

2125. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 20, 1896. – Base-Ball News. – A Sleepy Game Played at the Driving Park Wednesday.

A very listless and sleepy game of ball was played at the Driving Park, Wednesday afternoon between Tivoli and Saugerties teams, the game being of that kind which if continued will surely injure the base ball interest in the place. Errors were made in large numbers, and the boys lacked the ginger they usually have. They succeeded in winning however, Phillips pitching good ball. The score.

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A meeting for the purpose of organized a base ball association was held at the court room, Russell Block, on Wednesday evening. John D. Fratsher was chosen temporary chairman and Charles Cox, secretary. The object of this association is to further the interest of ball playing and to assist the home team in every possibly way.

The following were unanimously elected officers of the association:

William Ziegler, President; Irwin Ronk, Vice President; E. A. Yerger, Sec. and Treas.

The executive committee is the officers of the association and the manager and captain of the team.

2126. Saw the Bryans.

Dr. F. D. Wygant, of this village and G. W. B. Church, of Providence, who is stopping in town, shook hands and had a talk of about an hour with Mr. Bryan and his wife, while they were at Red Hook Wednesday. They were greatly impressed with Mr. Bryan's personality, a handsome man of fine physique and presence, with excellent address and captivating manner, and without doubt as educated gentleman of great ability. Mr. Bryan they consider a bright, charming and graceful woman, witty and vivacious, filled with love and devotion for her husband.

2127. Post. Aug. 13, 1896. [hand dated] - The Tri-County Association – Names of Officers Who Have been Selected for the Years 1896-97.

The following named officers of the Tri-County Firemen's Association have been announced for the years 1896-97. The Executive, Extension and Auditing Committees hold their offices by appointment of the President, George L. Wachmeyer, Jr., of Kingston:

President – George L. Wachmeyer, Jr., of Kingston.

Vice-Presidents – Greene county: Ralph P. Barker, Catskill; Ulster county: J. Charles Snyder, Kingston; Columbia county: William A. Miller, Hudson; Orange county: John F. Tucker, Newburgh.

Secretary – Charles L. McArthur, Hudson.

Treasurer – Eugene Wolfe, Athens.

Executive Committee – George L. Wachmeyer, Jr., Pres. ex-officio; Chas L. McArthur, Sec., ex-officio.

Greene county: Charles G. Coffin, Catskill ; George H. Scott, Coxsackie, Columbia county: Edgar M. Davis, Joseph Solomon, Hudson; Ulster county: O. T. Simmons, Saugerties, John McCausland, Kingston; Orange county: Jonathan Deyo, Edgar Farrington, Newburgh.

Extension Committee – Harry Hall, Catskill, E. E. Schryver, Kingston; Charles G. Coffin, Catskill.

Incorporation Committee – The Executive Committee.

Auditing Committee – Harry Hall, Catskill, Henry A. Ohley, Saugerties, George W. Newkirk, Kingston.

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2128. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 19, 1896. – COL. LAFLIN HONORED. – Presented With a Handsome Gold Medal Tuesday Night. – Ex-Chief Henry A. Ohley Made the Presentation Speech in the Presence of a Large Number After Which a Fine Exhibition Drill was Given.

Laflin Hose Co. assembled at their hose house, Tuesday night, in full uniform and headed by a drum corps made a short street parade, after which they proceeded to St. Mary's Hall where their General Commander, Col. H. D. Laflin, was presented with a handsome gold medal, studded with three

diamonds, made by Benedict, of New York. Over four hundred of our most prominent people had gathered at the hall. Preceding the drill Prof. Martin's orchestra rendered several selections after which the Laflins executed one of their prize drills for which they have become famous; all the fancy movements and manoevers being done in their characteristic style with much precision and skill, in which they received much applause under the command of Col. Laflin. At the conclusion of the drill, the company was drawn up in line, and foreman John McCormick, in a neat speech, introduced Ex-Chief Henry A. Ohley, who in presenting the medal spoke as follows:

*"Mr. Foreman, Ladies and Gentlemen:*

I esteem and appreciate the compliment of my selection by Laflin Hose Company to be its medium of welcoming you here this evening.

Laflin Hose Company, as it exists to-day, is the perfection of a little more than three years of organization and work. This work, this perfection that has been attained, is felt by the Company to be the result of the labors of one man, and to whom they feel so much indebted that they have desired to make known their appreciation in some form that will convey to him its full sincerity, and this has resulted in their having made a suitable emblematical badge.

The man to whom all this honor is due is our well known townsman, Col. H. D. Laflin (applause), whose military training and experience began at the early age of eighteen by membership, in the St. Louis, Grays, which formed one of the companies of the National Guard of the State of Missouri. From St. Louis he went to Chicago and here again we find his natural instincts and love of military life induced him to join the Chicago Life Guard, which was recognized as a famous Company. While drilling with the "Light Guards" he also joined a Company known as the Chicago Cadets under the command of Col. E. E. Elsworth, and this company re-organized under the name of the Chicago Zouaves, with Col. Laflin, Lieutenant, and rapidly acquired a fame extending over all the states.

While a commissioned officer of the company, this challenge was issued Chicago, Ill., Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 1859: The stand of championship colors awarded to the U. S. Zouave Cadets are welcome to any company of the militia or regular army of the U. S. or Canada if they can win them in a fair contest.

Signed, E. E. Elsworth, Col. Commanding.

After contests and exhibition drills in Cleveland, Detroit, Buffalo, Albany, Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Washington and various other cities they returned to Chicago with their colors and the championship of America, and Col. Laflin, the possessor of this momento, for his aid and assistance to obtaining this perfection.

Col. Laflin has been closely identified with the fire department of this village. He has filled the office of Chief Engineer twice, was a member of Rough and Ready Engine Co. and as a member of Laflin Hose Co. he took the inspiration of forming a drill company out of the company bearing his name. In consequence of seeing the drill companies at the State Fire Association meet at Coney Island three years ago, remarking that if that was all they could do he would try his hand at it once more and so he turned to these boys at whose instance we are gathered here this evening.

I am told that the Colonel, while insisting upon a thorough discipline, is not arbitrary or tyrannical, yet will not permit of any disobedience of orders. I think we all know Col. Laflin too well to say more concerning him or go into any lavish praise. He is a man possessing in a large degree unbounded unselfishness. Generous and charitable and loves to be considered one of the boys.

Col. Laflin you have been summoned here this evening by your boys in gray that they may testify the appreciation in which they hold yourself and your valued service to them by some mark or testimonial, and it gives me great pleasure in their name to present you with this badge.

Long may you live to wear the same and bear in affectionate remembrance these boys who in honoring themselves have also honored you."

Mr. Ohley then read a telegram from Rev. Father Murray and Rev. Father Ward, who are at Yonkers, extending congratulations. After which the applause was deafening.

Col. Laflin in accepting the gift spoke as follows:

"President Ohley: I am proud to receive at your hands, this beautiful testimonial, presented to me by my company. I thank you for the many kind expressions you have made to my past life, which has been somewhat semi-military. But now, we are simply volunteer firemen, belonging to your own organization, of which you have honored so long, by being the president of our Tri-County Firemen's Association. We remember your kind and prompt decisions, [*sic*] and writings in firemanic matters, in our conventions, and for the kind interest you have always manifested to the Laflin Hose company. We feel doubly honored by your presence here to-night, and in behalf of my company, and personally, myself, I thank you."

*"Laflin Hose – Young Gentlemen:*

What shall I say to you for this magnificent token of love and respect of which you have just tendered me. I needed no such reminder, nor so generous and costly gift as this beautiful diamond badge. No one knows you any better than I do, and I know how kindly you all feel towards me, and how willingly you are to be disciplined and to obey orders. You have learned by this time, after two years of drilling, something of a soldier's life and duty, although firemen, and know no company can be well drilled without the strictest discipline and attention to all orders. This has made you what you are now, and what you will be in the future, if you are willing to be disciplined as you have been in the past. You have gained some honor but you are not up to that point that you will be if you keep up the pride and moral [*sic*] of a good company. You have visited in the past two years, different cities in our state, and on every occasion I have felt justly proud of you, not so much for your drilling and soldier bearing, as I have been that your gentlemanly conduct when away from home, has been such, as entitled you to the warmest ecomiums of praise, both at home and abroad, and I know this will stimulate you to keep that record good. The volunteer fire department with so many uniformed companies, and so well drilled, are the pride of the state, and it is an honor to belong to such an organization, as we have in the State of New York. Our citizens have honored us to night by their presence here. Let us see to it that we honor them, by being ever ready to do our duty as firemen, in protecting their lives and property, and by our good conduct, never to perfect their good will and esteem. This beautiful token, I feel proud of, and shall always honor you by wearing it and will (even if necessary) keep me in mind of the love and respect you have for me and I assure you, each and every one, have a very warm place in my affections. This gathering together of our citizens to-night will ever stimulate us to exert ourselves with an honored ambition to be one of the companies that they and the state can be proud of. Gentlemen, I thank you." At the conclusion of his remarks three cheers was proposed for the Colonel, and they were given with a will. The event was a pleasant one and will serve to draw the fire department into closer relation than ever before.

2129. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 13, 1896. – THE BICYCLE RACES. – At Coxsackie Wednesday - One Man Hurt Quite Badly. – Keeney of This Village run Down and His Wheel Shattered – Fast Time Made.

The second annual meet of the Coxsackie Bicycle Club was held at the Driving Park in that village Wednesday, there being about fifty-three entries. The day was clear and perfect, and about twelve hundred people were on the grounds. The condition of the track was very heavy and many falls were the results.

Each race had a time limit, consequently fast time was made, and the several races were very close and exciting. Harry Keeney, of this village, who entered in three races, but unfortunately was run down in the novice race, and the rear wheel of his bike was shattered. The race was conceded to Keeney by all, and his many friends were surprised at his fine riding. His run down in detail is as follows: There were nine starters in the novice and Keeney remained last until the stretch on the last half when he made a terrible spurt, and succeeded in passing every one and had just shot by the man in the lead named Every, when Every turned his wheel and caught Keeney's rear wheel, bursting every spoke and throwing him, he being lucky in escaping injury.

Almost every race was the scene of some riders falling, owing to the sandy condition of the track. In the final of the one mile open, Decker, of Ashley Falls, was run down by Ward, of Coxsackie, and had his collar-bone broken. The accident prevented him from winning as in the trial heat previously, he rode a mile in 2:21 3-5.

The following Saugerties people were in attendance. Dr. M. H. Wygant, Ernest Myer, Wm. V. Burhans, William Ziegler, Robert Ballman, John Adams, Edward Moran, the Misses Emma Quick and Maude Adams, C. S. Clark representing the *World*, and F. W. Frankel, representing the *Recorder* and *POST*.

The following is the summary:

One mile novice: Won by Wm. Laboe, Lansingburg; second Benj. Wallace, Albany; third, James Butler, Yonkers. Time 2:48.

