work. Instead Clarke Daggett, of this city, his supervising architect was in charge. The contractor was also responsible for any violation of the law. The contract called for the construction of locker rooms in the basement of the building. The same improvements had been made to the Whitney store building five years ago. Architect Selkirk was to have personal direction and supervision of the work. It is claimed by the contractor that the heavy shower of Tuesday morning had undermined the work and caused the terrible catastrophe. Clerk Miller of the bureau of buildings inspected the work recently and reported everything satisfactory. The disaster is the most frightful in the annals of the city.

60. Saugerties Post, Dec. 9, 1905. Arcanum Officers. Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, elected the following officers at their meeting, Friday evening: Charles E. Cooke, regent; George S. Rosepagh, vice-regent; Charles Clum, secretary; Ernest Hassinger, collector; C. W. Quick, treasurer; William Ribsamen, chaplain; Robert Webber, orator; John Lang, warden; William W. Whitaker, guide; John F. Valkenbergh, trustee; William H. Helm, representative to the Grand Council; C. W. Quick, proxy representative.

61. Saugerties Post, Aug. 1, 1905. Supt. Sammons Is Removed by Governor. The County Poor Official is Dismissed from His Position – The Evidence Submitted All Sustained. Monday Governor Higgins handed down a decision removing Abram Sammons from the office of superintendent of the poor of Ulster county.

In the opinion, which accompanies the decision, Governor Higgins finds that each and every one of the charges against Sammons have been fully established by the evidence.

The charges of malfeasance, incompetency and lack of duty urged against Sammons became so acute in 1903 that he demanded an investigation of his administration and the of Supervisors, as [sic] it annual session in that year, appointed a committee consisting of Eldoras Dayton, W. Kelly Shook and Simon P. Van Wagenen to make the investigation. Then County Judge Van Etten represented and defended Sammons. The Board of Supervisors appeared by Philip Elting and the State Board of Charities was represented by John F. Cloonan, who was appointed for such purpose by Attorney General Cunneen. More than six hundred pages of testimony was taken and the hearing characterized by great bitterness. It appeared that Sammons' vouchers for the year 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1902 were missing and could not be found.

They found and reported that "the total expense (of conducting the poor house) for 1897, the last year of Mr. Davis' administration, including the salary of superintendent was \$11,723.73, during which period there was an average of 118 inmates including visitors, and average cost to the county of about \$99.35 per year per capita, each inmate at a cost of about \$1.91 per capita per week and that the total cost of conducting the institution for 1898, the first year of Sammons's administration, was \$15,417.60, with an average of but 114 inmates, which was a cost to the county per capita of \$135 a year or nearly \$2.60.

The committee further found that Sammons put inmates on the pay roll and charged up salaries against the county which in many instances were not paid. It was also found that the sum of \$1,504.31 should be stricken from the Sammons account and charged against him.

The report of the committee was adopted and in January, 1904, the Board of Supervisors passed an act to regulate the administration of affairs at the alms house. That act limited the amount to be expended by the superintendent to the sum of \$10,000, unless with the consent of the committee and chairman of the board, provided that the superintendent should keep a set of books, prohibited the superintendent from selling the products of the county farms; expressly for the using or expenditure of the moneys appropriated for the salaries of chaplain [sic] physician, keeper and matron for any other purpose and provided that there should be a monthly examination and audit of the accounts of the superintendent. The committee so appointed consisted of Messrs. A. W. Williams, John J. Hait, Vactor Shultis, Eugene F. Patten, chairman of the board. Sammons ignored the committee. Then they brought charges, which the Governor heard, Surrogate Woodbury, of Chautauqua Co., being the commissioner. The report was unfavorable to Sammons, hence the dismissal.

62. Granger's Picnic and Clam Bake. Admit Mr. E. Hassinger. Chanler Park, Red Hook, August 22, 1906. Compliments of Robert W. Chanler. [illustration]

63. Picture of baseball player, Konetchy, St. Louis Nat'l. [illustration] [Edward Joseph Konetchy, 1885-1947, ed.]

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64. Sixteenth Annual Convention and Parade of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association – Will be Held at Mount Vernon, N. Y. Tuesday and Wednesday, June 20th and 21st, 1905. Under the Management of the Chiefs' and Foremen's Association of the Fire Department of the City of Mount Vernon, N. Y. R. B. Archer, President E. Scullen, Vice-President, C. H. Buckley, Sec'y and Treas. Address all Communication to G. J. Angevine, Chief.

65. ...Announcement... Brother Fireman:

We desire to announce that the Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will be held at Mount Vernon, Westchester County, N. Y., on Tuesday and Wednesday, June the 20th and 21st, 1905.

The Convention will be held on Tuesday, June 20th, 1905, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the City Opera house on South 4th Avenue.

The Parade will take place on Wednesday, June the 21st, 1905 at 11 o'clock A. M. sharp, under the direction of the Chiefs and Foremen's Association of the Fire Department of the City of Mount Vernon, N. Y., and we extend to you and your Company a cordial invitation to be with us on those dates and participate in the same.

Every effort will be made to promote the success of the Convention and parade and no pains will be spared to insure the pleasure and comfort of all attending.

Delegates and members desiring accommodations for Monday and Tuesday night should immediately notify the Chairman of the Committee.

Yours Fraternally, G. J. Angevine, Chairman, J. P. Hick, N. Ehrbar, R. B. Archer, E. Scullen, C. H. Buskley, G. C. Wood, A. Wuestenhoefer, J. Pease, G. W. Burton, A. C. Archer, F. Tetaz, W. Curtain. Executive Committee.

Address all Communications to

G. J. Angevine, Chief Fire Department, P. O. Box 193, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

66. Passenger check ticket. [illustration]

67. Saugerties Post, Aug. 19, 1905. Liberty Bellman's Grave Recently Located. Body of William Hurry Located in Graveyard Where Many Patriots Were Laid to Rest.

The grave of the man who first tolled the Liberty Bell has been found, and by a singular coincidence almost on the eve of July 4. For many years all trace had been lost of the bell ringer who obeyed the injunction lettered on the State House bell, Philadelphia, by ringing it vigorously and "Proclaiming liberty throughout the land and to the inhabitants thereof."

It was known to a few historians, in a vague way, that his name was Wm. Hurry, and that he was a man well advanced in years on that immortal day when serving in the humble capacity of bell ringer he made his place in history.

The familiar poem, so well known to all Americans, "The Liberty Bellman," with its thrilling line, "Ring, grandfather, ring," had surrounded Hurry with a legendary atmosphere that made many persons regard him as a sort of myth. Antiquarians and historians had made frequent searches for the body, to prove his reality, if nothing more, but these were all in vain until recently the graveyard of old Pine Street Presbyterian Church, Fourth and Pine streets, Philadelphia, was discovered to be the last resting place of the famous revolutionary character.

Credit for this important disclosure goes to Jacob Low, sexton of the church. Some time ago he began compiling a census of the denizens of the ancient burying place. In the process numerous facts of great historical interest came to light, all connected with graves of revolutionary patriots or of famous men of the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. It was not an easy task. Time's obliterating had effaced many of the inscriptions and some of the stones tumbling from their pedestals, had buried themselves in the sod, to that it required arduous work to mount them again. Many famous revolutionary heroes were found in the old grave yard, including the first naval officer of the United States, Nathan Boys.

The tombstone of Mrs. Mary Nelson, who saved, during the Revolution, a quantity of gunpowder from being destroyed at one of the Delaware forts, was found to be still in good condition. Side by side with the friends of freedom were found its foes, including General Tarleton, of execrated memory, the British tyrant whose cruelties in the South caused endless misery. But the feature of the investigation that brought most delight to the devoted searcher was the finding of Hurry's grave. This is located near the Pine street entrance. The modest stone that commemorates the departed is about four feet high and includes references to two other occupants of the grave. When Low came upon it the grave and headstone were sunk almost out of sight. Only two letters "R" and "Y" of the name Hurry were visible. Low's curiosity was aroused, he remembered the name of the man who proclaimed liberty, and for whose grave earnest search had been made, and raising the stone with careful precautions against breaking it cleared it of moss and mold and was overjoyed to find it marked the grave of the Liberty Bellman.

An examination of the stone gives some information as to Hurry. It shows that at the time he rang the bell he was a man of 55 years. He was born October 22, 1721.

Hurry's activity in the cause of freedom did not stop with the ringing of the old bell, now next to the original drafts of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, the most prized relict connected with the birth of the nation. He volunteered for service in the Continental Army, and served with distinction in a number of battles. His signature on a call for volunteers is still in possession of the old church.

It is a somewhat pathetic circumstance that Hurry did not live to see the complete triumph of the colonists over Great Britain.

He died in 1781, two years before the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown ended the war and established America's freedom for all time, but his life extended far enough for him to see that the ultimate triumph of American arms was assured.

Since its discovery, the grave has become a Mecca for the patriotic visiting Philadelphia from all over the United States. It has been kept covered by flowers by the children of the neighborhood, and on future national holidays will be the scene of memorial exercises by the Colonial Dames, Sons of the Revolution, Daughters of the Revolution and other patriotic societies. Portrait of William Hurry, From a

Rare Old Print. [Illustration]

68. Saugerties Post, Sept. 29, 1906. Mr. Brown Passes Away. Death Came at an Early Hour This Morning.

Theodore Van Rensselaer Brown, a well known and highly respected citizen, who has been critically ill with cirrhosis of the liver the past ten days, died at the residence on Barclay Heights, about two o'clock this morning, aged about 35 years. Mr. Brown was born in Chatham, Columbia county.

He came to Saugerties during the existence of the Barclay Fibre Co. being business manager of the concern. At that time he resided in the Rudd property on the Heights. Later he moved to Kingston, and after residing there for some time returned to Saugerties, about four years ago accepting the position of treasurer of the Martin Cantine Co.

This he held at the time of his demise. About a year ago he moved back to this village, purchasing the Myer homestead on Overbagh street, on the Heights. Mr. Brown was a man who had many friends, bring very genial and affable in manner, and they will learn with sincere regret his passing away. A widow survives him.

The funeral services will be held in Trinity P. E. church, Sunday, at 12:30 o'clock. The interment will be in Wiltwyck cemetery, Kingston. [illustration]

69. Hand dated Octo 2, 1905, Post. Last Sad Rites.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Theodore Van Rensselaer Brown were held in Trinity P. E. church Sunday, Rev. Thomas Cole, the rector, officiating. The attendance was large and the floral tributes were beautiful. The choir sang "O Paradise," "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," and "There is a Blessed Home." The pall bearers were: C. A. Spalding, of this village, Charles M. Preston, De Witt Roosa, F. J. R. Clark, Charles F. Cantine, A. T. Clearwater and John W. Searing, of Kingston. The remains were taken to Kingston for interment. [illustration]

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70. A Prompt Reply is Requested.

As soon as your Company has decided to accept our invitation to be present at the 16th Annual Firemen's Association Convention at Mount Vernon, N. Y., will you kindly fill out this blank and return the same to G. J. Angevine, Chief Fire Department, Box 193, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Name of Company; Place of residence; Over what route; When to do expect to arrive; How many men will you bring; Name of commanding officer; Will you have a band or drum corps; How many pieces; Name of band or drum corps; Will you have apparatus; What will it consist of: When will it arrive; Do you desire us to secure quarters for your apparatus.

71. Picture of three men around a campfire. [illustration]

72. Picture of a fish. [illustration]

73. Saugerties Post, Aug. 2, 1905. A Baker Suicides; Was Employed Here. George Potke, Recently Connected With Suderley's Shoots Himself Tuesday on Kingston Road.

George Potke, whose home was in New York city, a baker by trade, having been employed at Suderley's bakery, in this village, committed suicide Tuesday about noon, on the road leading to Kingston. Potke had been employed by the Suderleys about three months, but was laid off over ten days ago. During his stay in town Potke boarded with Mrs. Hentschel, Jane street.

He left Mrs. Hentschel's Monday morning, and was in a very happy mood, saying he was going to Kingston to seek a position. He left his clothing and some money at the house. Not returning that evening, nothing was thought of it. Tuesday morning he was seen to pass the Mountain View hotel on the Kingston road, walking toward this village. This was about 11 o'clock. Shortly after his body was

found in a place just off the road, known as Burhans' lane, by some city boarders. Here he did the deed which terminated his life. In his hand was clutched a 42 calibre revolver. With this he shot himself, for under the left eye was a large hole, and one also near the right ear, showing the course of the bullet. Coroner Cook, of Kingston, was notified, and took charge of the body. Potke was well dressed. In one of his pockets was found a memorandum book, in which was written: M. Wiesel, 970 Sixth avenue, a friend of mine." On another page was written: "My name is George Potke." Beside the book there was a bottle of carbolic acid, bought of Crispell & Houghton, Kingston, which had not been used, a silver watch and thirty-nine cents in change. He was about 33 years old, five feet seven inches tall, of light complexion, and had a red mustache. He wore a straw hat, light suit of clothes, and white necktie. Coroner Cook summoned Dr. Daniel Connelly of Kingston, who made an examination, and the body was turned over to Undertaker John A. Malloy, Fair street. Later the coroner telegraphed to Mr. Wiesel and learned that the body was that of Potke. The dead man was an excellent workman and was of a quiet disposition and well liked. Last Sunday he arranged plans with some other boarders of Mrs. Hentschell's to visit the mountains next Sunday. He acted and seemed hardly anything like one contemplating suicide. No reason can be assigned for his rash act, though his mind may have become affected, as he often complained of pains in the head. It is believed, however, that there is a love affair connected with his suicide. [illustration]

74. Saugerties Post, Sept. 8, 1905. Fire Destroys A House. Of Robert Main, Situate on the Long Dock Road.

The two-story frame tenement house of Robert Main, situate just beyond the rock cut on the Long Dock road, was destroyed by fire to-day. The alarm was turned in at 12:30, and the firemen responded. They were greatly handicapped in their work, however, by the absence of water, as the house is located in a remote spot. The house was occupied by Wellington P. Lasher and family. The fire originated in the upper part near the chimney. The flames rapidly devoured the house tho' the firemen worked hard. It is not known whether there was any insurance on the house, but Mr. Lasher was insured in Edward Jernegan's agency. [illustration]

75. Saugerties Post, Apr. 20, 1906. Firemen's Home.

Architect William J. Beardsley, of Po-keepsie, has drawn plans for the enlargement of the Firemen's Home at Hudson and will superintend the construction of the new building, which will double the capacity of the Home. The contract has been awarded to Edward Dennegar of Hudson for \$40,000. The plumbing and heating contract has been awarded to Thomas J. Cusack of Kingston for \$8,000.

76. Saugerties Post, Mar. 30, 1906. Saugerties Brick Company. Was Recently Incorporated and Filed in the County Clerk's Office.

The Saugerties Brick Company which was recently incorporated, has elected the following directors for the coming year: William H. Parr, George _ . Spencer, Joseph Lane, Benjamin M. Freligh, J. Fred Cyrer. The inspectors of election for the ensuing year are William J. Merritt and Lucy Hochm___. Deeds for property along the Saugerties creek, executed by Elizabeth I. Freligh, Mary Mynderse and Julia H. Russell, a - daughters of John G. Mynderse of Saugerties, to the Saugerties Brick Company, were filed in county Clerk's - Thursday. [right edge of article lost.]

77. Series. Flash-Light, Electric Alarm, Bank and Call Clock, 5 [and the same with number] 2. [illustration]

78. Hand dated July 5, 1907, Post. The Fountain.

The Children's fountain supplied many a thirsty one with pure, cooling water on the 4th. The honors of having the first drinks from the fountain belong to Eugene L. Myer and Vincent Keenan of the corner pharmacy. They secured theirs on Wednesday, when the water was first turned on. [illustration]

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79. Saugerties Post, March 18, 1905. The Common Council in Regular Session. The Meeting Held Friday and the Business Transacted by the Board.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, March 17, 1905.

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

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A committee from H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2 was present and petitioned the Board to have extensive repairs made to Empire Engine house, on the South Side, as the building is in very bad condition. The president referred the matter to the firemanic committee.

The street committee reported as follows: Four loads of ashes on Underwood street; opened sewer on Washington avenue and on Main, Dock, South Partition, Montgomery, Livingston and Elizabeth streets; Cut out cradle holes on Main and Partition streets, and on Washington and Ulster avenues; opened side gutters on Jane, First, Dawes and Cross streets; cleaned sidewalks, property of Daniel Finger, corner Russell street and Washington avenue; (labor two hours)

On motion certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, was ordered granted to Stephen Dickhaut and Easton Myer. The secretary of the above company also reported that Charles Babcock had withdrawn from the company.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights
to March 1, 1905 \$227.00
Eckert & Snyder, insurance pre-
mium, 12.00
Saugerties Gas Co., gas at Fire-
man's Hall, Jan. and Feb. 3.80
\$242.80

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Yanchke, labor, 6 ¼ days	\$ 9.37
F. Yanchke, labor, 5 ½ days	8.25
Wm. Dixon, labor 4 3 4 days	7.12
Bernard Reynolds, labor, 6 ½ days	9.75
F. Yanchke, team ¼ day	1.12
R. Casey, salary for Feb.	<u>41.65</u>
	\$77.26

HEALTH FUND.

R. F. Diedling, M. D. vital
statistics \$ 13.75

The President appointed the following Committees for 1905: Finance – Lewis, Chairman, Ziegler and Washburn.

Streets, sidewalk, crosswalk, lamps – Zeigler, Chairman, McLaughlin and Crump.

Crusher – Mc Laughlin, Chairman, Ziegler, Lewis.

Firemanic Matters, Buildings, Apparatus – Crump, Chairman, McLaughlin and Ziegler. Health – Washburn, Chairman, Lewis and Crump.

Charter and Legal Matters – Ziegler, Chairman, Lewis and McLaughlin. On Motion the Committees

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were approved as appointed.

The ninth annual report of the Board of Water Commissioners was read as follows: Saugerties, N. Y.,
March 1st, 1905

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

Gentlemen: - The following is the Ninth Annual Report of the Saugerties Water Commissioners for the year ending December 31st, 1904.

The total earnings for the year 1904 as per Assessments Nos. 17 and 18,
itemized as follows:

		\$8,308.64
	Collected.	Uncollected.
Rated services,	5,777.63	33.00
Metered "	1,000.10	707.13
Meter rents,	10.00	30.00
Meter Excess,		94.53
Filling cisterns,	1.50	
Tapping,	129.00	
St. sprinkling	70.00	
Boiler use,	101.40	
Fines,	39.22	
Motors,	173.25	
Fire Protection,	40.00	
Miscellaneous,	20.83	66.49
B'l'ding purposes,	<u>12.79</u>	<u>1.77</u>
	\$7,975.72	\$ 932.92
		\$8,308.64

ANNUAL OPERATING REPORT.

For the year ending December 31st, 1904.

RECEIPTS

To cash received, assessment No.		To cash received, assessment No.
8 \$ 3.85		16 <u>686.91</u>
To cash received, assessment No.		
9 3.30		To cash received, assessment No.
To cash received, assessment No.		17 3595.65
10 2.10		To cash received, assessment No.
To cash received, assessment No.		
14 515.88		
To cash received, assessment No.		
15 640.39		\$1,852.33
18 3780.67		<u>\$7,375.72</u>
		\$9,228.05
To cash received from		
sale of supplies	202.82	
To cash received from E.		
M. Murphy	2.48	<u>205.30</u>

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DISBURSEMENTS

By paid Salary account, \$599.96
 By paid expense account,
 office rent, postage, fuel, telephone, light, care filters and reservoir, in- section of water shed,
 sewer expense etc. 543.04
 By paid for repairs 212.45
 By paid construction acct. Mynderse and Barclay
 streets 1,202.42
 By paid expenses at reser-
 voir, "North Fill" 146.60
 By paid for betterments 76.07
 By paid, expense change of grade,
 state road 644.00
 By paid, sundry bill, 1903
 account 56.03
 By paid cash borrowed from
 \$9,433.35
 assessment No. 17 1,255.50 \$5,901.71
 Balance "cash on hand," \$3,531.64
 9,433.35

ANNUAL STATEMENT

Bond and Interest account
 To cash, balance annual op-
 erating report \$3, 531.64
 To cash, received from Board
 of Directors of the Village
 of Saugerties, N. Y. 3,467.00
 To cash, borrowed, assessment
 No. 19 188.36
 Total \$7,187.00

March 3, 1904, by paid semi- annual interest on \$66,000 of
 bonds, series No. 3 \$ 448.50
 May 7, 1904, by paid semi-
 annual interest on \$2000
 of bonds, series No. 3, section
 No. 2 35.00
 July 1, 1904, by paid semi- annual interest on \$66,000 of
 bonds, series No. 1 1,320.00
 July 1, 1894 by paid semi- annual interest on \$2,000 of
 bonds, series No. 2 40.00
 Sept. 3, 1904, by paid semi- annual interest on \$26,000 of
 bonds, series No. 3 448.50
 Nov. 7, 1904, by paid semi- annual interest on \$2000 of bonds, series No. 3, section
 No. 2 35.00
 Jan 1, 1905, by paid semi- annual interest on \$66,000
 of bonds, series No. 1 1,320.00
 Jan 1, 1905, by paid semi- annual interest on \$2000 of
 bonds, series No. 2 40.00

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Total	\$3, 687.00
Sept. 3, 1904, by paid bond	
No. 3, series No. 3,	\$1,000.00
Jan 1, 1905, by paid bond	
No. 3, series Nov. 2	500.00
Jan 1, 1905, by paid bonds	
Nos. 13 and 14, series Nov. 1	<u>2,000.00</u>
Total	\$7,187.00

ANNUAL STATEMENT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Due on assessment No. 6	\$ 3.00
" " " " " 7	1.00
" " " " " 16	<u>8.86</u>
	\$ 12.86

Due on assessment No. 12	108.85
" " " " 18	<u>824.07</u>
	\$945.78

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

To Cash, Advanced, Bond and	
Interest Account	\$ 186.36
To Sundry Bills, 1903, Acct.	27.50
To Sundry Bills, 1904, Acct.	<u>157.84</u>
	\$373.70
	572.08

INVENTORY ACCOUNT

Safe, office furniture and fixtures, meters, pipe, tools,
and supplies, on hand December 31st, 1904, \$2,726.27
The total Bonded Indebtedness of the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., for the Water Works Plant on January 1st, 1905.

See statement below:

For 64 bonds, \$1000 each, Series No. 1	\$ 64,000.00
For 3 bonds, \$500 each, Series No. 2	1,500.00
For 25 bonds, \$1000 each, Series No. 3	25,000.00
For 2 bonds, \$1000 each, Series No. 3	<u>2,000.00</u>
	\$92,500.00

Saugerties Water Commissioner, H. C. Bogardus, Sec.

On Motion, the report was received and placed on file. Minutes read and approved.

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

80. Saugerties Post, Feb. 18, 1905. The Directors Meet in Regular Session. A Large Volume of Municipal Business Was Transacted at the Meeting Friday Evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Feb. 17th, 1905.

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

Motion, that the board of sewer commissioners be requested to pay the six months' interest on the sewer bonds due Feb. 28, 1905, and the same would be refunded on the collection of corporation taxes for 1905. Carried.

The street committee reported as follows: Drew four loads of ashes on Valley street, and one load of old tin from engine house No. 2; opened sewer drift on Market street; opened snow drifts on Post

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street, Washington avenue, and upper end of Main street, and side gutters on Jane, Lafayette and Finger streets; purchased four bags of salt of Myron Bedell; opened up gutter on Market street, property of Jeremiah Finger, labor two hours; opened gutter on Market street, property of J. G. Finger, labor two hours; opened ditch on Finger property to take water from Market street; drew one load of ashes to fill hole on sidewalk of the James property on Hill street; carted snow from Jane street; cleaned sidewalks crossing Montgomery, Post and Dock streets and crossings on Main street at the post office and drug store, and also on Ulster avenue; opened snowdrift near Main street cemetery; cut out a number of snowdrifts throughout the streets.

The matter of changing a light from Burt street to Church street was referred to the street committee.

Firemanic committee reported that the repairs had been made to Empire engine house.

On motion certificates of membership in the fire department were ordered granted to Lewis Sorge, John Dorian, Jr. and William Shultis, Jr., of H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, and to Edward France of Washington Hook & Ladder.

On Motion, the action of R. A. Snyder Hose Co. in expelling Wm. H. Rivenberg and B. R. Whitaker for non payment of dues was confirmed.

On motion, the following bills were ordered paid.

GENERAL FUND.

Ulster E. L. H. & P. Co., lights	
to Feb. 1, 1905	\$224.84
W. L. Darbee, insurance premium	34.00
B. T. Keeney, insurance premium	34.00
Geo. B. Trumpbour, insurance premium	34.00
C. H. Vedder, arranging and tabulating	
documents from 1879 to 1905	25.00
C. H. Vedder, 100 postage stamps	2.00
Van Buskirk Bros., supplies	3.05
Municipal Journal Pub. Co. sub-	
scription	1.50
N. Van Steenberg, supplies	2.00
F. M. Murphy, 2 gates for fire	
hydrants	15.50
Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co.,	
coal & lumber	66.69
Finger & Lewis, coal	53.37
D. Mc Laughlin, mason work	2.75
W. F. Winchell, work at engine	
house No. 2	<u>13.43</u>
	\$512.13

HEALTH FUND.

J. H. De Witt, M. D. salary to	
March 1, 1905, and vital	
statistics	\$39.32
A. B. Preston, lime for village	2.00
Luther Hommel, disinfectants	<u>3.60</u>
	\$44.93

ROAD FUND.

Wm. Dixon, labor 3 ¼ days	\$ 4.97
Wm. Yanchke, labor 6 ¼ days	9.37
Bernard Reynolds, labor 3 days	4.50

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Edward Mac Mullen, labor 1 ½ days	2.25
Andrew Keeler, labor 3 days	4.50
Charles Bradley, labor 1 ¼ days	2.25
F. Yanchke, team, 1 3-4 days	7.87
R. Casey, salary for January	41.70
Wm. Dixon, labor 1 day	1.50
Wm. Yanchke, labor 1 1-2 days	1.87
Bernard Reynolds, labor 1 day	<u>1.50</u>
Total	\$ 84.43

The President stated that there was a vacancy in the Board of one Director from Ward No. 3, as Mr. E. J. Lewis was not eligible at the time of the holding of the Charter election in December, 1904, and declared the office vacant.

Motion. That Mr. E. J. Lewis be appointed a Director to fill vacancy now existing in Ward No. 3, to serve until and including the 31st day of December, 1905, or until his successor is chosen. Motion was unanimously carried.

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

81. Picture of a man fishing. [illustration]

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and the highest interests of our common people. Thus, we pray Thy blessing upon us to-day, and every day, which we ask in Thine own Name, Amen.

President – The next order of business is the address of welcome by Mr. Albert Rowe, President of the Village of Saugerties.

Mr. Rowe: - Mr. President, Delegates and Firemen. All. During the weeks we have been anticipating this convention, we also have been studying plans by which we might make your convention welcome. We welcome you all to our city, our homes, our engine houses, and as many agreeable sights as our city affords. We welcome you as brothers in the cause of protection against the ravages of fire. Such a brotherhood ought to be united, for it is a dangerous service, often requiring the utmost skill to prevent serious catastrophies. We hope and trust the results of this convention will be the cementing of this association still closer together. We also hope and expect you all to make yourselves entirely at home as friends and guests whom we greatly esteem. The town is yours. (Applause)

President: - This association realizes very well the great amount of work necessary for the successful carrying out of this convention and tournament. It well realizes the work that must be done by the local committee in charge. It well realizes the help and assistance that must be rendered to those who undertake this task by the citizens of the village in which the convention is held. At this time we sincerely desire to thank Saugerties through the mayor for its very kind invitation and welcome. We accept it. We certainly shall own the place in every right sense of the word. The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association realizing the effort of this committee and this village, given in preparing and carrying out the plans for this convention, also wishes to impress upon the minds of those of this place that the association has a reason to be looked upon with favor by the village in which the convention is held. It means considerable work upon the part of members of every company in order to maintain a satisfactory standing. It means hard work all the while, and we are glad when the various places in which we hold conven-

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tions come forward and do us justice and enable us to have a pleasant and profitable time. They reciprocate what we undertake to do for them and help us to do better service and to have more

enthusiasm for the work of firemanship. We thank Mayor Rowe. We thank the people of Saugerties for their very kind reception. We shall go from here with pleasant recollections of the treatment you have rendered us. The firemen recognize the hearty welcome; they recognize that Saugerties stretches forth its hand; and in response the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association stretches the hand of a fireman with his heart in his hand. Than that, there is not greater grasp, and no stronger heart beats upon the face of the earth. We thank you. (Applause)

President. – The next order of business is the appointment of a committee on credentials. I will appoint Stephen Preston, Jr. of Mt. Vernon; Watson H. Elliott, of Kingston; and Charles S. Sloat, of Haverstraw. As a committee on resolutions I will appoint Henry Krieger, Poughkeepsie; Edgar H. Davis, Hudson; and W. A. Dederick, Kingston.

What is your pleasure?

Secretary: - Because of the needs of public school this Hall is engaged for the evening and it is imperative that we conclude our work not later than three o'clock this afternoon. The committee on credentials, can find there [sic] work simplified – If I may make a suggestion – by the calling of the roll itself, practically proving the work of the secretary. A great deal of time can be gained, if, instead of adjourning now, we carry our work through until 12 o'clock.

Delegate: - I second the motion.

President: - It has been regularly moved and seconded that we proceed with the order of business.

Motion carried.

Delegate: - I would suggest that when a member rises on the floor, he state his name and his residence so that the secretary can have a complete roll and get what is being done at the convention.

Motion seconded and carried.

Secretary: - The Committee on Credentials, will you permit the calling of the roll and proving or it that way.

Mr. Preston: I approve of that.

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Secretary: - That is the calling of the roll for 98 companies, of which nine are new, and 224 members paying their dues.

President: - Gentleman, the next order of business is the reading of the minutes of the last convention.

Secretary: - I move the minutes as printed and distributed be accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

President: - The next order of business is the address of the president and I would like to have that deferred until the afternoon session if that will be acceptable. You must have something to do after dinner. The report of the Executive Committee is next in order.

Secretary: - Mr. President, for Mr. Nestell, the chairman of the Executive Committee, I beg to report that the committee had one meeting thought the year; on the 21st day of October, 1903. At that meeting the invitation from the village of Saugerties for the holding of this convention here was presented and accepted. At the same meeting the Executive Committee took action by unanimous vote whereby the offering or awarding special or parade prizes was cut out of the question of parades in connection with the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Also Mr. A. M. Keane, of Yonkers, was made a committee of one to submit to this convention designs for an association button or badge. It had been suggested so many times that the committee asked him to procure the submitting of designs by different dealers and those designs and prices and offers upon them are here for the consideration of the convention. Later in the year and in the month, I think, of May, or the early part of June, I received the fourth consecutive request from the Hallock Hose of Liberty for membership in this association. Liberty is in Sullivan County. Sullivan County was not included in the territory of this association.

Hallock Hose has attended the parades of the association; was at Haverstraw last year. They have been very earnest and certainly very persistent in application for membership. The designating of the territory of

the association is in the control of the Executive Committee. Each member of the Executive Committee was asked specifically to answer the inquiry as to what the Secretary should reply to Hallock Hose. I have the re-

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sponses from the members of the Executive Committee authorizing me to accept the dues of Hallock Hose of Liberty and to include it in the territory of the Association and that action was ratified by the action of the committee last night. (Applause.) There is nothing further to report except that the record of the association has not materially gone back. I have written to friends in a joking way that if the Association died this year it would be a sad event but we would have a good attendance of the family at the funeral. (Laughter.) We have 98 companies who paid dues and nine new companies. You will find if you have been followed the fortunes of this body as I, that there isn't a year but a great many of the men drop out by failing to keep their dues up; there isn't a year, if you remember the rolls, but what changes occur; some companies pay, some do not; there is a continual changing, but the roll stays about the same. We have had anywhere from 30 companies in 1891 to 108 companies last year; we had 90 companies the year before, 1902; we had 77 in 1901; we have got 98 this year, which is as good an average as any man could ask. We had last year the largest number of member paying dues, 222; we have this year 214, practically the same. I can't see but the corpse has been galvanized very promptly and very nicely. President – It is certainly a very pleasant report, gentlemen.

Mr. Hilton – I move the report of the Executive Committee be received and accepted. Motion seconded and carried.

The next order of business is the report of the Auditing Committee. Mr. Bruck submitted the report of the Auditing Committee as follows: Saugerties, N. Y., June 21, 1904

To the Officers and Members of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association:

Gentlemen: We, the Auditing Committee of your Association, do report that we have examined the books of the Treasurer, Fred S. Bieber with all vouchers and stubs pertaining thereto and find the same correct. We further report that we have examined the books of the Secretary, Charles G. Coffin and all vouchers and stubs pertaining thereto and find the same correct.

John N. Bruck

Harry Hall

Charles A. Weiant.

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Mr. Nestell:- I move the report be received and placed on file. Motion seconded and carried.

President: - So far as the secretary's report is concerned it is incorporated in the report of the Executive Committee, excepting that I have received to date for this year \$408 of which \$404 has been turned over to the treasurer. I am ready to account for the odd \$4.

President: - If there is no objection that report will stand. Report of the Treasurer:

Mr. Bieber: - I have not concluded my report.

President: - I would like to say that the treasurer of the State Association, Mr. Powers, is here and he would like to make a few remarks in relation to the insurance tax.

Mr. Powers:- Gentlemen of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, it is my pleasure to be with you to-day. My main object to-day in coming here and asking for permission to say something to you related to the two per cent, foreign insurance tax. The two per cent foreign insurance tax, as you are all aware, is a tax paid by various foreign insurance companies doing business in the state by permission of the Insurance Department. The entire two per cent. tax is supposed to be collected by the local treasurer. Two per cent of the two per cent insurance is paid by that treasurer to myself as treasurer of the State Association for the benefit of the Firemen's Home. I am constantly receiving letters from the

different treasurers, asking information as to how to get the tax due them. In many cases, I have collected the tax for the local Treasurers, after they had been unable to do so. I want to impress upon the minds of the members of the various fire companies who are here present, how essential it is that their Treasurers have the insurance agents give bonds. Any Treasurer who is desirous of knowing the names of the agents writing foreign insurance will find them filed in the County Clerk's Office, as every agent is compelled by law to file same. The trouble is that the Treasurers are entirely too lenient; they are not firm enough. The money does not come from the agents' pockets; it is paid over to them by the Companies and I have in mind cases where the agents have confiscated the

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money after collecting the same from the Companies not paying it over.