One-fourth mile open: Won by E. W. Murray, Syracuse; second Jack Jasper, Bayonne; third, G. H. Knight, Housatonic, Mass. Time 33 3-5.

One mile 2:40 class: Won by Goldie Meehan, Syracuse; second, Jack Jasper, Bayonne; third, W. B. Barbeau. Time 2:35 2-5.

The Greene County championship was won by James Smith, Coxsackie; second Theo. Every, Coxsackie; third, Wm. Bramson, Catskill. Time 3:15 3-5

Half mile open. Won by G. H. Knight, Housatonic, Mass.; second, E. W. Murray, Syracuse; third, G. B. Smith, Freeport. Time 1:12.

One mile handicap. Won by E. A. Oakes (85 yards) Housatonic, Mass.; second O. H. Munro, (30 yards) Cohoes; third, G. B. Smith (50 yards) Freeport. Time 2:15.

Two mile open; Won by E. W. Murray, Syracuse; second W. S. Barbeau; third, F. W. Richt, Brooklyn. Time 6:27.

2130. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 13, 1896. – Doings of the Politicians.

A large and enthusiastic gathering was held in the court room, Wednesday evening for the purpose of forming a Bryan and Sewall club. Rensselaer Potts was chosen chairman, and M. F. Kenney acted as secretary.

Resolutions indorsing the Chicago platform were unanimously adopted. The following officers were elected: President, Henry A. Ohley; first vice-president, Bernard Cox; second vice-president Samuel Cohen; third vice-president Egbert Cooper; fourth vice-president Wesley Shultis; fifth vice-president, Ira Lewis, secretary M. F. Kenney; Treasurer, Thomas F. O'Dea. The club has one hundred and three members.

Gen. John Ketcham and editor John I. Platt, of the Poughkeepsie *Eagle* are candidates for the republican congressional nomination in this district.

2131. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 2, 1898. - Supplies for the Firemen.

Chief engineer Ernest Hassinger has had new tubular lanterns placed on Snyder Hose Co.'s jumper. He also expects a whirlpool nozzle in a few days.

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2132. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 3, 1896. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular Session Held – Ovid T. Simmons Appointed Water Commissioner to Fill Vacancy.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening.

Present: Cantine, Cunyes, Lasher, Quick and Rogers. Absent, Cornwell. President Cantine presided.

Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Street committee reported work on Allen and Mac Donald streets nearly completed, also repair to curb and gutter on Ulster avenue.

Finance committee reported progress on John street matter.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Firemanic committee reported hose had arrived and would be tested this week, also repairs to Laflin Hose house completed.

The clerk was directed to notify Ellen Finger and Aaron Woodward to repair sidewalk in front of their property on Main street, also C. P. Shultis to repair walk on Washington avenue, also Daniel Lamb and Finger & Lewis to cut grass on the sidewalk in front of their property on Livingston street, also M. Genthner and Egbert Whitaker to reset curb in front of their property on Ulster avenue.

Permission was granted to the Board of Education to use Fireman's Hall for holding their annual election.

Ovid T. Simmons was appointed water commissioner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Wm. F. Russell.

The following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

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| John Maxwell, salary,                        | \$ 46.00 |
| Develin & Kerbert, papering<br>and painting, | 24.00    |
| Wm. Doyle, freight and cartage,              | .75      |

ROAD FUND.

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| John W. Davis, stone,    | \$ 69.20 |
| A. Pultz, men and teams, | 99.36    |
| H. Gleisner, repairs,    | 3.00     |

The bill of the Fabric Hose Co. was referred to the firemanic committee.

The bill of S. L. Dawes for disinfectants was referred to the finance committee.

On motion Board adjourned.

2133. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 19, 1896. – The Exempt Prizes. – Drawn on Monday Night – Fortunate Winners.

The remaining articles of the exempt fair which have been on exhibition in Manning's jewelry store were disposed of Monday evening, the lucky individuals being D. N. Finger, who secured the picture donated by Mrs. I. Lazarus, Mrs. Manning, the lamp donated by Mrs. Germond, Col. H. D. Laflin, the statues of the army and navy, donated by himself, George Seaman, the water service donated by the Cortland H. & L. Co. of Peekskill, and Kastle Stone, Father O'Flynn's gold watch.

2134. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 6, 1896. - The School Election. – The Old Ticket Elected by Forty-Nine Majority.

The annual election of Trustees for members of the Board of Education was held at Firemen's Hall, Wednesday, the two tickets being in the field, making it quite close and interesting. The total vote polled was two hundred and seventy-one. Ovid T. Simmons receiving 159 to Fred T. Russell, 111, T. B. Cornwell, 160 to Jerry Finger, 110, Chas. Clum, 160 to Wesley Shultis, 112, Homer Russell, received 163 votes for clerk to John W. Shults, 2.

2135. The Election.

The school election of Wednesday for members of the Board of Education occasioned a considerable interest and excitement as the result of the annual school meeting of Tuesday evening 271 votes were cast, of which on canvassing it was found that 159 were for the retiring members and 112 for the opposing ticket.

Without doubt, those on the winning ticket feel that their vote was a very flattering one, as it was, and it conveys the impression that the major part of our community are in touch with the Board of Education as it exists, and do not desire to leave the administration of our school matters to untried parties, as

against those who by their zeal and unsparing as to their time, have within the 3 years past, worked up our schools to that standard of excellence and efficiency they now enjoy.

The result of the election is a complete vindication of the Board of Education from the aspersions and imputations and frivolous charges that were made upon it at the annual school meeting of Tuesday evening last.

So long as school matters remain within the hands of the present Board there will be little cause to fear that their efficiency and excellence will be maintained, and now after the fight let one and all join hands in liberal support for the same. [No date or paper]

2136. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston, NY. Jun. 1, 1896.

An informal shirt-waist dance was held at St. Mary's hall at Saugerties last Friday evening by several of the prominent young men. It was an enjoyable affair. Professors Frank Martin and Frank Loerzel furnished the music. Those present were: Clyde Van Steenburgh, Miss Della Canner, E. Clark Reed, Miss Louise Russell, Frank G. Phelps, Miss Julia Merritt, Luther Hommel, Miss Anna Potts, J. Hardenburg, Miss Kate Turck, William Simmons, Miss Anna Houghtaling, H. C. Van Buskirk, Miss Agnes Shultus, John Shults, Miss Anna Potts, C. S. Clark, Miss Emma Quick, John Green, Miss Bertha Carnright, Frederick Lewis, Miss Grace Chaney, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Davis, Mrs. E. J. Lewis, and Miss Martha Carnright.

2137. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 5, 1898. – A Present to Chief Hassinger.

Charles Higham, chief engineer of the Middletown fire department, has presented a handsome photograph of himself in uniform to chief Hassinger, of the Saugerties fire department. It is on exhibition at Ziegler's cafe, on Partition street.

2138. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 7, 1896. – Dirty Ball Playing – Hudson's Dirty Aggregation Try to Win at all Hazards.

The Hudson Base Ball team, strengthened by several new players, came down on the steamer Estelle Thursday about four o'clock with the intention of defeating Captain Phillips' men at all hazards. It was the worst exhibition of ball playing ever seen in this place, but as Hudson has a reputation for dirty ball playing, nothing else could be expected.

Baker and Healy have displayed their ability to play dirty ball by tripping several of our team and it was feared at one time that Baker would be mobbed. The game commenced at about five o'clock and as stated above Hudson was intent upon winning and in their efforts to do so Manager Storm, of the Hudson team, deliberately confiscated one of the balls in order to delay the game, but the trick didn't work as the ball was soon found in his pocket.

The game was played in a manner which is insulting to baseballdom, and the Hudson umpire, Mr. Greene, was a peach of the rottenest kind. He needed a microscope to see and had his head full of wheels, he being so green he wouldn't burn. The four-eyed scorer made several big bluffs at betting and when covered sank out of sight.

The rooters which came down with them were inhabitants of Diamond street, no doubt. The game in detail resulted in one run for Hudson in the first inning, our boys not scoring until the fourth inning, when the boys tied the score, and then what seemed a riot began. After several more wrangles amid delays and confusion, the umpire decided the game 9-0 in favor of Saugerties.

2139. The pleasure of yourself and ladies is requested to attend - A Private Dance, to be held at St. Mary's Hall, Saugerties, N. Y., Wednesday evening, April twenty-second, eighteen hundred and ninety-six. Clyde Van Steenburgh, Chairman. Music by Prof. Martin's full Military Orchestra.

Reception Committee. John Green, Edward Snyder, John A. Snyder, John Shults, C. Van Steenburgh, Geo. Snyder, L. Hommel, Jacob Bruckner.

Floor Committee. Wm. E. Simmons, F. T. Lewis, E. J. Lewis, P. H. Davis, J. B. Kearney, G. F. Phelps, J. M. Reed. [illustration]

2140. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 8, 1896. - Funeral of Henry Tepe.

The funeral of the late Henry Tepe, a life long resident and prominent business man, was held at his late residence on Partition street, Monday afternoon. Mr. Tepe was a member of Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, and Thomas Wildey Encampment, who attended in a body. The house was filled with friends of the deceased. The Rev. Theodore Bauck, pastor of the German Lutheran church officiated, and eulogized the career of the deceased man. The interment was in the Lutheran cemetery. The burial service being conducted by the Odd Fellows. Henry A. Ohley acting as chaplain. The following were pall bearers: Norman Cunyes, Louis Mattes, J. W. Shults, Andrew D. Myer, Edmund Bates, Egbert Cooper, Wm. Stewart, Herman Gleisner.

2141. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 8, 1896. – The Arcanum's Visit.

The members of Saugerties Council Royal Arcanum, accompanied by their wives and the Citizens' Band to the number of about seventy, went to Hudson Monday evening on the steamer H. Livingston, and paid a fraternal visit to Hudson City Council, where they participated in conferring the initiatory degree on three candidates, after which a fine banquet was served, J. W. Reinhard, F. N. Moulton and Wm. V. Burhans, of this village, responding to toasts. The Royal Arcanum in this village, is rapidly increasing in membership.

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2142. Officers 1895-6.

President, Henry A. Ohley, Saugerties; Vice-Presidents, W. A. Pennoyer, Catskill, Thomas F. Hannon, Hudson, John T. Meeder, Kingston; Secretary, Charles L. McArthur, Hudson; Treasurer, Eugene Wolfe, Athens; Executive Committee, Chas. G. Coffin Catskill, G. H. Scott, Coxsackie, Joseph Solmon, Hudson; Wm. Granger, Hudson, G. Wachmeyer, Jr., Kingston, O. T. Simmons, Saugerties; Auditing Committee, R. P. Barker, Catskill, Edgar H. Davis, Hudson, B. W. Townsend, Coxsackie; Extension Committee, Chas. G. Coffin, Catskill, H. H. Hall, Catskill, E. E. Schryver, Kingston; Delegate to State Firemen's Association, Roscoe C. Hallock, Coxsackie.