Judging from the tone of letters received from many Treasurers, one would think that it was the duty of the Treasurers of this Firemen's Association of the State of New York to collect the tax for them. While the Treasurer is always willing to aid the local Treasurers as far as lies in his power, he cannot do the work of collecting for them.

There are thousands of dollars lost every year to the departments, owing to the inactivity and carelessness of the local Treasurers and the blame should not be attached to anyone else, as the laws on the statute books of the State give them unlimited authority. There is certainly no body of men so well protected as the fire departments are by the laws of the State, and it is up to the local Treasurers of the fire departments to use more energy and collect the money which the law intends them to have. Treasurers take such little interest that they do not send their statements so that they can get their receipts.

Boys, when you go home from the Convention, the first thing I want you to do is to get after your Treasurer and aid him to collect the 2 per cent tax and if he does not show a willing disposition to do the work properly, by all means turn him out of office, for an unwilling man is like an unwilling horse, very little good. I wish to speak to you on the Foreign Mutual Bill. By foreign mutual companies, I mean, those organized outside of the State and not permitted by law to do business in this State. The State Association, through its Attorney, Mr. Thomas O'Connor, Senator Green and Representative Bedell had introduced in the legislature a bill to compel these mutual companies to pay the tax. I am very sorry to say that bill was downed through the efforts of the manufacturers. The bill did not increase the cost to the insured one iota. Money is paid to the States of Massachusetts and Connecticut for insurance written in New York State and all we desired was one per cent should be taken from these States and distributed among the firemen of this State, the ones who look after and protect their property from danger of fire. These foreign companies make use of the fire departments and do not return a cent of

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revenue into the State in any form. We expect to go before the legislature again next winter with a similar bill and I request that every man in my hearing will make an appeal to his respective Senator and Member of Assembly to support this bill when it comes before the legislature.

Last October, the Executive Committee appointed an investment Committee to invest a portion of the surplus funds of the Association as they thought best, and in such securities as they might approve, and the Committee so appointed, purchased on October 14th, 1903.

10 New York Central 3 ½ per cent. bonds at 98 ½	\$ 9,850.00
10 Manhattan Consuls bearing 4 per cent interest @ 101 3/8	10,137.50
12 Chicago & Alton 3 per cent. bonds @ 82 3-16	<u>9,858.75</u>
Making a total investment of	\$29,846.25

being thirty-two (32) bonds of the par value of \$1,000 each and equaling \$32,000. These bonds have been registered in the name of the Firemen's Association of the State of New York, and have been deposited in a box rented for that purpose for the Association at the Maiden Lane Safe Deposit

Company in New York City. The total amount of interest received on the above bonds amounts to \$1,110.00 per year, which shows a rate of $3\frac{3}{4}$ per cent, on the amount of money invested.

The aim of the Executive Committee is to set aside the surplus funds each year, so as to create a sinking fund, the interest from which, will in time, maintain the Home and thus remove all threat of the Home ever being closed for lack of funds.

On the 12th of March, 1904, the Committee purchased 153 & 2-10 acres of land adjoining the Home at Hudson, and paid for 152 & 7-10 acres at \$100 per acre, amounting to \$15,270. This is a very valuable piece of property and the income will pay us good interest on our money.

At the present time, the Home contains fifty-two (52) inmates. Extensive improvements for better protection against fire are being made. Stand pipes are being put in the building with branch pipes and hose on each floor and fire plugs are being distributed through the yard, so that the buildings are amply protected in case of fire. The main building is being painted inside and all necessary repairs are being made for the betterment of the Home. I have here, if you will bear with

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me, the list of all moneys collected in the various counties, comprizing this Association. It is a long list and you may have other weighty business and probably I ought not to take up your time but if you will allow me to do it I will tell my story in a short time as possible. I will give the amount that was paid to the State Association. Ten times that amount it the amount received by the local treasurer.

HUDSON VALLEY VOLUNTEER FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION Year ending December 31st, 1903

City,	Population	Amount of 2 per cent tax.		Increase.	Decrease.
		1902	1903		
ALBANY COUNTY					
Albany	94,151	\$ 471.26	\$496.35	\$25.09	
Altamont	689	1.29	.77		.52
Coeymans	1,300	1.48	1.77	.29	
Cohoes	23,400	111.80	105.33		6.47
Green Island	4,770	25.34	24.33		1.01
Ravena	1,112	3.12	2.82		.30
Rensselaerville	235				
Vorheesville	554	1.60	1.68	.08	
Watervliet	14,321	51.74	61.71	9.97	
COLUMBIA COUNTY					
Chatham	2,100	8.64	10.48	1.84	
Hudson	9,582	51.12	48.28		2.74
Kinderhook	913	2.96	2.97	.01	
Philmont	1,964	4.85	5.87	1.02	
Valatie	1,300	4.93	4.51		.42
DUTCHESS COUNTY					
Amenia	467	4.57	4.11		.46
Fishkill	300	1.21	1.32	.11	
Fishkill – on-					
Hudson	3,600	13.93	14.83	.90	
Hyde Park	2,873	3.65	3.82	.17	
Mateawan	5,817	17.25	18.60	1.35	
Millerton	802	8.48	8.53	.05	
Pawling	781	3.10	2.91		.19

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City	Population	1902	1903	Increase	Decrease
Red Hook	857	3.46	3.75	.29	
Rhinebeck	1,494	7.91	6.73	1.18	
Staatsburgh	407	3.08	2.40	.68	
Tivoli	1,153	1.31	.95	.36	
Wappinger Falls	3,504	10.30	8.31	1.99	
GREENE COUNTY					
Athens	2,171	6.50	4.81	1.69	
Cairo	600	.30			
Catskill	5,484	19.81	22.61	2.80	
Coxsackie	3,000	15.93	14.18	1.75	
Greenville					
Hunter	431	2.47	2.14	.33	
New Baltimore	999	1.80	1.51	.29	
Tannersville	593	5.69	6.22	.53	
ORANGE COUNTY					
Central Valley	1,250	2.10			
Chester	1,800	1.82	1.87	.05	
Cornwall					
on-Hudson	800	1.87	2.54	.67	
Goshen	2,826	9.73	10.49	.76	
Highland Falls	2,272				
Middlet'n	24,943	64.99	68.98	3.99	
Monroe	796	2.72	3.03	.31	
Montgomery	973	1.73	2.24	.51	
Newburgh	11,778	117.78	133.96	16.18	
Port Jervis	9,385	40.50	43.94	3.44	
Tuxedo Park	1,250	13.53	15.61	2.08	
Unionville	454	1.20	.74	.46	
Walden	3,147	8.54	9.95	1.41	
Warwick	1,735	6.83	7.74	.91	
Washing-tonville	667	2.50	2.72	.22	

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City	Population	1902	1903	Increase	Decrease
PUTNAM COUNTY					
Brewsters	1,192	7.74	9.00	1.26	
Cold Spring	2,067	5.92		7.38	1.46
RENSSELAER COUNTY					
Averhill Park	463	.90		1.18	.28
Castleton	1,214	4.44		3.64	.80
Hoosick Falls	5,671	17.93			.80

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Rensselaer	7,466	19.80	20.34	.54	
Schaghticoke	,061	4.04	4.18	.14	
Troy	60,650	517.40	474.41		
West Sand Lake	300	1.00	1.47	.47	42.99
Nassau	418		.78		
ROCKLAND COUNTY					
Congers	463		1.17		
Garnerville	600	2.11	1.69		
Haverstraw	5,935	14.56	14.18		
Hillburn	824	1.08	1.10	.02	
Monsey	210	1.28	2.32	1.04	
Nanuet	670	.73	.97	.24	.38
New City	407	.83	1.03	.20	
Nyack	4,275	29.47	36.15	6.68	
Piermont	1,153	2.25	10.96	8.71	
Rockland Lake	523	.35	.97	.62	
Spring Valley	1,098	6.38	7.23	.85	
Stony Point	591	3.71	2.44		.27
Suffern	1,601	7.28	5.96		1.32
SARATOGA COUNTY					
Balston Spa	3,923	34.57	32.27		2.30
Corinth	2,200	5.57	7.64	1.47	
Mechanicsville	4,692	18.16	21.38	3.22	
Northside		16.52	10.26		6.26
Round Lake	361	4.17	4.22	.05	
Saratoga	12,490	144.35	145.40	1.05	
Schuylerville	1,601	7.46	7.32	.16	

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City	Population	1902	1903	Increase	Decrease
So. Glen Falls	2,025	2.41	1.46		.95
Stillwater	1,007	5.00	5.00		
Victory Mills	175				
Waterford	3,146	24.28	22.74		1.54
ULSTER COUNTY					
Ellenville	3,000	15.14	15.90	.76	
Glasco	1,200	4.08	3.12		.96
Highland	1,263	2.08	2.20	.14	
Kingston	24,535	154.35	156.63	2.28	
Marlboro	700	2.66	2.19		.47
Napanoch	500	5.05	2.90		2.15
New Paltz	1,022	5.72	4.16		1.56
Pinehill	425	6.51	3.40		3.11
Port Ewen	1,698	.90	.63		.27
Rosendale	1,840	9.14	3.71		5.43
Saugerties	3,697	15.63	19.05	3.42	
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WASHINGTON COUNTY

Cambridge	1,578	11.66	10.53		1.13
Fort Edward	3,800	16.77	17.01	.24	
Granville	2,700	13.44	13.42		.02
Greenwich	115	11.00	13.77	2.77	
Salem	1,391	5.67	6.39		.28
Sandy Hill	4,473	30.08	31.00	.92	
Whitehall	4,379	14.80	15.37	.57	

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Ardsley	404	1.42	.70		1.13
Briar Cliff Manor	159	16.77	17.01	.24	
Bronxville	400	4.83	7.07	2.24	
Croton Falls	425	1.04	.19		.75
"-on-Hudson	1,533		.04		
Dobbs Ferry	2,900	12.48	5.84		6.64
Harrison	1,108	2.72	1.45		1.27
Hastings-on-H	2,002		.04		
Irvington	2,231	3.28	7.41	4.13	
Katonah	652	2.29	2.19		.10
Larchmont	945	8.44	9.19	.75	
Mamaroneck	4,722	15.78	15.44		.34
Mount Kisco	1,346	4.21	4.76	.55	
Mount Vernon	21,228	57.48	63.47	5.99	

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City	Population	1902	1903	Increase	Decrease
New Rochelle	14,720	53.39	33.11		20.28
No. Tarrytown	4,244	8.47	7.52		.95
Ossining	7,939	22.06	23.40	1.34	
Peekskill	10,358	52.73	71.80	19.16	
Pelham	360	2.56	2.39		.17
Pellham Manor	361				
Pleasantville	1,204	3.90	4.15	.25	
Portchester	7,204	37.90	44.13	6.23	
Rye	1,062	6.91	9.40	2.49	
Scarsdale	350	2.24	.86		1.38
Tarrytown	4,770	24.10	24.06		.04
Tuckahoe	1,800				
White Plains	7,899	34.66	35.32	66	
Yonkers	47,931	157.81	155.08		2.73
Sherman Park	760		2.13	.85	1.28
Vahalla				2.21	

RECAPITULATION OF TAX RECEIVED.

Name of County	Amount of Tax
Albany	\$694.76
Columbia	72.21
Dutchess	195.02
Greene	51.77

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Orange	312.97
Putnam	16.38
Rensselaer	506.00
Rockland	86.17
Saratoga	257.00
Ulster	213.89
Washington	107.49
Westchester	<u>554.75</u>
Total amount of tax received from Counties	
comprising Hudson Valley Firemen's Association.	
	\$3, 068.59

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I want to say in regard to Kingston that the treasurer shows great activity and Kingston pays in proportion to its population the greatest amount of any city on the Hudson. (Applause.) You know the law so far as New York City is concerned. We have a limited time with that law. I think we run about 13 years more and if we are able to keep up the amounts received from there as we have been we will have an amount of money so that we will be able to take care of the home even if the law is repealed. Gentlemen I want to thank you for your attention.

President: - The next order of business is the reading of communications.

Mr. Ohley: - I move that an order be drawn on the Treasurer of this association for \$100 in favor of the Treasurer of the State Association for the benefit of the Firemen's Home in Hudson. Motion seconded.

Mr. Kreiger: - Before the motion is put I would like to ask what the state of our treasury is, whether we have sufficient money for the payment of expenses to vote that money. I would make a motion that the motion lay on the table until we find out.

Mr. Ohley: - I withdraw the motion for the purpose of making it later.

Col. Laflin: - I move that the convention extend to Mr. Powers its thanks for his information, and when we get home that we take steps to see that this tax is collected. Thus we can protect the home without taking the money out of our treasury. I don't know whether we have got the money to spare. This insurance tax should be collected. We have not done our duty in that respect as shows by this report. Now, let us when we get home see that our treasurer goes to the insurance companies and has them report and pay over to the proper officer so that we can have a better understand and get the full amount of money that is due us from the insurance companies.

Mr. Hallenbeck: - It is not alone with the treasurer altogether. Of course, sometimes they are to blame. Local influences sometimes protect the insurance agent. It seems to me there are two things this association should do. One is in every way to take up efforts to make the foreign mutual companies pay their just dues the same as the incorporated companies do and the second is that we as firemen insure in the companies that pay the two percent tax. It don't cost us any more and if we insure with the foreign insurance companies instead of insuring with our local -instead of our state companies, it will increase to a large extent the funds which will go into the State Association for the support of the home. It

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seems to me that we as firemen are to be criticized if we do not take that point and act along those lines.

President: - Are there any communications?

Secretary: - I have had delivered to me by special delivery this letter: Rhinebeck, N. Y., June 20th 1904
To the Officers and Members of the Hudson Valley

Volunteer Firemen's Association:

Gentlemen: The Rhinebeck Fire Department extends to you, one and all, a hearty invitation to be its guests on the occasion of our annual inspection on Labor Day, Monday, September 5th.

It is with pardonable pride that I say that Rhinebeck has earned an enviable reputation in her capacity for catering to the comfort and entertainment of a firemanic gathering, and this celebration will be no exception to the rule.

Full particulars of what we have in store for you will appear in newspapers published in this vicinity.

Thanking you in advance, individually and collectively, for an early acceptance, and with best wishes for the common cause which brings us together and fosters a feeling of such good fellowship, I remain.

Fraternally yours, (Signed) A. M. Quick, Chief.

Delegate: - I move that the secretary be instructed to acknowledge this communication with the best wishes of this Association for the success of their meeting on Labor Day.

Motion seconded and carried.

President: - Topics and Essays. New Business.

Delegate: - We are all of us human. We all have our faults but I feel that we all, as firemen, are willing to judge and to give credit to those whom we judge from the standpoint that we ourselves occupy. Not wishing to infringe on the privileges of the committee on resolutions I do ask this Association by a rising vote to take some cognizance of the death of three of our members. I have had reported to me that the deaths of Brother James Purvis, of Kingston; of brother Charles O. Beesmer, of Poughkeepsie and Vanderhoef Person, of Catskill. My acquaintance with the two first mention was not such as to permit me to say more than that they were active and loyal members of this Association, but regarding Van. Person it is incumbent upon me to say that almost to his dying breath his thoughts and efforts were for the Hudson Valley Association. He was an earnest member of the State Association by the was a loyal, enthusiastic and active

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member of the Hudson Valley Association. Some notice should be taken of their deaths and communications should be sent to their families. I ask that this be done and the Secretary instructed to communicate it to their families.

Motion seconded and carried by a rising vote.

Mr. N. J. Dederick: - I didn't refer to it under the head of resolutions but there was a motion made at the last convention that the committee on resolutions should have printing done by a union firm; I didn't hear any report.

Secretary: - I beg to say that resolution was introduced at the last meeting of the Association. Mr. D. T. Denfield was one of the members of the Association moving it. Upon the occasion of the trip to Spring Lake I talked the matter over with the two gentlemen who offered the resolution. I stated the case plainly to them and was told by them to handle that matter in such manner as was satisfactory to the secretary. They were instructed to offer it, and they did. I stated to them that the comfort and convenience of the Secretary's office required that he have the printing done where it was most convenient. At the meeting of the Executive Committee I was authorized to procure the printing of this association at such places and in such manner as was for my comfort and convenience. Catskill has no organization of union printers. I have no such office within reach of me and the method and manner in which I have been obliged to handle the printing of the Association and the matters regarding the Secretary's office made it necessary to do it by bits as I needed it. Under the authority of the Executive Committee, I have had it done this, as in former years and am perfectly willing to assume for this Association and Executive Committee any blame in the matter. I have proceeded under the personal

direction of the gentlemen who offered the resolution and under the express authority of the Executive Committee.

President: - The next order of business is the designation of the next place for the holding of the convention. Mr. Preston has a communication, I think.

Mr. Preston: - I desire to state that the delegates from the City of Mount Vernon were not instructed to ask for this convention, but great pressure has been brought to bear upon them and we were asked to telegraph to the mayor and see what might be done in this direction. Accordingly I telegraphed to Hon. Edward F. Brush, Mayor of Mount Vernon, as follows: "Sentiment here Mount Vernon for Hudson Valley Convention for 1905. Cost about \$800. Will you back me up?" This morning I received the following reply which states: "Stephen Preston. Will welcome Hudson Valley Firemen's Convention next year.

97. Page 19 of the Firemen's Minutes. Will back you up." Signed "E. F. Brush."

Now gentlemen, the delegates from Mount Vernon feel that they have got a large proposition ahead of them. We feel that we need the support of every delegate and member of this Association. We know that Mount Vernon, the City of Homes, is one of the finest cities in the State of New York. Perhaps you don't all know that Mount Vernon is next to the largest city in the United States – New York City being immediately south of it. (Laughter.) We think that we have the finest Streets of any city in the State of New York for parades. We feel also that we are handicapped as to hotels. Hotels are not numerous and they are not large but we will do the best we can under the circumstances to make it pleasant for the delegates if the Association decides to come to Mount Vernon. Mount Vernon is situated away from the Hudson River about three or four miles west of Yonkers. There is a trolley road running which members can take to Mount Vernon from Yonkers. We feel that we are inaccessible to a certain extent but notwithstanding, all this we feel we are willing to do all we can. We are willing to do our part, to work for it and do all we can to make it pleasant for you if you decide to come to Mount Vernon.

Delegate: - I make a motion that the Secretary cast one ballot for Mount Vernon for the convention in 1905.

Motion seconded and carried. Secretary: - The ballot is cast.

President: - The motion is carried. The next order of business is the election of officers. The first office to be filled is that of president.

Mr. Coffin: - I feel that the duty which I have assumed of my own volition is a great pleasure. I am justified in saying I believe the members of this Association will understand that I am acting from my own personal view and in no sense for any combination or from any forces for which I am a mouthpiece. That is, I am not the head of any movement or the representative of any slate. I am speaking from my own personal regard. I am speaking because of the sentiment that I know exists among the members of this Association. We have seen rough and rugged traveling. Last year is not the only year I beg you to believe that we have referred the matter of choice of a meeting place for the Association to the Executive Committee, but under all circumstances, (and you have knowledge of all these things) I believe one of the strongest incentives for effort on the part of the Association to come to a point where we could show some result has been the personal effort of a member of this Association. He has been a member for years. He has heretofore been, at his own request and because of the urging of friends, a candidate for the office of President. He has been beaten: he has been

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beaten fairly on a ballot, and he has put his neck in the harness and pulled like any other member, loyal and true to the Association. He has stood aside when it seemed to him that the good of the Association called for him to stand aside. The time has come when it seems right that Ernest Hassinger should be rewarded with the presidency of the Association (Applause.) He has been a loyal member, his is one of our oldest, and he is always willing to work. The favorable results of this day and, I think, the result of

his efforts with the clerk of the weather are before you, and I propose his name for President of the Association. (Applause).

Mr. Preston: - I think that every member present wants to give honor to whom honor is due. Probably no man has done more for the Association than Ernest Hassinger. There is no man present who wants to be more fair, more square than I and bestow honor where honor is due. Ernest Hassinger has rightly earned by his action during the past year the presidency of this Association and I therefore move you, Mr. President, that the Secretary be instructed to cast a ballot for Mr. Hassinger for President of this Association.

Mr. Lansing: - I move as an amendment that we have a rising vote.

Amendment seconded and vote taken and Mr. Hassinger declared unanimously elected.

Mr. Hassinger: - Mr. President and officers and delegates of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me and I hope and trust you will all help me out in the discharge of my duties which I think you all will.

(Applause).

President: - I think it best to leave the office of the Vice-Presidents until the last, and the next is Secretary.

Mr. Keegan: - I move the nomination of Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw.

Mr. Bickley: - I second that and move that we take a rising vote. Ballot taken by rising and Mr. Weiant declared elected.

Mr. Weiant: - The Association honors me very greatly by making me its Secretary. It heard with much regret that Mr. Coffin retires this year. The Association keenly feels that in Mr. Coffin retiring from this office it suffers a great loss. I wish at this time and before I thank you for my election to pay this tribute to Mr. Coffin. No organization ever had a more worthy occupant of an office, no man and no occupant of an office has ever striven harder to fulfill the manifold duties of his office, and, as long as the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association shall exist the name of Charles G. Coffin shall be revered, honored and cherished. (Applause). In accepting the responsibilities of this office I fully realize what I must undertake. I appreciate in whose steps I am following,

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am heart and soul in the interests of this Association. My best abilities shall be given to the furtherance of the prosperity. I shall join my hands, with Mr. Hassinger, with Mr. Preston in his work at Mount Vernon, and shall endeavor to put the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association upon a higher pinnacle than it has heretofore stood. I shall not shirk my duty; I shall be glad at all times to receive and answer any communications you may care to send me. I shall always be ready to serve you and do your bidding.

Gentlemen, I thank you. (Applause)

Motion for a recess put and carried for selection of Vice-Presidents and for completion of Treasurer's Report

(Recess taken)

President: - The convention will come to order. We will take the report of the treasurer first.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

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Balance on hand, last report \$255.78
 Cash received from Secretary Coffin 424.00 \$579.78

DISBURSEMENTS.

Thos. Honohan, Sec'y, dues State Association, 1903	\$	2.00	
Wm. Wortmann, Hudson, stenographer, 1903		16.00	
C. M. Hilton, expense delegate, State Ass'n., 1903		30.00	
Expense account for Executive Committee meeting, Saugerties		20.42	
Est. J. B. Hall, Catskill, printing "proceedings"		32.00	
C. G. Coffin, Sec'y, expense for postage		20.00	
J. A. Goldsmith, President, expense		5.50	
C. G. Coffin, sec'y, postage \$12.25, salary '04, \$100		112.25	
F. S. Bieber, treasurer, expense		6.00	
J. N. Bruck, audit comm. expense		4.35	
C. A. Weiant " "		5.50	
I. L. Nestell, executive comm., expense		4.35	
G. H. Scott, " " "		5.00	
E. H. Davis, " " "		5.40	
L. E. Lansing, " " "		6.00	
A. M. Keene, " " "		5.50	
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C. M. Hilton, membership comm., expense		5.50	
R. Chipp, " " "		4.35	
Est. J. B. Hall, Catskill, printing,		14.50	
H. C. Wilbur, stenographer, 1904,		13.35	318.07
Balance on hand			\$361.71

President: - You have heard the report of the treasurer. What is your pleasure?

Delegate: - I move it be accepted and approved.

Motion seconded and carried.

President: - Next is the election of a delegate to the State Convention.

Mr. Hassinger: - It is customary to give the delegate to the place that holds the convention. I nominate Herbert C. Van Buskirk.

Nomination seconded, question on the nomination put and Mr. Van Buskirk declared elected.

Mr. Ohley: - I now move that an order be drawn on the treasurer for \$100 in favor of Mr. Powers, Treasurer of the State Firemen's Association for the benefit of the Firemen's Home at Hudson. Motion seconded and carried by a rising vote.

Mr. Hilton: - I move the election of Mr. Bieber for treasurer. I move the Association take a standing vote on the election of Mr. Bieber.

Motion seconded, vote taken by rising and Mr. Bieber declared elected treasurer.

President: - The Secretary will call the Vice-Presidents from the counties as he has them on his book.

Secretary: - Greene County, Edwin C. Hallenbeck; Columbia County, Wallace A. Dawson; Ulster County, Rodney A. Chipp; Orange County, Michael J. Hamm; Dutchess County, George Nagengast; Rensselaer, James T. Carey; Westchester County, Thomas Timmons; Rockland County, Charles M. Hilton; Albany County, Jerome Bailey; Saratoga County, Harry E. Barton; Sullivan County, Milton J. Mc Gibbon.

Mr. Mardorf: - I move those Vice-Presidents be elected.

Motion seconded and carried.

Secretary: - There is one other thing. I have these button designs which the Executive Committee submitted. They should be returned

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if nothing is to be done with them. They are before the Association to act upon.

Mr. Hallenbeck:- I move a button be selected by the Executive Committee from those designs and the same be upon their selection the official button of this Association and that the Secretary notify the membership of the price thereof and how they may obtain them.

Motion seconded.

Mr. Hilton:- I move as an amendment to that motion that the Secretary be empowered to contract for the button selected in number sufficient to supply the members of the Association and that the members be notified.

Mr. Hallenbeck: - I accept the amendment.

Mr. Mardorf: - It seems queer that a company should pay two dollars a year and then we charge the company ten cents for a button. Let a company or delegate when he pays have one button for nothing. I submit that as an amendment.

Mr. Coffin: - I think it is fair to read these letters, Mr. Braxmer was asked to submit designs suitable for a pin or button for the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Mr. Al. M. Keene, 67 No. Broadway, Yonkers, N. Y.

Dear Sir: - Agreeable to promise I am enclosing herewith special design No. 1772C. of badge suitable for pin or button for the H. V. V. F. A. of New York, and we trust same will meet with your approval, and that of the Committee. We will be pleased to furnish you with a lot of 50 pins or buttons made of rolled gold, and enameled in red, white and blue as shown, for \$1.00 each, and with a lot of 100 for 85 each.

We can also make you the same in composition metal gold plated in a lot of 50 for 75 cents each, and in a lot of 100 for 60 cents each. Hoping this will get the order, and thanking you for your many kindnesses, I am

Yours sincerely,

The C. G. Braxmar Company,
Charles F. Olpp, Vice-President.

The only point is this: - Mr. Mardorf had opened the whole question this is only my personal suggestion, if it could ever be brought to the point where the matter could be discussed of the delegate being given an official button as a badge and in that way getting it into the Association in general use it would be a good thing, in other words, it is a matter of finding out how many men want a badge and are willing to pay for it, unless the

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Association is willing to pay for it. It is a matter for the Association to decide. It can be referred to the Executive Committee for discussion and settling upon some plan whereby a button can be selected and whereby the use of the button can be inaugurated and this custom instituted. The Executive Committee could report at another meeting and we would know what we can do.

Mr. Hallenbeck: - In our Greene County Association, of which I have the honor to be representative today we present upon a man becoming a delegate our official badge and that costs 75 cents and we have always got money in the treasury as my friend Coffin and other members of that Association know.

It seems to me under the showing of the treasury there is no need of piling up money here. It would be a good plan, if the Executive Committee deem it proper that when a man comes as a delegate to be presented with a badge which he would feel is the badge of the Association. I am not urging it; it is only a suggestion. It seems to me the question has been up several years and it ought to be settled.

President: - I think myself it would be well to refer it to the Executive Committee and if you want to give them power to act.

Mr. Hallenbeck: - That is the motion now. Motion put and carried.

Mr. Bruck: - I move that the Association extends its thanks to the Committee and its President and the local committee for the hospitality they have bestowed upon the delegates while guests in their town. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Townsend: - I move a vote of thanks be extended to the retiring officers. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Hilton: - Mr. President and gentlemen of the convention, two years ago on the floor of the Catskill Opera House I had the pleasure of nominating a man for President of this Association who had held the office for two years. Every member of this Association knows that man and knows what he has done. It has been customary at various times in the life of the Association where a man has held the office of President or any other office in the Association for a long time, in case of the Presidency for two years, and has done his duty to the satisfaction of the Association, to make that man a life member of the Association. We are retiring to-day two men from office who have given their labor, their time and everything they had of their own vitality to the Association. The Association can do no more honor – can do themselves no more honor than to make these two men life members, and I want to move you,

Mr. President, that James A. Goldsmith and Charles G. Coffin be made life members of the Association.

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Mr. Mardorf: - I fully accept the sentiments expressed by Mr. Hilton but he has left one man out. There is another man who also served two years as President of this Association. That is Joseph Hurley.

Mr. Hilton: - I accept the amendment and will include Mr. Hurley in my motion.

Motion put by Mr. Hassinger and carried.

Col. Laflin: - Brother members of the Firemen's Association, it is always fitting to give as a remembrance to those who have retired from office some little token and I shall make my further remarks to the president and Mr. Coffin. Mr. President and Mr. Coffin, brother firemen, you have done your duty so well that it is not necessary for me to say what you have done for we all know that. Mr. President, your term of two years has been a very successful one. You have done well and done as well as any president we have ever had. Owing to you our Association is in good standing to-day and the members of this Association have seen fit that you should take home with you some little token, so we have procured this little token for you and have it here. Words cannot express my feelings towards him whom we are losing as Secretary; he has done more for this Association than any other man here. He has been fourteen years in its harness; he has done more and worked harder than any one hundred men in this Association. He has worked night and day and his heart has been in it. I have no doubt our new Secretary, from the remarks he has made, will make equally as good a one, but we will all feel the loss of Charles G. Coffin. But remember the loss is not loss entirely for the love of the Association will always remain with you. We love you for the duties you have performed and thus we tender this token of friendship and remembrance and good will, this one to you Mr. Secretary and this one to you Mr. President. (Presenting gold handled umbrellas to each). (Applause).

Concluding my remarks let me say, may the rain that falls in your lives be very little and remember that behind the clouds the sun is still shining, and when you go home you can take those little mementos with you and you will always have something to remind you that your brother members of this Association remember you. May you live long and always prosper.

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Mr. Goldsmith: - Gentlemen, there is hardly anything I can say in response to this gift more than I thank the Association. My associations with you all have been very pleasant and I think the members for helping make them so. The future is bright and I know my successor will go far ahead. I thank you sincerely for this kind token and shall always hold it in remembrance of my friends in this association.

Mr. Coffin: - My friends, I am heartily obliged for this little token

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but I beg to say to you that as Mr. Goldsmith has said, the success of any officer of the Association has not been so much from the efforts that officer might make but that they have all been backed by the Association. I have received uniformly courteous treatment, I have received earnest and efficient assistance from the members of the Association, and to them I can lay any success I may have achieved . I have been always willing to work for the Association and am still willing. I pray I may always be ready to do my share for this association. I have told Mr. Weiant, he very courteously wrote me saying that he had heard I could not serve again and saying if that were so he would try for the position: I said that it was true, I could not take it again – I am very glad you have elected him and I believe he will make an efficient and earnest officer, and I am very glad to pledge him my support and my assistance in any way I am able to give it. (Applause).

Mr. Hilton: - I move that we adjourn. Motion seconded and carried.