2143. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, Oct. 8, 1896. – THE JURY DISAGREED. They Stand 8-4 in favor of John T. Washburn, the Defendant. – The Sensational Trial for \$25,000 Damages Comes to an Abrupt Ending in Supreme Court, at Kingston.

The \$25,000 damage suit of John H. Hardenbergh, proprietor of the "Little Market on the Corner," against John Tyler Washburn, also of this village, for robbing him of his wife's affections, came up for trial in Supreme Court at Kingston, Wednesday.

Brinnier & Newcombe appeared for Hardenbergh, and Judge Clearwater and Senator Davis for Washburn.

The Kingston *Leader* gives the following concerning the case:

Hardenbergh is an old resident of Saugerties, the proprietor of "The Little Market on the Corner," the corner being the corner of Partition and Jane streets, where according to Mr. Hardenbergh's testimony he has dealt in "delicatessen" for more than twenty years. He led a quiet and peaceful life, until in 1889 he married for the second time, the new partner of his joys and sorrows being one, Lucie Weber, a girl young enough to be his daughter. Included in the "delicatessen," in which Mr. Hardenbergh dealt, were wines and liquors, and the handsome young wife acted at times as barmaid. Among the customers of "The Little Market," was Mr. Washburn, and it was alleged by Hardenbergh that Mr. Washburn insinuated himself into the wife's good graces and won her affection from her husband. Last June, Hardenbergh obtained an absolute divorce from his wife, which placed her in a position to become a

witness in the suit against Mr. Washburn. Her appearance on the stand created a genuine sensation, for with the utmost nonchalance, smiling and smirking, she told a tale which Hardenbergh said he wrung from her in the form of a confession last winter. The story told by the divorced wife was startling and gave in detail conversations alleged to have been had with Mr. Washburn. Other testimony for the plaintiff was given by Luther Carle, Alonzo Carl and Mary Derby.

It appeared by the evidence that Hardenbergh and his wife had quarreled almost from the beginning of their married life concerning her visiting her aunt, her hats, her gloves, and her dresses, and that on one occasion she chased him with a large knife.

In his own behalf, Mr. Washburn contradicted specifically the whole story told by Lucie Weber and swore that on September 4, 1894, the date fixed by her as the date of an incident which had a most important bearing on the case, he was at his home, where he was confined for several days by a lame shoulder, the result of attempting to stop a runaway horse, and not at the home of Hardenbergh, as stated by the woman. In this Mr. Washburn was corroborated by his two sons and his housekeeper, and Lewis S. Hommel, the bookkeeper at his brickyard [sic] in Glasco. Rufus Schoonmaker, a young lad employed last year by Hardenburgh, gave some testimony as to improper acts on the part of the wife. Other witnesses sworn for the defense were George W. Washburn, Chester E. Blackwell, Ezra Carnright, Chester Blackwell, Edgar Blackwell and J. K. Merritt.

The case was summed up by Mr. Brinnier for the plaintiff and Judge Clearwater for the defendant. After which Judge Fursman charged the jury and they retired with directions that if they agreed they should bring in a sealed verdict.

The jury came in court this morning and announced that they couldn't agree. The judge discharged them. They stood eight for Washburn and four for Hardenbergh.

2144. Communicated. *To the Editor of the Post:*

In your last night's POST, you say the jury stood 8 to 4 in favor of J. T. Washburn. Please correct that. They stood 8 to 4 in favor of J. H. Hardenberg. Respectfully Yours, J. H. Hardenberg.

2145. Centenary of the Norwich Union Fire Office 1797-1897. [looks like US Postage but without any identification as such, brown and pink.]

2146. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 16, 1896. — GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY. — The Rev. H. C. Longyear and Wife Celebrate Their Fiftieth Anniversary. Pleasantly Remembered by Friends With a Purse of Over Two Hundred Dollars and Other Gifts.

The Rev. Henry C. Longyear, for nearly nineteen years pastor of the Baptist Church in this village, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage Thursday at the residence of his son-in-law, Henry Vandebogart, at Bearsville.

The day was perfect and all that could be desired, the golden rays of nature's sunlight being radiant and seemed to inspire a degree of warm love on the occasion. A bountiful collation was served at one o'clock, after which short exercises were held, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Gates, of this village, and opened by singing "Come Thou Font of Every Blessing," followed with prayers by the Rev. P. R. Gott, of West Shokan. After singing "When we Reach our Father's Dwelling, on the Strong Eternal Hills," the Rev. Mr. Gates in presenting the gifts, which amounted to two hundred and seven dollars in money, besides other useful gifts, there being one hundred and seventy dollars of it in gold said: "It is proper to bring you gold to day, as it is your golden wedding and for fifty years you have lived under the golden spell of happy domestic love. Because you believe in, and have been devoted to the word of God, which the psalmist said is more to be desired than gold, 'yea than much fine gold.' and because we recognize the worth of your christian character comparable to fine gold purified in the furnace of affliction. I bring you the greetings of a host of friends who wish to express their appreciation in some practical, tangible,

substantial way, hence we bring you that which represents real value and is worth just what it calls for in all the markets of the world.

Inasmuch as gold seems to be in the ascendancy here to-day, I take it as an index of the prevailing sentiment politically of those assembled on this occasion. It must be that the majority of us believe in sound money, that we are like those in the days of Solomon, 1 Kings, 10-21, but very little silver. "It was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon."

Short congratulatory speeches were made by Rev. P. R. Gott, Rev. A. L. Freeman, Canandaigua, and Hon. Davis Winne. Letters were read from several who were unable to be present, expressing congratulations. Then standing up before the Rev. A. L. Freeman, who spoke impressive words concerning the character of the marriage relation, the honored couple renewed their mutual vows of love and devotion for all time to come, after which the Rev. Mr. Longyear deeply moved with emotion, made affecting remarks to all present, children, grandchildren, nephews, nieces, cousins, daughters and friends, concluding with a most fervent prayer to the God of all grace for all concerned. The exercises concluded with singing, "Shall We Gather at the River?" and "God be With You 'Till We Meet Again." Mr. Longyear was married, Oct 15, 1846 to Melissa Bishop, who has been a worthy helpmeet all through his life. He was converted when twenty-one years of age and was baptized by Elder Thos. Stokes on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1849, into the fellowship of the Woodstock Baptist Church. He commenced his ministry here in May, 1867, and continued until January, 1886, nearly nineteen years.

The following were among those present.

Mrs. Riley Baldwin, Jefferson Baldwin, Winfield Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Longyear, Wm. Longyear, Mrs. Sarah Elting, Mr. and Mrs. Madison Longyear, Phoenicia; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Longyear, Jr., Pine Hill; Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Vandebogart, the Misses Lucy, Blanche, Agnes, Annie and Edith Vandebogart, and Mr. Harry P. Vandebogart, Bearsville. Mrs. W. M. Banks, Mr. O. M. Preston, Miss Nellie Preston, Roxbury; Miss Mary E. Mead, Vega, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. George A. Griffis, and the Misses Edna, Maud, Verna and Mildred Griffis and Rev. F. H. Gates and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Clum, Saugerties; Mrs. C. A. Vosburgh, Shady, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Vosburgh, Shady, Rev. P. R. Gott, Shokan; Hon. Davis Winne and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hudler, Miss Annie Winne, The Corner; Rev. A. L. Freeman, Canandaigua; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Cooper, Lake Hill; Mrs. Eliza Bush, Olive Bridge; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Winne, Mrs. J. McCoon, Woodstock; Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Herring, Ulster Park; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Longyear, Kingston; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Douglas, West Hurley; Mr. Wm. E. Simmons, Tannersville; Miss Ethel Simmons, Bearsville.

Letters of regret were received from the following persons:

Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn, Mr. and Mrs. M. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Boice, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Winne, Mrs. B. J. Winne, Mr. and Mrs. Levy Ward, Maria Longyear. [Illustration, see No. 1932]

2147. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 5, 1896. - Republican Mass Meeting – At Flatbush Saturday Night – Senator Davis Speaks.

Flatbush was ablaze with glory Saturday evening, on the occasion of the banner raising and mass meeting held under the auspices of the Dr. Shradly Campaign Club. The Lasher Guards, of this village, and the Dr. Shradly club, headed by the Empire Band, of Flatbush, made a parade. After the parade the banner was unfurled amidst the roars of the cannon. A platform had been erected and draped with bunting and flags. The speakers of the evening were, Hon. Louis B. Van Gaasbeck, of New York, who was very strong in his argument in maintaining a gold dollar. Senator Davis, of this village, delivered an earnest address, upholding the Raines bill and other State issues. The McKinley Glee Club sang several selections. Two meetings will be held in this village before election.

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2148. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 19, 1896. – Monument Unveiled. – Interesting Exercises Held at Kingston on Saturday.

The statue "Patriotism," erected by Gen. Sharpe, in honor of the 120<sup>th</sup>, Regiment, was unveiled in the First Reformed Churchyard, on the corner of Main and Fair streets, Kingston, on Saturday afternoon. There was a large crowd present, and the exercises were very interesting. The monument was given into the keeping of the Consistory of the Church in an eloquent address by the donor, General George H. Sharpe.

The address of acceptance was made in behalf of the church by the Rev. Dr. J. G. Van Slyke, pastor of the church. An address was then made by Chaplain Hopkins of the Regiment. A platform had been erected for the use of the consistory and another platform was erected by the General for the Daughters of the American Revolution, who were honored guests of the occasion.

The statue is of bronze, and is mounted on a pedestal of Stony Creek granite. It is a draped figure of "Patriotism," represented by a woman holding aloft a flag in her left hand and catching its folds in her right hand and clasping them to her bosom. Her face is turned upward, and her figure is extremely graceful, the drapery being very striking. The statue is seven feet height and appears life size when viewed from the ground. The height of the statue from the base to the top of the flag staff is eleven feet, and the entire height of the monument, including the pedestal, is eighteen feet.

On the four sides of the pedestal are bronze panels, the front one bearing the following inscription: "To the undying renown of the rank and file of the One Hundred and Twentieth Infantry, New York Volunteers, one of three hundred fighting regiments in the war of the Union. By the Colonel of the Regiment – 1896." The rear panel contains a list of the battles in which the regiment participated. The side panels contain the arms of the United States and of New York.

2149. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 19, 1896. - Prof. Thompson Dead.

Prof. Ellis Thompson, organist and musical director of Trinity church, died between twelve and one o'clock to-day after a short illness.

2150. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 21, 1896. – Firemanic Matters. – Items of Interest to Our Own Companies and Others.

A delegation of Ringgold Hose Company, of Newburgh, consisting of Judge Corwin, Chief Engineer Nixon, foreman Nixon, First Assistant Goodrich, E. J. Sharps, Howard Corwin and W. H. Mapes, Professor of Drill Tactics of the company, visited Cornell Hose Co. of Rondout, Tuesday evening, and were met at the train by Foreman C. L. Quackenbush and First Assistant John T. Bond, of Cornell Hose, and escorted to their rooms on Abeel, street, where they presented to Cornell Hose, in the name of Ringgold Hose, of Newburgh, two very fine pictures.

The presentation speech was made by Judge Corwin and President John McCausland responded. Then a social evening was spent at the engine house when the party proceeded to Ormerod's Hotel on the Strand where an elaborate banquet was served, after which a number of after dinner speeches were made.

2151. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 5, 1896. – JOHN J. MORAN THE NOMINEE – of the Democratic Convention of the First District for School Commissioner. – His Nomination was Unanimous, Henry A. Ohley, of this Village, Presenting His Name Before the Convention.

The Democratic convention of the first district to nominate a candidate for School Commissioner was held at the Palmer House, in this village, on Saturday at twelve o'clock. The convention was called to order by Edgar Snyder, chairman of the district committee. The delegates present were; Michael J. Dunne, John O'Shea, Dr. T. S. Partlan, S. A. Robinson, Joseph A. Costello, William Fredenburgh, M. A. Meagher, P. F. Cullen, Egbert Humphrey, and James Boylan, Kingston; Peter Burns and Michael J.

Weeman, Sawkill; Denis Mc Laughlin, Henry A. Ohley, Martin Sexton, Chas. E. Cooke, William H. Schoonmaker and Jason Cunyes, Saugerties; G. A. Lockwood, Hurley.

William Fredenburg, was chosen temporary chairman and A. S. Robinson secretary.

On motion the chair appointed Henry A. Ohley, Egbert Humphrey and Joseph A. Costello a committee on credentials.

After an adjournment Chairman Fredenburgh invited the delegates and representatives of the press to take dinner with John J. Moran.

The convention reassembled at 1:30 o'clock and after the report of the credential committee the secretary called the roll of delegates.

The roll call of towns for nomination was unanimous for Mr. Moran and, Henry A. Ohley in a brief speech moved that he be nominated by acclamation, which was carried.

On motion the chair appointed Henry A. Ohley and John O'Shea to escort the nominee before the convention. Mr. Moran was introduced and was applauded. He said: "Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I am deeply sensible of the honor conferred upon me by the representatives of the democratic party of the first district in naming me as a candidate for School Commissioner. It is needless for me to tell you that I not only have great pride in the good name and work of the schools in this commissioner's district, but great respect for the teachers. They are engaged in a noble work. The question that concerns us in nearly every relation of life is education. It would be as ridiculous to elect a man without the experience of a teacher to the office of school commissioner as it would to elect a teacher without the knowledge of law to the office of Supreme Court Judge. I accept your nomination and tender you the assurance, if re-elected I shall aim to render through the schools committed to my care the best and highest service of which I am capable." (applause.)

Chairman Fredenburg then made a few brief remarks, testifying to the character of the candidate's ability, his experience and service rendered.

Mr. Humphrey, Principals Cullen and Robinson also spoke regarding the success of the schools under Mr. Moran.

Joseph A. Costello, G. A. Lockwood and Henry A. Ohley were appointed a committee to call future conventions.

The representations of towns be the same as in the Assembly conventions with the exception of Saugerties, which was increased to eight, was carried.

2152. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 5, 1896. - The Laflins at Saratoga – They Gain New Laurels for Their Fine Drilling and Appearance.

Laflin Hose Co., headed by the Nineteenth Separate Co. Drum Corps, of Poughkeepsie, left town on a special train via West Shore Railroad for Saratoga Springs, the queen of watering places, Friday morning where they participated in the grand parade of the Tri-County Firemen's Association. The Laflins were the recipients of much applause all along the line for their excellent drilling and fine appearance. After the parade they visited the famous springs in Congress Park and gave exhibition drills in front of the United States and Commercial hotels, which elicited much applause. They returned home this morning on the 4:45 train, greatly pleased with the trip.

2153. Col. Laflins Medal – He Will Wear it at the Next Tri-County Parade.

The Newburgh *Register* says: "At the recent session of the state firemen's convention it was a noticeable fact that nearly every delegate of any prominence wore upon his breast a massive gold medal that had been presented to him by his command or admiring friends. Some of them were set with diamonds, others heavily raised, and still others bearing bar appendages similar to those formerly worn by sharpshooters and marksmen in the state militia, each bar representing a convention of the state association since the wearer had become connected with it. Colonel Laflin, of the Laflin Hose company, of Saugerties, when he comes out on parade at the next convention of the Tri-county Firemen's

Association, will wear a handsome medal on his manly breast, for the members of his company, a few evenings since, gave him one of the prettiest that money could buy, and it was presented in the presence of several hundred citizens, who had assembled to see the gentleman honored.

The presentation was made by Henry A. Ohley, ex-chief of the fire department and ex-president of the Tri-county association. Colonel Laflin is a wealthy man, and had he been desirous of decorating himself could have bought a dozen medals with what he expends annually in looking after his "boys" when out with them. The gift has therefore been worthy bestowed and will doubtless be highly prized by the doughty colonel. He deserves all the honor that can be heaped upon him.

2154. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 7, 1896. – The Hooks Ball.

The Hook & Ladder Co.'s ball at St. Mary's hall Tuesday evening was a huge success. Over three hundred people being in attendance. A short parade was made from the Phoenix Hotel headed by the Citizens' band who are rapidly gaining praise for the excellent music they furnish. The grand march in which about twenty-five couple [s] participated was led by Mayor Martin Cantine and Miss Olive Decker. The music for dancing was furnished by Martin's well known orchestra whose rendition of the latest music was highly appreciated. The Citizens' band rendered several selections at the hall and were applauded vociferously. The ball was a financial as well as a social success.

2155. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 1, 1896. – STEAMER WRECKED. - The Redfield Run Into by the Tug Terry in a Gale. – The Redfield Was Running in Place of the John L. Hasbrouck and the Latter's Crew was in Charge of Her.

The propeller William C. Redfield, which is running between Po'keepsie and New York while repairs are being made to the steamer John L. Hasbrouck, was wrecked in a collision with the tug Edwin Terry opposite West Point Wednesday morning. She was saved from sinking by being beached on the Cold Spring flats.

River men say that the wind blew at the rate of eighty miles an hour and the river had a heavy sea on. While the storm was at its height, the tug Terry, bound south, with the barge Enterprise in tow, rounded the bend in the river at West Point just as the big propeller Redfield came around the bend going up the river.

George Hammond, a pilot of the Terry, who was at the wheel of the latter boat, says that the Redfield cut across his bow toward Cold Spring just as she came into his sight.

The pilot of the tugboat tried to steer the Redfield on the port side by he could not and the bow of the Terry crashed into the big vessel just forward of her stern on the port side cutting a hole in the Redfield large enough for a horse and wagon to drive through.

The hole in the Redfield was on the water line and she began to fill as soon as the tug backed her tow out of the big boat's hull. Pilot Walter Worth, of the Redfield saw at once that his boat would sink in a few minutes and he headed her toward the Cold Spring flats a mile away.

"Hook her up, for your life!" the pilot shouted through the speaking tube to the engineer.

When the collision occurred the captain of the Terry was in the wheel house with pilot Hammond. The concussion threw the captain into a corner of the wheel house and he was slightly hurt. The pilot fell on his side against the spokes of the wheel and was badly injured internally. The steward of the Terry, Robert Rosey, had his arm broken. The bow of the tug was broken and she was disabled.

The steamer Fowler, which laid at Cold Spring with steam up, went to the assistance of the Terry, and towed her to the wharf. The Fowler then took the injured men to Newburgh where they were cared for at St. Luke's hospital.

The collision wrecked the forecastle of the Redfield. James Harrigan, a deck hand, was asleep in a bunk close to where to bow of the tug entered the hull of the Redfield. He was covered with broken timbers and was injured internally. A physician from Cold Spring attended him.

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The Redfield was officered by the entire crew of the Hasbrouck. Captain Cooper was asleep at the time of the collision and the boat was in charge of Pilot Worth.

There were a number of passengers on the Redfield but she was beached so quickly after the accident occurred that few of the passengers had time to learn of what had happened, and there was consequently no panic

None of the Redfield's freight was damaged.

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2155(2). Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 21, 1896. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – A Short Session Held – Several Reports Made - Other Business.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Directors Cantine, Cunyes, Cornwell, Quick and Lasher present. President Cantine presided. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Chairman Cunyes, of the finance committee rendered a detail [sic] account of the finances up to date. Corporation Counsel Cantine rendered a report in the Roosa matter.

Mrs. Arletta Dimond or Gross, was given ten days to relay her curb and gutter on Partition street.

A lamp was ordered placed on Ulster avenue, between Market and Elm streets. Director Cornwell was given power to purchase lamp to be placed on Burt street.

The street commissioner was directed to repair the sewer near Hardenburg's, on Partition street.

A warrant book was ordered to be purchased of the Kingston Freeman at \$12.50.

Complaints having been made regarding bicycle riders not having light or bell and riding on sidewalks, the street committee were give power to rigidly enforce the ordinance and fine all violators.

After much discussion about the bill of S. L. Dawes , and whereas the president of the health board, and health officer had agreed to present bills to the persons using the disinfectants in the future the same was ordered paid.

HEALTH FUND.

W. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector, \$ 25.00

S. W. Merclean, registering assigned  
to E. M. Wilbur, 12.25

S. W. Merclean, salary assigned  
W. S. Manning, 10.00

Alexander Lackey, salary, 18.00

ROAD FUND.

A. Pultz, men and teams, \$202.63

GENERAL FUND.

N. Cunyes, labor, \$ 11.42

H. Gray, wood, 4.00

J. G. Palmer, supplies, 1.50

Saugerties Gas Co., gas, 78.66

John Maxwell, lighting lamps 46.00

On motion board adjourned.

2156. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1896. – Directors' Proceedings.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors, held Saturday evening, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896, with directors Cantine, Cunyes, Quick and Cornwell present; president Cantine presiding.

Minutes of meeting Aug 15<sup>th</sup>, being the last meeting, were read and approved.

Finance Committee reported regarding the finances of the village in detail showing balances on hand in the several funds; also reported having checked the warrant issues with the orders to pay by the board, and found same correct in all particulars, and on motion report was ordered accepted and placed on file.

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On motion an oil lamp was ordered placed on Ulster avenue, between Market street and Elm street, under direction of Mr. Cunyes, and Mr. Cornwell was empowered to purchase the lamp post on Burt street now owned by a private party.

On motion the following resolution was passed. Inasmuch as Arlitta Dimond (formerly Gross), has failed to relay sidewalk and reset curb and gutter on the west side of Partition St., as required by this board, therefore

*Resolved*, That the board enter into a contract within ten days after the service of this notice to cause the said sidewalk to be relaid and curb and gutter to be reset, using the old material, that is proper to be used, and furnish new material for the balance of the work, at the lowest price they can procure the same to be done, the expense of which is to be a lien on the premises, enforced and collected for as provided by the charter.

The bill of S. L. Dawes for balance of supplies for Health Board, was ordered paid on the strength of the following: That the health officer and the health board made the statement to the president of the village that in future all bills should first be presented to the people for whom they were incurred and only such bills for those who are unable to pay should be sent to the village for payment – this being the case the bill of Dr. Dawes for past supplies furnished is ordered paid.