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This ticket will be exchanged for a reserved seat in Celoron Theater if presented at Box Office, Sherman House Waiting Room, prior to 12 o'clock noon or at the Ticket Window of Coloron Theatre on evening of entertainment Tuesday Eve. August 21, 1906. [illustration]

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ROLL OF MEMBERS

Ashley, William D.	Athens	Carter, Edwin A.	Philmont
Anderson, Denton C.	Poughk'psie	Carey, James T.	Troy
Applegate, William H. G.	Rhinebeck	Crook, Walter S.	Kingston
Anderson, James	Ossining	Dederick, William A.	Kingston
Adams, Barry	White Plains	Denfield, David T.	Peekskill
Bieber, Fred S.	Poughkeepsie	Dolen, Anson	Tarrytown
Beichert, J. Phil.	Kingston	Davis, Edgar H.	Hudson
Byron, Patrick	Troy	Dawson, Wallace A.	Hudson
Bruck, John N. (Deceased)	Kingston	Donohue, Michael	Kingston
Brundage, Ernest L.	N. Tarrytown	Dunne, Michael J.	Kingston
Bowne, Frederick	Poughk'psie	Downs, Wiford F.	Nanuet
Belch, Thomas B.	Saugerties	Esterbrook, H. H.	New York
Brandow, Jerome	Catskill	Elliott, H. Watson	Kingston
Brennan, James	Kingston	Frank, Wm. H.	Poughk'psie
Best, Samuel M.	Hudson	Fonda, Isaac	Catskill
Ballman, Robert	Saugerties	Feroe, Harry C.	Tivoli
Bright, John	Poughkeepsie	Fancher, Wm. P. S.	Coxsackie
Brown, Thomas P.	Peekskill	Fronefield, William	Poughkeepsie
Benson, William H. Jr.	Haverstraw	Fitzpatrick, James	Peekskill
Buchanan, Edward C.	New City	Frieze, Charles	Kingston

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Barton, Harry E.	Mechanicsville	Finger, Daniel N.	Saugerties
Buxbury, Henry	Hudson	Ferris, Joseph L.	Peekskill
Blake, Patrick	Kingston	Furgeson, George D.	Philmont
Cantine, Martin	Saugerties	Funk, Andrew	Hudson
Coffin, Charles G.	Catskill	Field, James V.	Kingston
Clark, Lawrence W.	New York	Fowler, Anson J.	Walden
Cater, Zobles T.	Catskill	Goldsmith, James A.	Haverstraw
Caldwell, Edward O.	Poughk'psie	Gilmore, James V.	Saugerties
Cuneo, John J.	Kingston	Greene, John H.	Kingston
Cohen, William	Kingston	Gassen, Charles J.	Liberty
Carroll, Thomas E.	Kingston	Glennon, John B.	Kingston
Chipp, Rodney A.	Kingston	Guylee, E. J.	Poughk'psie
Chamberlain, Fred N.	Poughk'psie	Grossman, George B.	Hudson
Corr, Harry W.	Troy	Haight, James H.	Peekskill

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Hinman, Henry R.	Catskill	Kaplan, Lewis	Kingston
Henkle, Albert A.	Kingston	Le Fevre, Frank J.	New Paltz
Hilton, Charles M.	Tivoli	Laflin H. Dwight	Saugerties
Hitchcock, A. M.	Mount Vernon	Lansing, Lewis E.	Poughkeepsie
Higham, Charles	Middletown	Loeffler, George A.	Hudson
Henderson, J. Thomas	Catskill	Long, Edward	Kingston
Hallenbeck, Richard	Hudson	Lucas, U. Grant	Poughkeepsie
Hitchcock, P. De Witt	Catskill	Link, Harry	Tivoli
Hallock, Roscoe C.	Coxsackie	Lewis, Edward J.	Saugerties
Hassinger, Ernest	Saugerties	Miller, Wilson	Valatie
Howland, E. A.	New York	Miller, Hiram R.	Kingston
Hurley, Joseph C.	Kingston	Miller, Frank	Hudson
Hasselmann, Frank, Jr.	Catskill	Miller, Percy	Tarrytown
Hawes, John W.	Peekskill	Moore, Andrew W.	Poughk'psie
Harp, William	Hudson	Manning, William S.	Saugerties
Hickey, Chris. C.	Kingston	Myer, Ernest	Saugerties
Hogan, Edward M.	Suffern	Meder, John T.	Kingston
Hoey, Peter J.	Kingston	Murphy, Hugh	Poughkeepie [sic]
Hanna, Michael J.	Walden	Maar, George	Poughkeepsie
Horstman, George	Mt. Vernon	Mattice, William	Catskill
Howell, Augustus M.	Yonkers	Myers, Charles	Croton-on-Hudson
Huberts, Christ	Saugerties	Mead, S. Allen	Peekskill
Joseph, Abraham	Catskill	Maloney, Michael F.	Kingston
Joy, Angus T.	Yonkers	Murphy, Michael F.	Kingston
Johnson, Gilbert	Suffern	Messing, Peter	Kingston
Krieger, Henry	Poughkeepsie	Morand, Benjamin L.	Croton-on-H
Kyer, William C.	South Rondout	Myers, Hiram W.	Poughkeepsie
Kolts, William H.	Kingston	Mitchell, Jesse D.	Walden
Kolts, Louis	Kingston	Mulrein, James F.	Rhinebeck
Keegan, Joseph	Kingston	Mitchell, Albyn C.	Newberg
Kirchner, George C.	Kingston	Mulford, Charles	Glasco
Klemmer, George	Hudson	Mayer, Frederick	Kingston

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Kelly, James	Kingston	Murray, Frank	Croton-on- Hudson
Keene, Alfred M.	Yonkers	Mc Vey, John	Kingston
Kidd, James H. Y.	Newburgh	Mc Donald, Charles	South Rondout

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Mc Elrath, William	Kingston	Snyder, Edward C.	Saugerties
Mc Laughlin, Dennis	Saugerties	Stahl, Rudolph J.	Catskill
Nestell, Irving L.	Kingston	Sherman, Wm. P.	Wappingers Falls
Newkirk, George W.	Kingston	Schmidt, A. J.	Spring Valley
Osborn, James B.	Poughkeepsie	Teller, James	Saugerties
Ohley, Henry A.	Saugerties	Thompson, Edgar F.	Kingston
Obert, Joseph	Catskill	Timmons, Thomas	Peekskill
O'Shea, John L.	Kingston	Townsend, William B.	W. Coxsackie
O'Donnell, John	Poughkeepsie	Thompson, Lewis A.	Poughkeepsie
O'Bierne, Thomas T.	White Plains	Tremper, Charles L.	Ravena
Port, Jacob C.	Kingston	Turner, Hiram	Haverstraw
Penny, James C.	Kingston	Thomas, Joseph	Poughkeepsie
Penny, William H.	Kingston	Tierney, Thomas	Haverstraw
Price James W.	Hillburn	Underhill, Frank V.	Saugerties
Plough, Joseph L.	Kingston	Veach, Jerome E.	Poughkeepsie
Post, Elliott E.	Catskill	Van Buskirk, Herbert C.	Saugerties
Plass, Abram F.	Kingston	Van Anden, William C.	Kingston
Peelor, Philip R.	Madalin	Van Loan, William T.	Athens
Pierce, A. W.	West Coxsackie	Van Valkenburgh, Cecil	Catskill
Pratt, William H.	Kingston	Walter, Fred J.	Kingston
Porter, Henry R.	Suffern	Walter, William F.	Kingston
Powers, John P.	Ossining	Walter, Charles F.	Kingston
Randolph, Theodore	Suffern	Wilcox, Howard	Catskill
Roe, Augustus	Kingston	Weber, Theodore	Kingston
Rush, Hubert C.	Kingston	Wallace, Charles S.	Newburgh
Reynolds, Martin S.	Peekskill	Wilbur, Howard	Catskill
Roberts, William	Ravena	Wood, James R.	Kingston
Smith, Fred B.	Newburgh	Wachmeyer, George, Jr.	Kingston
Selden, Robert	Catskill	Worf, John	Kingston
Sutton, Frank	Catskill	Whitbeck, Arthur P. W.	Coxsackie
Stephen, Fred J., Jr.	Kingston	Wygant, Fred D.	Saugerties
Schryver, Edgar E.	Kingston	Wilcox, Edward K.	New York
Saxe, Charles L. G.	New York	Woerner, Chris J.	Kingston
Strubel, John L.	Kingston	Ward, Thomas F.	Kingston
Snyder, Bruyn	Kingston	Weber, Frederick	South Rondout
Scott, George H.	Coxsackie	Weiant, Charles A.	Haverstraw
Snyder, J. Charles	Kingston	Wilbur, Charles	Saugerties
Sheridan, John	Kingston	Wicks, T. J.	Haverstraw
Sudheimer, Fred	Kingston	Woodard, Albert E.	Mount Vernon
Schuler, O. Frank	Kingston	Ziegler, William	Saugerties
		Zipfel, Herman M., Jr.	Kingston

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Active Hose	Rosendale
Booth Hose	Poughkeepsie
Cordts Hose	Kingston
Citizen's Hose	Catskill
Coxsackie Hose	West Coxsackie
Clinton Hose	Kingston
Clinton H. & L. Co.	Mount Vernon
Columbian H. & L.	Croton-on-Hudson
Citizens Hose	Rensselaer
Columbian Engine	Peekskill
Chemical Engine	Croton-on-Hudson
Columbia Hose	Mt. Vernon
Cosgriff Hose	Haverstraw
City Hose	Yonkers
Chanler H. & L.	Red Hook
Davy Crockett H. & L.	Poughkeepsie
Department Fund Association	Kingston
DePeyster Hose	Tivoli
DePeyster H. & L.	Tivoli
Excelsior Hose	Kingston
Exempt Firemen's Asso	Kingston
Exempt Firemen's Asso	Saugerties
Evans H. & L.	Hudson
Engine Company No. 3	Mt. Vernon
Edmonds Hose	Hudson
Enterprise Steamer	Walden
Fearless H. & L.	Walden
Fire Patrol	Mt. Vernon
Fire Patrol	White Plains
Firemen's Asso. ,	Greene Co.
Garner Engine	Wappingers Falls
General Warren Hose	Haverstraw
Hasbrouck Engine	South Rondout
Highland Hose	Highland
Hope H. & L.	Yonkers
Hamilton Steamer	Coxsackie
	Hudson

ROLL OF DELEGATES

William G. Quinn
 Geo. Nagengast
 Peter Lemmersdorf
 Harper Winchell
 Elmer Stone
 Homer A. Davis
 Stephen Preston, Jr.
 Milton Blinkie
 Albert Weinmann
 Augustus Tompkins
 S. B. Lounsbury
 Ernest W. Stelz
 Lonis F. Rembe
 P. H. Dalton
 Leonard Mattice
 Edward J. Wolff
 Ira P. Lowe
 Edwin L. Boice
 Edward Feller
 Oscar Fischang
 Joseph J. Tubby
 Samuel J. Adams
 Charles V. S. Harder
 Charles H. Buckley
 Herbert Fleahman
 Edward Craft
 Thomas Vernoy
 W. H. Flandreau
 Brainard P. Emery
 Edwin C. Hallenbeck

 George Mardorf
 Christian Kuhl
 John J. Clearwater
 Isaac S. Lawrence
 John H. Longthen
 Guy Mc Clusky

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Hope Engine	White Plains
Hope Steamer	Troy
Hallock Hose	Liberty
Howland Chemical Engine	Mechanicville
Hunter Hose	Hunter
Hill H. & L.	Rensselaer
Independent Engine	White Plains
Johnson Engine	Wappingers Falls
Jackson Engine	Tarrytown

William A. Hanson
 Charles Schermerhorn
 Milton J. Mc Gibbon
 George W. Conley
 Burdette Greene
 George H. Welfing
 Edward J. Mc Kee

 Henry Schuler

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Kip Hose	Rhinebeck	Jacob Sleight
Knickerbocker Engine	Rockland Lake	Raymond H. Brinkerhoff
Lady Washington Hose	Poughkeepsie	Wm. E. Slater
Laflin Hose	Saugerties	Frank Martin
Lawson Hose	Newburg	Dudley Van Duzer
Mulford Engine	Glasco	John Arold
Morgan Hose	Coxsackie	William F. Shields
Moore Hose	Kingston	Alfred K. Steeger
Mountaineer Engine	Yonkers	George Van Wart
Niagara Hose	Mt. Vernon	Earl Scullen
New City Fire Engine	New City	
Nanuet Fire	Nanuet	G. P. Hammond
Ormsbee Engine	Tivoli	H. S. Herrick
Osgood Steamer	Troy	William Gentleman
Osborn Hose	Catskill	James Dunn
Orange Hose	Walden	
Palmer Engine & Hose	Kinderhook	
Pocahontas Engine & Truck	Rhinebeck	
Philmont Volunteer Hose	Philmont	John P. Stall
Phoenix Hose	Hudson	Isaac Reid
Phoenix Hose	Tarrytown	
Phoenix Hose	Poughkeepsie	
Protection Engine	Mount Vernon	Charles K. Searles
Ravena Hose	Ravena	Jerome Bailey
Rescue H. & L.	Kingston	Thomas Sutton

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Relief Hose	Haverstraw	James Gourley
Rescue Hose	North Tarrytown	Garrett Jones
Rescue H. & L.	Haverstraw	Charles S. Sloat
Riverside Hose	Tarrytown	Charles Galliager
Rapid Hose	Kingston	Richard K. Fox
Rescue H. & L.	Athens	Erastus Dumary
Scott H. & L.	Coxsackie	James D. McKay
Snyder Hose	Saugerties	Michael Fitzgerald
Scoresby Hose & H. & L.	Ellenville	C. G. A. Fischer
Suffern H. & L.	Suffern	
Strang Hose	Mechanicsville	William H. Benham
Storm King	Cornwall-on-Hudson	Walter S. Bronsveld
Twaafskill Hose	Kingston	George Schick
Ulster H. & L.	New Paltz	Van Derhi Pine
Union H. & L.	White Plains	John Emberson
Veteran Firemen's Association	Poughkeepsie	Joseph Bernt
Veteran Vol. Firemen's Asso	Kingston	Wm. H. Smith
Volunteer Hose	Suffern	Frank E. Wiley

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Wiltwyck Hose & Truck	Kingston	Howard Weist
Weber Hose	Kingston	Martin Mayer
Washington H. & L.	Saugerties	John Weinand
Weiner Hose	Kingston	S. Girard Canfield, Jr.
Wiley Hose	Catskill	Lester Hardwick
Washington Hose	Hudson	Charles E. Kendall
Young America Hose	Poughkeepsie	William Hanomann

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS ADOPTED AT NEWBURGH, 1897

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. – Name

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

ARTICLE II.

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

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

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

Section 4. The annual dues shall be \$2 for each organization and \$1 for each member; and each organization and member, once admitted, may retain membership in this Association, as provided by this Constitution and By-Laws, so long as their annual dues are paid. The Annual

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dues shall be paid by or before the Tuesday preceding the holding of the annual convention. All members failing to comply with this section shall be dropped from the roll of membership, and shall be reinstated only upon a new application, or the payment of all arrearages of dues to the time of such reinstatement

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

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, a Vice-President from each county represented in the Association (who shall hold office in seniority of election), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and Executive Committee of six members, and an Auditing Committee of three members. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, at the annual meeting, by a majority vote of the members present. The Executive Committee and the Auditing Committee shall be

appointed by the newly-elected President. All of said officers shall take office immediately upon the adjournment of the convention at which they are elected or appointed, and shall hold office for one year or until their successors shall be elected or appointed.

Section 2. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Committee, and the President and Secretary shall be *ex-officio* Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of such Committee.

ARTICLE IV. – DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

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

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all proceedings of the Association and of the Executive Committee to receive and answer all communications relating to the Association to

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collect all money due to the Association and render a monthly report of the same to the Treasurer, paying over to the Treasurer the amount received during the month (for which payment shall take a receipt from the Treasurer), keep correct accounts of his financial transactions, and countersign all orders upon the Treasurer, after approval by the Auditing Committee; make full reports at the annual meetings of the Association as to membership, and perform such other duties or make such reports as may be required of him by the President or Executive Committee; to issue to each and every organization paying annual dues a printed card of certificate, showing that the possessor thereof is entitled to a badge and such other privileges as may be presented by the Citizen's Committee, where conventions are held, and upon the surrender of said card or certificate to the local committee in some room apart from the Convention Hall, the badge shall be delivered without a roll-call. Not later than the Tuesday preceeding the convention the Secretary shall procure printed lists of all the delegates and members who are by the terms of the Constitution and By-Laws entitled to a seat in the convention, and shall cause such lists to be placed in the delegates seats prior to the opening of the convention. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President. He shall receive the sum of \$100 per year for the faithful performance of his duties.

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

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

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

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

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

Section 7. The Secretary of the Association shall have a credit with the Treasurer not exceeding fifty dollars in any one year, which may be drawn out of the treasury upon his own order, and is not subject to the restrictions of Section 3 of Article 4; this provision being made for the purpose of liquidating the urgent and necessary expenses of the Secretary incurred for this Association; and the Secretary shall account for the same as required under Section 2 of Article IV.

ARTICLE V. - MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday in June, in each year, at 10 A. M. at such place as a majority of members present at the preceeding annual meeting shall have designated, provided, however, that it shall not be held in one county more than once in three years, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee.

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE VI. -AMENDMENTS, ALTERNATIONS AND REVISIONS.

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

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

BY-LAWS

Section 1. Honorary members may be elected by *viva voce* vote their names being presented to the Association for acceptance. Such members may speak on any subject before the convention, but shall not be entitled to a vote, not be eligible to office.

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

Section 3. Any questions before the convention for which no provision is made in the Constitution and By-laws shall be decided in accord with the rules laid down in Cushing's Manual.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS MORNING SESSION.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION

1. Report of the Committee on Credentials.
2. Roll call.
3. Reading of Minutes of Last Convention.
4. Annual Address of the President.
5. Report of Executive Committee.
6. Report of Auditing Committee.
7. Reports of Special Committees.
8. Report of Secretary.
9. Report of Treasurer.
10. Reading of Communications.
11. Topics and Essays.
12. New Business.
13. Designation of Place to Hold Next Convention.
13. Election of Officers for Ensuing Year.
15. Unfinished Business.
16. Adjournment.

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

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

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119. Picture of a stream. [illustration]

120. Picture of a stream with bridge. [illustration]

121. Picture of two men fishing. [illustration]

122. Death of T. A. Raymond, hand dated 1906.

Thomas A. Raymond, who was president of the New York State Firemen's Association in 1881 and 1882, died at Binghamton, N. Y., January 12, aged 54. Few men were better known in the fire service of this State during the eighties and nineties. He was a native of Corning, N. Y., and served a number of years as a member of Alert Hose Co. of the old volunteer department of Rochester. He was a journalist by profession, but was at one time principal of the Academy at Avon, this State; professor of sciences at Genesee and Wyoming Academy; was connected with the Rochester school system, and later became Deputy Collector of Customs in that city. Subsequently he entered commercial life as a fire hose salesman. He was connected with Rochester newspapers and THE FIREMAN'S HERALD. A widow and daughter survive him. [illustration]

123. The late Thomas E. Raymond was buried in the firemen's lot in Rochester, N. Y., by the firemen of that city.

124. Fireman's Herald, January 27, 1906. Five Firemen Lost at Haverstraw.

The Haverstraw, N. Y., fire department lost five firemen in the calamity of Monday night, January 8, when the houses went down with the landslide and took fire from stoves and lamps. The names of the men are: Jos. Albert of General Warren Hose Co. No. 2; Abie Diaz, Benjamin Nelson and Wm. Hughes, of Cosgriff Hose Co.; Lawrence Manion, of Lady Warren Hose Co. No. 5. The bodies have all be [sic] found except Manion's and men are digging yet in the ruins. [illustration]

125. Saugerties Post, Mar. 31, 1906. Hudson Valley Firemen. Getting Ready for the Convention and Parade in June Next.

The executive committee of the H. V. V. F. A. held a meeting at Rensselaer last Thursday to perfect arrangements for the annual convention and parade of the Association in June next. Those present were Ernest Hassinger, of this village, Charles Higham of Middletown, Walter H. Flandreau of Mount Vernon, Richard Hallenbeck, of Hudson, and Denton C. Anderson of Poughkeepsie. The only absentee being John L. O'Shea, of Kingston. The reports received by the committee from the firemen of Rensselaer show that everything points to a most successful gathering of the visiting firemen on the appointed day and that everything possible for their comfort and enjoyment on that occasion has been carefully looked after. No doubt the affair will prove to be a most memorable one in the annals of the Association.

126. Saugerties Post, April 2, 1906. In Firemen's Interest. Governor Signs a Bill Which Will Benefit Them. Governor Higgins has signed the bill which gives to the estate of a volunteer fireman of any city or village who died in the performance of his duties, the sum of \$500. This is little enough but it is a step in the right direction. As long as volunteer fire departments exist the members have a right to feel that their families will be provided for if they should be killed while doing their firemanic duties. Five hundred dollars, of course, won't [sic] do that, but it will do something and the enactment of the law calls attention to the necessity of some provision for the protection of those dependent upon these men. We can recall no instance of a Saugerties fireman having been killed, but there are a great many cases where they have been injured. We believe the country owes the same duty to these men that it does to a soldier. Fire is a common enemy; the paid department men are well taken care of in the event of accident; no less protection should be given the volunteer department.

127. Alexandra Alix, Czarina of Russia. [illustration]

128. Kingston Leader, Jan 29, 1906. Once Prominent Fireman. Successful in Business but Drink Made Him a Pauper.

People who were familiar with city affairs, particularly aldermen and firemen of some years ago, will recall the personality of Thomas A. Raymond, who was always a prominent figure at firemen's associations, and as agent for the Fabric Fire Hose Company was ever in evidence when the city required fire hose. Those who knew him well will regret learn that he recently died in the Broome County Poor House at Binghamton. He was familiarly known as "Tom" Raymond. He was a brilliant man and no one ever dreamed that he would fill a pauper's grave.

Thomas A. Raymond was a graduate of the Corning Free Academy, class of 1870. After graduation he was principal of the public schools at Avon, N. Y., and later went into business life. His career as a volunteer fireman made him prominent and very popular. He was at one time a very successful business man. He also was well known as a newspaper correspondent in western New York. He disappeared from public view some 15 years ago and few of his friends knew that he had taken refuge in an almshouse. Drink has made a wreck of Thomas A. Raymond. What an untimely end to such a bright and promising boyhood! Drink carried him to a pauper's grave.

The Fire and Water Engineering of New York in its issue of January 20, contained the following article on Mr. Raymond:

"One of the best equipped men in the fire hose business was Thomas A. Raymond. His early connection with that branch of fire apparatus was eminently successful. For many years he represented the Fabric Fire Hose Company on the road and subsequently became its president. He was well known to all the chiefs throughout the country and was a noted figure at their principal gatherings. Mr. Raymond was a very fluent speaker and his addresses were eloquent and witty. He was instrumental in organizing the Active Fire Company of Rochester and was the president for some years. He was elected president of the New York State Firemen's Association and filled the position with remarkable popularity and success. Mr. Raymond, who was born in Corning, N. Y., received a college education and was well equipped for the offices which he afterward occupied. Of late years he had been gradually descending in the social scale, and a few years ago seemed to have lost all his previous ambition. He finally drifted to Binghamton and soon sought refuge in the poor-house of that city. He was an inmate there for the past 15 years and died in that institution on the 12th inst. To those who were familiar with him in his prosperous days it will be sad news to learn that he fills a pauper's grave. A widow and one daughter survive him. Mr. Raymond possessed many qualities to endear him to those with whom he came in contact, among them that good nature and fellowship which made him a great favorite in his large circle of friends. He had gradually drifted away, however, from their midst and his whereabouts of late was known to few – a sad ending to the career of a man whose beginning was in every way promising and who was possessed of such brilliant attainments."

129. Saugerties Post June 18, 1906. Encampment Officers.

Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F. have elected the following officers: William J. Stewart, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, High Priest; S. F. Bocker, Senior Warden; Jacob Bruckner, Junior Warden; Robert Webber, Recording Scribe; Ernest Hassinger, Financial Scribe; Wm. E. Comfort, Treasurer; S. Yates Knight, Guide; John Lang, Sr., First Guard of Tent; Herman Gleisner, Second Guard of Tent; Robert Espey, Robert Webber and Wm. E. Comfort, Watches.

130. Ernest Hassinger is at Rensselaer, today, attending the executive committee meeting of the H. R. V. V. A. of which he is a member.

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131. Picture - Broadway, South from St. Paul Building ("Grand Canyon"). [illustration]

132. Picture – City Hall and Newspaper Row. [illustration]

133. Picture – The Bowery, From Grand Street to Cooper Union. [illustration]

134. Fredonia Volunteer Fire Department. [illustration]

135. Fourth Annual Washington Hook & Ladder Company No. 1, Most respectfully solicit the pleasure of your company at the Exchange Hotel, Saugerties, on Thursday Evening, January 22nd, 1863.

W. E. Van Buskirk, Sec'y, J. Simmons, Jr. Ch's. Music by Brownsen's Cotillion Band. [illustration]

136. U. S. DISTRICT COURT, Southern District of New York. – In the matter of George Madden of Kingston, Ulster county, N. Y., in said district, bankrupt, No. 9,518.

To the creditors of said above named bankrupt:

Notice is hereby given that on the 15th day of January, 1907, the said George Madden was duly adjudicated bankrupt, and that the first meeting of creditors will be held at the office of Amos Van Etten, referee in bankruptcy, No. 22 Ferry street, Kingston, N. Y., on the 30th day of January 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the proof and allowance of claims, to choose one or more trustees, fix the amount of the trustee's bond, examine the bankrupt if desired, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. Dated January 19th, 1907. Amos Van Etten, Referee in Bankruptcy.

137. Hand dated, Post, Jan 3, 1907. Masonic Officers Installed.

The installation of officers occurred in Ulster lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., Wednesday evening, S. Yates Knight, the retiring master performing the work assisted by Edward Jernegan as marshal. The following are the officers: William G. Sickles, worshipful master; John A. Snyder, senior warden; Robert B. Ballman, junior warden; Charles Blum, treasurer; Charles H. Vedder, secretary; Charles Coon, senior deacon; De Witt Van Buren, junior deacon; Rev. Thomas Bell, chaplain; John Seamon, senior master of ceremonies; A. R. Burhans, junior master of ceremonies; Jacob Bruckner and Byron L. Davis, stewards; Edward Jernagan, marshal; J. W. Frankel, assistant marshal; Jeremiah France, tiler.

138. Saugerties Post, Jan. 3, 1907. Splendidly Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schoeppy splendidly entertained a company of friends at "Orchard Grove Villa," their beautiful home on Barclay Heights, Wednesday evening. A large number of Saugertiesians were guests and they were enthusiastic over the reception they received. A feature of the occasion was the "punch bowl." As host and hostess Mr. and Mrs. Schoeppy made a most favorable impression upon all their friends.

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139. Picture – St. Paul's Chapel and St. Paul Building. [illustration]

140. Picture – New York Chamber of Commerce. [illustration]

141. Hand dated Post, 1906. The Death Record.

Mrs. Rose Van Nattan, wife of William F. Van Natten formerly of this village ___ of Van Natten & Glass, doing business at the corner of North Front and ___n streets, Kingston died at the Benedictine Sanitarium in the above city Tuesday morning. In addition to her husband she leaves a son aged about 12 years. Mrs. Van Natten resided at Woodstock before going to Kingston. Her husband sold out his business there to Jacob D. Wurts. The remains will be brought to Saugerties for interment. ___ funeral will be held at the late residence Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. [left side of article tattered.] [illustration]

142. Hand dated Post, Feb 3, 1906. Encampment Installation.

At the meeting of Thos. Wildey Encampment No. 39, I. O. O. F., Friday evening, the following officers were installed by Past Deputy W. E. Comfort; Chief Patriarch, Wm. Ward; High Priest, James Smith; Recording Scribe, Robert Webber; Financial Scribe, Ernest Hassinger; Treasurer, Wm. E. Comfort; Guards of

the Tent, Herman Gleisner, John Lang; 1st watch, Robt. Espey, 2nd watch, Jacob Bruckner; 3rd watch, A. R. Freese; 4th watch, Wm. MacMullen; Inside Guard, Thomas Tuttle; Guide, Stephen F. Barker. A banquet followed at Ziegler's .

143. Picture – Typical New York Singer Shops (1) 346 Sixth Ave. (2) Broadway and Prince St. (3) 396 Fifth Ave. [illustration]

144. Picture – Broadway, looking north from Ann Street. [illustration]

145. Hand dated Post Jan 3, 1906. Snyder Hose Officers.

The annual meeting of Snyder Hose Co. was held Tuesday evening and the following officers were elected: Jacob Bruckner, president; Chas. Wilbur, vice-president; Wm. Voerge, foreman; Myron Bedell, first asst.; H. T. Keeney, second asst; Ernest Hassinger, secretary; Wm. Ziegler, treasurer; John M. Adams, captain; Thomas Keeley, representative; A. V. Parker, delegate to State F. A.; Geo. H. Quick, alternate; John M. Adams, delegate to H. R. V. V. F. A.; Wm. Voerge, alternate. After the business was concluded the officers elect tendered a banquet at Ziegler's, the band rendering several selections during the consumption of the liquids and solids provided.

146. Saugerties Post, Jan. 16, 1906. The Saugerties Club Officers.

The following officers have been elected in the Saugerties Club: S. M. Gray, president; A. P. Lasher, vice-president; Frank Russell, treasurer; Charles Clum, secretary; Peter Canner and Louis J. Butzel, trustees; Martin Cantine, Peter Canner and George Seamon, house committee; A. P. Lasher, S. M. Gray and E. C. Reid, finance committee.

147. Hand dated Dec 6, 1905. Knights of Pythias Officers.

The annual election of officers in North American Lodge, No. 115, Knights of Pythias, was held Tuesday evening. The following were chosen: Oscar W. Maxwell, C. C.; P. Clyde Hover, V. C; C. E. Hamlin, Prelate; Byron Teetsel, M. of W.; Albert Shear, K. of R. & S.; Edgar Myer, M. of F., Herman Mittrach, M. of E; John Perks, M. of A.; Isaac Lazarus, Trustee; Benj. M. Gillespy, Representative to the Grand Lodge; L. H. Kleeber, Proxy Representative.

148. Hand dated Dec 6, 1905. Veterans Nominate.

At the meeting of J. R. Tappan Post, No. 215, G. A. R. held Tuesday evening, the following officers were nominated to serve for 1906. George E. Carnright, commander; Abram Turck, senior vice-commander; George F. Freligh, junior vice-commander; C. F. Van Keuren, adjutant; J. Smith Elmendorf, quartermaster; A. A. Post, officer of the day; Wm. H. Burhans, officer of guard; John Simmons, surgeon; E. L. Quick, chaplain; George W. Cole, quartermaster sergeant.

149. Hand dated Dec 6, 1905. The Knights of St. John.

The election of officers in St. Mary's Commandery, No. 145, Knights of St. John, took place Tuesday evening. The officers selected for the next year are as follows: William F. Keenan, president; John McCarthy, first vice-president; Richard Powers, second vice-president; Frank D. Martin, recording secretary; Joseph Sweeney, financial secretary; Edward Lawler, treasurer; Charles Dale, trustee one year; John McCormick, captain; William R. Johnson, first lieutenant; William J. Gordon, second lieutenant. Rev. John J. Mc Cabe was elected spiritual advisor of the Commandery and at the conclusion of the election, delivered a very pleasing and instructive address.

150. Saugerties Post, June 25, 1906. A Generous Gift.

Hon. Robert A. Snyder, with his characteristic generosity, has presented Snyder Hose Co. Band with a

check for \$25. Mr. Snyder in whose honor the company is named attended the minstrel performance of the band last week and was so well pleased that he sent the check in appreciation of the boys' work.

151. Saugerties Post, June 25, 1906. New Fire Company.

Judge Betts has approved the certificate of incorporation of Hose Co. No. 1, of Cementon, (Smith's Landing.) The company is organized for the purpose of protection from fire, and its work will be confined principally to Cementon and the town of Catskill, Greene county. There are twelve directors. They are George McEvory, Clinton H. Moon, John H. Lewis, Michael P. McCabe, Jacob Krom, Michael Rooke, Tripo Kristovich, Christ Schlenker, William Davis, Michael Korejwo, Charles L. Ward and Herman C. Cowan, all of Cementon.

152. Saugerties Post, May 26, 1906. Pidgeon Property Sold.

At a bankrupt sale of the property of Mary E. Pidgeon, of this village, at the court house in Kingston this morning, all of the real estate was purchased by Samuel M. Gray for the First National bank for \$10, subject to the mortgage held by the bank and taxes. All the other property consisting of road making machinery, etc., was purchased by a man named Hall, of Summit, N. J. for \$2500. W. D. Brinnier had charge of the sale.

153. Orange 10 cent US postage stamp. [illustration]

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154. Record of Contests for America Cup.

Won by schooner America in a race around the Isle of Wight, finishing at Cowes, against thirteen British yachts, August, 22, 1851.

1870 – Won by Magic against Cambria.

1876 – Won by Madeline against Countess of Dufferin.

1881 – Won by Mischief against Atalanta.

1885 – Won by Puritan against Genesta.

1886 – Won by Mayflower against Galaten.

1887 – Won by Volunteer against Thistle.

1893 – Won by Vigilant against Valkyrie.

1895 – Won by Defender against Valkyrie II.

1899 – Won by Columbia against Shamrock I.

Only once has a race of a series been won by a challenger. This was in the case of the Livonia, which took one race of the five sailed.

155. Kingston Leader, Dec 23, 1901. Saugerties Sensation.

Miss Bertha Carnwright Found in a Well. Said That She Attempted to Commit Suicide. Became Despondent Over a Broken Engagement.

While a number of girls employed in the bindery of the Saugerties Manufacturing Company were returning home from work on Friday night, they heard cries of "help" from the rear of the Congregational Church. On investigation they discovered a girl in the well, Miss Bertha Carnwright, daughter of Ezra Carnwright. Men were quickly summoned, a rope lowered and the girl was rescued. As soon as rescued she became unconscious.

Some are of the opinion that Miss Carnwright attempted to commit suicide, owing to being despondent over breaking her engagement with John A. Green. Others think that she fell in the well. However, the water in the well was only three feet deep. One of the buckets was missing and a large knot had been tied in the end of the rope to prevent it from slipping through the wheel. If Miss Carnwright was bent on suicide likely she lowered herself in the well, but as the water was cold and shallow, she probably soon changed

her mind.

Considerable excitement was created in the village over the affair, many blaming Green for all the trouble. For years Miss Carnwright and Green kept company. Their engagement was announced in 1900. Several times, it is said, a date was fixed for the wedding. Always, however, it was postponed by Green for some excuse. Last week the engagement was broken. Miss Carnwright claimed Green was untrue, devoting his attention to other girls.

156. Hand dated 1902. Royal Arcanum in Prosperous Condition.

A Joint Commission from Massachusetts and Connecticut Shows a Fine Balance in the Good.

Boston, Jan. 8 – The joint commission from Massachusetts and Connecticut, appointed to examine into the financial condition of the Royal Arcanum at the request of that organization, presented its report to the Insurance Commissioner to-day. As to its standing on November 30, 1901, the report shows:

Total assets	\$ 8,617,912
Disbursements	2,200,410
Total liabilities	685,000
Amount in reserve fund	1,556,014

157. Kingston – It's History. Old Senate House. [illustration]

158. Picture – Ulster County Court House. [illustration]

159. Picture - Carriage of Wiltwyck Hose Company. [illustration]

160. The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. [Letterhead]

Joseph C. Hurley, President	Ernest Hassinger, Treasurer	Charles G. Coffin, Secretary
Kingston, N. Y.	Saugerties, N. Y.	Catskill, N. Y.
Vice-Presidents		Executive Committee
George W. Vedder		H. Dwight Laflin
Patrick Byron	The Hudson Valley	George H. Scott
Emory E. Briggs		Irving L. Nestell
Henry A. Ohley	Volunteer Firemen's Association	Charles L. Mac Arthur
Eben Utter		Fred. S. Bieber
Charles S. Stickle		Thomas Timmons
James A. Goldschmid		
William H. Hallock		

161. Secretary John H. Polker, Northwestern Ohio Association. [illustration]

162. Secretary Henry Fox, Charlestown Veterans. [illustration]

163. A. R. Canfield, Michigan Association. [illustration]

164. President Henry S. Pike, Charlestown Veterans. [illustration]

165. President L. L. Thompson, Michigan Association. [illustration]

166. Keeler, N. Y. Amer. [illustration] [William Henry Keeler, 1872-1923, ed]

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167. Picture – Kingston Savings Bank, Chartered 1874, 273 Wall Street, Kingston, N. Y. [illustration]

168. Picture – New York State Armory. [illustration]

169. Picture – City of Kingston's Alms House. [illustration]

170. Picture – County Clerk's Office. [illustration]

171. Louis P. Crauer, Foreman of Phoenix Hose, No. 1 Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [illustration]

172. Picture – The subject of the above picture of John L. O'Shea, who is one of the best known firemen in the Hudson Valley. He formerly lived at Hudson and removed to Kingston in 1890. He is an ardent fireman, being a member of the Hudson Valley Association, the Tri-County Association, the State Firemen's Association and Wiltwyck Hose Company. For two years he was Assistant Chief Engineer of the Kingston Fire Department. Socially, he belongs to the Elks, C. M. B. A., A. O. H., and other organizations. His café, at the corner of North Front and Crown Streets, is the leading café of the city. Mr. O'Shea is popular with everyone who has ever met him. He extends a hearty welcome to all visiting firemen to call on him. [illustration]

173. For County Treasurer, Josiah J. Hasbrouck. [illustration]

174. W. R. Spooner. [illustration]

175. Will Bulletin the Games.

Ernest Hassinger will bulletin the result of the Hudson Valley League games at his store on Partition street, evenings, hereafter.