On motion a new warrant book was ordered from the Kingston Freeman Co. for \$12.50, to be in the same as last in all particulars.

On motion, the ordinances were adopted and maps accepted for Main St. and Division St., establishing grade, and the clerk directed to publish in the minutes and post same according to law.

DESCRIPTION OF GRADE ON DIVISION STREET.

NORTH CURB – Beginning at the curb line of Washington St. at an elevation of 95 1-10 ft. above datum, and falling thence at the rate of 0.366-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 500 ft. to an elevation of 94 00-100, thence rising at the rate of 1 76-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 125 ft. to an elevation of 96 2-10 ft., thence falling at a rate of 1 3-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 169 ft. to an elevation of 94 03-100 ft. at the west curb line of Cedar street.

SOUTH CURB - Beginning at the curb line of Washington Ave. at an elevation of 94 92-100 above datum and falling thence at the rate of 0 54-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 283 ft. to an elevation of 94 4-10 ft. at the west curb line of Centre street, thence rising at the rate of 2 2-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 117 ft. to an elevation of 96 [blurred] thence rising at the rate of 0 8-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 25 ft. to an elevation of 96 2-10 ft., thence falling at the rate of 1 66-100 ft. per 100 ft. to the west curb line of Cedar T., at an elevation of 93 4-10 ft.

The bench mark used is the water table of the Keeley house at an assumed elevation of 100.00

DESCRIPTION OF GRADE ON MAIN STREET.

SOUTH CURB – Beginning at the corner of Washington avenue at an elevation of 99 55-100 above an assumed datum and from thence falls at the rate of 9 55-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 100 ft. to an elevation of 99.0, thence falling at a rate of 2 7-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 200 ft. to an elevation of 93 6-10 , thence still falling at the rate of 5 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 22f ft. to an elevation of 92 35-100, thence still falling at the rate of 2 1-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 112 ft. to an elevation of 80 ft.

NORTH CURB – Beginning opposite the west line of Washington avenue at an elevation of 99 55-100 and falling thence at the rate of 0 55-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance 100 ft. to an elevation of 99.0, thence falling at the rate of 2 7-10 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 200 ft. to an elevation of 93 6-10, thence falling at the rate of 5 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 200 ft. to an elevation of 83 6-10, thence falling at the rate of 2 62-100 ft. per 100 ft. for a distance of 187 ft. to an elevation of 80 ft.

The bench used was at the end of the curb on Main street, at the west side of Washburn avenue, Elevation was assumed at 100.00.

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Complaint having been made against bicycles being ridden on the sidewalks and without lanterns at night, as well as not ringing the bells, the street committee was directed to see that the ordinance in regard to same is rigidly enforced, and persons not complying with same will be fined.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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|  | GENERAL FUND. |
| J. Maxwell, street lighting, Aug,                                      | \$46.00       |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas July,  | 53.66         |
| “ “ “ Aug,   | 58.66         |
| “ “ corporation gas,   | 20.00         |
| Harry Gray, wood, assigned to M. Cantine,                              | 4.00          |
| N. Cunyes, labor on cisterns,  | 11.40         |
| John G. Palmer, washing hose and soap,                                 | 1.50          |
|  | HEALTH FUND.  |
| Wm. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector,                                     | \$15.00       |
| S. W. Merclean, registration, assigned to<br>E. M. Wilbur,             | 12.25         |
| S. W. Merclean, balance as clerk salary,<br>assigned to W. S. Manning, | 10.00         |
| Alex. Lackey, salary member Health B'd,                                | 18.00         |
| S. L. Dawes, disinfectants Health Board,                               | 21.87         |
|  | ROAD FUND.    |
| Wm. Doyle, 2 ½ days team,  | \$11.25       |
| Charles Jones, 1 ½ days,   | 2.25          |
| Frank Lutz, 1 ¼ “  | 1.87          |
| Wm. Carle, 1 ½ “   | 2.25          |
| James Donahue, 9 “   | 13.50         |
| Wm. Lowther, 5 ¾ “   | 8.63          |
| Benj. Peters, 5 ½ “  | 8.63          |
| Michael Lynch, 6 ¼ “   | 9.37          |
| James Lavey, 8 ½ “   | 12.75         |
| Wm. Doyle, 5 ½ days, team,   | 24.75         |
| John Gordon, 4 ½ days, team,   | 6.75          |
| Frank Lutz, 2 “  | 3.00          |
| Wm. Carle, 2 “   | 3.00          |
| Wm. Tueman, 5 “  | 7.50          |
| Sept 1, A. Pultz, 3 months salary,                                     | 87.51         |
| On motion adjourned. J. Dederick Clerk.                                |               |

2157. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 23, 1896. — OUR COMMON COUNCIL. — A Short Session Held — Several Bills Ordered Paid — The Board in Executive Session.

The regular meeting of the Village board of Directors was held Saturday evening.

Directors Cantine, Quick, Lasher, Rodgers, Cornwell and Cunyes and Corporation Counsel Cantine were present. President Cantine presided and the minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

Finance Committee agreed to meet the treasurer on Monday afternoon and verify his report.

The street Committee reported that the scraper was being used on several streets and the mud taken away.

The clerk was directed to notify F. H. Colman & Co. to reset curb and gutter in front of their property on Ulster avenue as it had been previously and that they would be responsible should any damages occur.

On motion warrants were issued for \$170 and \$122.50 to cover interest on Ulster avenue bonds and village indebtedness.

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The bill of Myron Bedell for five dollars paid for burying his horse was on motion laid on the table.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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| William H. Hommel, sanitary inspector, | \$ 21.00 |
| A. Pultz, men and teams,               | 63.00    |
| Saugerties Gas Co.,                    | 58.66    |
| Daily Post, printing,                  | 9.25     |
| J. G. Palmer, extra work,              | 2.00     |

On motion the Board then went into executive session in reference to the claim of Samuel Hallenbeck.

2158. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 23, 1896. - The Murder Case.

Rumors are flying about, and the latest is that Frank Doeherty has been arrested on suspicion of being implicated in the Mulligan murder. Doeherty was taken to the court room this morning by Officer Abeel but nothing can be learned of the matter.

2159. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 2, 1896. – Bryan's Good Support – Is Presented With a Cane Cut in a Spot Near the Tomb of Jefferson.

A remarkable cane, the gift of Rev. Michael Power, a Catholic priest of Wappinger's Falls, was sent to presidential candidate, William J. Bryan, Thursday. It was picked up in Virginia many years ago, by a gentleman from the north, who afterward presented it to Father Power.

It was carved by an old Indian out of a piece of hickory taken from a spot near the tomb of Jefferson.

Winding about the cane in a sort of flowing ribbon are the words: "Thomas Jefferson, of Va., was President of the U. S. A. 1801-to 1809; wrote Declaration of Independence; founder University of Virginia, 1819. Died July 4, 1826." in a second ribbon running back and forth about the centre of the cane is the inscription: "Jefferson's dying words: 'I resign my spirit to God; my daughter to my country.'"

A fine silver handle has been added to the cane, on the inner side of which appears in writing this statement: "Presented to William Jennings Bryan, the author of the new Declaration of independence, by an ardent admirer, Rev. M. Power, Wappinger's Falls, N. Y." On the outer side, inscribed in laurel wreaths, are the names of Washington Jefferson and Lincoln. Father Power will soon celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his priesthood, and was a former pastor of St. Mary's Church here, and has many friends.

2160. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 20, 1896. - Firemanic Matters - Gossip of Interest of Fire Fighters and Their Many Friends.

The Hudson fire department will hold its annual parade and inspection on Thursday night. Two companies from Athens will participate with them in the novel event.

Davy Crockett H. & L. Co., of Poughkeepsie, cleared over \$100 on its one day excursion to Peekskill last week.

The receipts of the fair of Relief H. & L. Co., at Rhinebeck, last week, were about \$900.

Thursday afternoon the Athens fire department will have its annual inspection and parade. The Philmont band has been engaged for the event. A grand ball will follow the inspection in the evening. Newburgh firemen propose to form an association to look after the reception of home coming companies who have been away on parade. The plan as now outlined provides that there shall be no more long marches and no more banquets upon such occasions.

Clinton Hose Company, of Kingston, won the prize for the finest carriage in the parade of the Firemen's Tournament at Peekskill on Thursday last, Davy Crockett Hooks, of Poughkeepsie, won the prize for the finest appearing company in line, and the Codquoror [*sic*] Hook and Ladder Truck, of Tarrytown, won the prize for the finest truck.

2161. OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular Meeting Held Monday Evening – President Cantine Presiding. The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Monday evening. Present Cantine, Cornwell, Rogers, Cunyes, and Quick; absent, Lasher. President Cantine presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Street committee reported that Mrs. Gross had reset her curb and gutter according to grade, also that lamps had been placed on Burt street and Ulster avenue, also the repairing of the walk on Livingston street in front of the Russell property was laid over until spring.

Firemanic committee reported having purchased locks for Laflin Hose house.

Permission was granted Father Murray to place signs on the lamp posts during the continuance of St. Mary's Fair.

The clerk was directed to notify oil dealers to send in sealed bids for furnishing oil, for six months.

The commissioner was directed to raise the crosswalks across Elm street near Ulster avenue.

On motion Board adjourned. [no date or paper]

2162. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 11, 1896. – Millionaire Firemen.

John Jacob Astor is a fireman. Both he and Governor Morton are members of the Schell Hose company of Rhinebeck. Mr. Astor has a rubber suit and a fireman's hat, and, if a fire alarm should be rung when he is at Rhinebeck, he would be one of the first to turn out.

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2163. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 2, 1896. - Communicated. *To the Editor of The Post:*

In a recent issue of your paper was contained an article which, on its face, conveyed to an unobservant reader the impression that as an official act of our Board of Education, it, as a body, unanimously endorsed the nomination of one of its members, Charles Clum, for school commissioner.

If I am correctly informed, and I think I am, the meeting was informal; no notification to all members thereof was issued; that all the members of the said board were not present; that said meeting of those members who were present was for no purpose other than that which resulted in this so-called resolution and that said resolution was not entered on the minutes of the board.

Now, Mr. Editor, does it not seem that such action was totally uncalled for, and in fact indecorous as an official act? When it comes to such a pass that the representatives of the village in our Board of Education, in their zeal for the advancement of one of their number politically, endeavor, by an apparent official act (I say *apparent*, because they, as a Board of Education, cannot make such an act official), to affect the political choice of a voter out of their jurisdiction, or in it, then truly has our school system been launched on the pathway of political subsidization, and particularly when the gentleman whose political advancement is sought, is a member of said board. Suppose, for political effect, the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Albany should presume to encourage the election of Prof. Moran for Commissioner, what a howl of indignation would arise from his opponents! And justly so, as it would be as much out of place as is the act of our local board.