176. Hand dated Sept 22, 1903, Post. Mrs. Joseph Wolven, of Mellenville is visiting at Ernest Hassinger's Lafayette street.

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177. The 1901 Officers of H. V. V. F. A.

F. Byron, Troy; H. A. Ohley, Saugerties; Chas. G. Coffin, Catskill; E. Hassinger, Saugerties; C. B. Stickles, Tivoli; Jas. A. Goldsmith, Haverstraw, G. W. Vedder, Philmont; Jos. Hurley, Kingston; W. H. Hallock, Newburgh; E. Utter, Peekskill. [illustration]

178. Kingston Fire Department. Rodney A. Chipp, Edward Jung, Geo. Wachmeyer, Jr. [his picture has been removed] Chas. A. Mills, Hubert Rush, C. L. Quackenbush, William Heybruck. [illustration]

179. Thomas Honohan, Secretary, 1897. [illustration]

180. John F. Schlosser, President, 1897. [illustration]

181. George H. Scott, Treasurer, 1897. [illustration]

182. P resident J. H. Cunningham, Maryland Association. [illustration]

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183. Saugerties Post, April 6, 1901. A Compromise was Effected On the Village Lighting Question. Electric Rail Road Franchise Asked For and a Public Meeting Will be Held.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, April 5, 1901.

All the Directors present. President Rowe presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Motion that the report of the president in regard to sending communications to Saugerties Gas Co. and John Maxwell, lamp lighter, be stricken from the minutes. Motion resulted in tie.

The following petition was read:

To the Honorable, the Directors of the Village of Saugerties;

We, the subscribers, residents and taxpayers of the village of Saugerties, N. Y., hereby petition your Honorable Board to grant to the undersigned, their heirs, assigns and successors, the right and privilege to erect poles in the streets and alleys of the village of Saugerties, and to place thereon wires, for the purpose of conducting electricity for lighting and heating and power purposes, and for the purpose of operating an electric railway, in, upon and through the streets of said village, and for the last named purpose we petition for the right to use the streets of such village to lay down and maintain tracks for said electric railway. Albert Carnright, James T. Maxwell.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Dated Saugerties, N. Y., April 5th, 1901.

Motion that the above be referred to legal committee. Vote resulted in a tie.

Motion that a franchise be granted to Albert Carnright and Jas. T. Maxwell. Vote resulted in a tie.

J. W. Frankel, representative of Washington H. & L. Co., was present and asked permission to take their truck to Kingston on the occasion of the Hudson River Firemen's Tournament. On motion request was granted.

Application was read from the Oak Hill Traction Co., asking permission to build and operate an electric railroad from Long Dock to West Shore R. R.

Motion that the application be received and the clerk be instructed to advertise for a public hearing at the next meeting of the Board, April 19, 1901. Carried.

Mr. John Gordon was present and stated that water was running down Dock street, and doing considerable damage to his property. Above matter referred to street committee.

Street committee reported that the damage to roads and crosswalks had been repaired.

Motion that the crusher committee be empowered to put crusher in proper order and have road roller painted. Carried.

Exemption certificates were granted to Edgar Morgan and Henry Schneider.

Communication was received from Washington H. & L. stating they had expelled Geo. Gippert for non payment of dues.

Motion that the action of Washington H. & L. Co. be approved. Carried.

Bills ordered paid:

Myron Bedell, supplies,	\$.45
R. S. Gibson, supplies,	1.05

HEALTH FUND

Luther Hommel, supplies,	\$16.77
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Bills ordered certified to by finance committee and paid when funds:

GENERAL FUND

Francis Murphy, repair of nozzle and fountain,	\$ 1.35
John G. Palmer, janitor,	24.00
F. L. Osterhoudt, service work 3 months and sundries,	26.00
Thos. V. Bradley, washing hose,	1.50
Wm. Mc Cormick, washing hose,	1.50
Saugerties C. & L. Co., coal and lumber,	70.91

ROAD FUND

Wm. Dixon, 6½ days labor,	\$9.75
Robt. Casey, 6 ½ " "	9.75
Thos. Snyder, 2 ½ " "	3.75
Wm. Mitchell, 2 " "	3.00
Wm. Doyle, team, 1 ½ days,	6.75
Edward Bates, 1 month's salary,	29.16

Motion that the Board proceed to an informal ballot for assessor in Ward No. 1, in place of Chas. E. Cornwell, deceased. Carried.

Informal ballot resulted:

R. S. Gibson	3
Edward Rogers	3

1st Formal ballot:

R. S. Gibson	3
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Edward Rogers 3

2nd Formal ballot:

R. S. Gibson 3

Edward Rogers 3

Motion that the matter of appointing assessor be laid on the table until next meeting. Carried.

Mr. Ziegler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the president be authorized to sign a three years' contract with the Saugerties Gas Co. to light the 48 gas lights, and with the Saugerties Electric Light Co. for 71 16 c. p. electric light to take the place of the oil lamps. The price is to be 13 dollars, per year, for each light, they to pay all cost of installation, lighting and repair lights to be lighted all night and every night, and that any of the candle power of the electric light may be changed at the option of the board. Motion that the above be adopted. Vote resulted in a tie.

The following bid from the Saugerties Gas Co. was read:

To the Honorable, The Directors of the Village of Saugerties:

Gentlemen:

The Saugerties Gas Light Co. herewith submit the following proposal for lighting the Village streets:

It will light the streets of this village with seventy one oil lamps and forty-eight gas lamps, furnishing oil for the oil lamps and illuminating gas for the gas lamps, lighting and extinguishing the same. The gas lamps to be lighted at twilight and extinguished at day break, and to burn each and every night in the year. The oil lamps to be lighted extinguished and in all respects to burn in the same way and manner as heretofore for the sum of fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars per year for the term of one year, or proportionately for any part thereof, payable in equal monthly installments, commencing from the date of contract.

The Saugerties Gas Light Co.

By Albert Carnwright, Pres.

Dated Saugerties, April 5th, 1901.

No action taken.

Resolved, That the president be authorized to sign a two years contract with the Saugerties Gas Co. to light the 48 gas lights and with the Saugerties Electric Light Co., for 71, 16 c. p. lights to take the place of the oil lamps. The price of \$13 dollars per year for each light, they to pay all cost of installation, lighting and repair lights, to be lighted all night and every night, and that any of the candle power of the electric lights may be changed at the option of the board.

Motion that the above be adopted. Carried

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Board adjourned.

F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk

184. Hand dated Aug 5, 1904. William Mould, this afternoon, received from sewer man Watson, the first shovelful of dirt from the excavations. Mr. Watson received one dollar from Mr. Mould.

185. Saugerties Post, July 5, 1901. Our Trolley Road Prospects. They are Now Rosier Than Ever.

The Catskill Mountain Traction Co. Who Will Operate it Incorporated With Capital of \$300,000.

The prospects for Saugerties having a trolley road are rosier than ever, and it is confidently believed that it will soon be a reality. The matter of securing a franchise has been pending some time, and now that the company, who desire to operate it are incorporated, the matter will be pushed for an early completion. The papers of incorporation the Catskill Mountain Traction Company, with a capital of \$300,000, were filed with the Secretary of State, on Wednesday.

They intend to construct a street surface electric road, fifteen miles long, from the steamboat dock and lighthouse in Saugerties to a point where the railroad of the Otis Elevating Railroad Company intersects the public highway running from Palenville to Cairo. The promoters of the road expect to shorten by an

hour and a half the running time between New York city and the Catskill Mountain resorts. The directors are: H. A. Tucker, A. E. Walradt, G. S. Darwin, R. C. McCormick, J. M. Keatinge, Charles P. Blaney, Joseph Kelly, H. F. Lee, G. Louis Meade, of New York city. Now that the initial step has been taken we hope that everything will be favorable for the building of the road. Everyone concedes that the shortest way to reach the Catskills is via Saugerties and the people here are anxious to lend their aid toward the success of the road. Its advent will mean much to Saugerties and her business, as well as other interests, will necessarily be enhanced.

186. Kingston Leader, Jul 18. Railroad Officers Elected.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company, held at their office in Saugerties Saturday July 13, the following officers were chosen: President, Robert N. Jackson, of Middletown, Conn.; vice president, D. G. Gale, Jr., of Saugerties; secretary, Eben Jackson of New York city; treasurer, Lee J. Lockwood of New York city.

187. Some Tall Talking.

There was some tall talking at the trolley hearing Monday evening in which Hon. Charles Davis, officer D. E. Abeel and Lawyers W. D. Brinnier and Carroll Whitaker participated, some of it being decidedly personal. The crowd showed which way they were inclined when the vote on the resolution was taken. They were nearly a unit for the Catskill Mountain Co., believing that there is an occult hand in the affairs of the other company.

188. Saugerties Post, Aug. 1, 1901. Application Withdrawn.

The Saugerties & Palenville Railroad Co. have withdrawn their application for a franchise to operate an electric railroad through the streets of the village, Mayor Rowe receiving word from the company to that effect Wednesday afternoon.

189. Hand dated Post, Jan 2, 1903.

The Board of Directors have granted a franchise to the Ulster Heat, Light and Power Company by a unanimous vote. This is the company recently organized that absorbed the electric light plant now in operation.

190. A New Company.

The Board of Directors of the Saugerties & Palenville Railroad Co. include John W. Searing, D. G. Gale, Jr., Martin Cantine and T. Y. R. Brown. H. T. Caswell is also interested. Robert N. Jackson, president of the Middlesex Banking Co., of Middletown, Conn., is the principal backer of the enterprise. Should they be granted a franchise they will extend the road to Glasco and possibly Malden.

191. Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties, N. Y., on the 5th day of July, 1901, that an application in writing has been made to the said Board of Directors by the Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company for consent and permission to construct, maintain and operate a street surface railroad for public use in, through, upon and along the surface of the following streets, avenues and highways of the said village of Saugerties:

Beginning at the Long Dock or wharf on the west side of the Hudson River in the village of Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., thence over private right of way to the easterly end of Ferry street, thence through Ferry street to Burt street, thence through Burt street to private right of way to the easterly end of East Bridge street, thence through East Bridge to the Iron Bridge over the Esopus creek, thence over the same to West Bridge street, through West Bridge street to McCarthy street, through McCarthy street to Partition street, through Partition through to Main street, through Main street to Market street, through Market street to

Ulster avenue, and through Market [sic] street to the village line, and also through Burt street from the south end thereof at the village line to Barclay street, through Barclay street to Church street, through Church street to Hill street, and through Hill street to the iron Bridge at the junction of Hill and East Bridge streets.

And that the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties, will meet at the Directors' Room, Fireman's Hall, in said village of Saugerties, Ulster Co., N. Y., on the twenty-second day of July, 1901, at 8 o'clock p. m. of that day, at which time and place the said application of the said Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company will first be considered by the said Board of Directors, and all persons may be heard relative thereto. Dated July 6th, 1901

Albert Rowe, President.

F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk.

192. Public Notice.

Public notice is hereby given, pursuant to the directions contained in a resolution duly adopted on the 5th day of July, 1901, by the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties, County of Ulster, State of New York, that an application in writing has been made to said Board by The Catskill Mountain Traction Company, for permission to construct, maintain, use and operate a street surface railroad for public use, in, through, upon and along the surface of streets, avenues and highways, as follows:

Starting at the United States Light House at the entrance of the Esopus Creek, over private right of way to the corporate limits of the Village of Saugerties on the highway known as the road to Lower Landing, through, over and along said highway to its intersection with Church Street to its intersection with Washington Street, through, over and along Washington Street to its intersection with Russell Street, through, over and along Russell Street to its intersection with Partition Street; also commencing on Mynderse Street at its intersection with the road to Lower Landing, through, over and along said highway to its intersection with Main Street, through, over and along Main Street to its intersection with Market Street, through, over and along Market Street to its intersection with Ulster Avenue, through, over and along Ulster Avenue to the corporate limits; also on Partition street at its intersection with Main street. through, over and along Partition street to its intersection with McCarthy street, through, over and along McCarthy street, to its intersection with West Bridge street, through, over and along West Bridge street, to the iron bridge of the town of Saugerties, over the said bridge to East Bridge street, through over and along East Bridge street to the docks of the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company; also on the Dock Road at the intersection with Partition street, through, over and along the Dock Road to its intersection with Ripley street, through over and along Ripley street to East Bridge street.

Notice is therefore, hereby given, that the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties will convene at Fireman's Hall, in the Village of Saugerties, N. Y., on the twenty-second day of July, 1901, at eight o'clock p. m., of that day, at which time and place the aforesaid application will first be considered by the said Board of Directors, and all persons who desire may be heard relative there to. Dated July 5th, 1901

Albert Rowe, President.

F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk.

193. Charles A. Weiant, of Haverstraw secretary of the H. V. V. F. A., was the guest of President Hassinger Monday.

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194. Saugerties Post, July 6, 1901. 2 Companies Want to Build. Trolley Roads from Here to Palenville. Applications Made at the Meeting of the Board of Directors on Friday evening.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening July 5, 1901. Directors present – Rowe, McLaughlin, McCormick, Russell and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

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J. W. Searing and D. J. Gale, Jr., representing the Saugerties and Palenville Traction Co. was present and presented an application asking permission to build and operate an electric railroad through the village streets.

Motion that the Board advertise for a public hearing on the above matter, July 19, 1901. Carried.

Motion that the application of the Oak Hill Traction Co. be laid over until next regular meeting. Carried.

Application was read from the Catskill Mountain Traction Co., asking permission to build and operate an electric railroad through the village streets.

Motion that the Board advertise for a public hearing on the above matter at the next regular meeting, July 19, 1901. Carried.

Motion that the motion of a public hearing July 19, 1901, be reconsidered. Carried.

Motion that the public hearing be held on July 22, 1901. Carried.

Petition was read from Christ Huberts stating that he wished to set curb and gutter along his property, on Mill street, and asked Board to give him a grade.

Communication was read from the Saugerties Improvement Society asking the Board to enforce the ordinances and gather up the garbage once a week.

Motion that the above be laid on the table for investigation. Carried.

John Rovegno, representing Laflin Hose Co., was present and asked the Board to repair interior of Engine House No. 2.

Above matter referred to firemanic committee.

Communication was read from J. E. T. Bowden, mayor of Jacksonville, Fla., asking Board to contribute towards the building of the Methodist church.

Motion that the above be laid on the table. Carried.

Communication was read from W. R. Crump asking Board to grant him exemption papers.

Motion that the clerk notify Mr. Crump to put his application in the form of an affidavit according to law.

Street committee reported progress on the matter of repairing Ulster avenue.

Motion that the president be empowered to employ a surveyor to furnish property owners on Washington avenue, Mill street, and West Bridge streets, with grade for curb and gutter. Carried.

Motion that Hill street be covered with crushed stone from the bridge to Mr. Battelle's. Carried.

Motion that the street commissioner be instructed to place stone chips on the Dock road. Carried.

Motion that the street commissioner be instructed to arrange for getting out shale. Carried.

Firemanic committee reported progress.

Bills ordered certified to by finance committee and paid when funds.

GENERAL FUND

W. E. Wollen, vital statistics,	\$ 3.00
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ROAD FUND

Robt Casey, labor, 11 days	\$16.50
Wm. Dixon, " 11 "	16.50
Wm. Yanchke, " 11 "	16.50
Wm. Mitchell, " 4 "	6.00
T. Hurley, " 2 "	3.00
Wm. Thumond " 9 ½ "	14.25
Luke Mc Carthy, " 8 "	12.00
Claude Derby, " 9 "	13.50
Edward Bates, salary,	49.50
Fred Yancke, team 11 days,	49.50

Clerk reported having collected \$37.00 for license and \$37.50 for back taxes, and paid same to treasurer.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion, Board adjourned. F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk.

195. Saugerties Post, July 23, 1901. Trolley Road Hearing. Held at Maxwell Opera House Monday Night. The Matter of Granting a Franchise Was Discussed and a Resolution was Adopted Asking the Company to Put Up a Bond.

Adjourned meeting of July 19th, of the Board of Directors held Monday evening, July 22d, at the Directors rooms with all Directors present but Mr. Washburn. President Rowe presiding.

On motion, Jas. Dederick was made clerk pro tem of the meeting.

On motion the tax roll as presented to the board was accepted.

On motion the collector was ordered to advertise the regular notice for the collection of village taxes.

On motion the clerk was ordered to notify Harry Pressler to return his key and badge from Washington H. & L. Co.

Matter of repairs to Barclay street was referred to street committee with power to act.

On motion meeting then adjourned to Maxwell Opera house for a public hearing on the question of granting a franchise to build a trolley road through the village of Saugerties with the Directors there present.

President Rowe stated the object of the meeting, and Mr. J. W. Searing, representing the Saugerties & Palenville R. R. Co., asked a franchise to build a trolley road from the Long Dock, through the village, to extend to the Otis Railway, with a branch to Glasco and named the directors of the company with Mr. R. M. Jackson, of Connecticut, as president, and a number of local Directors, all well known residents of Saugerties and Kingston.

Mr. Keatinge, representing the Catskill Mountain Traction Co., asked that his application for a franchise to build a trolley line through the village of Saugerties to extend to the Otis Railway, be considered absolutely upon its own merits, and not in any way in competition with that of the Saugerties & Palenville Railway Co. The following resolution offered by Mr. Whitaker, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, was read and voted upon by the people and was declared carried:

RESOLVED, It is the sense of this meeting that the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties grant a franchise to the Catskill Mountains Traction Company, to construct, maintain, use and operate a street surface railroad, for public use, in through, upon and along the surface of the streets of the Village of Saugerties, as applied for, due regard being had to the interests of this Village; upon the condition that said Traction Company deposit with the Treasurer of the Village of Saugerties the sum of Five thousand dollars, in cash, within thirty days from this date, under a written agreement with the Board of Directors of said Village, which agreement shall provide that said sum of Five thousand dollars shall be returned to said Traction Company, in full, if said Traction Company shall complete the laying of the tracks of said surface railroad in the streets of said Village and operate said railroad in said Village within 18 months from this date; and, if said Traction Company shall fail to complete the laying of said tracks, and shall fail to operate said road, in said Village within 18 months from this date, then said Five thousand dollars shall be forfeited to the Village of Saugerties by said Traction Company. Nothing however in the proposed agreement shall bind said Traction Company to forfeit said Five thousand dollars if said Traction Company shall fail to obtain the consent, in writing, of the owners of one-half in value, of the property bounded on said proposed route, or in case of failure to obtain the order of the Supreme Court to construct and operate said railroad (if said property owners do not consent) as provided by the railroad law of this State. AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in case said Catskill Mountains Traction Company shall fail to deposit said sum of Five thousand dollars, within thirty days from this date, as aforesaid, that then, and in that case the Board of Directors of said Village grant the franchise applied for by the Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company upon the condition that the Saugerties and Palenville Company deposit a like sum of Five thousand dollars under a similar agreement with the Board of Directors as hereinbefore stated with reference to the proposed agreement with the Catskill Mountains Traction Company.

Mr. Brinnier spoke in opposition to Mr. Whitaker's resolution and proposed selling the franchise to the highest bidder which was seconded by Mr. Cantine, while Mr. Whitaker contended that villages under 12000 inhabitants could not sell a franchise, which was corroborated by Mr. Keatinge.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Mr. Whitaker's resolution:

That the franchise be granted to that company which shows the best ability to build the road and which offers the best returns to the village, which amendment was not seconded.

Meeting then adjourned and Board returned to Directors rooms.

Minutes were then read and approved.

Jas. Dederick, Clerk pro tem.

196. Public Notice

Public Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the direction of the Commissioner of Highways, Town of Saugerties, County of Ulster, this 23rd day of July 1901, that an application in writing has been made to him by THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS TRACTION COMPANY, for permission to maintain, use and operate a street surface railroad for public use in, through, upon and along the surface of streets, avenues and highways as follows:

Starting on the Woodstock Turnpike at the Corporate limits of the Village of Saugerties, through, over and along the said Turnpike to its intersection with the Kings Road, through, over and along the Kings Road to its intersection with the Malden Turnpike, through over and along the said Malden Turnpike to and through Quarryville to a public highway, formerly the Malden Turnpike, through over and along the said public highway to a point where the line dividing the Counties of Greene and Ulster crosses the said Highway;

Notice is therefore, hereby given that the Commissioner of Highways will hold a public hearing at DAN. FITZPATRICK'S HOTEL in Quarryville, Ulster County, New York, on the EIGHTH DAY OF AUGUST, 1901 at 3 o'clock P. M., of that day at which time and place the aforesaid application will first be considered by the said Commissioner and all persons who may be heard relative thereto.

Dated July 23rd, 1901.

Augustus Wolven, Commissioner of Highways.

197. The People Want It.

It was very evident from the unanimous way in which the people voted on Mr. Whitaker's resolution, at the trolley hearing, Monday evening, that they are anxious for the road and the best interests of the town demand it. The putting up of a bond for faithful performance of duty is perfectly proper and if the company which secures the franchise means business, they will not hesitate to put up the money.

198. Saugerties Post, July 17, 1901. Hudson Valley Firemen.

The Kingston Freeman says in trying to find an excuse for the continued existence of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, the Newburgh Register says that "\$10,000 was put in circulation in Kingston that would never have been there had it not been for the convention of 1901." There is a very common delusion. Any increase of sales of food and clothing to out-of-town customers was delusive, since it is no benefit for a merchant to have several lean days in order to have one fat one. As we have said before, only the hotel and saloon keepers receive any substantial benefit, and they did not secure a bonanza, judging from the fact that there was scarcely any visible drunkenness during the performance. Any other cities which hereafter desire to increase their floating cash by \$10,000 through a visit from the firemen's convention are welcome so far as Kingston is concerned.

199. Saugerties Post, July 12, 1901. Ulster Lodge Officers. Installed on Thursday Evening by District Deputy Riddick.

At the regular meeting of Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F., held Thursday evening, District Deputy W. J. Riddick, of Kingston, assisted by the following staff: James Smith, Jr., grand marshal; A. A. Finger, grand warden; S. F. Barker, grand secretary; John Lang, Jr., grand treasurer and John Lang, Sr., grand guardian, installed the following officers.

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William Stewart	Noble Grand
William Voerge	Vice Grand
C. H. Vedder	Rec. Sec.
John Seamon	Treasurer
C. H. Hamlin	Warden
James Smith, Jr.	Conductor
S. F. Barker	R. S. N. G.
Robert Espey	L. S. N. G.
John Lang, Sr.	L. S. S.
C. H. Vedder	R. S. S.
H. A. Ohley	Chaplain
Jacob Bruckner	R. S. V. G.
Charles Buckman	L. S. V. G.

200. Kingston Leader, July 15, 1901. Many Persons Interested and Benefited by Its Existence.

The Newburgh Register commenting upon the statement by a Kingston newspaper that the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association has no good excuse for living, says:

The Register is not in position to know how the Kingston firemen handled affairs, but it must take exception to the statement that there is no good excuse for the Hudson Valley Association living. If the blame belongs anywhere it is with the Kingston firemen who had full management of the affair. The association arranges where it will meet annually, but it does not control the parade or tournament, further than to say there shall be such. In the celebration in Newburgh in 1897 the local committee in Newburgh spent no great amount in entertaining committees, and what was expended was paid for by the individual members. The total of general account, including the day of the parade did not exceed \$50, this did not include the entertainment of the convention delegates. There was no "divvy" up of the funds and the treasurer had the benefit of the surplus. Not one person received one cent for services, even a Centennial badge that was proposed being voted down. The parade at Kingston, as at Newburgh, brought thousands of people to the city and they left a snug sum of money each. Some of it went to saloon keepers, some to hotels and restaurants, fruiterers, and they in turn distributed it to other tradesmen of the city. It is safe that \$10,000 was put in circulation in Kingston that would never have been there had it not been for the convention of 1901. There may be no crying necessity for the H. V. V. F. A., but it certainly has an excuse for living, when so many persons are interested and benefited by its existence. Nothing can be perfect, firemen are not angels, human beings are prone to err, but give the Hudson Valley Firemen's Association the benefit of being a liberal minded, generous hearted lot of fellows, who pay their own way, and ask no one to do more than they are willing to do themselves.

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201. Saugerties Post, July 12, 1901. The Two Trolley Roads Cos. Who the Stockholders Are of the Concerns. The Names With the Amount of Stock Owned by Each Filed With the County Clerk

The articles of incorporation of the Catskill Mountain Traction Company and the Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company, as approved by the secretary of state have been filed in the Ulster County clerk's office. The former company was incorporated first, its articles being approved by the secretary of state early last week, while the articles of the latter company were approved last Friday. The purpose and object of both companies is to construct and operate electric roads between Saugerties and Palenville, Greene county, and the routes described in the incorporation papers are practically the same, the only difference being the route through the streets of the village. The Catskill Mountain Traction Company is to be operated by electricity or any other power other than locomotive steam power. The route is from the docks of the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company in the village of Saugerties and also from the United States light house at the mouth of the Esopus creek, to a point at or near where the Otis Elevating Railroad

Company intersects the public highway leading from Palenville to Cairo. The entire length of the line is to be 15 miles. The capital stock is to be \$300,000, divided into 3,000 shares of \$100 each, all of which is common stock. The duration of the company is 99 years. The principal office is to be in Saugerties. The directors and the number of shares of stock held by each are:

Hawkins A. Tucker, 80 shares, Arthur E. Waldradt five, Gustave S. Dorwin five, Robert C. McCormick five, Joseph M. Keating five, Charles P. Blaney five, Joseph Kelly five, Herman F. Lee five, G. Louis Meade five, Charles W. Eichells five. Other stockholders are Merrick E. Vinton, Armitage Matthews, Marion L. Nichols, John J. Sinnott and Archibald A. McGlashan each of whom has five shares. All the stockholders reside in New York city and it noticeable that eleven give their addresses as 52 Broadway, New York. The Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company is to be operated by electricity, its route being from the long dock or wharf at Saugerties to the station of the Otis Elevating Railroad Company north of Palenville, with a branch running to Ebel's Hotel, Glasco, to the junction of Hill and East Bridge streets at the iron bridge, Saugerties. The entire length of the line and branches is to be 16 miles. The capital stock is \$250,000 common stock, divided into 2,500 shares of \$100 each. The company is to be of 50 years duration. The directors and the amount of stock held by each are: Robert N. Jackson, Middletown, Conn., 1,200 shares; Charles E. Jackson, Middletown, Conn., 100 shares; Eben Jackson, New York city, 10 shares; Diederick G. Gale, New York city, 50 shares; Diederick Gale, Jr., Saugerties, 100 shares; Martin Cantine, Saugerties, 50 shares; Theodore V. R. Brown, Kingston, 10 shares; John W. Searing, Kingston, five shares; Lee J. Lockwood, New York city, 50 shares. Other stockholders are; Merrick E. Vinton, New York city, 900 shares; Walter C. Jones, Arthur H. Rutley, D. T. Haines and Walter C. Reed, all of Middletown, Conn., each five shares, and Edward T. Jackson, of Middletown, Conn., 10 shares. Merrick E. Vinton, who holds 900 shares of stock, also holds five shares of the Catskill Mountain Traction Company. The village board has fixed July 22 as the date of a public hearing upon the applications of both companies.

202. Mayme – Smokin' is bad fur de heart
Chimney – Well, den, why don't ye quit it? You've got me heart.

203. Saugerties Post, Aug. 3, 1901. Work of the Village Board. Preliminary Trolley Application Granted. A Council and Civil Engineer Appointed – Bills Audited and Other Business.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Aug. 2, 1901.

All the Directors present. President Rowe presiding. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Street Committee reported sewer across Jane street had been repaired, double cross walk had been laid across Partition street, gutter had been cleaned on Hill street and progress on repairs to Hill street.

Motion, that the Street Commissioners be instructed to repair the hill at the head of Main street. Carried.

Firemanic committee reported that the papering and painting in Engine House No. 2, completed.

Bills ordered certified to by the Finance Committee and paid when funds:

GENERAL FUND

Geo. S. Young, injuries to horse,	\$23.00
Ezra Carnright, assessor,	36.00
John C. Shultis, assessor,	36.00
James Crump, assessor,	36.00
E. E. Sternberg, surveying,	52.00
Kerbert & Deavlin, painting,	27.00
Saugerties E. L. & P. Co, street lighting,	70.41

ROAD FUND

A. J. Paget, labor on stone crusher,	\$14.00
Wm. Dixon, labor 11 1-2 days,	17.25

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Robt. Casey, labor 11 1-2 days,	17.25
Luke McCarthy, labor 10 days,	15.00
Wm. Yanchke, labor 5 days,	7.50
Chas. Derby, labor 6 1-2 days,	9.75
Geo. Lowther, labor 3 days,	4.50
Edward Bates, salary,	29.16
Wm. Doyle, team, 8 days,	36.00
Fred Yanchke, labor 3 1-2 days,	15.75

HEALTH FUND

John De Witt, Health Officer,	\$37.50
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The following communication was read:

Saugerties, N. Y., July 26, 1901

To the Honorable the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties.

Gentlemen –

The Saugerties and Palenville Railroad Company hereby withdraws its application for a franchise to erect and operate an electric railroad through certain street of the village of Saugerties, specified in the application bearing date July 5th, 1901, and presented to your honorable body on that date.

Very respectfully yours, D. H. Gale, Jr., V. P.

Motion that above be received and placed on file, carried.

Communication was read from the Saugerties Water Commissioners stating they had passed a resolution to advertise for proposals to construct new dam and reservoir, also submitted plans and specifications.

Motion that above be received and placed on file, carried.

Communication was read from Board of Health in relation to the condition of the gutter of Mr. Waterbury, Miss Hawkins and James Russell.

Motion that above be referred to Health Board, carried.

WHEREAS, The Catskill Mountains Traction Company, a duly incorporated Railroad company did heretofore on the Fifth day of July, 1901, make application in writing to the local authorities of this village, to-wit, the Board of Directors thereof, for the consent of the said Directors that said railroad Company construct, operate, use and maintain certain lines or routes of street surface railroad to be operated by electric motive power, upon, along and over certain of the streets, roads and highways, within the limits of the said village; and

WHEREAS, Due public notice of the making of said application and that the same would first be considered at a meeting of the said Board of Directors to be held on the twenty-second day of July, 1901, was published as required by law in a newspaper published in said village, for at least fourteen (14) days prior to such meeting.

RESOLVED, That the application of the Catskill Mountains Traction Company be and the same is hereby granted, and that the consent of this Board as the legal authorities of the village of Saugerties, be and hereby is given to the construction by said Catskill Mountains Traction Company of its said railroad along and over the following streets, roads and highways within the limits of said village:

Starting at the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties on the highway known as the road to Lower Landing, through, over and along the said highway to its intersection with Church street, through, over and along Church street to its intersection with Washington street to its intersection with Russell street, through, with Main street, through, over and along Main street to its intersection with Market street, through, over and along Market street to its intersection with Ulster Avenue, through, over and along Ulster Avenue to the corporate limits; also on Partition street at its intersection with Main street, through, over and along Partition street to its intersection with Mc Carthy street, through, over and along Mc Carthy street to its intersection with West Bridge street, through, over and along West Bridge street to the Iron Bridge of the town of Saugerties, over the said Iron Bridge to East Bridge street through, over and along East Bridge street to the docks of the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company ; also on the

Dock Road to its intersection with Ripley street, through, over and along Ripley street to East Bridge street. The railroad so to be constructed and operated shall be a single or double track street surface railroad with all necessary sidings, spurs and branches for the transportation of persons and property, and shall be operated by an improved system of electric motive power.

The consent hereby granted shall be expressed in a formal contract to be hereafter signed and delivered between the Village and the Railroad Company, which said contract shall contain such conditions or regulations as this Board of Directors may prescribe, and a copy whereof shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the County of Ulster.

Motion, that above be granted, carried unanimously.

Motion that the President appoint a committee to confer with the officials of the Catskill Mountains Traction Co., and the Bankers.

President appointed Ziegler and McLaughlin such committee, President included.

Motion that Mr. Sternberg be retained as civil engineer and attorney, carried.

President reported having collected \$5.00 from Sun Bros. circus.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion Board adjourned.

F. L. Osterhoudt, Clerk

204. Saugerties Post, Dec. 10, 1901. Gone to Jersey.

Arthur L. Hale left Kingston Monday afternoon for Jersey City, N. J. where he has accepted a position with the Jersey City Chronicle. Mr. Hale has always been engaged in the printing business and was formerly one of the owners of the POST. For the last twelve years he has been connected with the Kingston "Leader." During all the time Mr. Hale has been in the printing business he has never worked outside of Ulster county.

205. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8, 1902. Snyder Hose Officers.

R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1 elected the following officers, Tuesday evening: Ernest Myer, president; Dr. F. D. Wygant, vice-president; H. B. Van Buskirk, foreman; Charles Wilbur, 1st asst. foreman; Michael Fitzgerald, 2nd asst. foreman; Ernest Hassinger, secretary; William Ziegler, treasurer; James Teller, Thomas B. Belch and John A. Snyder, trustees; Dr. F. D. Wygant, delegate to State convention; Charles Wilbur, alternate; Edward C. Snyder, delegate to H. R. V. V. F. A.; Percy Fosbrook, alternate.

206. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8, 1902. Exempt Firemen's Officers.

The Saugerties Exempt Fireman's Association held their annual meeting Tuesday evening, and elected the following officers: John G. Palmer, foreman; John H. Hardenberg, first assistant foreman; Samuel Gilmore, second assistant foreman; W. Russell Freligh, secretary; J. P. Russell, treasurer; Samuel J. Adams, delegate to State Convention; Will S. Manning, alternate; Daniel N. Finger, delegate to Hudson Valley Convention; Edward Jernagan, alternate. Edward Jernegan, representative.

207. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8, 1902. Enjoyed a Banquet.

The bon vivants of the Snyder Hose Co., at the engine house, Tuesday evening, partook of one of their "spreads." Ziegler was the caterer and prime fresh cod was the principal edible to grace the festive board. The fish with all its fixings was very toothsome and was eaten with much relish. The usual other concomitants for such occasions were served and a smoker wound up the pleasant affair.

208. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8, 1902. Women's Relief Corps.