It has been the universal experience that where politics is injected into a system of education, the system suffers, whether such injection originates from the official corporate head, or by the active partisan-like conduct of any in the employ of such system.

This is not written for political effect, but simply as an expression of what seems to me to be an unbecoming act on the part of the members of the board who participated in it. A School Supporter.

2164. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 2, 1896. - Communicated. *To the Editor of The Post:*

The question often arises should ministers of the gospel have a part in the great political demonstrations of the day. The majority of the members of the Christian Church of to-day, say emphatically no. The preacher of the gospel is in a sacred calling and should be devoted to business of the Lord and leave politics and other worldly practices to themselves. It has been a notable fact that in the present

campaign that these men who style themselves advocates of Salvation have take [sic] a decided stand in preaching politics rather than the gospel thus debasing themselves of their high calling. The trouble with our churches to-day is the lamentable fact that policies are creeping into our pulpits in a most dangerous form. As a member of a church, the writer denounces this system of secondary issue being proclaimed from the sacred desk as a base ingratitude to God. Let every man vote as his conscience dictates. Recently political meetings have been held in the place where our clergymen have occupied seats on the stage, thus giving evidence of their party affiliations. Prohibition should constitute one of the planks of the ministers' platform. The Bible says "christians [sic] should be in the world, but not a part of it," and thus we read daily of the political sentiment of different gospel proclaimers. It is no wonder that Satan had dominion over this fair land when God's appointed men are aiding in the strengthening of the cloven foot's power. A Church Member.

2165. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 24, 1896. - Veterans Picnic. – The Survivors of the 120<sup>th</sup> Regiment, New York Vol., Hold Their Reunion Here Saturday in the Davis Grove.

The survivors of the one hundred and twentieth regiment held their annual reunion in this village, Saturday by holding a picnic in the Davis grove near the w. s. r. r. The affair was under the auspices of J. R. Tappen Post, G. A. R., who furnished hot coffee and other refreshments. About 10:30 a. m. a short parade was formed at the Phoenix Hotel, headed by the Citizens' Band, followed by the Lasher Guard and a delegation of veterans, marched to the depot and met the coming people, and escorted them to the grounds.

After arriving at the grounds where a large flag staff had been erected, from which the stars and stripes proudly waved, the band formed a circle around it and rendered America, while the Lasher Guard fired a volley of thirteen guns.

The various companies were drawn in line and Comrade Eugene Barritt presented each a souvenir badge inscribed as follows: "Annual Picnic, 120<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Regimental Union at Saugerties, Aug. 22d."

The band then rendered several selections in a creditable manner, after which old memories were revived and a pleasant day was spent.

Praise is due to Tappen Post for the excellent manner in which they entertained their guests.

2166. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 24, 1896. - William J. Bryan at Madalin. – The Democratic Nominee Delivers an Able Address to a Large Gathering on Saturday Afternoon.

About three thousand people gathered at Madalin Saturday afternoon, to hear William J. Bryan, the Democratic candidate for President, speak. A large platform had been erected, which was draped with the national colors.

The Bryan and Sewall Club of this village attended in a body, also a large delegation of others from here. The Red Hook band enlivened the occasion with several selections.

Long before the arrival of the speakers the crowds began to arrive and the place around the platform was soon filled with eager listeners. Counsellor Frank S. Ormsbee, of Madalin, presided, and introduced Hon. John J. Lenz, a candidate for congress from Columbus, Ohio. Mr. Lenz being a fluent speaker brought out many good points. After Mr. Lenz had concluded his address, cries of Bryan! Bryan! came from the crowd and amidst great cheering, the chairman was compelled to introduce Mr. Bryan, whom he termed the hero of the hour, and the next President of the United States.

Mr. Bryan soon won the approbation of the people in a short and masterly address.

Senator William Stewart, of Nevada, [sic] then delivered a strong argument in favor of restoring silver, and then the meeting closed.

2167. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 30, 1896. – CHARLES CLUM NOMINATED. – Alderman Powers of Kingston Presents His Name and the Nomination was Made Unanimous.

The Republican School Commissioner for the first district convention convened at the Phoenix Hotel, in this village at 12 o'clock noon, to-day. The convention was called to order by the chairman, G. B. Hibbard, of Rondout.

The delegates present were as follows; Henry Powers, Albert Malloy, Lambert J. DuBois, G. L. McEntee, Rondout; Peter Osterhoudt, George A. Shufeldt, James Scott, Kingston; J. J. Boice, Hiram Davis, Ulster; Simon Newberry, Hurley; Charles Davis (substitute for H. H. Pitts), F. N. Moulton, (substitute Francis H. Roosa), John W. Snyder, Edward J. Lewis, John Cusick, Martin Cantine, W. V. Burhans, Theodore B. Cornwell, Isaac Plass, Saugerties.

On motion of Senator Davis, Mr. Hibbard was elected chairman. Mr. Hibbard thanked the convention for the honor. Theodore B. Cornwell was elected secretary. After the roll call of towns by the secretary, Alderman Henry Powers, of Rondout, in a neat speech presented the name of Mr. Clum before the convention, testifying to his sterling business ability and integrity of character, and that he felt sure he would be elected. Mr. Malloy seconded the nomination.

Senator Davis in a brief speech spoke of Mr. Clum's fitness for the office, his devotion to business, especially his connection with the board of education in this place, of which, he had been a member for four years; his knowledge of educational matters and that he would make a splendid candidate. He then moved that the nomination be made unanimous, which was carried.

On motion of W. V. Burhans, the chair appointed W. V. Burhans and L. J. DuBois to escort the nominee before the convention. Mr. Clum was introduced and thanked the convention for the honor conferred, stating if elected, he would be sure they would have no cause for complaint.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the chair appointed Henry Powers, Simon Newberry and Charles Davis to fill a vacancy under Sec. 66 of the election law.

The chair appointed G. B. Hibbard, W. V. Burhans, Isaac Plass and Hiram Davis a committee to call future conventions.

Senator Davis, in behalf of Mr. Clum, invited the convention to take dinner with him and all adjourned to the dining room where Host Turck served a fine dinner.

2168. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 9, 1896. - A Much Admired Window.

The handsome collection of firemanic badges belonging to second assistant chief engineer Ernest Hassinger displayed in the window of Kehr's barber shop are the object of much admiration.

2169. Bryan Refuses a Big Offer.

Siegel, Cooper & Co. have received the following from Mr. Bryan, in reply to their telegram offering him \$25,000 per annum to take charge of their law department. "During the next four years I expect to devote as much time as possible to the advocacy of bimetallism, and therefore cannot consider the proposition made by you. I appreciated the confidence which your of- [article ends]

2170. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 28, 1896. - Visiting Firemen. - Edmond Hose Moonlight Excursion - Entertained by Saugerties Firemen.

The moonlight sail of Edmonds Hose Co., of Hudson, to this village on Thursday evening was enjoyed by a large number of people.

At about 9:14 o'clock the steamer Favorite landed at the steamboat dock with the merry excursionists numbering about five hundred on board. They were met by Laflin Hose Co. in a body and a delegation from R. A. Snyder Hose Co. and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. The Hudson City Band accompanied Edmond Hose and Laflin Hose Drum Corps furnished music for the Saugerties firemen.

A line was formed and the visiting firemen were escorted to Firemen's Hall where refreshments were served. After spending a short time about the uptown streets, line was again formed and the procession moved to Laflin Hose engine house where more refreshments awaited the visiting firemen.

During the stay at Laflin's house, the Hudson City Band rendered several choice selections, speeches were made and a general good time was had.

It was nearly midnight before the visitors departed, and not before they had thanked the Laflins and the Saugerties firemen for their reception and entertainment while here.

2171. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 28, 1896. – A Good Band.

The Hudson City Band, although composed of old musicians, are a new band and Thursday evening was the fourth time they had played together. Their marching music was good and their solos fine.

2172. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 28, 1896. - Renewed Old Acquaintances.

Chief William Granger and Assistants E. H. Davis and Andrew Wise renewed many old firemanic acquaintances while in this village Thursday evening.

2173. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 28, 1896. - A Fine Company.

Foreman C. L. McArthur has excellent control of his men, and Edmonds Hose company is one of the finest companies along the river. Their drilling elicited much applause.

2174. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 26, 1896 – An Exciting Game of Ball. – Played Friday Afternoon Between Main and Partition Street Nines.

An exciting game of base ball was played Friday afternoon at the Driving Park, between nines composed of Main and Partition street players. The game resulted in a victory for the Partition street nine by a score of thirty-five to twenty, as near as can be made out by the scorer's tally sheet.

The following are the players: Main street – P. Snyder, p; G. Wilbur, c; A. Nicholai, 1 b; John Hallenbeck, 2 b; E. Snyder, 3 b; C. E. Abeel, l f; I. Ronk, c f; F. A. Yerger, r f; E. Wolven, John Green, s s  
Partition street, R. Ballman, p; John Shults, c; Herb Van Buskirk, s s; R. Turck, 2 b, J. D. Fratscher, c f; H. Coon, 1 b; E. Myer, l f; W. V. Burhans, r f; Dr. O'Dea, 3 b; F. Lewis, c f; umpires E. Lewis and Dr. White; scorer, S. W. Merclean.

As will be seen by the above that the Partition street nine had a number of ex-professional players, which accounts in a great measure for the result. The features of the game were E. Wolven and F. Yerger, base running, and Burhans, fly catching.

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2175. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 29, 1896. - Will Parade in Newburgh. – The Hudson River Firemen's Association so Decide.

The executive commit of the Hudson River Firemen's Association, also the extension committee of the same body met in joint session at Lawson hose house, Newburgh, at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon. There were present: President George Wachmeyer, of Kingston; Harry Hall and Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill; O. T. Simmons, of Saugerties; George H. Scott, of Coxsackie; Charles L. McArthur, E. H. Davis, and Joseph Solomon, of Hudson; Eugene Farrington, Jonathan Deyo and John F. Tucker, of Newburgh. Mr. Coffin, chairman of the executive committee, presided, and the matter of holding the next annual meeting and parade was taken up.

The chair asked what date the Newburgh firemen desired the convention held on. The reply was in October. The executive committee stated that the constitution had been amended two years ago so that the parades be held in June.

Hitherto the parades had been held in the fall of the year, and bad weather had been encountered. Besides, all the cities and towns held firemanic parades in the fall of the year, and that would tend to draw from the one, including several counties, as some of them would have troubles of their own on hand about that time.

After considerable discussion it was decided that the parade be held in Newburgh, and that a sub-committee of the executive committee be appointed with power, to decide the date, preference being for June, but October if June is not acceptable. The committee consists of Messrs. Wachmeyer, Davis and Scott. They will meet the Newburgh association, and consider the subject at their convenience. Then came an enlargement of the extension committee by the addition of Messrs. Tucker, Farrington and Deyo. John F. Tucker was elected secretary of the committee, with power. The subject of incorporation was considered and placed in the hands of the executive committee.