At the regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps, No. 174, of J. R. Tappen Post, G. A. R., held Tuesday afternoon the officers elected were installed as follows by Mrs. S. Antoinette Swart: Eleanor M. Barritt, president; Helen Simmons, senior vice-president; Mary E. Turck, junior vice-president; S. Antoinette Swart,

secretary; Alida A. Wolven, treasurer; Charlotte A. Teetsel, chaplain; Katherine E. Turck, conductor; Addie E. Van Gelder, asst. conductor; Mary C. Hermance, guard; Anna C. Yager, ass't guard; Katherine R. Turck, delegate to State Encampment; Alida A. Wolven, alternate.

209. Saugerties Post, Jan. 8, 1902. GAR Officers Installed.

The following officers were installed in J. R. Tappan Post, No. 215, G. A. R. Tuesday evening : Eugene Barritt, commander; Abram Turck, senior vice commander; George F. Freligh, junior vice commander; R. L. Sickler, adjutant; J. S. Elmendorf, quarter-master; George Schmitt, surgeon; E. L. Quick, chaplain; A. A. Post, officer of the day; Wm. Burhans, officer of the guard; C. F. Van Keuren, quartermaster sergeant; Abram Turck, Henry Kranz and E. L. Quick, trustees. Eugene Barritt and J. S. Elmendorf were the installing officers.

210. The Telegraph, Aug 21, 1902. A Gun Club Organized.

A gun club with the following members organized in this village, Wednesday evening Aug. 13th. Charles Anderson, William Mullen, John Mower, Leonard B. Howard, A. A. Finger, Wm. H. Burnett, James Merchant, Charles E. Abeel, Henry Henkel, C. Van Gaasbeck, Wm. Mac Farland, A. J. Norton, Peter Longendyke, F. D. Wygant, David Elliott and Edward Tetsloff. The following officers were chosen: Wm. H. Burnett, president; L. B. Howard, vice-president; A. A. Finger, treasurer; and Charles Anderson, secretary.

211. The Association Officers. Hand dated Jan, 5, 1905.

Ernest Hassinger has added to his collection of firemen's picture a large group of the officers and committees of the Hudson Valley Firemen's Ass'n.

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212. Saugerties Post, Aug. 19, 1901. The Catskill Mountains Traction Company. Certificate of Incorporation – State of New York, office of Secretary of State. Filed and Recorded July 3, 1901. J. B. H. Mongin, Deputy Secretary of State

Filed July 3, 1901. John D. Fratsher, County Clerk.

We, the undersigned, all being persons of full age, and at least two-thirds being citizens of the United States, and more than one residents of the State of New York, desiring to become a corporation under and by virtue of the provisions of the Railroad Law, for the purpose of building, maintaining and operating a railroad, do hereby certify as follows; -

FIRST : The name of the corporation shall be "THE CATSKILL MOUNTAINS TRACTION COMPANY."

SECOND : The number of years it is to continue shall be ninety-nine years.

THIRD : The kind of road to be built and operated shall be a street surface railroad, for the transportation of persons and property; to be operated by electricity or any power other than locomotive steam power.

FOURTH : Such railroad is to be built, maintained and operated from the docks of the Saugerties and New York Steamboat Company, in the Village of Saugerties and also from the United States Light House at the mouth of Esopus Creek, in the town of Saugerties, Ulster County, State of New York to a point at or near where the railroad intersects the Otis Elevating Railroad Company from Palenville to Cairo, in the Town of Catskill and County of Greene, which places will be determined; and its length will be fifteen (15) miles.

FIFTH : The counties in which any part of it is to be located are, Ulster and Greene.

SIXTH : The capital stock shall be Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000)

SEVENTH : The number of shares into which the capital stock is to be divided shall be Three Thousand (3,000.)

EIGHTH : The capital stock is to consist of three thousand shares of common stock.

NINTH : The name and post office addresses of the Directors of the Corporation who shall manage its affairs for the first year are as follows:

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NAMES.

Hawkins A. Tucker,
Arthur E. Walradt,
Gustave S. Dorwin,
Robert C. McCormick,
Joseph M. Keatinge,
Charles P. Blaney,
Joseph Kelly,
Herman F. Lee,
G. Louis Meade,

POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

52 Broadway, New York City.
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40 John Street, New York City.
26 Broadway, New York City.

TENTH : The place where its principal office is to be located, is in the Village of Saugerties, County of Ulster and State of New York.

ELEVENTH : The names and description of the streets, avenues and highways in which such railroad is to be constructed are as follows:

Starting at the United States Light House at the entrance of the Esopus Creek, over a private right of way to the corporate limits of the Village of Saugerties on the highway known as the road to lower landing, through over and along said highway, to its intersection with Church street, through, over and along Church street, to its intersection with Washington street, through over and along Washington street to its intersection with Russell street, through over and along Russell street, to its intersection with Partition street; also commencing on Mynderse street at its intersection with the road to Lower Landing, through over and along said Mynderse street to its intersection with Main Street, through, over and along Main Street to its intersection with Market Street, through, over and along Market Street to its intersection with Ulster Avenue, through, over and along Ulster Avenue to the corporate limits; also on Partition Street to its intersection with Main Street, through over and along Partition Street to its intersection with Mc Carthy Street, through over and along Mc Carthy Street to its intersection with West Bridge street to the Iron Bridge of Town of Saugerties, over the said Bridge to East Bridge Street, through, over and along East Bridge Street to the Docks of the New York and Saugerties Steamboat Company ; also on the Dock Road at its intersection with Partition Street, through, over and along the Dock Road to its intersection with Ripley Street, through, over and along Ripley Street to East Bridge Street; also on the highway known as the Woodstock Turnpike at its intersection with Ulster Avenue, through, over and along said Highway to its intersection with the Kings Road to its intersection with the Malden Turnpike, through, over and along the Malden Turnpike, to and through Quarryville to a public highway formerly the Malden Turnpike, through, over and along said highway to the public highway leading from Palenville to Cairo, and through, over and along said public highway to a spot where the railroad of the Otis Elevating Railroad Company intersect the said highway.

TWELFTH : The name and Post Office address of each subscriber to this certificate, and the number of shares of stock he agrees to take in such corporation are as follows: -

NAME.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	SHARES.
Hawkins A. Tucker,	52 Broadway, New York City.	80
Arthur E. Walradt,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Gustave S. Dorwin,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Robert C. McCormick,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Armitage Matthews,	27 William Street, New York City.	5
Joseph M. Keatinge,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Marion L. Nichols,	15 Cordlandt Street, New York City.	5
John J. Sinnott,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Charles P. Blaney,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
G. Louis Meade,	26 Broadway, New York City.	5

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Joseph Kelly,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Archibald A. McGlashan,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Herman F. Lee,	40 John Street, New York City.	5
Merrick E. Vinton,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5
Charles W. Eichells, Jr.,	52 Broadway, New York City.	5

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have executed and acknowledged this certificate in duplicate, and subscribed our respective names hereto, this 29th day of June, 1901.

H. A. Tucker, A. E. Walradt, Gustave S. Dorwin, Robert C. McCormick, Armitage Mathews, Joseph M. Keatinge, M. L. Nichols, J. J. Sinnott, Chas. P. Blaney, G. Lewis Meade, Joseph Kelly, Archibald A. McGlashan, H. F. Lee, Merrick E. Vinton, Charles W. Eichells, Jr.

STATE OF NEW YORK, } ss:
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK : }

On this 29th day of June, 1901, before me personally came, Hawkins A. Tucker, Arthur E. Walradt, Gustave S. Dorwin, Robert C. McCormick, Armitage Mathews, Joseph M. Keatinge, Marion L. Nichols, John J. Sinnott, Charles P. Blaney and G. Louis Meade and on the first day of July, 1901, before me personally came, Joseph Kelly, Archibald A. McGlashan, Herman F. Lee, Merrick E. Vinton and Charles W. Eichells, Jr., all to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing certificate and severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purpose therein mentioned.

Louis S. Phillips,
Notary Public,
N. Y. Co.

STATE OF NEW YORK. } ss:
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE: }

WITNESS, my hand and seal of the
office of the Secretary of
State, at the city of Albany,
[SEAL.] this third day of July, one
thousand nine hundred and
one.

JOHN T. McDONOUGH
Secretary of State.

STATE OF NEW YORK. } ss:
CITY AND COUNT OF NEW YORK: }

Hawkins A. Tucker, Robert C. McCormick and Gustave S. Dorwin, being severally sworn, each for himself, deposes and says he is a Director named in the forgoing certificate of incorporation; that at least One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) of capital stock for every mile of road proposed to be built had been subscribed thereto and paid in good faith and in cash to the Directors named in the certificate, and that it is intended in good faith to build, maintain and operate the road mentioned therein.

Severally sworn to } H. A. Tucker,
before me this 2d } Robert C. McCormick,
day of July, 1901 } Gustave S. Dorwin.

LOUIS S. PHILLIPS,
Notary Public
N. Y. Co.

Copy Original

[SEAL.] Recorded in the Ulster County
Clerk's Office July 3rd, 1901, in
Book of Record of Incorpora-
tions. John D. Fratscher,
Clerk

213. To Have Another Public Hearing.

The Catskill Mountains Traction Co., applied Thursday to the Commissioner of Highways of the town of Catskill for a public hearing in the matter of an application for the granting of a franchise for a trolley line leading from the Otis Elevating R. R. Station, at Palenville, to the town of Saugerties line.

214. Saugerties Post, Sept. 3, 1901. Labor Day Celebration. It Was A Big Time Here On Monday – The Parade of the Firemen a Great Success, a Very Pretty Spectacle to Behold.

Labor Day, the first of the century, has come and gone, and with it will always be associated the fact that it was a red letter event in the annals of our borough, a memorable and gala day in which the old town did herself proud. It was a great day and had Jupiter Pluvius early in the morning withheld his wrath, the crowd would have been much larger. However, he consented to waive aside his desire for spoliation and as old Sol began to peep and smile, festal joy was brought to everyone's heart. The old town was gaily festooned and garlanded with the National colors and looked the gayest of the gay and the crowd was immense, nearly two thousand strangers being attracted within our gates by the parade of our firemen with their guests, and it was a pretty spectacle.

The brave laddies with perfect alignment and soldierly bearing marched before the admiring crowds lined everywhere about the streets and evoked as usual much applause. Our own firemen, each company a great credit to our place, never appeared better and they were not outshone by any of the visitors, nor can they be in this state. Wearing their handsome uniforms, and drawing apparatus, beautiful, they made an iridescent picture as the scintillating rays of the sun beat down on them. They surely looked the bravest and as they were gallant on parade, so they are gallant in service. Well might we be proud of the corporeal of our department, made up of the best citizens of our place. The festivities of the day began about nine o'clock with a choice concert at the Exchange hotel balcony given by the 20th Regiment band. A program of popular selections was finely rendered, and after this the parade somewhat delayed, began to move. It was nearly twelve o'clock when it got under away and about half past one when it was finished, the formation being as follows:

Chief Engineer, Assistant, Visiting Chiefs
29th Regiment Band
Board of Directors and Press Representatives in Carriages
Exempt Firemen's Association
Rifton Band
Weiner Hose Co. Kingston
Washington Hook & Ladder Co.
Williamson Cornet Band
F. S. Ormsbee Engine Co. Tivoli
Laflin Hose Co.
Mulford Engine Co. Glasco
Snyder Hose Co.
Minnehaha Steamer

The line of march as published was gone over, and after the parade, the firemen, weary and fatigued by their long tramp, the muddy streets making it difficult and unpleasant marching, were regaled at the various fire houses with liquid refreshments, after which the visiting companies were escorted to dinner. The parade, in all, was a great success, and Chief Engineer Teller with his assistants, had right to feel proud

of the day.

PICKINGS FROM THE MARCH

Kingston sent her best company, the Weiners, and everybody said they looked stunning, and they certainly did. The Weiners marched well and drew their prize winning parade carriage, making an excellent impression.

The village Board of Directors were guests of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. at dinner, at the Maxwell House, after the parade.

Joseph Hurley, of Kingston, president of the Hudson River V. V. F. A. rode in the carriage with Mayor Albert Rowe and Alderman J. P. Russell.

The Ormsbee Engine Co. of Tivoli made a fine appearance, parading a sturdy looking body of men. The Ormsbee's as fire-fighters cannot be excelled and our over river neighbors may well be proud of them. On parade they make an excellent showing.

The Mulford Engine Co from our neighboring burgh, Glasco, with their red shirts brought pleasant memories of by gone days when we "ran wid de masheen." The Mulfords looked exceedingly well, firemen every inch, and they drew their chemical engine. Foreman W. J. Schoonmaker has a stalwart company of fire fighters.

First ass't chief Rodney Chipp and third ass't chief Wm. Heybrook, of the Kingston department, marched at the head of the parade.

The water furnished the thirsty firemen while resting on Heights was gratefully appreciated. It certainly helped make marching easier.

Washington Hook & Ladder Co. entertained their guests the Weiners at the Maxwell House and the spread was most bountiful, a turkey dinner with all its fixins' being served. Landlord Morse knows how to take care of you.

Town clerk W. E. Wolven and Philip Mattes rode in a carriage. Mr. Wolven is disabled and Mr. Mattes the oldest Exempt in service. They received lots of applause.

The Laflins in their cadet gray, the Snyders in their fawn color and the Washington Hooks in blue, were enough to make the heart of every citizen feel right glad. Such are the bone and sinew of our department and they can't be beat, no matter where you go. How about it! Eh.

The Laflins and the Ormsbee's had dinner at Christ Huberts and Christ simply outdid himself. He gave the firemen the finest to be had and all were loud in their praise of the repast.

The "Old Tops" of the department, The Exempts, despite their years marched well. No wonder, foreman S. J. Adams smiled.

Aldermen McLaughlin and McCormick were the cynosure of all the fair sex and both received beautiful bouquets. They simply basked in smiles all the day and who wouldn't envy them.

Landlord Moran of the Exchange served a very appetizing feast to the Snyders and the Mulford's. It was greatly appreciated by the tired firemen who know a good thing when they see it.

215. The Long and the Short of It.

A man in Higginsville, Mo., had five daughters, four of them to men named Short, Brown, Poor and Little. The fifth was last week to a man named Hogg. At the wedding supper the old gentleman said to the guests: "I have taken pains to educate my daughters that they might act well their part in life and do honor to my family. I find that all my pains, cares and expectations have come at last to nothing but a Poor, Little, Short, Brown, Hogg. "

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216. New York Journal, September 7, 1901. Stirring Events in McKinley's Two Terms. Important Happenings at Home and Abroad, Set Down in Chronological Order, from the President's First Election in 1897.

The following table, carefully compiled, shows in order of time the most striking events that have occurred

both in this and foreign countries since President McKinley took the reins of government at Washington. The list gives a summarized history of the Spanish war and outlines the nation's policy.

1897

March 4 – The inaugurations of McKinley and Hobart.

April 17 – War declared by Turkey against Greece.

May 20 – The United States Senate passed a joint resolution recognizing the belligerency of Cuba.

June 14 – The boundary treaty between Great Britain and Venezuela was ratified at Washington.

June 24 – The Dingley Tariff act was signed by President McKinley.

August 25 – President Borda, of Uruguay, was assassinated.

September 14 – The Hawaiian Senate ratified the treaty of annexation.

September 15 – An attempt was made to assassinate President Diaz of Mexico.

September 18 – The treaty of peace between Greece and Turkey was signed.

November 8 – A treaty signed by the United States, Russia and Japan to protect the seals in Bering Sea.

November 16 – The treaty adopted by the universal postal congress was signed by President McKinley.

December 12 – The death of Mrs. Nancy McKinley, mother of the President, at Canton, O.

1898.

Jan. 25 – The battle ship Maine arrived in Havana.

Feb 8 – Letter was published written by Minister De Lome disparaging President McKinley. After publication of the letter De Lome asked the Spanish government to accept his resignation.

Feb. 14 – Senor Luis Polo y Bernabe made Spanish minister to the United States to succeed De Lome.

MAINE BLOWN UP

Feb. 15 – Battle ship Maine blown up.

Feb. 17 – United States Government appoints a naval court to inquire into the cause of the destruction of the Maine.

March 5 – General Fitzhugh Lee's recall requested by the Spanish Government and promptly refused by the United States.

March 7 – Bill introduced in the House appropriating \$50,000,000 for national defence. Passed the House

March 8 and the Senate March 9 and was signed by the President.

March 12 – Battle ship Oregon sailed from San Francisco to meet the Atlantic squadron.

March 14 – Publication of Senator Proctor's exposure of Spanish cruelties in Cuba.

March 25 – Report of the Maine Court of Inquiry delivered to the President and transmitted to Congress reaching them March 28.

March 25 – Commodore Schley assumed command of flying squadron in Hampton Roads.

March 30 – Spain grants President McKinley's request to relieve reconcentrados .

April 5 – United States counsels in Cuba recalled.

April 11 – President McKinley sends message to Congress on the Cuban situation, in which he advises intervention without recognition of the Cuban government.

April 19 – Congress recognizes independence of Cuba and authorizes the use of United States forces in intervention.

April 20 – President issues ultimatum to Spain.

April 21 – United States Minister Woodford received his passports from the Spanish Government
WAR DECLARED.

April 22 – Proclamation announcing war issued by President McKinley.

April 11 – The American fleet sailed from Key West and the blockade of the Cuban ports began. The Spanish ship Buena Ventura, the first prize of the war, was captured by the Nashville.

Apr 23 – President McKinley issued a call for 125,000 volunteers.

April 24 – War against the United States formally declared by Spain.

April 25 – Act passed by Congress declaring that a state of war had existed between the two countries since April 21. The fleet of Commodore Dewey sailed from Hong Kong for the Philippines.

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April 27 – Bombardment of Matanzas.

May 1 – Spanish fleet at Manilla entirely destroyed by Dewey's fleet.

May 11 – Bombardment of Cienfuegos and Cardenas in which Ensign Bagley and four men were killed.

May 12 – Squadron under Commander Sampson bombarded San Juan, Porto Rico.

May 10 – Arrival of Admiral Cervera's fleet in the harbor of Santiago, Cuba.

May 25 – Second call for 75,000 volunteers issued by the President.

May 31 – The forts at Santiago were bombarded by the United States fleet.

MERRIMAC SUNK

June 3 - Merrimac sunk in the harbor of Santiago by Lieutenant Hobson.

June 20 – United States army of invasion landed in Cuba under General Shafter.

July 1 and 2 – El Caney and San Juan, Cuba, captured by United States troops with heavy loss.

July 3- Admiral Cervera's fleet attempted to escape and were entirely destroyed by United States fleet under command of Commodore Schley.

July 6. – Lieutenant Hobson exchanged.

July 10. – Bombardment renewed at Santiago.

July 13. – Admiral Cervera arrived at Portsmouth, N. H.

July 17. - Santiago surrendered.

July 23. – Last naval engagement on the coast of Cuba.

July 25. – Surrender of Guanico, Porto Rico, to General Miles.

July 26. – Spanish Government, through French Ambassador Cambon, asked for terms of peace.

July 29. – President stated American terms.

July 31. – Battle of Malate, near Manila.

August 9. – Spain formally accepts President's terms of peace.

August 12. – Peace protocol signed and armistice proclaimed. Cuban blockade raised.

August 13. – Manila surrendered.

September 9. – United States Peace Commissioners appointed.

September 17. – Commissioners sailed for France.

September 20. – Evacuation begun by the Spanish from Porto Rico.

October 1. – Peace Commissioners begin their conference in Paris.

October 18. – United States takes formal possession of Porto Rico.

December 10. – Peace treaty signed at Paris.

TREATY SIGNED.

1899.

Feb. 1. – United States flag raised at Guam.

Feb. 10. – Peace treaty with signed by the President.

March 17. – Peace treaty signed by the Queen Regent of Spain.

June 16. – United States Minister Belamy of Spain.

July 7. – President called for ten regiments to quell Filipino Insurrection.

July 19. – Secretary of War Alger resigned.

July 22. – Elihu Root appointed Secretary of War.

July 24. – Reciprocity treaty with French signed.

July 29. – Final settling of International Peace Council.

Aug. 8. – Hurricane at Porto Rico. Reported 2,000 killed.

Sept. 26. – Arrival of Admiral Dewey from Philippines in New York Harbor.

Oct. 2. - Venezuelan Boundary Commission announces award.

Oct. 10. – Transvaal war begun.

Oct. 12. – Alaska boundary dispute temporarily arranged by Great Britain and the United States.

Nov. 21. – Vice-President Hobart died at Paterson, N. J.

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Jan. 2. - Secretary Hay announces the success of the "open door" policy in China.
Jan. 16. - Samoan treaty ratified by the Senate.
Feb. 5. - Hay - Pauncefote treaty amending the Clayton-Bulwer treaty signed.
March 14. - Gold standard currency bill signed by President McKinley.
April 7. - General MacArthur succeeds General Otis in the Philippines.
April 12. - Charles H. Allen appointed governor of Porto Rico.
June 15. - General MacArthur issued proclamation of amnesty to Filipino insurgents.
June 19. - Legations in Pekin attacked by Chinese.
June 21. - McKinley and Roosevelt nominated.
July 5. - Bryan and Stevenson nominated as Democratic candidates on national ticket.
July 3. - King Humbert of Italy assassinated.
Aug. 14. - Relief of Pekin legations by allied armies
MCKINLEY ELECTED.
Nov. 6. - President McKinley re-elected.

1901.

Jan. 22. - Death of Queen Victoria, and accession of King Edward.
March 4. - McKinley and Roosevelt inaugurated.
April 1. - Incorporation of the Billion-Dollar Steel Trust.
April 29. - President McKinley started on his Western tour.
May 12. - Mrs. McKinley taken ill in San Francisco.
May 27. - Supreme Court decision in insular cases.
May 28. - Cuba accepts Platt amendment to the Constitution.
Sept. 2. - Danish West Indies purchased.
Sept. 5 - President McKinley arrived at Pan American Exposition, where he delivered an address.

217. Hand written - Sept 6, 1901. Pres. Wm. Mc Kinly was Shot at Buffalo this afternoon. Sept. 14, 1901. Pres Wm. Mc Kinly Died at Buffalo at 2-15 A. M. Oct 29, 1901 Leon F. Czolgosz was Electrocuted this morning for Killing Pres Wm. Mc Kinly. [illustration]

218. Saugerties Post, Dec. 13, 1901. As to the Trolley Road. Where it is Proposed to Extend it. What a Schoharie County Editor Says About the Plans of the Road.
The following from the Richmondville, Schoharie county, "Phoenix" pertaining to the proposed trolley road , shows the value of such a road through the place.
"The editor was recently in consultation with a party of gentlemen who are promoting a trolley railroad from Saugerties on the Hudson to Middleburgh. The line will run from Saugerties to Palenville the seat of the best inlet to the Catskills, thence along the foot of the mountains to Durham, Cooksburgh, Livingstonville, and Middleburgh. This route is being already surveyed and if completed will bring Middleburgh 50 miles nearer New York city and will open up a vast interior territory population by a wealthy lot of people. From Middleburgh this project is Blenheim, Jefferson, Summit and Richmondville. At the Richmondville end are vast storage reservoirs that can be used to generate electricity and save thousands of dollars to the company. From Summit to Charlottville and South Worcester. The company is backed by their millions and mean business. They are in the field to win, and only need to be satisfied of the feasibility of the project to commence work. An arrangement has already been made by which maps, etc., are to be placed before them and the necessary statistics are being gathered to show the great traffic carried on in the county. Gentlemen, it's coming, the trolley."

219. The Tram Road. Board of Supervisors to Purchase the Turnpike.
At the session of the Board of Supervisors, Thursday evening, Mr. Maxwell offered a resolution for the county to acquire the Saugerties and Woodstock turnpike, and that the chairman of the Board and the

Supervisor of the town of Saugerties be appointed a committee to make the contract. Surrogate Davis explained the resolution, saying that the section desired to be acquired was about three miles long, running from the village of Saugerties, and connecting with the state road. It was a toll road, paying a big dividend, a menace to the town and those who owned it wanted \$20,000, but finally consented to a committee of citizens of Saugerties to take \$14,000. This proceeding to acquire it was in accordance with the laws of 1899, and while the contract was made with the county, the entire cost was placed by the county on the town of Saugerties, so there was no expense at all to the county. Mr. Maxwell's resolution was adopted, as well as the report of the committee. Mr. Maxwell offered an act to issue bonds on county for purchase of Saugerties and Woodstock turnpike, which was referred to the first committee of the whole not full. Later the committee reported favorably in the matter.

220. Saugerties Post, Dec. 9, 1902. An Early Morning Fire.

An alarm of fire was sounded at five o'clock this morning and with the thermometer below zero the firemen had a cold run. The place was the home of Cornelius Crowley on Mill street, south side, and when the gallant laddies arrived flames were bursting through the roof near the chimney. This was soon extinguished and then fire broke out in one of the bed rooms and this was also soon put out. The origin of the fire is unknown but it is believed to be due to an exploding lamp. The damage done was slight, chiefly by water.

221. Saugerties Post, Jan 27, 1902. Kingston's Firemen. Ought to be Re-organized Say the Insurance Underwriters.

Kingston volunteer firemen have received a severe jolt in the report of the National Board of Insurance Underwriters upon the condition of fire protection in that city. Within the last year Kingston has had more fires with disastrous consequences than any two towns along the Hudson. There have been some hard things said about the Kingston Fire Department in consequence. Now comes the National Board of Insurance Underwriters with these recommendations: - 1 - The present volunteer fire department should be abandoned and re-organized as a regular paid and partly call system, the chief engineer and the drivers to be permanently paid men, devoting their entire time to the requirements of the service. At least ten call firemen should be allotted for service at each of the stations of both districts. The change will undoubtedly prove beneficial, securing adequate and more reliable service. 2- The present fire department in the business districts should be refitted and refurnished so as to afford suitable accommodations for the firemen for night and day duty, and housing of drivers, apparatus and horses. 3 - Permanently employed drivers and horses should be at the station at all times within the business sections. 4 - There is a necessity for obtaining service wagons, each carrying at least 800 feet of hose and furnished with combination chemical fire extinguisher tanks of thirty gallons capacity. -5 Ordinances should be enacted providing for the construction and inspection of all buildings, and the fire limit of frame buildings and structures should be rigidly enforced.

222. Saugerties Post, Jan 27, 1902. Shooting Affray at Glasco.

A shooting affray in which Italians were the characters, occurred at Glasco Saturday night, and one fellow was quite badly shot. Bad feeling existed 'twixt the two, and one attempted to strike the other. Being told to desist or he would get shot, he refused, whereupon the other fellow fired, wounding him in the breast, the forehead and limb. Dr. Montgomery was summoned, the shooter in the meantime decamping. The doctor attended the injured man, but was unable to extract the bullets, and this morning had him conveyed to the Kingston hospital, where an effort to remove them will be made. What the names of the Italians were, is unknown.

223. Saugerties Post, Jan 27, 1902. New Pastor Next Sunday.

Rev. David M. Hunter will begin his duties as pastor of the Reformed church next Sunday morning. With

his family Mr. Hunter expects to arrive this week.

224. Secretary W. M. Cummins, Maryland Association. [illustration]

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other matters have been laid aside as trivial, and this great affair over all else has occupied the public mind. Now that you are we will show you that the people of this old colonial town appreciate your coming, and are ready to extend every courtesy to those brave men who so often, at the sacrifice of comfort and of health, have stood between property and life and that dread destroyer – FIRE. We will not say to you, Here are the keys, take them, and open the doors of our hospitality. We go further than that. We say to you, Our gates are wide open, enter in. We say to you, Our doors are ajar, walk in. We say to you, Our hearts are responsive, take possession. In the words of the great warrior of old we say "If thy spirit voices my heart, give me thy hand." We sincerely hope that your deliberations will be of great advantage to every Volunteer Fire Department of the Hudson Valley, and that your stay with us will be as pleasant as your hearts may desire. Thanking you for your attention, I will close.

The President. – I would like to hear from Col. Laflin.

Col. Laflin. – Honorable Mayor and Brother Firemen: It gives me exceeding pleasure to be called upon to address you in behalf of the citizens of Kingston for the kindness which they have shown to us here in preparing for and also for the entertainment of the Volunteer Firemen's Association. It needs not the words which were spoken to us to-day in regard to what kind of reception we should have. We have been here before. We know what her mayor said, the gates ajar, and all we have to do is to walk in and received the kindness that they have already extended to us. On coming to your city this time, in looking around I see the people of the city of Kingston have decorated their homes very magnificently upon every side, the fair weather that we now have gives every assurance that we will have a pleasant Convention and both be fair days, to parade and do our business. I am very happy to know that you should have two Saugerties men here to-day, another one from myself, for the honorable mayor, like myself, was formerly from Saugerties. It makes me feel homelike to talk to him, upon our standing, what we represent, the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will do not only the city honor by coming here, but ourselves honor. Gentlemen, Mr. Mayor, in behalf of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association, we thank you for the kind reception that the colonial town has given us. (Applause.)

The President. – The next thing is the appointing of the Committee on credentials. I have the following names: Louis Kolts, Van. Person and Chief Granger. And also a Committee on Resolutions; Mr. Byron, Mr. Nestel of Kingston, Mr. Timmons of Peekskill.

The next in order is adjournment until this afternoon's session.

Mr. Bruck. – In view of the fact that we got through so early, as a representative of the Kingston Fire Department, I would say that we have a great layout for the Convention this afternoon, and it will take time after the Convention to get away with it. I move you, sir that when we adjourn.

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it be to 1 o'clock sharp, and not later. We will have ample time to get dinner and get back not later than 1 o'clock, because it will take all that time after the Convention to devour all of the stuff we have prepared for the delegates.

Motion seconded.

A Delegate. – I move as an amendment that it be half-past one.

Mr. Scott – Is there any reason why, insasmuch as we all are here now, we cannot go on and do business

now? That will give us a chance to go on this afternoon and not rush things, as we generally do.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I think the Chair realizes the fact that if we do adjourn until 1 o'clock, we must meet at 1 o'clock. It mustn't be half-past one, but 1 o'clock. We simply can't do business without the report of the Credential Committee, for I don't believe we know the people here who are delegates, and the credentials haven't been passed upon. I am heartily in accord with the motion of Mr. Bruck to adjourn to 1 o'clock.

The Secretary. – I would say that the roll, so far as I can make it is ready for the inspection of the Credential Committee.

The President. – The motion is to adjourn until 1 o'clock sharp.

A Delegate. – I move, in view of the roll being very near ready that we proceed to do as much business as we can now.

A Delegate. – Does 1 o'clock mean 1 o'clock?

The President. – It certainly does.

Motion to adjourn put and carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President. – The Convention will come to order. The next order of business is the report of the Committee on Credentials. Is the Committee on Credentials ready to report?

It was not.

The President. – We will defer that until later.

The President. – Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Mr. Byron, Chairman of Committee, handed up a resolution of thanks to the mayor and others, which was read by the Secretary.

The President. – What is your pleasure with the resolution?

Mr. Vedder. – I move the resolution be accepted and placed on file.

Motion seconded.

Mr. Mardorf. – While I am heartily in favor of these resolutions, I think it would be advisable to adopt them after we are in session. We haven't had roll call, and we don't know whether we can adopt them or not.

Mr. Vedder. – I withdraw the motion.

A Delegate. – I move that the roll-call be dispensed with and those persons who hold badges be allowed to vote.

A Delegate. – I rise to a point of order. This Convention is supposed to have a roll-call, and the Secretary I supposed to be in his chair.

Mr. Laflin. – While I think it extremely proper that the roll should be called of every member, I would state to the Convention that the Secretary is downstairs up to his eyes and nose in business; he has got all he can attend

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to now; and we expect him up every minute; we can go on with other business, or send down for him.

(The Secretary here returned, and the roll was called.)

The President. – We will refer back to the report of the Committee on Credentials.

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The Credential Committee report the examination of papers, etc., finding same correct. They submit the roll as prepared by Secretary Coffin as the official roll of delegates and members. The membership of the Association summarized is 77 companies represented by 77 delegates, and 151 members making a total of 228 members.

Louis Kolts,

William Granger,

Van. Person,

Committee on Credentials.

The President. – What is your pleasure in regard to the report of the Committee on Credentials?

Mr. E. O. Caldwell. – I move the report be accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – The next order of business is the reading of the minutes of the last Convention.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I move you, sir, as the delegates are in possession of the minutes of the last Convention, that the reading of them at this time be dispensed with.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Caldwell. – It is strictly parliamentary to have no debate on a motion?

The President. – According to time-honored custom, it now becomes the duty of your president to deliver his annual address. At the outset permit me to thank you sincerely for the honor conferred in selecting me to preside over your deliberations, as president of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association. Likewise must I thank you for the kindly treatment and unfailing courtesy extended to me by the officers and members of this organization.

The Association represents the honor, the interests and welfare of the volunteer firemen of the great Hudson River counties. It is our duty to uphold the honor, protect the interests and advance the welfare of the volunteer firemen. We can best accomplish these results by keeping in mind the provisions of our Constitution and By-Laws, by realizing that we are a deliberate body, which acts by resolution lawfully enacted by the will of the majority. I assure you, gentlemen, and promise you that I shall try to the best of my ability to preside fairly and impartially and determine the questions submitted to me in accordance with the laws and rules of the Association. In so doing I ask your kind assistance and forbearance, because no one realizes more than I that the success of a presiding officer depends largely on the good-will and co-operation of the body of which he is called to preside.

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The report of your efficient Secretary shows that seven companies have been added to the Association since our last Convention. The report of our Treasurer demonstrates our sound financial condition. These reports actually embody the history of the Association, and words of mine would not strengthen the facts shown by them.

Since our last meeting death has invaded our ranks and taken from us one of the oldest and most esteemed members. I refer to the death of Mr. James G. Tubby. He was connected with the Fire Department of this locality for nearly forty years. He was an enthusiastic volunteer fireman. He devoted his time, his energy and his means to the advancement of our volunteer department. He was a good fireman, a good citizen, a kind father. Our Committee of Arrangements have had suitable resolutions relating to the death of Mr. Tubby engrossed and presented to the his family.

In conclusion permit me again to remind you that we represent the volunteer firemen of the great river counties. Let our proceeding be orderly, dignified, characterized by the spirit of fairness. Let the will of the majority be implicitly obeyed, for in this manner shall the honor, the interest and the welfare of our association be best promoted and insured.

Thanking you for your kind attention, we will now proceed with the regular order of business.

Mr. Caldwell. – Allow me to ask each one to join me in giving three cheers, three firemanic cheers for our retiring President. (Three cheers.)

The President. – The next order is report of Auditing Committee, but the Committee is still waiting for any bills which may be presented to them for action; if there are any bills to be presented they want them.

The Secretary. – There has been a good deal of delay about those things. Money is now being received which should have been paid before.

The President. – Report of the Executive Committee.

Col. Laflin. – As Chairman of the Executive Committee I would say that we met at the Eagle Hotel with the President, looked over the bills carefully and referred them to the Auditing Committee, and proceeded as far as we could on the money that had come in and the bills which were offered. We find the books all

correct, and the Auditing Committee examined them specially, and the Executive Committee was well satisfied.

Mr. Denfield. – I move the report of the Committee be accepted.

Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – Reports of Special Committees. Any special committee to report?

Mr. Howland. – I should like to ask if it isn't customary to read the Auditing Committee's report. I am a stranger here; this is the first time I have ever been to a Convention of this kind, and I rise for information.

The President. – The Auditing Committee are not ready to report yet; they are still in session.

Mr. Denfield. – I order to facilitate business, may we not go on with some other business now while this report is being prepared; it is now two o'clock. I might suggest it would be quite in order to proceed with the election of officers for the ensuing year.

229. Progressive Euchre and Reception, Under the auspices of the Ladies of St. Mary's Parish, to be held at St. Mary's Hall, Wednesday Evening, Dec. 31, 1901. Games to begin at 8 o'clock. Admission 25 cents. Proceeds for the benefit of St. Mary's Church. [illustration]

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Lexington Hall. Lodge Rooms. Bowling Alleys.

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Pres. Admiral Dot Pleasure Club, W. P.

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Club, W. P.

Central Bowling Club, W. P. [illustration]

231. Four stamps, Help to Lessen the Burden of War; American Red Cross, Merry Christmas; Documentary one cent, red; U. S. Postage, 6 cents, orange. [illustration]

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Mr. Timmons. - If it is in order I would like to make a motion that we proceed to the election of officers while the Secretary is making out his report.

Motion seconded and carried.

Vice-President Geo. W. Vedder here took the chair.

The Vice-President. – The first, gentlemen, is the President of Association for the ensuing year. What is your nomination?

Mr. Hassinger. – I would place in nomination one whom you all know – our present President. It has always been customary for the President to hold the office for two years. I think it is no more than right that our President should do the same thing.

Mr. Nestell. – Allow me on behalf of the Kingston delegates to second the nomination of Joseph G. Hurley for President of the Association.

Mr. Hanna. – I move the nominations be closed.

Motion seconded.

Mr. Herb. – This Executive Committee every year is doing business for this large Convention.

Mr. Vedder. – (Interrupting.) – I think the gentleman is out of order; we are nominating officers now.

The Vice-President. – Are you ready to vote on the nomination of Joseph C. Hurley?

Nomination put and carried, some Noes being heard on the call thereof.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I move that the Secretary cast one ballot for Mr. Joseph C. Hurley for President of this Association for the ensuing year.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Caldwell. – I rise to a point of order; Mr. Joseph C. Hurley, I will say right now, is my choice for President of this Association for the ensuing year, but according to parliamentary proceedings you can't authorize the Secretary of this Association to cast one ballot for Mr. Joseph C. Hurley, when there is a negative. There were negatives and you must take a ballot.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I don't wish to do anything wrong. I imagined, and naturally, that as the Chair had declared the nominations closed, and there was but one candidate in the field, which was Joseph C. Hurley, there could be no negative.

Mr. Mardorf. – If I understand the Constitution right – I was speaking to the motion – if I understood the custom right, it has always been customary to re-elect a President if he has given any satisfaction; and from what I have seen to-day of the President of this Association, he has given perfect satisfaction. He has been fair and square in all his dealings, and to come here, as I must say some gentlemen have tried, to pick flaws with every little thing, is not right. I understand that a fireman, and a volunteer fireman, is generally a whole-souled fellow. (Applause.) I am sorry to see you don't show it here to-day. Why not through away your little differences, recognize the abilities and faithful performance of his duties as president by re-electing him as you have formerly done. (Applause.)

Mr. Ohley. – Inasmuch as there is but one candidate for President of this Association, I move that Joseph C. Hurley be elected by acclamation President of this Association.

Seconded.

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Mr. Quackenbush. – A point of order, I want to make it square and fair. I think the Constitution says it must be by ballot. I don't care how he is elected, as long as he is elected.

The Secretary. – You should know by this time a majority vote of this Association elects any officer by ballot, and if a majority vote declares any officer elected, isn't he elected under your Constitution?

He is, so far as my knowledge of parliamentary law goes. Your officers "shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting by a majority vote of the members present." If a majority votes in this Convention – as is done time and time again in any assembly, the majority vote will elect.

Motion to elect by acclamation put and carried.

The Vice-President. – I declare Mr. Joseph C. Hurley elected President for the coming year. (Applause.)

President Hurley. – I thank you, gentlemen, for the honor of electing me President for the second year.

Col. Laflin. – I propose that we give three hearty cheers for our new President. (Cheers.)

The President. – The next order is the election of eight Vice-Presidents. Each county's delegates ought to get by themselves and select one man from each county.

Mr. Cohen. – I move a recess of ten minutes to secure nominations for Vice-Presidents.

Motion seconded.

The Secretary. – The general practice has been that the delegation of each county retire during a recess and select a candidate to be presented as Vice-President for the county.

Motion for recess put and carried.

Convention called to order.

Mr. Scott. – The county of Greene presents the name of Jerome E. Browne, Jr. of Cocksackie.

Nomination seconded.

A Delegate. – The county of Ulster presents the name of Henry A. Ohley of Saugerties.

Nomination seconded.

A Delegate – Rockland county presents for nomination the name of George Topping of Haverstraw.

Nomination seconded.

Mr. Kreigler. – In behalf of the delegation of Dutchess county, I present the name of James R. Osborne of Po'keepsie.

Nomination seconded.

A Delegate. – By unanimous nomination of the delegates from Westchester county, I would present the name of Eben Utter of Peekskill.

Nomination seconded.

A Delegate - I nominate George W. Vedder of Philmont for Columbia county.

Nomination seconded.

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A Delegate. – Orange county presents the name of Max E. Bastian of Newburgh.

Nomination seconded.

The Secretary. – Inasmuch as there is one member from Rensselaer county, and he is too modest to speak for himself, I would place in nomination Patrick Bryon of Troy.

Nomination seconded.

The nominations made were put and carried.

The President. – The next order is the election of a Secretary.

Mr. Mardorf. - The last thing a man gets is a coffin, and as we may all be provided with a coffin when we all get what belongs to us, I nominate Charles G. Coffin for the office of secretary.

Nomination seconded.

Mr. Denike. – I take pleasure in seconding the nomination of Mr. Coffin.

Mr. Denfield. – I move the nominations be closed.

Motion seconded and carried.

Nomination of Mr. Coffin put and carried.

Mr. Quackenbush. – Last year at Peekskill I had the honor, by consent of this assembly, or Convention rather, to deposit one ballot for your present Treasurer. I would like unanimous consent at this time to place in nomination and to cast one ballot again for a good man for Treasurer, Mr. Hassinger. I would take pleasure in nominating Mr. Hassinger.

Mr. Timmons. – In view of the fact that Mr. Quackenbush had the honor last year of casting one ballot, I think he might give way and allow me the honor of placing in nomination our last year's Treasurer, Mr. Hassinger. I would take pleasure in nominating Mr. Hassinger.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I withdraw in favor of Mr. Timmons.

Mr. Koltz. – I rise to a point of order. As you have declared the nomination for Secretary closed, I move that the Chief Engineer of the Kingston Fire Department cast one ballot for Charles G. Coffin as Secretary. Motion seconded and carried.

The President. - I find here a ballot for Charles G. Coffin as Secretary for the ensuing year. I declare him elected.

Mr. Timmons. – I take great pleasure in nominating our old treasurer, Mr. Hassinger, an old and time-honored friend of this Association from its early history. I believe he has been in this Association ever since it was first organized. I take great pleasure in presenting the name of Mr. Hassinger for Treasurer of this organization.

Nomination seconded.

Nomination of Mr. Hassinger put and carried.

Mr. Scott. – I move that Brother Timmons be allowed the honor of casting one ballot for Ernest Hassinger as our Treasurer.

Motion seconded and carried, and ballot cast.

The President. – I find here the unanimous vote of the Association for

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Ernest Hassinger, as Treasurer for the ensuing year, and I declare him elected.

The next in order, I believe, is the election of a delegate to the State Firemen's Convention.

Mr. Bieber. – I think the last delegate was Mr. Haight. I am very sorry to see he is not here. I understand he is quite ill. I, therefore, would nominate the Chief Engineer of the Kingston Fire Department, Mr. Quackenbush to go as delegate to the State Convention.

Nomination seconded.

Mr. Kolts. – I second the nomination of the Chief Engineer of the City Fire Department for delegate to the State Convention.

A Delegate. – I move the nominations be closed, and Mr. Bieber cast the ballot of the Association for Mr. Quackenbush, as delegate to the State Firemen's Association.

Motion seconded and carried, and ballot cast.

The President: - I have here one ballot for Chief Quackenbush as delegate to the State Firemen's Association.

Mr. Quackenbush. – Gentlemen, gentlemen of this Convention, I want to thank you most heartily for the honor conferred and to say that I will do my best to represent you at that Convention, if I live.

The Secretary. – Are you ready for the report of the Secretary?

The President. – We want the report of the Auditing Committee.

Kingston, June 18, 1901.

To the Officers and Members of the H. V. V. F. A.:

GENTLEMEN. – We the Auditing Committee of your Association, do report, that we have examined the books of the Treasurer, Ernest Hassinger, with all the vouchers and stubs pertaining thereto, and find the same correct.

Frederick Stephan, Jr.

E. H. Davis

Irwin Ronk

The President. - What shall we do with this report of the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Denike. – I move the report be accepted and placed on file.

Motion seconded and carried.

The Secretary. – I would report that I have received for the year 1901, from 27 companies represented in the Association and from the individual delegates who have paid dues, the sum of \$309, and that I hold the receipts of the Treasurer for that amount, \$309. (Applause.)

The President. – You have heard the report of the Secretary, what is your pleasure?

A. Delegate. - I move the report be accepted and spread on our minutes,

236. Irving L. Nestell, Ex 2nd Ass't Chief Fire Department, Kingston, N. Y. [card] ['Ex' added in ink] [illustration]

237. Ralph P. Barker – Life Member F. A. S. N. Y.

Life Member Tri-County F. A.

Life Member Greene County F. A.

Member N. Y. S. C. O. A. F.

Member Atlas 316, F. & A. M, of New York.

Foreman F. N. Wilson Fire Co., No. 5, Catskill.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

President Veteran's Firemen's Assn., Catskill.

Foreman (1854) Engine Co. No. 50, New York V. F. D.

Member (1849) Eagle Hose Co., No. 1, New York V. F. D. [illustration]

238. Two pictures, Bessie Mc Coy and Grace Filkins. [illustration]

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and the Secretary be given a vote of thanks for the competent manner in which he has performed his duties.

Motion seconded and carried.

The President. – The next is the report of the Treasurer.

The Secretary. – For the Treasurer I would read the report.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1900 *Receipts. –*

June 19,	Balance received from Treas. Quackenbush.....	\$ 8.68	
	Received from Sec'y Coffin, after Convention...	<u>4.00</u>	\$ 12.68

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May to June 25,	Received from Sec'y Coffin.....		<u>\$300.00</u>
			\$312.68

Voucher *Disbursements. –*

No. 64,	C. G. Coffin, sec. S. F. A. Dues 1900	2.00	
	Postage, etc.	<u>20.07</u>	\$ 22.07

No. 65,	H. C. Wilbur, stenographer, 1900	\$ 13.00	
No. 66,	C. G. Coffin, secretary, postage and expenses	12. 69	
No. 67,	Est. J. B. Hall, printing and supplies	48.00	
No. 68,	J. H. Haight, delegate 1900, S. F. A.	20.00	
No. 69,	C. G. Coffin, secretary, salary for 1900	\$100.00	
	Expenses	<u>1.44</u>	
		101.44	
No. 70,	Irwin Ronk, Auditing Committee	4.74	
No. 71,	E. Hassinger, Treasurer	4.74	
No. 72,	E. H. Davis, Auditing Committee	6.40	
No. 73,	G. H. Scott, Executive Committee	5.47	
No. 74,	Thomas Timmons, Executive Committee	5.00	
No. 75,	H. D. Laflin, Executive Committee	4.74	
No. 76,	F. S. Bieber, Executive Committee	4.74	
No. 77,	E. Hassinger, Treasurer, expressage on books	.25	
No. 78,	C. G. Coffin, Secretary, expenses	<u>2.54</u>	<u>\$255.82</u>
	Balance on hand		\$ 65.85

(Applause.) And I want to say it has been the effort of the officers and committees of the Association- I don't think the new members will appreciate the point - since the meeting at Newburgh, when the dues were reduced, the territory extended and the representation reduced from two to one for a company, to work expenses down and receipts up until we could show a balance each year. At least every year until this there have been six, seven, ten or eleven who have paid as a matter of favor on the year's dues to follow simply because we had to have it; it couldn't be helped; we had enough to pay, but somebody always paid ahead. This year, with only one dollar

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paid ahead, we have \$65.86 in the treasury; and I am glad of it. (Applause.)

The President. – You have heard the report of the Treasurer, what is your pleasure?

Mr. Howland. – I move it be received and spread on the minutes.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. President. – Reading of communications.

Volunteer Firemen's Home,
Hudson, N. Y., June 15, 1901

To the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention: - We, the undersigned inmates of the Volunteer Firemen's Home, at Hudson, N. Y., recollecting the resolution passed at your Convention last June referring to the bill for the support of the Home, and which resolution was as follows:

Resolved, That the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association join hands with the State Firemen's Association and see its best endeavors to secure the passage of said bill at the next meeting of the Legislature of this State;"

We therefore, bearing this resolution in mind, and realizing how fully you have kept faith, and did truly "join hands," which action resulted in the happy consummation of the ends you had in view, wish to convey our sincere thanks for so nobly standing by the Home. "Inasmuch as ye have done it to one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it to me."

And while Time, the great leveller, will, before many years, gather us to our fathers, we know that in the course of human events, some of those in your honorable ranks, now in the full flush of independent manhood, may, on the banks of the Hudson receive a restful home for the declining years prepared by your bounty.

Almon Snyder of Hudson
James E. Halsey of New York city
James Bowdin of Albany
Oliver S. Anderson of Po'keepsie
William Wendel of Buffalo
Thomas J. Briggs of Nyack
Michael I. Hughes of Brooklyn

Committee on behalf of the Inmates of the Volunteer Firemen's Home.

Mr. Scott. – I offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The State Firemen's Home, at Hudson, N. Y., is an institution dear to the heart and worthy of the support of every Volunteer Fireman, and its success and extension of usefulness greatly to be desired; and

WHEREAS, The enactment and approval of the law giving to the Home ten percent. of the two per cent. tax on foreign insurance companies will result in the enlargement and maintenance of the Firemen's Home; be it

Resolved, That the thanks of the Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association be and hereby are extended to all members of the Legislature who worked and voted for said law, and particularly to Senator W. S. C.

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Wiley and Assemblymen Sanford W. Smith and William W. Ryder for their untiring efforts and services in achieving the enactment of said bill into law, and to Gov. Odell for his wise action in the approval thereof.

Mr. Hotaling. – I move the adoption of this resolution of Mr. Scott.

Seconded and carried. The Committee on Resolutions would report the following:

That a vote of thanks of this Association be extended to the Mayor, the Rev. Mr. Seeley, the officers and members of the Kingston Fire Department and the citizens in general for the kind and courteous reception

received by us in their city. Patrick Byron, Thomas Timmons, Irving L. Nestell.

The President. – What is your pleasure with the resolution?

Mr. Vedder. – I move that the resolution you read be accepted and placed on file.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Mc Vey. – I would offer to this Convention a resolution of condolence to the family of the late James G. Tubby, a member of this Association and a lifelong fireman, who died about two months ago, and I would wish to offer a resolution to his family and have it spread on the minutes of the meeting.

WHEREAS, Our Beneficent Creator has deemed it wise to relieve from worldly care and tribulation by calling home a beloved member of this Association; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That through the death of James G. Tubby we have lost a faithful and devoted friend and an earnest associate. His genial presence and enthusiastic efforts in behalf of the Association will long be missed.

To his family and friends we offer our most sincere sympathy, and direct that this expression be entered in the minutes and published in the printed proceedings of the Convention.

Mr. Quackenbush. – I move the adoption of the resolution.

Motion seconded and carried.

Report of Mr. Bruck, committee on apportionment of 799 girls, read and laid under the table.

The President. – The next thing is New Business.

Chief Quackenbush of Kingston outlined plan for entertainment of delegates after the Convention.

The President. – The next thing is the designation of the place to hold the next Convention.

Mr. Mardorf. – A little while ago the Secretary came and shook hands with me. I didn't know what he meant, but I found out soon after. He

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says he is very modest and very bashful; he couldn't ask for anything else; he wanted somebody else to do it for him; and Catskill is a very nice place to hold the next Convention; but, he says, I wouldn't ask for it, but we would like to have it. I therefore move that Catskill be designated as the next place to hold the Convention.

Seconded.

A Delegate. – I should like to hear from Catskill.

The President. – Perhaps the Secretary would like to say something.

The Secretary. – Perhaps there are other men from Catskill that might speak first.

A Delegate. – Has anything been said by any member from Catskill? I think before that motion can be entertained at all, we ought to hear from some citizen of Catskill.

Mr. Person. – Catskill will take it; Catskill will do the very best she can; we haven't said anything to the citizens of Catskill. We came down here without a pledge; but Catskill citizens are loyal to their firemen; we have the best Fire Department, excepting none; When we say that we except none; we will take care of you. We haven't 500 girls, that our friend had; we haven't 500 to furnish you, but we will do the best we can, or we will try to do the best we can, and that is all we can say. If you will come to us we will do the best in our power to give you a good time; that is all I dare say, as much as I can say. This is under a little different light from Po'keepsie. Every member knows that local circumstances and feeling govern local action in the Department.

It is only within the last three weeks that someone has asked whether Catskill would ask for the Convention. The expression of opinion so far as I am concerned and so far as the Catskill Department is concerned is this: We don't say we want the Convention and fight for it against any other place that may want it, but if the Convention comes to Catskill we will take care of it and do our best. If the Convention comes to Catskill we will not do it brown, but we will try to take care of it in good shape.

Motion put and carried.

The Secretary. – Thank you, gentlemen, and we will try to give you as royal a welcome as you have had

here.

Col. Laflin. – I would like to say before this Convention adjourn, we have had some little differences in regard to the Secretary's duties and the delays, etc. I think most of the fault lies with ourselves. If we would send our dues in to the Secretary a week before, it would enable him to make out his report fully and it would stop all this delay and all this unfinished business he has to do when he comes in; which has been delayed on that account.

Mr. Mardorf. – I believe that it is due to the officers and committees for the faithful performance of their work to extend them a vote of thanks. I move that it be done.

Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Denfield. – I move we adjourn.

Motion seconded and carried.

243. Ernest Hassinger – Life Member F. A. S. N. Y.

Member H. R. V. F. A.

Ex-Foreman R. A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1.

Treasurer Saugerties F. D.

Secretary R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1.

P. G. Ulster Lodge No. 59, I. O. O. F.

P. C. P. Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F.

Past Regent Saugerties Council 1365, R. A.

Chief

Ex-President S. M. Q.

Saugerties F. D.

Honorary Member Saugerties Exempt F. A. [illustration]

244. Charles Higham, Chief Engineer, Middletown Fire Dept. Middletown, N. Y. [illustration]

245. Pictures – Ireland, India, Poland. [illustrations]

246. David Shean of the Chicago Nationals, Cubs. [illustration]

247. I Got Cha, Steve. R. L. Goldberg. [illustration]

248. U. S. Parcel Post stamps, 5 cents and 1 cent red. Mail Train and Post Office Clerk. [illustration]

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Arnold, John	Hudson	Fleming, John C.	Peekskill
		Freskeo, Andrew	Kingston
Byron, Patrick	Troy		
Bruck, John N.	Kingston	Goldsmith, James A.	Haverstraw
Bieber, Fred S.	Po'keepsie	Gilmore, James V.	Saugerties
Butler, James	Catskill	Gassen, Chas. J.	Liberty
Blake, P.	Coxsackie	Granger, William	Hudson
Bastien, Max E.	Newburgh	Greene, John H.	Kingston
Bradley, Thomas	Saugerties		
Best, Samuel M.	Hudson	Hurley, Joseph C.	Kingston
Ballman Robert	Saugerties	Hassinger, Ernest	Saugerties
Burgevin, Julius V.	Kingston	Henkel, Albert A.	Kingston
Becker, Charles H.	Catskill	Hall, Harry,	Catskill
Brandow, Jerome	Catskill	Hallock, Roscoe C.	Coxsackie
Brown, Lewis	Kingston	Higham, Chas.	Middletown
Briggs, Emery E.	Athens	Hasbrouck, Dudley C.	Peekskill

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Bowne, Frederick	Po'keepsie	Hallenbeck, Richard	Hudson
Brady, Wm. C.	Athens	Hoffman, Frank	Po'keepsie
Belch, Thos. B.	Saugerties	Henderson, J. Thos.	Catskill
		Hallenbeck, Wm. H.	Coxsackie
Coffin, Charles G.	Catskill	Hay, Etherege S.	Catskill
Cantine, Martin	Saugerties	Hallock, Wm. H.	Newburgh
Chamberlain, Fred N.	Po'keepsie	Haight, James H.	Peekskill
Connolly, John	Catskill	Heaney, Frank M.	Kingston
Clark, Lawrence W.	New York	Herb, Peter	Kingston
Cornell, L. B.	Coxsackie	Heaney, John L.	Kingston
Cohen, William	Kingston	Huber, Nicholas	Kingston
Caldwell, Edward O.	Po'keepsie		
Cramer, John	Kingston	Joseph, Abraham	Catskill
		Joyce, Martin	Kingston
Deyo, Jonathan	Newburgh	Jung, Edward	Kingston
Davis, Edgar H.	Hudson		
De Peyster, Col. J. L.	Tivoli	Krieger, Henry	Po'keepsie
Deane, Frank K.	Po'keepsie	Kolts, Louis	Kingston
Dederick, William A.	Kingston	King, Richard H.	Catskill
Dingman, Asbury	Philmont	Kolts, Wm. H.	Kingston
Dunne, Michael I.	Kingston	Klemmer, George	Hudson
		Kirschner, Geo. C.	Kingston
Frank, William H.	Po'keepsie		
Fancher, Wm. P. S.	Coxsackie	Laflin, H. D.	Saugerties
Fitzpatrick, James	Peekskill	Long, Edward	Kingston
Fireman's Herald	New York	Lahr, Peter	Hudson
Fonda, Isaac	Catskill	Lefevre, Frank J.	New Paltz
Feroe, Harry C.	Tivoli	Lampman, James H.	Coxsackie
Freer, Dubois	Croton-on-Hudson	Loeffler, Geo. A.	Coxsackie
Fronefield, Wm.	Po'keepsie	Lewis, Edward J.	Saugerties

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Lange, Otto H.	Kingston	Scott, George H.	Coxsackie
Lansing, Lewis E.	Po'keepsie	Selden, Robert	Catskill
Lenahan, William	Kingston	Sutton, Frank	Catskill
		Schryver, Edgar E.	Kingston
Miller, Wilson	Valatie	Smith, Lewis E.	Po'keepsie
Maar, George	Po'keepsie	Sharpe, Chas.	Coxsackie
Murphy, Hugh	Kingston	Sweet, Geo. J.	Coxsackie
Meder, John T.	Kingston	Slater, Wm. E.	Po'keepsie
Miller Hiram R.	Kingston	Schmid, Otto B.	New Paltz
Myer, Ernest	Saugerties	Saxe, Charles L. G.	Catskill
Madison, Geo.	Po'keepsie	Strubel, John L.	Kingston
Miller, Frank	Hudson	Snyder, Bruyn	Kingston
Maar, Wm. V.	Po'keepsie	Snyder, J. Chas.	Kingston
Minnerly, Jas. A.	N. Tarrytown	Sudheimer, Fred	Kingston
Manning, Wm. S.	Saugerties	Sheridan, John	Kingston
Murphy, Nicholas D. J.	Kingston		
Mattice, Wm.	Catskill	Thorpe, Wm. E.	Catskill

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McVey, John	Kingston	Townsend, Wm. B.	Coxsackie
McLaughlin, Dennis	Saugerties	Teller, James	Saugerties
		Thompson, Edgar F.	Kingston
Nestell, Irving L.	Kingston	Utter, Eben	Peekskill
Newkirk, Geo. W.	Kingston		
Odell, Benj. B.	Newburgh	Van Anden, Wm. C.	Kingston
O'Shea, John L.	Kingston	Vedder, George W.	Philmont
Obert, Joseph	Catskill	Van Etten, Alfred	Lenox, Mass.
Ohley, Henry A.	Saugerties		
		Walter, Fred J.	Kingston
Price, James W.	Hillburn	Wachmeyer, Geo. Jr.	Kingston
Prendergast, James	Coxsackie	Wood, James R.	Kingston
Purvis, James	Kingston	Wilcox, Edward K.	Coxsackie
Plough, Jacob L.	Kingston	Weber, Theo.	Kingston
Person, Van	Catskill	Wilbur, Howard C.	Catskill
Penny, James C.	Kingston	Wilcox, Howard	Catskill
Ploss, Abram F.	Kingston	Weaver, Schuyler P.	Po'keepsie
Penny, Wm. H.	Kingston	Whitbeck, Arthur P.	Coxsackie
Post, Elliott E.	Catskill	Wygant, Fred'k D.	Saugerties
		Weed, C. Albert	Catskill
Quackenbush, Chas. L.	Kingston	Walker, Chas.	Peekskill
		Woerner, Chris J.	Kingston
Ronk, Irwin	Saugerties	Worf, John	Kingston
Russell Jere. P.	Saugerties	Walter, Chas. F.	Kingston
Reynolds, Martin J.	Peekskill	Walter, Wm. F.	Kingston
Reed, Chas. F.	Catskill	Wallace, Chas. S.	Newburgh
Stephan, Fred'k J.	Kingston	Zeigler, Wm.	Saugerties

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ROLL OF DELEGATES

Armstrong Hook & Ladder	Red Hook	Leonard Mattice
Booth Hose	Po'keepsie	James B. Way
Crockett Hook & Ladder	Po'keepsie	U. Grant Lucas
Columbian Engine	Peekskill	David T. Denfield
Columbian Hose	Peekskill	Clarence W. Denike
Cortland Hook & Ladder	Peekskill	Thos. Timmons
Centennial Hose	Peekskill	John G. A'bele
Clinton Hose	Kingston	Joseph Smith
Coxsackie Hose	Coxsackie	J. D. Ray
Cornell Hose	Kingston	Charles L. Quackenbush
Columbian Hook & Ladder	Croton-on-Hudson	William Lang
Citizens' Hose	Catskill	Jacob Conklin
Cataract Engine	Po'keepsie	Joseph W. Farrell
Clinton Hook & Ladder	Mt. Vernon	Edward A. Howland
Cordts Hose	Kingston	James Kelly
DePuyster Hose	Tivoli	Fred Hoffman
Department Trustees	Peekskill	John W. Hawes

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Department Fund Association	Kingston	Joseph Keegan
Exempt Firemen's Association	Saugerties	John G. Palmer
Exempt Firemen's Association	Kingston	N. A. Houghtaling
Excelsior Hose	Kingston	James Brennen
Edmonds Hose	Hudson	O. E. Sheldon
Fire Patrol	Mt. Vernon	Alfred M. Hitchcock
Fire Patrol	White Plains	Frank H. Brown
Firemen's Association	Greene County	Wm. H. Mortimer
Fearless Hook & Ladder	Walden	Michael Hanna
Garner Engine	Wappiner Falls [sic]	Timothy Lowery
Gen. Warren Hose	Haverstraw	George Mardorf
Highland Hose	Highland	John J. Clearwater
Hope Hose	Yonkers	Alfred M. Keene
Hasbrouck Engine	South Rondout	William Kyer
Hoysradt Hose	Hudson	William Wortman
Irvington Fire Association	Irvington	George C. Menzies
Jackson Engine	Tarrytown	John Gross
Kip Hose	Rhinebeck	Daniel S. Bullis
Lady Washington Hose	Po'keepsie	John Bright
Laflin Hose	Saugerties	Jonas Myers
Lawson Hose	Newburgh	Fred B. Smith
Lady Warren Hose	Haverstraw	Felix Mc Cabe
Monitor Hose	Ossining	John B. Brady

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Moore Hose	Kingston	Philip Beichert
Morton Steamer	Athens	William D. Ashley
Niagara Hose	Mt. Vernon	Henry Gundling
Niagara Steamer	Po'keepsie	James Cable
Ormsbee Engine	Tivoli	Charles B. Stickel
Osborn Hose	Catskill	William O'Brien
Ossining Hose	Ossining	Charles Cook
Palmer Engine and Hose	Kinderhook	George Reynolds
Phoenix Hose	Po'keepsie	A. W. Moore
Philmont Volunteer Hose	Philmont	Warren Teator
Phoenix Hose	Hudson	Benjamin Ham
Phoenix Hose	Tarrytown	Anson Dolen
Rescue Hook & Ladder	Kingston	John B. Glennon
Relief Hose	Haverstraw	George H. Topping
Relief Hook & Ladder	Rhinebeck	George L. Williams
Rescue Hook & Ladder	Haverstraw	C. M. Hilton
Rescue Hose	North Tarrytown	Ernest L. Brundage
Rapid Hose	Kingston	Jacob C. Post
Scoresby Hose	Ellenville	C. G. A. Fischer
Snyder Hose	Saugerties	Herbert Van Buskirk
Star Hose	New Paltz	John Yapple
Scott Hook & Ladder	Coxsackie	J. E. Browne, Jr.
Twaafskill Hose	Kingston	Hubert C. Rush
Ulster Hook & Ladder	New Paltz	F. J. Steen

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Union Hook & Ladder	White Plains	John Emberson
Veteran Firemen's Association	Po'keepsie	James B. Osborn
Wiltwyck Hose	Kingston	Herman M. Zippel
Weiner Hose	Kingston	William S. Campbell
Wayne Hose	Stony Point	Carl Blume
Washington Engine	Croton-on-Hudson	William Pointer
Washington Hook & Ladder	Saugerties	Fred Grathwohl
Wilson Fire Co.	Catskill	Frank Hasselman, Jr.
Washington Hose	Hudson	Peter Neary
Wiley Hose	Catskill	Henry R. Hinman
Washington Engine	Peekskill	Fred W. Otte, Jr.
Weber Hose	Kingston	Charles Freize
Young America Hose	Po'keepsie	Raimund W. Haupt

253. Max E. Bastian, Newburgh, N. Y. Foreman and Director Highland Steamer Co., No. 3. [card, illustration]

254. Hand dated Jan 20, 1905. Club Officers.

The Saugerties Club have elected S. M. Gray, president; L. J. Butzel, vice-president; Charles Clum, secretary; Frank Russell, treasurer.

255. St. Mary's Commandery, Knights of St. John, No. 145.

Committee – Reception Committee:

William Johnson, Chairman.

Frank Martin, Sylvester McCarthy, James Dunn, John Gilmore, John Rovegno, Henry L. Cox, Thomas Keeley.

Floor Committee: John E. Mc Cormick, Chairman

Refreshment Committee: Dennis Mc Laughlin, Chairman.

This invitation presented at the door accompanied by one dollar \$1.00 will admit yourself and one lady, an extra charge of 25¢ will be made for each additional lady. [illustration]

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Adopted at Newburgh, 1897.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I. – Name

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

ARTICLE II. – Membership and Dues.

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

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

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

Section 4. The annual dues shall be \$2 for each organization and \$1 for each member; and each organization and member, once admitted, may retain membership in this Association, as provided by this Constitution and By-Laws, so long as their annual dues are paid. The Annual dues shall be paid by or before the Tuesday preceding the holding of the annual convention. All members failing to comply with this section shall be dropped from

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the roll of membership, and shall be reinstated only upon a new application, or the payment of all arrearages of dues to the time of such to the time of such reinstatement

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

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

Section 2. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be *ex-officio* members of the Executive Committee, and the President and Secretary shall be *ex-officio* Chairman and Secretary, respectively, of such Committee.

ARTICLE IV. – DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

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

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of all proceedings of the Association and of the Executive Committee to receive and answer all communications relating to the Association, to collect all money due to the Association and render a monthly report of the same to the Treasurer, paying over to the Treasurer the amount received during the month (for which payment shall take a receipt from the Treasurer), keep correct accounts of his financial transactions, and countersign all orders upon the Treasurer, after approval by the by the Auditing Committee; make full reports at the annual meetings of the Association as to membership, and perform such other duties or make such reports as may be required of him by the President or Executive Committee; to issue to each and every organization paying annual dies a printed card or certificate, showing that the possessor thereof is entitled to a badge and such other privileges as may be presented by the Citizen's Committee, where conventions are held, and upon

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the surrender of said card or certificate to the local committee in some room apart from the Convention Hall, the badge shall be delivered without a roll-call. Not later than the Tuesday preceeding the convention the Secretary shall procure printed lists of all the delegates and members who are by the terms of the Constitution and By-Laws entitled to a seat in the convention, and shall cause such lists to be placed in the

delegates seats prior to the opening of the convention. He shall execute a bond to the Executive Committee in such sum as shall be required, which bond must be approved by the Executive Committee and filed with the President. He shall receive the sum of \$100 per year for the faithful performance of his duties.

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

Section 4. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to transact all business of the Association during the interval between meetings, and to fill all vacancies in office, except that of President, wherever such occur. The Executive Committee shall have power to call special meetings of the Association, to appoint a sub-committee on Transportation and Railroad Rates, to examine books and papers of all officers of the Association, and after being heard, to suspend any officer of the Association, for malfeasance or misfeasance in office; to make a draft upon the Treasurer for a sufficient amount for the running expenses of the Secretary, to change the time and place of the annual meeting, when this may be necessary, and shall have authority to decide the territory to be covered by the Association. Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Auditing Committee to audit bills before payment, and examine the books of the Secretary, and Treasurer, previous to the assembling of the annual convention, and report the result of such examination to such convention.