2176. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 19, 1896. – Funeral of William A. Gay. – He made a Fortune of \$200,00 [sic] in the Powder Business. – How it is to be Disposed of Under His Will – A Sketch of His Life – A Former Resident Here.

The following is clipped from the *Newburgh News*:

The funeral service over the remains of William Augustus Gay, who died Monday, were held at his late residence, 120 First street, corner of Liberty, at two o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. Dr. W. K. Hall, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, conducted the service. The remains were in a black cloth covered casket. The interment was made in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Gay died of apoplexy and a complication of diseases, at the age of a little over sixty-nine years. His wife, who was the sister of the late John McGahey, of this city, died on July 6<sup>th</sup> 1895. Mr. Gay was born at Saugerties, and was a son of a former County Clerk of Ulster county, the late Mr. George A. Gay. The former was long a resident of Saugerties. He first held a position with Laflin, Smith & Boyle powder manufacturers at that place. Later he was with the Laflin & Rand Powder Company at Mt. View, near Montclair, N. J. He amassed a fortune in the powder business and also received a fortune by the will of his late wife. It is estimated that Mr. Gay left at least \$200,000. He is survived by two brothers and four nieces. The brothers are Samuel, who lives in the next house to that of Colonel H. D. Laflin in Saugerties, and George whose home is at Sharon, Conn. Mr. Gay's third brother, Calvin, was drowned at Chicago a few years ago, while trying to save a young woman from drowning. Another brother, James E., died at Wilkesbarre, Pa., eight years ago.

The late Wm. A. Gay retired from business two years and a half ago, and went on a trip to Europe with his wife. Two daughters of the late Calvin Gay have resided with Mr. Gay at his home in this city during the last year or so.

It may be added that the late Mr. Gay left a will, which will be offered for probate next week or the week after. A gentleman who apparently knows the contents of the will, says this: There are a few legacies to distant relatives and a few others. Among these is a legacy of \$5,000 to Mrs. Annie E. Lawson, of this city, and one to Mrs. Seaman, of Saugerties. The bulk of Mr. Gay's fortune will be divided into three shares. One will go to his brother George, another to his brother Samuel, and the other third will be divided equally between the four nieces of the deceased.

2177. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 19, 1896. – A Former Saugerties Man Hurt.

Word was received here Wednesday night that Horace Carl, a carpenter, formerly residing here, now of Jersey City, had met with a serious accident a few weeks ago while at work in the factory where he was employed. A new steam auger had been placed in position, and Mr. Carl was requested to operate it, having had no previous experience with the machine, he hesitated about beginning, but was finally induced to do so. After he had been working some time the gearing under the auger caught fast in the sleeve of his jumper drawing his right arm in the machine the auger boring a hole through the muscle and severing the main artery. Follow [sic] workmen rushed to his assistance and stopped the machinery and bound the injured member with rope to prevent a loss of blood. A physician was summoned but before the doctor arrived he nearly fainted from weakness. Mr. Carle is a member of Confidence Lodge, I. O. O. F., and Thomas Wildey Encampment, of this village.

2178. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 25, 1896. – William A. Gay's Will. – Additional Particulars in Regard to the Disposal of His Large Fortune.

The will of the late William A. Gay who died at his home in Newburgh, last week, has been presented for probate in the Surrogate's Court. It is dated July 22, 1895.

After providing for the payment of the debts, and funeral expenses of the testator, the will provides for the following legacies:

To St. Luke's Hospital, Newburgh, \$3,000.

To the Home for the Friendless, Newburgh, \$3,000.

To Abram S. Cassedy, (late) of Newburgh, \$5,000 absolutely.

To William F. Cassedy, of Newburgh \$5,000 absolutely.

To Helen Gay Seaman, daughter of Edward L. Seaman, of Brooklyn, \$500.

To Edward L. Seaman, \$1,000.

To Thomas L. Seaman, of New York, \$1,000.

The undivided right, title and interest to the farm at Sharon, Conn., formerly the property of the testator's father, the late George B. Gay, to testator's brother, George Gay, of Sharon.

The right, title and interest of the testator in the house of his brother, James E. Gay, to his brother, Samuel Gay.

The will further provides: In case of the death of George Gay, half of his share goes to Samuel Gay, and the other half to the four nieces before referred to. In case of the death of Samuel Gay, half of his share goes to George Gay, and the other half to the four nieces. In case of the death of any of the nieces, leaving children, her share goes to them.

The executors are asked to advise with nieces in all they do pertaining to the property. The late Abram S. Cassedy and his son, William F. Cassedy, are named as executors in the will. The instrument provides that in case of the death of either of the men named as executor, the survivor shall have full power as sole executor.

The will disposes of property estimated to amount to between \$200,000 and \$350,000.

2179. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 12, 1896. – A Patent Fire Extinguisher – An Exhibition Made The Morning, Which Was Very Successful.

An exhibition was made this morning, near the Cantine Card Factory, of a patent fire extinguisher, which was a complete success. A fire built from a number of boxes, which had been saturated with kerosene, being extinguished in less than one-half minute. Two trials were made, both being equally successful. Quite a crowd gathered to witness it. The test was made in the presence of the Mayor and Clerk and chief engineer and assistant. Great praise was given the machine, which is manufactured by the Rex Fire Extinguisher Co., of New York.

The machine is very simple, consisting of a copper cylinder which is filled with water, in which bi-carbonate of soda has been dissolved. A bottle containing sulphur acid, closed on one end with mica and air tight, is place in the top of the cylinder, and fastened down with the cover. It [*sic*] this bottle is a hard ball. To operate it the machine is inverted, the ball drops down, breaking the mica. The acid escapes into the water forming carbonic acid gas, and the machine is charged. A mingled stream of gas and water can be thrown fifty feet.

2180. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 18, 1896. – Horse Breaks His Leg.

While coming over the crossing at the West Shore station Tuesday night when returning from the 9:00 train, "Dick," one of the team of bay horses driven by John Van Etten, and owned by Davis the liveryman, and driven before his herdies, caught one of his feet between the rails and broke his leg. The animal was shot to put it out of its misery.

2181. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 18, 1896. – Have Removed Their Bell.

The members of the German Lutheran Church have removed the bell which has done service in the old church building on Ulster avenue, to their new house of worship on Market street, and had it placed in steeple Tuesday, where it will continue to peal forth its tones, calling the people together for worship.

2182. Our Nation in Politics, 1864-1898. [Illustration]

2183. Hudson Fire Alarm.

The following is the location of the Fire Alarm Boxes as re-arranged.

3 – Paper Car Wheel Shop. 7- Southeast corner Franklin Square. 8 – North Front, foot of Chapel. 9- Warren and First streets. 10 – Partition and Second streets. 12 – State and Second streets. 13 – Allan and Third streets. 14- Warren and City Hall Place. 15- East Court and Allen streets. 16 – State and Fourth streets. 17 – Warren and Fifth streets. 18 – Washington and Franklin streets. 19 – Sixth street and Cherry Alley. 21 – No. 4 Park Place. 22 – Eighth and Columbia streets. 23 – Warren street and Worth Avenue. 24 – Columbia street and Prospect avenue.

Box No. 4 – Special call to Reformatory, to be answered only by Rogers Hose No. 2, and Hook & Ladder, without apparatus.

When No. 25 is sounded on the fire alarm it will be a special military call for the members of twenty-third Separate Company to report at the Armory.

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2184. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 25, 1896. – SIX BAPTIST BROTHERS! – A Whole Family of Sons Who are Working Clergymen. – One of Them Pastor of the Baptist Church in This Village – A Remarkable Feature of the Dedication of the Cherry Creek Baptist Church.

The Buffalo Enquirer of Saturday contained the following article:

The Baptist Church of Cherry Creek, which has been remodeled and rebuilt, was dedicated Thursday and Friday. The introductory sermon was preached by the Rev. C. E. Hemans, of Salamanca and the dedicatory sermon by the Rev. F. H. Gates of Saugerties. A platform meeting was held Friday, in which the pastors of the churches, representatives of the school and others participated. The Rev. D. C. Edwards, the famous Welsh soloist, was present and had charge of the singing. A notable and unique feature of the services was the presence of the five brothers of the pastor, all of whom are Baptist clergymen, and engaged in active pastorates.

The Beecher family of ministers was probably the most remarkable ministerial family of the century, but the Gates family have certainly beaten the record in point of ministers contributed to a single denomination in one generation. Mr. and Mrs. Gates can well be proud of their children. Six of their sons consecrated themselves to the ministry, and all, strangely enough, have agreed substantially in theology since all are ministers of the Baptist Church. It was especially appropriate that the six ministers should hold a sort of family reunion in honor of the dedication of the church at Cherry Creek, of which one of the brothers is pastor.

The First Baptist Church of Cherry Creek was organized February 5, 1831, with twelve members. The Rev. David Bennet was the first pastor and there have been seventeen since. For the first few years they worshiped in a log school house, until 1849, when the Rev. B. C Willoughby was called as pastor, and the first house of worship was built. This was used until 1874, when it was repaired, enlarged and beautified, making a convenient and pleasant home. About three months ago the present building was begun. It is a modern structure in every particular – finished in natural wood, except the ceiling, which is plastered and papered. The main audience room is on the amphitheater plan, inclined floor, circular pews, etc., and is seated with a fine oak finished pew to match.

The Sunday school room is 40x24, finished in oak and seated with chairs. There is a kitchen furnished complete with stove and dishes, a parlor, cloak room, etc. The building throughout except the kitchen, is

nicely carpeted and well lighted with Bailey reflector lamps. It has seating capacity of 350, a model in every respect, and cost \$4,000.

M. W. Gates and wife, the parents of this remarkable family, are New Englanders. He was born in 1830 and she in 1836. They were united in marriage at Trumansburg, this State, in 1851, and were blessed with ten children, seven boys and three girls. One son and one daughter died in infancy. Mr. Gates and wife reside at Watkins, this State, where he conducts a photograph gallery. He has made a specialty of stereoscopic views of Watkins Glen.

The church officers are: Deacons, Frank Cookingham, Samuel B. Robertson, Hezekiah Mount, Joseph W. Pickard; trustees, John Lawrence, Frank Cookingham, Milo Boutwell; treasurer, Mrs. S. B. Robertson.

The officers of the Sunday school are: Superintendent Alfred H. Blaisdell; assistant superintendent, J. A. Morian; secretary and treasurer, Jennie Cummings.

The paper also contains a view of the new church and portraits of the six sons and their parents.

2185. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 24, 1896. - A CATSKILL SCANDAL. - Firm of Vedder & Wiltsie caught in a Fraudulent Business. Both Members Indicted by the Grand Jury and Under Bonds - Several Real Estate Sales Made Which They do not Account for - Both Well Known Here.

The real estate firm of Harry C. Vedder and Alex Wiltsie have been discovered doing a fraudulent business in real estate at Catskill, and have been indicted by the grand jury. Catskill's society is shocked, as both men belong to the upper crust of the place.