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

Section 7. The Secretary of the Association shall have a credit with the Treasurer not exceeding fifty dollars in any one year, which may be drawn out of the treasury upon his own order, and is not subject to the restrictions of Section 3 of Article 4; this provision being made for the purpose of liquidating the urgent and necessary expenses of the Secretary incurred for this Association; and the Secretary shall account for the same as required under Section 2 of Article IV.

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ARTICLE V. - MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting of this Association shall be held on the third Tuesday in June, in each year, at 10 A. M. at such place as a majority of members present at the preceeding annual meeting shall have designated, provided, however, that it shall not be held in one county more than once in three years, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee.

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

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

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

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

ARTICLE VI. – AMENDMENTS, ALTERNATIONS AND REVISIONS.

Section 1. The Association shall have full power at any meeting to amend, alter or revise this

Constitution and By-Laws with the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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

BY-LAWS

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

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

Section 3. Any questions before the convention for which no provision is made in the Constitution and By-laws shall be decided in accord with the rules laid down in Cushing's Manual.

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Order of Business

MORNING SESSION:

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

AFTERNOON SESSION:

1. Report of the Committee on Credentials.
2. Roll Call.
3. Reading of Minutes of last Convention.
4. Annual Address of the President.
5. Report of the Executive Committee.
6. Report of the Auditing Committee.
7. Reports of Special Committees.
8. Report of Secretary.
9. Report of Treasurer.
10. Reading of Communications.
11. Topics and Essays.
12. New Business.
13. Designation of Place to Hold Next Convention.
14. Election of Officers for Ensuing Year.
15. Unfinished Business.
16. Adjournment.

261. Frank V. Underhill, Representative Laflin Hose Co. No. 2. Saugerties N. Y. Ex Ass't Foreman
[illustration]

262. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Jan 3, 1905. Odd Fellows Installation.

The officers of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F. were Monday evening by District Deputy Grand Master J. F. Osterhoudt, of Kingston as follows: John C. Shultis, N. G.; James W. Kearney, V. G.; Jerry France, rec. sec.; A. A. Teetsel, fin. sec.; James H. Carew, treas.; Wm. B. Field, R. S. N. G.; Winslow Van Etten, L. S. N. G.; L. N. Griffin, warden; Wm. Burnett, conductor; Arthur Dewitt, R. S. S.; Chas. Lamb, L. S. S.; Frank Fuller chaplain; George Rosepagh, I. G.; Chas. Clum, O. G.

263. Saugerties Post. Dec. 23, 1904. Royal Arcanum Officers. Those Elected to Serve for the Year of 1905.

Saugerties Council, No. 1365, Royal Arcanum, have elected the following officers for the year of 1905: Wm. A. Helm, regent; Charles E. Cooke, vice regent; George B. Trumbour, orator; Wm. H. Mac Mullen, chaplain; John Dietrich, guide; Charles Clum, secretary; Ernest Hassinger, collector; William Ribsamen, warden; John Lang, sentry; William Whitaker, representative; Robert Webber, alternate.

264. Saugerties Post, Oct 2, 1905. The Fire Sunday. The Blaze in Col. Laflin's Barn Extinguished by Firemen.

John Hill, the coachman, badly burned about the face, hands and arms, a fine bay mare severely blistered, a phaeton and several blankets, scorched and a number of bales of straw damaged, were the results of a fire in Col. Laflin's barn Sunday morning about 8:30 o'clock, the origin of which is a mystery, though matches dropped by some workmen who were in the barn Saturday, being stepped on by Mr. Hill, may have been the cause.

When Mr. Hill first reached the barn everything was all right. He did his work and went in the box stall, securing two blankets. A little later on returning from the smaller barn in the rear, he discovered the blaze. It was located among several bales of straw in one of the box stalls.

Procuring the small barn hose, he immediately began fighting the fire, alone, forgetting to turn in an alarm. He worked heroically, utterly forgetful of himself, and his face and arms were very severely burned, in trying to extinguish it.

Despite his efforts the blaze spread to a lot of blankets and the carriage, also igniting the blanket covering the mare, who was in an adjoining box stall. The firemen were soon summoned and on their arrival soon subdued the flames, preventing the destruction of the barn.

265. Ernest Hassinger, Mfg. of and dealer in Fine Cigars, Tobacco, etc., No. 84 Partition St., Saugerties, N. Y. [illustration]

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266. Peter J. Mitchell, Protection Engine Co. No. 1, Yonkers, N.Y. – June 9, 1883. [illustration]

267. Rockwell House, Glens Falls, N. Y. - M. O. Brown, proprietor, W. W. Brown, Manager, Largest and Best Hotel in Glens Falls. Headquarters for Commercial Men. [illustration]

268. Saugerties Consulate, No. 4, L. A. W.

Ernest Myer, Senior Consul.

James Dederick, Junior Consul.

Charles Clum, Secretary.

William Ziegler, Treasurer.

Board of Governors - James A. Greene, Frank G. Phelps, Frank Russell.

Committees – Reception Committee. James Dederick, Chairman. Henry T. Keeney, John A. Snyder, Fred Wygant, Ernest Myer.

Floor Committee. Clyde Van Steenburgh, Chairman. Benj. F. Davis, Herbert C. Van Buskirk, John Hallenbeck, Charles Davis, Jr.

Refreshment Committee. William V. Burhans, Chairman.

Decoration Committee. Henry T. Keeney, Chairman.

A member of the Consulate will probably call on you, with tickets sometime before the night of the Reception, should he fail to do so, this invitation presented at the door accompanied by One Dollar (\$1.00) will admit yourself and one lady, (an extra charge of 25¢ will be made for each additional lady.)

[illustration]

269. Making Matters Worse. He. - Ah, what a beautiful creature!

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

She – Sir! How dare you?

He – Excuse me, madam, I referred only to the dog. [illustration]

270. US Postage Stamp, 4 cent red, Rural Carrier. [illustration]

271. Jas. P. Sanders, Grand Master, 1858-1859. I. O. O. F. [illustration]

272. The Saugerties Consulate No. 4, L. A. W., request the pleasure of Mr. _____ and Lady
at their fifth annual Reception and Ball, NOT TRANSFERRABLE

Friday Evening, February 21st, 1902 at St. Mary's Hall.

William Ziegler, W. L. Darbee, Ernest Hassinger

W. V. Burhans

Herbert C. Van Buskirk

Committee

Martin's Orchestra of 12 pieces will be in attendance. [illustration]

273. Louis P. Crauer, Foreman of Phoenix Hose No. 1, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [card illustration]

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274. Saugerties Post, Dec. 7, 1901. Common Council Meeting. The Trolley Road Contract to be Signed.

Many Other Village Matters Discussed at Friday Night's Meeting.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Dec. 6th, 1901.

Directors present: Rowe, Washburn, McLaughlin, McCormick, Russell and Ziegler.

President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

A partial report from the Village Treasurer, Wm. H. Eckert, was read. A complete report not being made on account of delay in collecting village taxes.

The Finance Committee find the bill of the Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co., amount \$84.46, for supplies, correct. With the exception of seven plank procured by Mr. Samuel Hoff on his own responsibility. Motion that the bill be paid with exception of the seven plank procured by Mr. Hoff, carried. Amount of corrected bill \$80.61.

Street Committee reported sewer on Dock street opened and gutter on Dublin street cleaned.

Matter of lock for Empire engine house referred to Firemanic Committee.

On motion an exemption certificate was ordered granted to J. W. Frankel of Washington H. & L. Co.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND

Saugerties E. L. & P. Co. lights to Dec 1, 1901, \$ 82.45

Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., supplies, 80.61

Saugerties Cemetery Association, setting curb
and gutter and laying sidewalk in front of that
portion of Main street, cemetery belonging
to the village,

157.50

\$320.56

HEALTH FUND

L. S. Elmendorf 13 meetings Board of Health, \$ 30.00

ROAD FUND

Robt. Casey, labor 3 ½ days, 5.25

Wm. Dixon " 3 ½ " 5.25

Wm. Doyle, team, 1 day, 4.50

Edward Bates, salary for Nov., 29.16

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Quick Bros. & Co., bridge irons and bolts,	2.00
A. J. Paget, (assigned to Wm. Ziegler), laying up crusher,	<u>8.00</u>
	\$ 54.16

Communication from Brinnier & Searing in regards to lien of Wm. Doyle was read. Motion that Board do not consider this bill, not having made a contract with Mr. Doyle. Carried.

Motion that the Martin Cantine Co. be granted a building permit for one month. Carried.

Motion that communication from Benj. Myer be received and placed on file. Carried.

Motion that communication from Wm. A. Slingerland be received and placed on file. Carried.

The President appointed as inspectors of election to serve at Charter election to be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1901, Directors Russell, McCormick and Mc Laughlin.

Motion that Board go into executive session. Carried.

Motion that the president and clerk of the board of directors sign the contract, as read, with the Catskill Mountains Traction company. Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

275. Hand dated Post, Dec 27, 1904. To Add to the Collection.

Ernest Hassinger who possesses one of the finest collections of firemanic souvenirs and badges in the state, will soon enlarge the same by the addition of a new case filled with badges containing mostly photos of local firemen.

276. Saugerties Post, Jan. 2, 1902. The New Municipal Officers. Mayor Rowe Will Preside Again This Year. Nearly All the Old Officers Re-elected at the Meeting on New Years Day.

The Board of Directors of 1902, met at the Directors rooms, Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1902, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., for organization.

Present – Directors Rowe, Washburn, Crump, McLaughlin, Russell and Ziegler.

Clerk called the meeting to order and appointed Directors Rowe and Ziegler as tellers.

Informal ballot for President resulted as follows:

Rowe, 4; J. T. Washburn, 1; Blank 1.

On motion Mr. Ziegler cast the vote of the Board for Mr. Rowe for President, who on taking his chair thanked the Board for the honor conferred.

The ballot for Vice-President resulted as follows:

Washburn, 4; Mc Laughlin, 2.

Motion that Mr. Washburn be declared unanimously elected. Carried.

The ballot for Clerk resulted as follows:

C. H. Vedder, 6.

The President declared C. H. Vedder elected clerk.

The ballot for Street Commissioner resulted as follows:

Edward Bates, 6.

Mr. Bates was declared elected.

The ballot for Janitor resulted as follows:

John G. Palmer, 4; Wm. Tracey, 2.

The President declared John G. Palmer elected Janitor.

The ballot for Engineer of steamer resulted as follows:

William Hanna, 6.

The President declared Mr. Hanna elected Engineer of Steamer.

The ballot for member of the Board of Health resulted as follows:

Wm. H. Hommel, 5; Mr. M. Baker, 1.

Mr. Hommel was declared elected a member of the Board of Health.

Mr. Washburn was declared elected a member of the Board of Water Commissioners.

The ballot for member of the Separate Board of Sewer Commissioner resulted as follows:

For one year – S. M. Gray, 5; A. R. Burhans, 1.

Mr. Gray was declared elected for one year.

For two years – A. R. Burhans, 6.

Mr. Burhans was declared elected for two years.

For three years – R. B. Overbagh 5, Martin Cantine, 1.

Mr. Overbagh was declared elected for three years.

On motion Chas. E. Abeel and Chas. Whitaker were appointed night police for the ensuing year at the same salary as last year.

Motion that David E. Abeel be appointed village policeman for another year at the same salary as last year.

On motion Wm. E. Persons was appointed to take care of the town clock for the ensuing year at a salary of \$50 per year.

On motion the following were confirmed as officers of the Fire Department for ensuing year.

Chief Engineer, Lewis H. Kleeber

1st Asst Engineer, Thomas J. Bradley

2nd “ “ Ernest Myer

Treasurer Ernest Hassinger

On motion the first and third Friday in each month were designated as regular meeting nights.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion Board adjourned.

C. H. Vedder, Clerk

277. Chas. McArthur, Foreman Edmonds Hose, Hudson, N. Y. [card illustration]

278. Saugerties Post, Jan. 28, 1902. Glasco Shooting Affray. Antonio Secreto is Severely Hurt. A Card Party Instigated the Bitter Feeling Culminating in the Shooting.

A Glasco correspondent writes: Another attempted murder among Italians in Glasco occurred about 5 p. m., Saturday, in the vicinity of Joseph Mayone's saloon. A card party of half a dozen Calabrese Italians managed by Antonio Secreto, on one side, and Francisco Turco on the other side, resulted in a dispute between the managers and finally culminated in what was supposed at the time to be the deliberate murder of Secreto by Tusco. [sic] Secreto, however, seemed to be at the outset, the more aggressive and kept following up Turco to fight him. Friends of Turco surrounded him and endeavored to prevent Secreto from assaulting him. A crowd gathered as the men came up Hudson street and it was apparently becoming more and more difficult to keep the assailants apart. At last Turco shouted, keep back or I'll shoot," but Secreto kept advancing, when Turco drew his revolver. As he aimed at his assailant one of his friends knocked his arm down and the bullet ploughed into Secreto's leg. Turco then told his friends to stand aside or he would shoot any one coming between them. They quickly stepped aside and Turco opened fire again, one bullet going through Secreto's body, and another striking his head, and two missing him. But even this did not stop Secreto and being the larger and more powerful man of the two, he closed in upon his would-be murderer and threw him to the ground, falling heavily upon him. He was quickly pulled off and Turco escaped through the crowd while friends of Secreto were attending to him. The wounded man turned deathly pale in an instant, while blood flowed freely from his wounds. He was placed in an arm chair and carried to his home. On the way he said he was dying and the ghastly expression on his countenance seemed to verify his statement. Dr. Montgomery was telephoned for at once but did not arrive until about 7 o'clock. By that time Secreto had apparently rallied from the shock and excitement of the fray and appeared stronger. A hasty examination gave encouragement in that the track of the bullet in the abdomen, which was supposed to be a fatal wound. The bullet having in a slanting direction struck a rib, was turned outward in its course and consequently the wound was not

considered fatal, at least, not at present. The bullet in the head had not penetrated the skull but glancing upward, made a flesh wound. The wound in the leg was not serious. Turco had fired five times in rapid succession from a 38 calibre revolver, two of his shots having missed. All inquiries among Italians as to the whereabouts of Turco were answered by shrugging the shoulders, which being interpreted, means, "I don't know," or "I dare not tell." At last accounts Secreto was alive and his friends think he will recover. Secreto was taken to the Kingston City hospital Monday morning by several of his countrymen. From the information which could be obtained at that institution he is not badly injured and is in a fair way to recover.

279. Hand dated July 11, 1904.

Ernest Hassinger has added to his collection of firemanic pictures and badges, one of the handsome team of dapple grays and the chemical wagon of Booth Hose Co., of Po'keepsie. The company presented the picture to Mr. Hassinger.

280. The Telegraph, Saugerties, N. Y., May 15, 1902. A Sad and Terrible Tragedy. Mrs. Ezra Carnright Drowns Herself – Brooding Over Her Daughter Bertha's Fate, She Ends Her Life on Sunday Morning. One of the saddest and most sorrowing tragedies that has ever happened in Saugerties, occurred at an early hour Sunday morning, when the wife of village assessor Ezra Carnright, a most estimable women, unable longer to restrain her grief over the misfortune of her daughter, Bertie, recently taken to the Middletown state hospital for insane, ended her life in a watery grave, in the upper Esopus creek, just below Stony Point. Our people will recall that Bertie, in a mood of despondency over a love estrangement with John A. Greene, a former Saugerties young man, to whom she had been engaged for some time, sought last December to make way with herself, but was rescued from a well into which she had jumped, only to brood continually, until her mind became so affected that she was taken to the asylum. This unfortunate happening in Bertie's life is the cause of Sunday's dire occurrence, for it had preyed on the mother's mind, and her constant thought was focused on the daughter, so much so that her rest has been broken, and there has been no contentment for her since it took place. This thought over her daughter's condition mentally unbalanced her and led to the rash act, although Sunday she was in a more cheerful state of mind than she had been in some time before. About eight o'clock in the morning, with her husband, she went out to feed the chickens, and noting a break in the netting environing the coop, said to him that he ought to fix it, and desiring to comply with her request, Mr. Carnright went into the house to get some cord to make the needed repairs, Mrs. Carnright in the meantime disappearing. Mr. Carnright fixed up the break, and then finding his wife gone thought nothing of it, then returning to the house. Entering he asked his daughters if their mother was in and they replied no. He then began making a search around the premises and not being at either of the neighbors, he started to look through the hollow in the rear of his house, but no trace of her could be found. Mr. Carnright then learned that she have been seen going across the lot to the creek, which is but a short distance from the house and in company with several others hastened there, and their fears were confirmed, for the body was floating in the water. Edward Wright, one of the men swam out and brought the body to shore and Dr. Diedling and Coroner Montgomery were summoned. Dr. Diedling said on examination of the body that Mrs. Carnright was dead soon after she struck the water and therefore the body did not sink. Coroner Montgomery gave permission to remove the remains and they were taken to the late residence by undertakers Keenan and Burhans. Mrs. Carnright was a lady of many virtues, of a pleasant manner, a kind and devoted wife, mother, neighbor and friend. Besides the husband, three daughters, Martha, Bertie and Matie, and one son Charles survive her. This terrible thing happening as it did, was a shock to the whole place and every heart goes out in profound sympathy to the husband and children, who in this great affliction and sorrow, are bereft of a loved one. It is more than sad and He who rules all things well, can only best sustain the bereaved ones in their dark hour, for earth has no sorrow heaven cannot heal. The funeral services were held at the late residence

Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

281. Joseph C. Hurley. With G. A. Hart & Co., 315 Wall St., Kingston, N. Y. [card illustration]

282. US Internal Revenue, Documentary one cent stamp, red. [illustration]

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283. Board of Trustees, Village of Fort Edward, 1899. J. S. Vaughn, Dr. R. A. Linendoll, Pres., T. P. Clark, P. J. Connelly, Jos. Brown. [illustration]

284. Officers Fort Edward Fire Department, 1899. Jas. Langham, First Assist.; Edward Malin, Second Assist.; C. E. Dean, Chief Engineer; Jesse Stanley, Foreman, Durkee Hose; W. F. Tasker, Foremen Satterlee Hose. [illustration]

285. Reservoir, Fort Edward Water-Works, 1899. [illustration]

286. Officers Tri-County Firemen's Association, Fort Edward, 1899. J. H. Feeney, First Vice-Pres.; Chas. Barker, Second Vice-Pres.; J. J. Morgan, Treas.; C. M. Hotchkiss, Secy. [illustration]

287. Officers Local Executive Committee, Fort Edward, 1899. J. J. Morgan, Pres.; C. W. Dean, Vice Pres.; F. A. Davis, Secy; Geo. Mathews, Treas. [illustration]

288. East Street, looking east. [illustration]

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289. Local Executive Committee, Tri-County Firemen's Association, Fort Edward, 1899. R. C. Montgomery, L. B. Field, A. C. Peckham, W. H. Thebo, W. A. Schermerhorn. [illustration]

290. Paper and Pulp Mills of the International Paper Co. [illustration]

291. East Street, looking west. [illustration]

292. Mc Crea Street, looking west. [illustration]

293. Fort Edward Union Free School Building, 1899. [illustration]

294. St. James Hotel, Fort Edward, N. Y. Chas. M. DeGraff, Proprietor. [illustration]

295. Ralph Russell, President Tri-County Firemen's Association, Fort Edward, 1899. [illustration]

296. Eben Utter. [illustration]

297. Hand dated Saugerties Post, Jan 6, 1905. The Hooks Officers.

Washington Hook & Ladder Co. has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: George C. Lang, foreman; Fred Krause, first assistant foreman; Perry Artman, second assistant foreman; Edgar Myer, secretary; L. H. Kleeber, Sr., treasurer; Frank Clauseman, trustee; Henry Schneider, delegate to H. R. V. V. F. A.; Wm. H. MacMullen, delegate to State F. A.; Wm. Tracy, captain. The Hooks are in a flourishing condition with full quota of members and full treasury. After the election Thursday evening the new officers provided the "spread" for the boys. [illustration]

298. Hand dated Jan 18, 1905. A Pleasant Gathering of the Firemen at Ziegler's.

The annual banquet of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., was held at Ziegler's, Tuesday evening, and was a very pleasant and agreeable affair. Mine host Ziegler had three large tables prepared, which the sixty guests occupied, and at ten o'clock the mastication of the dulcet viands began. The menu, which was a very appetizing one, and in which "digestion certainly waited on good appetite," consisted of turkey, mashed

potatoes, celery, cranberries, and the other concomitants apposite to such occasions. It was a regal spread, such as Ziegler is famed for serving and the banqueters made full use of their gastrinomical capacities. At midnight the full courses had been served which included the puffing of Havanas and as the firemen dispersed, pleasure was furrowed in every line of their countenances. [illustration]

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299. Saugerties Post, March 8, 1902. The Village Legislature. The Water Commissioners Report Submitted. Other Matters of Interest to the Weal of Our Place Discussed and Transacted.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening March 7, 1902.

Present – Directors Rowe, Crump, Russell, Mc Laughlin and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of the last meeting read for information.

Finance committee reported that bill of Saugerties Post had been corrected.

Street committee reported that two sewers on Livingston street had been opened.

Crusher committee reported that there were some supplies at the crusher and recommended that they be sold to Mr. Fuller.

On motion certificates of membership in Washington H. & L. Co were granted to George Lang, William Lang, F. J. Leslie, Edward Klem and Loftus Johnson.

On motion Exempt Firemen's certificates were granted to D. G. Gale, Charles Whitaker and Edward Lawler of Washington H. & L. Co., No. 1, and to Martin Cavanagh and John Hennegan of H. D. Laflin Hose Co., No. 2.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND

Saugerties E. L. & P. Co., lights to March 1, 1902,	\$ 83.42
Saugerties Gas Co., lights to March 1, 1902,	48.00
Wm. H. Burnett, painting sign,	2.00
Saugerties Post, advertising and printing,	<u>7.30</u>
	\$140.72

ROAD FUND

Fred Yanchke, labor 1 3-4 days,	\$ 2.63
Edward Bates, salary for Feb.,	29.16
Fred Yanchke, team, 1 ¼ day,	1.13
Albert Worthy, labor 7 hours,	1.65
Wm. Dixon, labor 5 hours,	<u>.75</u>
	\$ 34.72

Motion that bill of Reuben Quick, claiming refunding money of a dog tax for the past six years, be rejected as he has harbored a dog. Carried.

The following annual report of the Saugerties Board of Water Commissioners was read.

Saugerties, N. Y., March 4th 1902.

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

The following is the Sixth Annual report of the Saugerties Water Commissioners for the year ending Jan. 1, 1902.

ANNUAL OPERATING REPORT

Total earning for the year ending Jan. 1 st , 1902,	\$6232.27
(Assessments No. 11 and 12.)	

CASH RECEIPTS

	Collected.	Uncollected.
Rated Service,	4908.92	75.62
Meter “	446.54	147.87
“ Rents,	30.00	10.00

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" Excesses		60.22
Filling Cisterns,	.75	1.75
Tapping,	61.25	10.50
St. Sprinkling,		70.00
Boiler Use,	55.70	38.70
Fines,	31.20	
Motors,	231.25	
Building purposes,	2.00	10.00
Fire Protection,	<u>20.00</u>	<u>20.00</u>
	5787.61	444.66
		----- \$6232.66

DISBURSEMENTS

By Paid Superintendent,	\$699.96
" " Expense Office Rent,	
Coal, Light, Etc.	272.68
" " Repairs,	247.07
" " Supplies,	51.52
" " Furniture and Fixtures,	5.32
" " Printing & Stationery,	54.51
" " Tools,	<u>12.14</u>
	\$1343.20
By Bal. Net Cash Receipts,	4444.41
" Due and Unpaid Assess- ments, No. 11 and 12.	<u>444.66</u>
	\$6232.27

Sixth Annual Report of Saugerties Water Commissioner, for year ending January 1st, 1902.

TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS.

For cash collected As sessment No. 7,	\$ 3.00	
For cash collected As sessment No. 8,	22.84	
For cash collected As sessment No. 9,	54.65	
For cash collected As sessment No. 10,	<u>201.12</u>	281.61
For cash collected As sessment No. 11,	\$2912.04	
For cash collected As sessment No. 12,	<u>2875.57</u>	5787.61
For Cash Advanced Ac- count Dam and Res- ervoir,	\$ 108.38	
"Improvement 1900"		
For cash borrowed from Assessment No.		

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13, 1131.86 \$7857.66
DISBURSEMENTS.

By paid Loan from Assessment No. 11, \$ 748.88

By paid Expense at the Dam 1900, 100.43

By paid annual operating report, 1343.20

By paid annual taxes, 204.55

By paid interest due July 1st, 1901, 1480.00

By paid interest due January 1st, 1902, 1480.00

By paid bonds Nos. 8 & 9 due Jan. 1st, 1902, 2000.00 7357.06
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE.

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 6, 3.00

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 7, 1.00

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 8, 11.43

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 9, 40.18

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 10, 42.53

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 11, 48.74

Due and unpaid Assessment No. 12, 395.92

542.80
INVENTORY.

Safe, office furniture, meters, tools, pipes and supplies on hand January 1st, 1902, \$ 1402.95

IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

New Dam and Reservoir Paid for labor, pipe and supplies, \$ 991.08

Paid for real estate and Water Rights, 3700.00

Paid to Engineer and Contractor, 17722.98
\$ 22404.01

The indebtedness of the Village of Saugerties for its Water Works Plant on January 2nd, 1902 is as follows:

69 bonds of \$1000 each, Series No. 1, \$ 69000.00

6 bonds of \$500 each, Series No. 2. 3000.00

28 bonds of \$1000 each, Series No. 3 28000.00
\$100,000.00

Very Respectfully Submitted,
SAUGERTIES WATER COMMISSIONERS.

H. C. Bogardus, Secretary.

Motion that annual report of Saugerties Board of Water Commissioners be received and placed on file.
Carried.

Minutes read and approved.

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

300. The Telegraph, Aug. 21, 1902. Our Common Council. The Village Legislature Convened at Fireman's Hall. Firemanic Matters Given Attention – Franchise Granted to Another Telephone Co. – Other Business Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Friday evening, Aug. 15, 1902.

Directors present: Rowe, Mc Laughlin, Crump, Russell and Ziegler. President Rowe presiding.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Report of Street Commissioner. Work finished as ordered by committee. Drew 21 loads of chips on Dock street. Filled road in at crusher. Cleaned sewer on McDonald street. Cleaned sewer on Clermont street. Cleaned and rebuilt sewer at Lewis Weinand's. Replaced four broken trams.

Bill against property of Dominick Bradley for curb and gutter on West Bridge street, 59 feet of 16 inch curb and 59 feet of 12 inch gutter. \$ 6.66

For labor, 2 men on day, team ½ day	<u>5.25</u>
Total,	\$11.91

Bill against property of Henry
Henkel for relaying curb and
gutter,

Two men 1 1-2 days,	\$ 4.50
One load of sand,	<u>.50</u>
Total	\$5.00

Bought of James T. Maxwell one stone to replace broken stone in gutter.

On motion of Mr. Ziegler, certificates of membership in the Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, were granted to Chas. E. Abeel, C. E. Blackwell, M. M. Baker, Wm. V. Burhans, Wm. D. Brown, Wm. Doyle, Theodore Eckhoff, John Hallenbeck, Byron Hallenbeck, William A. Hanna, Alfred Hornbeck, John Gordell, J. D. Fratscher, Chas. Koch, W. O. Pettit, Wm. Voerge, F. W. Winchell, F. A. Jewett, J. Wm. Lackey, Frank Lewis, Wm. Liddle, F. M. Murphy, L. B. Stanton, Alfred Saam, J. Chas. Suderley, John C. Shuits, F. Wm. Tepe, Clinton Van Buskirk, Robt. Webber, Nathan Van Steenberg, Charles P. McCarthy.

On motion of Mr. Ziegler, certificates of membership in the Washington H. & L. Co, No. 1 were granted to DeWitt Osborn and Fred McIntosh.

A communication from the Washington H. & L. Co. was received, stating that they had expelled from the company Charles Burkley and L. Garvey, for non payment of dues and fines.

On motion the action of the company was confirmed.

Motion that an exemption certificate be granted to Luther Carle of the Laflin Hose Co. Carried.

Motion by Mr. Ziegler that the clerk shall send bills to Wm. Bradley, Henry Henkel and Dominick Bradley for labor and stone for street repairs. Carried.

On motion the following bills were ordered paid:

LICENSE FUND

S. J. Adams, rent of hall, trolley meeting,	5.00
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ROAD FUND

Farrel Foundry and Machine Co., rubber spring for crusher and ex- press charges,	\$ 6.10
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John Mc Entee, inspecting boiler,	5.00
John Maxwell's Sons, stone,	49.36
John Mitchell, 5 days,	7.50
Wm. Dixon, 11 "	16.50
Wm. Yanchke, 11 ½ "	17.25
Fred " 8 " team	36.00
Wm. Doyle, 2 " "	9.00

LICENSE RECEIVED

From S. J. Adams, 30.00

On motion of Mr. Ziegler, that Mr. Samuel Truesdale be notified to move his fences on West Bridge Street to the line of the street, within ten days. Carried.

Motion of Mr. McLaughlin that the Rawson Electric Co. be granted a franchise to install a telephone system in this village. Rowe, yes; Russell, no; Ziegler, no; Mc Laughlin, yes; Crump, yes.

3 for, 2 against. Carried.

Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the meeting adjourned. John D. Lyon, Acting Clerk.

301. What He Saw.

An Irish teamster went to his parish priest in a great fright and told him that he had see a ghost on the church wall as he passed it in the night.

"And what was it like?" asked the priest.

"It was like nothing so much as a big ass," said Patrick, wild eyed.

"Go home, Pat, and be easy." replied the priest soothingly. "You've only seen your own shadow."

302. Saugerties Post, Jan. 9, 1903. Village Board Organizes. Mayor Rowe Again Elected to Preside.

The Other Officers of the Year Chosen as Before – Meeting Nights Designated.

The Board of Directors of 1903, met at the Directors rooms, Thursday, Jan 1, 1903 at 2:30 o'clock for organization.

Present – Directors Rowe, Washburn, Mc Laughlin, Crump, Russell and Ziegler.

Clerk called the meeting to order and appointed Directors Ziegler and Crump as tellers.

The informal ballot for President resulted as follows:

Rowe, 1; Washburn, 1.

On motion Mr. Rowe was unanimously elected President of the Board for the ensuing ear, and upon taking the chair, thanked the members for the honor concurred.

Ballot for Vice-President resulted as follows:

Washburn, 5; Russell, 1,

On motion Mr. Washburn was declared elected Vice-President by the unanimous vote of the Board.

Ballot for Clerk resulted as follows:

C. H. Vedder, 6.

The President declared C. H. Vedder elected Clerk.

Ballot for Street Commissioner resulted as follows:

Robert Casey, 6.

The President declared Mr. Casey elected Street Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Ballot for Janitor resulted as follows:

John G. Palmer, 6.

The president declared Mr. Palmer elected Janitor for the ensuing year.

Ballot for Engineer of Steamer resulted as follows: William Hanna 5, George Bridgeman 1.

On motion the vote was made unanimous for Mr. Hanna and was so declared by the President.

On motion the tellers cast the vote of the Board for Charles Mc Nally for a member of the Village Board of

Health, who was declared elected by the President.

On motion the tellers cast the vote of the Board for S. M. Gray as a member of the Sewer Commission for 4 years. Mr. Gray was declared elected by the President.

On motion the tellers cast the vote of the Board for George W. Washburn for a member of the Board of Water Commissioners for 3 years. The President declared Mr. Washburn elected.

On motion C. E. Abeel and Charles Whitaker were appointed village police men and night watchman at a salary of \$150 per year, each, and David E. Abeel village policeman at a salary of \$100 per year.

On motion Wm. E. Persons was appointed to take care of the town clock at a salary of \$50 per year.

On motion the following were appointed as officers of the village fire department for the ensuing year: Chief Engineer, Thomas V. Bradley; 1st Assistant Engineer, Ernest Myer; 2d Assistant Engineer, Wm. MacMullen; Treasurer, Ernest Hassinger.

On motion the first and third Friday evenings in each month were designated as regular meeting nights of the Board.

Minutes read and approved. On motion Board adjourned. Charles H. Vedder, Clerk.

303. Hand Dated Post, Jul 22, 1903. DIED.

BRINK – In this village, July 21, Dr. Edmind Brink, aged 72 years, 3 months and 3 days. Funeral at M. E. church, Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. Interment Plattekill cemetery.

POST – At Smith's Landing, July 21, Eleanor Louise, eldest daughter of Samuel M. and Julia H. Post, aged 7 years, 5 months and 27 days.

Funeral from the residence of John S. Post, 352, Main street, in this village, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Funeral private for near relatives and friends. Interment Main street cemetery. [illustration]

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304. Saugerties Post, July 21, 1903. It was Wholesale Robbery. In Saugerties –Po'keepsie Base Ball Game. Umpire and Manager Simply Awful, and the Game Lasted Eleven Innings.

After nearly killing pitcher Eddie Phillips, playing against the umpire and against an unprincipled manager, who knows more about "hot air" than base ball, the Saugerties base ball team was beaten (?) by the First Ward Athletic Club, of Po'keepsie, in the latter city, Saturday, it requiring eleven innings to decide. The game began only after a long wrangle with the Po'keepsie manager, who was intent on refusing to play, and only after the Saugerties management insisted on doing so. There was plenty of people present, and even a brass band was there to help enliven the sport. The Po'keepsie manager, whose "natural gas" was in evidence all through the game, at first began to do some tall talking as to what he intended doing, and it was palpably evident that that the game had to be won by Po'keepsie, no matter what happened, in fact, he stationed himself on the coach nine [sic] and began his coaching work, after ordering all the other folks on the field to keep silent. Every now and then he would appear on the field and make the rooters keep quiet, even threatening Brown and Derby's removal from the game for coaching. Tone, on the couch line, made him appear ridiculous, however, and the people laughed as McCabe was being "guyed." The umpire, Mr. Hogan, possibly had good intentions, but if we believe statements made by honest Po'keepsians – and we're glad to say that there is a whole lot of them, and they nobly stood for the right praising our team's work and hissing the umpire many times – they play games on Dutcher park with the umpire's aid. Why they told us in a game last Thursday between Newburgh and the First Ward team, that the umpire narrowly escaped a mobbing at the hands of the Newburgh crowd, and even the city newspapers censured his work, and that's how Po'keepsie won. In Saturday's game Hogan was throttled by the management and after he made decisions would change them at Mc Cables behest, forsooth, he wanted to quit at one time during the game. Brouthers, he of big fame, too, tried to let folks know that he knew something of the game, yet our boys made a laughing stock of him. In the sixth inning Brownie taught him a trick, getting off first while Hughes was on second. Brownie toyed with Dan, while Hughes ran home. Dan attempted to field home, but Hughes scored, and Brown reached second safe. The

diamond was in miserable condition, yet our boys wanted to play the game, for no guarantee would be paid if they didn't. Saugerties started off well, but everything looked gloomy for us in the first inning, as Phillips was hit in the head back of the ear by pitcher Tyson, and he fell to the ground, while the blood spurted from the wound, an inch and a half long. The local fans, and there were a large number there, rushed to his aid and he was finally revived and going to his base scored the run before the side was retired. Tyson also hit him again during the game. This injury to Phillips dazed him and it was with difficulty that he pitched, his head being bandaged, but he stuck to it till the finish, doing pretty work. Po'keepsie was retired in their inning without a run, Elliot making a magnificent one hand running catch and fielding the ball home prevented a score. In the second Saugerties scored two more runs, Po'keepsie getting one. This was due to the umpire who called the man safe at the plate, when he was put out fairly, the same thing being duplicated in a few minutes on Elliot's fine catch and getting the ball home quickly. In the third Saugerties again scored, while Po'keepsie secured two. Neither side scored in the fourth and fifth innings, several beautiful flies being nabbed by Johnson, Elliot and Tone for Saugerties, and Walsh, for the Po'keepsians. In the sixth Saugerties added another tally. This was the inning Brown made a fool of Brouthers.

Po'keepsie only drew goose eggs. Brown made a beautiful catch in this inning running far in the outfield for the ball. In the seventh inning Saugerties failed to score while one had errors, Po'keepsie scored three runs giving them the lead by one run. Neither side scored in the eighth, and here is where we were deliberately robbed. One man had been retired on the Saugerties side, Derby reached first safely and Brown moved him up a bag. Two men on base and Tone came to the bat. He made a corking drive to left field, the sphere striking fair and bounding over the foul line. Derby and Brown in the meantime scampering home making two tallies. The umpire then declared the ball foul and both were sent back, while the honest Po'keepsians hissed the decision. Tone then knocked a high infield fly and it was dropped by the short stop who tried for a double play, and the umpire called Derby and Tone out, retiring the side. It was the most outrageous decision ever given and showed plainly that knowledge of the rules was lacking, by Mr. Hogan. The Po'keepsians did not score either in this or the ninth while Saugerties tied the score in the ninth, Elliot's nice hit bringing in the run. In the tenth no runs were scored by either side and in the eleventh Saugerties failed to score, while interference with Hughes, while fielding a ball enabled Po'keepsie to score. The umpire also allowed this and the teams left the field, after a dispute. While it was a close game, yet it was the worst exhibition of wholesale robbing any team would want to get, but this isn't all, but after the game manager McCabe insulted the manager of the Saugerties team, as did Brouthers, calling him vile names of every description, [sic] refused to pay the guarantee and also stated out team had stolen their bats. Mf. McCabe finally "cooled" when legal proceedings were threatened and paid over the money. As to the teams Saugerties simply outplayed the Po'keepsians and on a dry diamond would have made McCabe's crowd look like a tin can full of holes. Po'keepsians, the honest ones, we mean, say they never saw finer playing than that put up by the Saugerties team, and the out field work was simply magnificent. We would advise all respectable teams to give McCabes team a wide berth unless they can play them in another town, for then it is that they invariably lose, bereft of umpire and bullying tactics.

305. Saugerties Post, April 20, 1903. Phillips' Body Found. Floating in Upper Creek Near the Bridge. Discovered in the water by Otis Whitaker While Crossing the Bridge – Missing Six Weeks.

The body of George Phillips, Sr., who had been missing from his home on West Bridge street for the past six weeks was found floating in the upper Esopus shortly before seven o'clock this morning. The body was discovered fast in a clump of bushes on the west side of the bridge by Otis Whitaker, as he was crossing the bridge, en route to his work. The relatives of the dead man were notified, as was Coroner Montgomery.

The body was brought to shore, and was in a fairly good condition, although the skin on the face and body was torn considerable. The clothes were also all unbuttoned, the trousers being nearly stripped from the

body. Coroner Montgomery, on arriving, gave permission to remove the body, and it was taken in charge by undertakers Seamon and brought to their rooms, where the Coroner made an examination of it. An inquest will be held to-night.

Phillips six weeks ago Sunday, in company with Jacob Shultis and Fred Snyder went up the creek, and stopped at Sauer's hotel. Phillips left the party, and nothing was seen or heard of him, although the boat, overturned, was found floating the next morning. Diligent search and grappling was made without success. Dynamite was also used in large quantities, but this also failed. Phillips is survived by one son and several brothers. He was fifty years old. The remains were interred in Trinity cemetery this afternoon, Rev. Thomas Cole officiating. [illustration]

306. Saugerties Post, Dec. 31, 1902. Henry C. Dolson Objects. To Being Ousted as the Sanitary Inspector. Of Kingston by the Board of Health. He Claims He is Entitled to the Office.

The Kingston "Leader," of Tuesday gives the following which is of interest here. Mr. Dolson formerly conducted the Oriental tea store on Partition street. It says: At the annual meeting of the Board of Health at the City Hall on Monday afternoon Mayor Block and all the members of the Board were present Mayor Block said officers were to be elected for the ensuing year. A secretary and plumbing inspector and health officer were chosen and then a vote was taken for Sanitary Inspector. Sanitary Inspector Dolson filed an affidavit with the clerk and asked that the same be read. The Mayor ruled it out of order, as the Board was under the election of officers. The vote for Sanitary Inspector stood: For Mr. Dolson, Hardenburgh, Edmonston and Mambert, 3. For Richard Lenehan, Mayor Block; Messrs. Keefe, Wachmeyer and Wilson, 4. Mr. Lenehan was declared elected. The affidavit which Mr. Dolson filed was then read. It was as follows: State of New York, County of Ulster. H. C. Dolson, being duly sworn, says: He is 32 years of age, and a native born citizen of the United States. That he has resided in the city of Kingston continuously since the first day of March, 1896. That he has faithfully served the term of six and one-half years in the volunteer fire department of the village of Saugerties and such service was for a greater period than that required by law and he holds a certificate from the said village of Saugerties showing such service and that he is an exempt fireman. That such service was rendered in the Robert A. Snyder Hose Company of the fire department, of the said village of Saugerties, from the second day of July, 1889 to the 7th day of January, 1896, that deponent was duly appointed Sanitary Inspector of the city of Kingston on the 28th day of December, 1896, and has ever since the 1st day of January, 1897, faithfully and continuously performed and still is performing the duties of such position. That since his said appointment as Sanitary Inspector such position has been placed and now is in the competitive class of the classified civil service of the city of Kingston, That deponent's said position is a permanent one under the rules heretofore adopted by the Municipal Civil Service Commission of the city of Kingston and the rules of the said commission now in force. That deponent now holds said position in pursuance of said rules and the laws of this state and claims that he cannot be removed except for cause. Henry C. Dolson
Sworn to before me, this 29th day of December, 1902. W. N. Gill,
Notary Public, Ulster County, N. Y.
On motion of Mr. Mambert the matter was referred to the Corporation Counsel and Law Committee to report.

307. Saugerties Post, April 15, 1902. Wheelmen Enjoy Themselves.

Members of Saugerties Consulate, No. 4, of the League of American Wheelmen, to the number of twenty-six, sat down to an elegant banquet Tuesday evening at Ziegler's restaurant. A turkey supper with all the gilt edged trimmings, was provided by the host in his usual bountiful manner, and a social hour or two was spent in happy intercourse.

308. Hand dated Post, June 8, 1903. Firemen Have a Run.

An exploding gasoline stove in the home of William Johnson, on the South Side, called out the firemen

Saturday evening, [then added in ink Jun 6,] but before their arrival the blaze was extinguished, although Mr. Johnson was badly burned about the hands in doing so. The damage was slight.

309. Saugerties Post, July 31, 1903. Fire's Destructive Work. It Burns up a Man at Glasco. And Also Destroys a Hotel Building and Its Contents There.

A destructive fire, the origin of which is unknown, incinerated a man, besides devastating a building and its contents at Glasco, early this morning, and but for the heroic work of the Mulford Engine Co., two other buildings would have been in a heap of ruins. The dead man is August Belo, and the destroyed building is the one occupied by him during his life as a hotel. It was situated near the river front between two other buildings. The fire broke out between two and three o'clock, shortly after Mr. Belo had returned home, he having been away. The whole interior was ablaze and it is believed that Mr. Belo, after discovering the fire went up stairs to warn the family occupying the rooms and then returned to leave the place by the front door, but was unable to, for his charred body was found near where the door stood, the keys laying at his side. Mr. Belo was about sixty years old, unmarried and kept the hotel for several years. Seamon Bros. took charge of the remains and they were interred in Glasco by afternoon. The building was owned by James Cummings, of Kingston and was insured in the agency of Darbee & Clum.

310. New York American, February 6, 1903. Grip Carried Away Former Senator Dawes.

Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 5. — The Hon. Henry Laurens Dawes, for many years United States Senator from Massachusetts, died this morning. He was eighty-six years of age. Mr. Dawes had not been well since Christmas night, when he contracted a severe cold while driving. The cold developed into the grip, which undermined his system, already weakened by the weight of years.

Sunday night, when Mr. Dawes's daughter, Miss Anna, left him he bade her good night. These were the last words spoken by the aged patient.

Mr. Dawes will be buried on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the First Congregational Church.

Henry Laurens Dawes was born at Cummington, Mass., on October 30, 1816. His public services began as a member of the Massachusetts Legislature, to which he was elected in 1848. He served two years in the lower branch and two years in the Senate. He was elected in 1858 to the Thirty-fifth Congress and was re-elected to each successive Congress until 1876, when he declined an election to the Forty-fourth.

In 1875 Mr. Dawes was elected to the United States Senate to succeed Charles Sumner, serving continuously until 1893. Among the bills which were introduced by him and enacted into law were the Severalty bill, the Sioux bill, and the bill making Indians subject to and protected by our criminal laws.

[illustration]

311. Saugerties Post, Feb. 7, 1903. The Williamson Cornet Band Ball.

The annual ball of the Williamson Cornet Band at Glasco, Friday evening, was a largely attended and very successful affair, several Saugertiesians being present. Martin and his orchestra were present, and furnished music. The grand march was led by A. A. Finger, and Jas. Williamson, many couples participating. Supper was served, at Ebel's at midnight and toasts were responded to by A. A. Finger, of this village, and William J. Schoonmaker, formerly principal of the school there. It was an event reflecting with credit on the band and the commit- [article ends]

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312. Executive Officers, 1894-5 N. Y. State Firemens Association, Troy, 1895. Thomas Honohan, Secretary; John F. Schlosser, President; George H. Scott, Treasurer. [illustrations]

313. Troy, 1895. J. Lansing Lane, Chief Engineer. In the line of duty, he was fearless, yet prudent; in discipline he was exacting, yet gentle; in social intercourse princely, yet conservative. Died August 15th 1899.

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Orange S. Ingram, Captain Trojan H. & L. Co., No. 3, President N. Y. State Firemen's Association. Died June 9th, 1894.

Richard F. Hall, Chief Engineer, Troy Fire Department, Aug 2, 1866 – March 1, 1869.

Isaac F. Handy, Adjutant-General and Chief of Staff. [hand labeled 'Troy 1895'] [illustrations]

314. Troy, N. Y., 1895. Patrick Byron, Chief Engineer and Grand Marshal. Charles F. Green, First Assistant Engineer. Hon. Francis Molloy, Mayor and President Ex-Officio of Fire Board. Henry C. Salisbury, Second Assistant Engineer. William M. Peckham, Fire Commissioner. Charles W. Peoble, Clerk of Fire Board. [illustration]

315. Jason C. Osgood Fire Engine Co., No. 3, Corner Third Street and Canal Avenue. Organized 1862. John J. Healy, Captain. William Poland, Ass't Captain, James F. Murphy, Secretary, Frank J. Devery, Martin A. Roddy, Trustees. [illustration]

Members

Mitchell, John J.	Kennedy, J. J.	Devane, Edward
Tompin, Louis J.	Hare, G. W.	Palmer, Edward
Casey, C. A.	Coughlin, E. M.	Mc Bride, A.
Sticklemyer, John	Wilkinson, Joseph	Shurtleff, Edgar
Mc Donnell, James M.	Meador, Jesse	Connors, Thomas
O'Sullivan, J. A.	Toole, J. J.	Mc Loughlin, John
Bureau, Edward	Cote, H. J.	Philips, Louis
Myers, J. A.	Pfau, Julius	Sticklemyer, Jacob
Lyons, E. L.	Coughlin, Joseph	Mc Auliff, H.
Daly, John	Valentine, F. B.	Mc Mahon, M.
Connolly, John	Gilcoyne, T. G.	Witze, Andrew
Holcomb, G. L.	Nicholson, J. J.	Eddington, Louis
Mahony, T. J.	Green, J. W.	Dunlavy, James T.
Dickinson, M. V.	Mc Glynn, Edward	Schermerhorn, H., Jr.
Powers, Thomas	Whelan, D. J.	Ormsby, John P.
Martin, J. W.	Gilbert, E. G.	Hearne, John W.
Martin, T. F.	Sims, William J.	Ormsby, Matthew
Shea, P. J.	Goggins, Thomas	Dumphy, James
Kennedy, W. H.	Baker, M. E.	

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316. Troy, 1895. Washington Volunteer Fire Engine Co. Corner Third and Division Streets. Organized May 30, 1812.

George W. Magill, Captain. Otto A. Boltz, Assistant Captain. John H. Yetto, Secretary. Henry H. Schlosser, Edward Kelly, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Cuerdon, John F.	Gerold, Fred O.	Martin, William
McCauley, Stephen	Gallei, John	Bruce, Edward
Fettig, Gebhardt	Fettig, Engelbert	Hank, Henry
Kiessenwetter, Theodore	Pahl, Henry	Wright, Samuel
Mackey, Joseph	Kehn, Elias	Fowler, William
Darby, James A.	Brenner, Fred. G.	Hilke, John
O'Callaghan, David	Buckingham, John	Blanchard, Chester G.
Albers, Lawrence	Hanley, John	Habisrentinger, Eugene
McCauley, Edward M.	Mullin, William	Duffy, D. J.

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Ruff, Albert J.	Salisbury, Frank F.	O'Brien, M. J.
Bouche, Fred A.	Cottrell, William	Hubbard, H. W.
Packard, Harry S.	Speck, Leo E.	Ruoff, John
Pahl, George	Hansman, John	Berg, A. J.
Unser, Louis	Bender, Henry P.	Schonger, W.
Helser, Ernest	Teschan, Alex	
Wade, William H.	Weisbrode, Otto	

317. Troy, 1895. Charles Eddy Fire Engine Co., No. 4. corner River and North Street. Organized November 22, 1866.

John E. Winne, Captain. Thomas J. Lynk, Ass't Captain. Ernest Smith, Secretary, George Wilkins, Henry I. Warnken, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Boutwell, Chas. A.	Farrell, James H.	Bownds, John W.
Clextan, Theo. A.	Dooney, Owen F.	McCabe, Edward C.
Hogg, Lancelot	Bradt, John J.	Wright, Charles
Blackhall, John J.	Perkins, Lee S.	Cottrell, Frank D.
Walsh, Richard H.	Day, Dennis J.	McCabe, Patrick J.
Cummings, Dennis J.	Vossmerbaumer, Henry W.	Windsor, William E.
McKenna, William	Hickey, John F.	Powers, Thomas F.
Hillke, William H.	O'Donnell, John F.	Standish, J. Henry
Hopkins, John T.	Thayer, Warren F.	Heenan, James F.
Gaitley, John E.	Ruoff, Jacob	Carroll, James K.
McGuire, Garnet S.	Allendorph, William H.	Kennedy, Henry
Seaton, William G.	Lott, Charles E.	Lamer, Richard
Muldoon, Mark T.	Hartnett, Patrick	Quillinan, John
Ormsby, James H.	O'Brien, James H.	English, John E.
Sheehan, John F.	Green, Joseph, Jr.	
Hanerahan, Patrick	Reardon, John	

318. Troy, 1895. Trojan Hook and Ladder Co., No. 3, No. 3 Franklin Square. Organized Feb 5, 1835.

Arthur M. Wight, Captain. Walter D. Magill, Ass't Captain. Norman H. Bryan, Secretary. Richard H. Van Alstyne, Theodore T. Chase, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Clark, J. W.	Reynolds, W. H.	Dakin, G. N.
Morrison, Edwin	Vandenburgh, A. R.	Marvin, E. W.
Gunnison, W. S.	Weatherly, N. L.	Kemp, Wm., Jr.
Brennan, C. H.	Chapleau, S. J.	Merchant, E. L.
Warner, E.	Kay, George E.	Thompson, G. B. 2d.
Salisbury, H. C.	Ford, A. S.	Bennett, F. M.
Grobe, W. H.	Crandell, E. L.	Ranken, F. M.
Makepeace, H. F.	Russell, W. H.	Falkenstein, H. H.
Sheldon, C. A.	Hyde, C. H.	Van Arnam, C. H., Jr.
Stimpson, C. P.	Phillips, A. H.	Stewart, F. S.
Godson, J. Q.	Massey, C. E.	Brown, D. C.
Allendorph, J. H.	Barnes, M. L.	Green, O. A.
Greenman, S. E.	Barnum, M. B.	Richmond, W. I.

319. Troy, 1895. The Trojans Truck. As it appeared at the J. M. Warren & Co. conflagration Dec. 14, 1893.

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[illustration]

MEMBERS CONTINUED.

Snyder, F. G.	Kimball, C. P.	Morris, J. W.
Hodgkins, E. I.	Cheney, E. D.	Babcock, J. A.
Curtis, H. S.	Kinloch, O. F.	Reynolds, J. H.
Wells, F. E.	Moffitt, A. W. M.	Templeton, G. A.
Ingalls, H. O.	Loomis, W. W.	Lisk, E. H.
Peterson, S. A.	Smith, G. A.	Lape, F. N.
King, A. B., Jr.	Clark, W. G.	Tucker, H. O'R.
Brewster, Homer	Sinsabaugh, C. C.	Engel, W. H.
McDonald, George	Riley, J. M.	Atkins, Frederick A.
Alston, D. R.	Wager, E. A.	Barnum, Theo. P.
Benedict, T. Lee	Wales, E. R.	Cowee, Harvey D.
Corliss, Charles	Mills, J. H.	Brewster, Alfred V.
Wood, W. E.	Tolhurst, C. H.	Dickson, Thomas G.
Stickney, C. L.	Morris, L.	Phillips, H. S.
Van Arnam, M. C.	Maltby, F. A.	Bainbridge, E. R.
Magill, D. F.	Thompson, J. L.	McDonald, John
Griffith, L. E.	Miller, E. J.	Sliter, C. C.
Gordinier, H. W.	Burns, C. F.	
Morrison, G. H.	Magill, Z. F.	

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320. Troy, N. Y., 1895. Hugh Ranken Fire Engine Co., No. 2. No. 14 Federal Street. Organized 1861. James A. Brown, Captain. George S. Lucas, Ass't Captain. Edward P. Green, Secretary. William D. Fleming, Edward F. McCune, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Green, C. F. Asst. Eng.	O'Brien, John	Buckley, J. F.
Forrest, Andrew J.	Dunn, Harry	Collins, James E.
Holmes, William	Donovan, Wm. B.	Harris, Benjamin
Burt, Chas. A.	Brady, Wm. E.	O'Hanlon, John M.
Gross, Woolf	Doran, James M.	Connors, J.
Sullivan, D. J.	Cronin, John H.	Marks, Charles
Fitzgerald, Edmond	Dundee, John H.	Bromley, F.
Kunz, John B.	Shea, Daniel A.	Pfeil, Wm. F.
Prendergast, John P.	Burns, Joseph	Gereold, William
Marrin, William	Collins, M. H.	Sullivan, George
Kavanaugh, Thomas	Scully, James	Brearton, Richard
Thayer, Henry	Dovan, P. J.	German, Thos. C.
Kavanaugh, Arthur	Holmes, William, Jr.	McCarthy, John G.
Hess, A.	Broderick, Joseph	Donohue, James
Sillcocks, William	Lovelock, P. A.	Fleuren, Frank
Hodgman, N. L.	Fisher, M.	Cavanaugh, P. S.
Gorman, William	Frechette, J. C.	Killoran, John

321. Troy, N. Y., 1895. F. W. Farnam Fire Engine Co., No. 5. Corner Pawling Ave. and Congress St. Organized April 15, 1871. George Penney Jr., Captain. William Mullen, Assistant Captain. Chas. M. Lessels, Secretary. Fred A. Link, Geo. Mc Cune, Trustees. [illustration]

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MEMBERS

Crawford, Geo. A.	Kirby, Thomas P.	Lowe, James
Harper, Peter A.	McCune, Thomas	Weller, George D.
Wager, Charles A.	Loomis, C. Spencer	Chown, Edward
Young, William R.	Ives, Harry D.	Schermerhorn, Augustus
Wager, Clarence	Rickerson, LeRoy	Munton, Albert J.
Jessup, George	Moss, Henry	Winters, Freeman
Chisholm, John W.	Haxton, Geo. M.	Harper, John B.
Spenard, Alex	Nevin, Thomas	Cole, William
Tompkins, Ira A.	Marquette, Edward	Hines, Fred
Atkins, Frank	Branett, C. S.	Schlegal, Bernard
Harper, Joseph H.	Schermerhorn, William R.	Roth, Charles
Ruth, Sylvester	McAuley, Samuel J.	Cary, William H.
Shannon, John	Maier, Albert	Cavanaugh, James F.
Kirby, William J.	Skudder, Thomas W.	Holland, Daniel T.

322. Troy, 1895. Beman Park Hose Co., No. 9. 65 Eagle Street. Organized November 28th, 1890. Henry B. Thomas, Captain. Charles H. Knight, Ass't Captain. Jerome E. Stewart, Secretary. Jeremiah Mahoney, William Edleman, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Gorman, William H.	Murray, Martin	Darling Edwin E.
McDonald, Thomas	Patterson, William D.	Lawrence, William W.
O'Brien, John J.	Costello, Robert	Wilkes, George W.
Glass, William P.	Hartigan, Richard J.	Evans, Charles A.
Gary, Thomas G. N.	Boocock, John	Van Herpe, Isadore
Nolan, Lawrence	Meehan, William	Golden, Thomas J.
Hansen, Philip	Denny, John J.	Shearer, Robert T.
Carroll, Michael H.	Lottridge, John	McMillan, Edward
Shannahan, Michael	Smith, Adam F.	Douglas, Edward W.
DeLong, Ira W.	Farrell, John J.	Leggett, Joseph A.
McCarthy, Timothy	Smith, Charles A.	Knight, Charles H.
Halladay, Horatio H.	Houghtling DeWitt D.	Kearney, John J.
McNamara, George H.	Johnson, Harry	McCann, Edward
Richardson, Mervyn	Kelly Stephen	Clifford, Timothy
Horan, Keeran F.	Beddow, Fred J.	Gregg, Thomas
	Eckhardt, Edward E.	

323. Troy, 1895. Arba Read Fire Engine Co., No. 1. Corner Third and State Streets. Organized Jan. 9th, 1859. William A. Thacher, Captain. John J. Farrell, Ass't Captain. Fred S. Cote, Secretary. Henry B. Burton, Frank E. Hatch, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Fleming, J. W.	Ringwood, J. D.	Chamberlain, E. C.
Van Deusen, Wright	Wilson, C. E.	Smith, William
Consalus, A. D.	Tappin, W. H.	Ginebra, C. E.
Marble, M. S.	Clark, Dorlon	McKelvey, W. E.
Lloyd, J. H.	Sturtevant, G. W.	Judge, J. P.
Graser, W. H.	Ginebra, F. A.	Bontecou, R. B.
Sandham, W. E.	Quimby, F. H.	McDonnell, G. J.
Healey, J. E.	McConihe, M. S.	McConihe, Alonzo

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Fleming, J. D., Jr.
Bardwell, R. D. Jr.

Reynolds, R. C.
Cheney D. N.

Randall, M. L.
DeFreest, E. W. Jr.

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324. Troy, N. Y., 1895. Edmond Stanton Fire Engine Co., No. 6. Mill Street, Iron Works. Organized January 23d, 1872. Peter J. Turner, Captain. John Smith, Ass't Captain, John L. Leonard, Secretary. Edw. L. Kennelly, James Turner, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Lawrenson, John A.	Turner, John	Rafter, William
Rourke, John J.	Bracken, William	Morrow, David
Maloney, Thomas	Turner, James 2d	Crowley, James
McLaren, James	Smith, William 2d	Farley, Michael
Turner, William	Smith, James H.	Kirkbride, Philip
Smith, George	Roland, Thomas	Lee, Frederick
Green, John	Nelligan, James	Rake, Thomas
Smith, Cornelius	Burden, James A. Jr.	Conroy, Joseph D.
Keirnan, James	Butler, John	Rainey, William
Smith, William	Leonard, Peter F.	Cassidy, John J.
Carey, Patrick	Conroy, William	Barron, John
Turner, Patrick	Smith, Christopher	Downs, Morris H.
Carey, Charles H.	Murname, John J.	Kiernan, Thomas
Farrell, John P.	Maloney, Robert	Turner, John, 2d
Stanton, Patrick	Berrigan, John J.	Donnelly, John

325. Troy, N. Y., 1895. Esek Bussey Fire Engine Co., No. 8. Corner Tenth and Hoosick Streets. Organized February 1th, 1892. Esek Bussey, Jr., Captain. James T. Horton, Assistant Captain. Rollin J. Hurd, Secretary. John S. Cumner, Charles A. Goerold, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Bussey, Esek	Colby, William J.	Bunce, Frederick
Gardner, Warren S.	Lasher, Guy W.	Walker, George B.
Schwarz, Frederick J.	Turner, Foster R.	Green, Joseph
Armstrong, William	Rich, Lewis L.	Filean, Edward J.
Lasher, Frederick T.	Schwarz, Philip	Burnap, Nelson
McFarland, John F.	Boltz, Charles L.	Chambers, James
Chapin, Elam S.	Cushing, Garrett	Rich, George H.
Ryan, Michael	Thompson, John C.	Green, William
Van Vleck, George	Link, Frank E.	Campbell, Wilbur H.
Duke, John	Johnson Arthur M.	Hollinger, Fred A. M.
Bowden, Hugh A.	Dennis, William	Mower, Jacob
Wright, Sylvester W.	Maguire, Frank	Galbraith, William J.
Streeter, Lorenzo D.	Bibb, John H.	Kirby, James
Magee, Edward W.	Johnson, George J.	Lecomte, Herman E.
Flaherty, John H.	Seibert, Charles C.	Laplant, Arthur J.
Demers, John R.	Cumner, Matthew	Nible, Warren K.
Caulfield, Matthew	Pratt, Walter J.	Hoffman, William
Ross, Adam, 2d.	Mack, George	Buchanan, Charles S.
Ross, John C.	Dillion, Edward M.	Buchanan, William
Van Antwerp, Daniel L.	Collins, William H.	Schaible, Jacob M.
Ruhl, Silas L.	Wylie, John L.	Schaible, Adam J.

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Everingham, Charles A.
Parks, Robert
Glenn, James

Perry, George B.
Hussey, William H.
Cunningham, Eugene F.

Mealy, Walter B.
Graney, Michael

326. Troy, N. Y., 1895. Hope Fire Engine Co., No. 7. Pawling Ave., Albia. Organized April 27, 1892. Edward A. Gillies, Captain. Edward Spelker, Assistant Chief. Humphrey Dwyer, Secretary. Charles Speenburgh, Patrick Whalen, Trustees. [illustration]

MEMBERS

Wilder, James A.
Mahoney, Pierce F.
Allen, Stewart R.
Kennedy, Niel
Miller, Abram
Allen, James A.
Utz, Theodore

Fettig, William
McLouglin, Thomas
Joyce, William
Morris, Miles A.
Crandall, Lewis S.
Finch, Orson
Overpaugh, Addison

Myers, Frank
Morren, William F., Jr.
Downing, Albert
Blechner, Albert
Dean, Charles S.
Knauff, John F.

327. Catskill, N. Y., June 17 and 18, 1902.

Charles G. Coffin,
Secretary
Catskill, N. Y.

Joseph C. Hurley
President
Kingston, N. Y.

Ernest Hassinger
Treasurer
Saugerties, N. Y.

The Hudson Valley
Volunteer Firemen's Association.

Catskill, N. Y., June 3, 1902

To the Officers, Members and Delegates: - Greeting:

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of The Hudson Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association will meet at the Nelida Theater, Main st., Catskill, N. Y. at 10 A. M. on Tuesday, June 17, 1902.

At the close of the afternoon session the Members and Delegates are to be entertained by the General Committee of the Catskill Fire Department, with an excursion trip over the Catskill Mountain Railway and Otis Elevating Railway to the top of the Catskill Mountains.

It is earnestly requested that the Members and Delegates be prompt in attendance, and that the Convention may be closed without undue delay and early in the afternoon. It is important, and for your pleasure, that as much time be given to this excursion trip as possible.

I have been able to obtain reduced rates for the round trip to Catskill, as follows:

West Shore R. R. – One fare for round trip, stations Haverstraw to Albany, including Wallkill Valley R. R., minimum of 25¢.

N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. – One fare for round trip, stations Yonkers to Troy, minimum of 50¢.

To obtain this reduced rate you should present to the ticket agent the Identification Card I send herewith, and it will obtain for you these rates on June 16th and 17th, with return limit for June 18th.

To those who have paid me the dues for this year I beg to tender my thanks for their efforts towards preventing the usual delay at the opening of the annual conventions. Receipts and cards have been forwarded to all and any errors will be cheerfully and promptly corrected.

Have you paid *your* dues? If not, will you not, *please*, attend to it *now*?

Every member should respond when I venture to remind him that we wish to start promptly, not only because it is businesslike, but for the more personal and selfish reason that we may get all the time possible for the Mountain Trip.

Pay Your Dues Without Fail!

The Delegates Badge is more than worth the money!

Not a single member should miss this Mountain Trip!

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Program – Tuesday, June 17th – Annual Convention.
Mountain Trip.
Wednesday, June 18- Annual Parade.
Prize Drill.
Hose Race.
Grand Kilfyre Exhibition.
Life Saving Drill by Yonkers F. D. Life Saving Corps.
C. G. Coffin. [signature]
Secretary. [illustration of signature]

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328. Chief Marston, Brockton Fire Department, President Massachusetts Firemen's Association. 1896. [illustration]

329. Chief L. P. Webber, of Boston. President Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. 1896. [illustration]

330. Station No. 4, Brockton, Mass., Fire Department. [illustration]

331. New Engine House, Hartford, Conn. 1896. [illustration]

332. Officers, Brockton, Mass., Fire Department, 1896. Charles L. M'Cann, 1st Assistant Chief; Willis A. Downs, 2d Assistant Chief; Daniel G. Berry, Captain Station No. 2; Fred. Leighton, Captain Engine No. 4. 1896. [illustration]

333. Officers Brockton, Mass. Fire Department. 1896. Samuel H. Huggon, Captain Ladder No. 1.; Fred H. Moore, Captain Ladder No. 2; Harry G. Winsor, Captain, Engine No. 1; John H. Thompson, Captain Engine No. 3; William F. Daley, Captain Engine No. 2. [illustration]

334. William E. Slater, 2nd Asst. Engineer Fire Department. Lady Washington Hose Co. 3. Residence 48 South Bridge Street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [card, illustration]

335. West Shore Railroad Special Round Trip Ticket. Acc't Firemen's Convention at Haverstraw. Good only when stamped and sold by an Agent holding written authority as prescribed by law, for one continuous passage. ROCKLAND LAKE PARK to HAVERSTRAW
Good only on Special Train, Tuesday, June 16th, 1904. In consideration of reduced rate, holder hereof releases R. R. Co. for all liability as to baggage except for wearing apparel not exceeding in value \$100. Signed C. E. Lambert, General Passenger Agent. 237. [illustration]

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336. Hook and Ladder No. 4 – New Orleans Fire Department. 1896. [illustration]

337. Hook and Ladder Company No. 7 – New Orleans Fire Department. 1896. [illustration]

338. Chemical Engine Co. No. 2. New Orleans Fire Department. 1896. [illustration]

339. F. H. Mattern, Financial Secretary V. F. A. G. H. Booth Hose Co. No. 2. [card illustration]

340. Mr. John Kasten, J. D. Campbell Hose Co., No. 4. Schenectady, N. Y. [card illustration]

341. Fred S. Bieber, Chief Fire Department, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. [card illustration]

342. Wm. McNary, Delegate McCreary Steamer Co., Yonkers, '99. Cohoes, N. Y. [card illustration]

343. Hand dated Post, May 28, 1903. Col De Peyster Dead. Passed Away Wednesday Night at His Home

in Tivoli.

Colonel Johnston L. De Peyster died at his country seat at Tivoli-on-the-Hudson Wednesday night May 27 of cirrhosis of the liver. Col. De Peyster arrived at Tivoli from his winter home in Washington two months ago and has been rapidly sinking since then. His wife and three daughters were at his bedside. Colonel De Peyster was born at Tivoli, June 14, 1846, a son of Gen. John Watts De Peyster. He served as Lieutenant on the staff of General Weitzel in the Civil war and was brevetted lieutenant-colonel by the governor of New York in 1865. He was a man of means, having inherited the estate of his mother.

Col. De Peyster bore the distinction of having raised the first flag over Richmond, Va., after its fall to Union forces in 1865, and was recently presented with a medal for the work by several friends. He was president of the village of Tivoli, and was prominent in its affairs. A fire company over there bears his name, Col. de Peyster was also a member of J. R. Tappan Post, No. 215, G. A. R. of this village, and was one of its best members. The funeral will be held at St. Paul's church, Tivoli, Saturday afternoon. [illustration]

344. Madge Lessing. [illustration]

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345. St. Mary's Home. [illustration]

346. Fire Department Headquarters, Brockton, Mass. 1896. [illustration]

347. Station No. 2 – Brockton, Mass., Fire Department. 1896. [illustration]

348. Hook & Ladder - Geo. H. Scott, Treasurer F. A. S. N. Y., Coxsackie, N. Y. Ex-President Tri-Co. F. A. [card illustration]