Vedder has been captain of the 16<sup>th</sup> Separate Co., and Wiltsie chief engineer of the fire department, and both are well known men.

The Catskill *Mail* says; "For several weeks there has been an unusual amount of gossip about town concerning the affairs of the firm of Vedder & Wiltsie, insurance agents, real estate dealers, etc., and many stories have floated about concerning the transactions of the firm. That they were in trouble was not denied, and their trouble culminated Saturday when the grand jury returned indictments against them for grand larceny in the first degree. They were arraigned before Justice Edwards yesterday. H. M. C. Vedder was represented by S. Crowell and Alex Wiltsie by F. H. Osborn. They plead guilty, and bail was fixed at \$3,000 for each. Edgar Washburn qualified as bondsman for Wiltsie, and Geo. W. Bates for Vedder, and their cases were sent to the County Court for trial which meets in December.

The transaction which led to the indictment of the firm were in the handling and sale of the real estate of H. G. Utley, situated in this village, formerly the George Clark property. Vedder & Wiltsie were authorized agents for the sale of this property, which they disposed of in lots, when purchasers could be found. A large number of sales were made, principally on contract, the deeds afterwards being delivered. In many instances it was months before purchasers could secure their deeds after paying for the property.

A couple of months ago Mr. Utley came to Catskill for the purpose of raising a loan of \$8,000 on his real estate here. He negotiated the loan through J. A. Betts, Esq., and later informed Mr. Vedder of what he was doing. Thereupon Vedder stated that he did not need to borrow so much money as he had an offer of \$3,000 for the old building just above Gay's hotel until recently occupied by L. H. Baldwin, and for the lot adjoining it, the he could perfect the sale in a week or so and get the money, so that \$5,000 was all Mr. Utley need borrow. Mr. Utley reported this to Mr. Betts, who informed him that the property Vedder said he could sell, had been sold nearly two years before to Wm. Klepser, who had paid in full and had got his deed. Other statements by Vedder, concerning other parcels of property were proved equally incorrect. An investigation followed, which revealed that the firm were withholding from Mr. Utley at least \$10,000 of the proceeds of the sales of his property. In the face of this Mr. Vedder claimed that Mr. Utley owed him \$8,000, instead of anything being due Utley. Mr. Utley offered to compromise the matter for 50 cents on the dollar, but his offer was rejected.

A presentation to the grand jury followed, the transaction in the sale of Wm. Klepser being selected from among the many crooked transactions discovered, not a dollar of the proceeds of this sale having

been turned over to Mr. Utley. As stated above the grand jury returned indictments for grand larceny in the first degree.

2186. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 29, 1896. - THE BRADLEY CASE. - Second Hearing Held Monday afternoon in This Village. - Dr. S. Lyman Dawes and Edmund Brink Examined Bradley and Gave Evidence proving Bradley Sane.

The second hearing in the habeas corpus proceedings relative to the sanity of William Bradley, and which has caused considerable comment and furnished fuel for the gossipmongers of this place was held at the residence of Dr. Edmund Brink, in this village Monday afternoon. Through the physical disability of Dr. Brink, it was held at his home. Bradley was present in custody of two keepers of the Homeopathic Hospital, at Middletown, and looked bright and cheerful. Referee John G. Van Etten presided, and William D. Brinnier, counsel for Bradley, and District Attorney, Charles F. Cantine, of Rondout, and Carrol Whitaker, Esq., of this village, representing the hospital, were present.

Two witnesses were sworn for Bradley:

Dr. S. Lyman Dawes testimony was as follows: On the morning Bradley was to be taken away, he called at my residence and had a conversation of about ten minutes, in which Bradley told him he was in custody of an officer, having been adjudged a lunatic, and asked for an examination. The Doctor replied that he had no authority to do so, he having been adjudged by two regular examiners, and that his opinion would be worthless. Bradley said I have confidence in your opinion, and if you say so, why, I'll go without further trouble. Witness also advised him to see B. M. Coon regarding the matter.

The Doctor said he examined Bradley Monday morning, after his arrival here, with the assistance of Dr. Brink, in the presence of several gentlemen asking questions regarding his age, the date of his first examination, and especially on the point of his marital vows. He considered him perfectly sane on any subject. His temperature being 99 and his pulse 84. His eyes and features of the face being in a normal condition.

He was subjected to a very rigid cross examination by Counsellors Cantine and Whitaker, which developed these facts. Bradley told him that in the latter part of February he was examined by Drs. John Dewitt and Stafford, and afterwards went to Albany to work, he returned home about a week and suspected his wife of infidelity, and returned to Catskill to work. He returned home on the evening of June 10<sup>th</sup>, and Dr. Kemble rapped at the door. Inquiring the nature of the visit he was informed he had come to examine him. Bradley ordered him away saying he would send for a doctor when needed. He went upstairs and was followed by Kemble, and he pushed him out, the doctor leaving and making a threat.

Replying to the question of the certificate of commitment which was signed by Drs. Kemble and Stafford, Bradley denied that Dr. Stafford had examined him since in February.

Bradley told the doctor that he detected the order [*sic*] of musk about the furniture and bedding, which his wife said she never used. Bradley said in reply to a question of the doctor what he would do if released. He replied he would consult counsel and endeavor to secure a separation and if not successful would wait until he obtained further evidence. He related the story that an agent of an insurance company in which he held a policy had told his wife about a baby being found in a closet at Kingston. The effort of the counsel to prove that Bradley was sane on all subjects but have a monomania on the subject of his wife's infidelity was an utter failure. The doctor considering him perfectly sane on all subjects.

During the doctor's examination of Mr. Bradley he recalled an incident which happened the day Bradley was taken away, and was given a most satisfactory answer by Bradley who told him what had occurred.

Re-direct examination by Mr. Brinnier: The doctor testified that Bradley denied choking his wife as alleged in the return of Dr. Talcott, that notwithstanding the examinations by Drs. Stafford and Kemble and the return of Talcott, he considered him a sane man.

Dr. Brink swore as follows: That he assisted in the examination of Bradley in the forenoon with Dr. Dawes, that he paid particular attention to Bradley's eyes and motion of his face. He considered him perfectly sane on any subject, and that he had mingled with people who had been insane during his career as a physician.

Cross-examination by Mr. Cantine: During the examination of Bradley in the forenoon, Bradley told that he did not choke his wife, but grabbed her by the shoulder and pushed her aside, and said if she made that remark again, he would choke her. He referred to the musk, saying he never used it and his wife was opposed to it. That he came home one day and they had some words. She went away for several days; after returning, telling him she has been to the Sisters of Charity, when he investigated and found out she had stopped with her sister, Mrs. Russell. He corroborated what Dr. Dawes said about the Metropolitan Insurance Agent.

Replying to a question of Mr. Cantine, whether he considered him sane on all things and a monomaniac on the subject of his wife's infidelity. He replied he examined him as to his sanity and not to his wife's infidelity. Said he didn't display any symptom of monomanism, that he considered him sane on all subjects.

Re-direct by Mr. Brinnier. Did you discover anything in your examination that he was sane on all subjects, but not on his wife's infidelity? The Doctor said he was perfectly sane on all subjects.

The hearing was adjourned until Thursday October 1<sup>st</sup>, when the case will be concluded

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2187. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 1, 1896. – BRADLEY IN COURT. – His Testimony Resumed Before the Referee. – The Final Hearing Begun at 11 O'clock this Morning – A Large Audience.

The final hearing in the habeas corpus case of William Bradley opened at 11 o'clock this morning before Referee John G. Van Etten. Bradley, accompanied by two keepers, was present. William D. Brinnier appeared for him, and the asylum authorities were represented by District Attorney Cantine and Carroll Whitaker.

Bradley's examination was resumed, as follows:

William Bradley, being sworn, stated that Dr. Stafford had not examined him within ten days of his commitment, that he never accused his wife of intimacy with every man that approached the house, that he never desired to kill anybody and that to the best of his knowledge insanity never existed in his family. That Dr. Kemble came to his home Wednesday evening, June 11. That he (Bradley) was conversing with his wife when there came a rap at the door. He responded and inquired the nature of the Doctor's call.

By Mr. Brinnier: "Did you send for him?" Bradley said no. The doctor told him Mrs. Bradley had called on him during the day, and wanted him to call at her home and examine him as to his sanity. He replied to doctor that he needed no physician and did not send for any. I went into the dining room and secured my hat and coat from the clothes press, intending to go down town; I went as far as the gate and decided not to go; went back into the house through the kitchen door and saw Kemble go out of the room; I went in and met him in the foot of the stairs in the little hall, my wife was on the second wind of the stairs, as near as I could judge. I caught Kemble by the shoulders, and asked him what he was doing up stairs in my house, and run him out of the door; he fell as he was going up the steps and I stood in the door looking at him, and my dog grabbed him by the coat tails, as near as I could judge. He got up and said, "I will blister you for this to-morrow."

By Mr. Brinnier: "What was the form of the blister?" Bradley answered: I was railroaded to the asylum. Mr. Hommel arrested me the night previous."

Mr. Brinnier exhibited a letter written by Mrs. Bradley to Bradley since his confinement in the asylum which stated that his case was beyond the lawyer's power and that people were filling him full of foolish ideas.

Bradley said he did not try to do bodily harm to Kemble, as alleged in the return, but went up stairs. He said he saw Dr. Stafford in front of Robert A. Snyder's residence, and that he did not talk with him and had not talked to him since the second or last week in February and did not until the way he was sent away. My wife and I were talking on June 12<sup>th</sup>, and he came in through the hall door leading into the room, without ringing the bell or knocking at the door.

My wife called me out and said the doctor wanted to see me. I said I didn't want to see him. She said, "do come out, you are going away and might not see him again, for his health is bad." I went out and he asked me about some medicine he gave me previously for pain in my back. I said it fixed me all right. He then said; Mr. Bradley, this is the first occasion in all my practice that I have ever made an apology for anything I had done," and then apologized to me and I did know what he referred to.

Mr. Brinnier asked him to state, what they said to him at the hospital, and Bradley replied as follows; After I was in the hospital six weeks I asked Dr. Kenney why they kept me there and why I couldn't get out. He said he would see Dr. Talcott, and brought me over to the office in the main building. That was the first consultation I had with Dr. Talcott, and he asked me to state my delusions as he called them. I told him that I did not want to harm anyone as the return says. He said, won't you change your mind? I said I didn't think I would until doomsday.

At the time of going to press Bradley was still on the witness stand.

2188. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 2, 1896. — BRADLEY IN COURT. — His Testimony Resumed Before the Referee — The Examination of Bradley Adjourned Until Friday, October Ninth, in this Village.

At the time of going to press Thursday, Bradley was still on the witness stand. His testimony is continued as follows:

Dr. Talcott said to the attendant take him home, and he took me back to the ward, he said I would change my mind after I was here a while longer. The doctor came to my room last Sunday afternoon and asked me again if I had got over my delusions, I told him I didn't have any, he said to me, Mr. Bradley, you're too nice a man to be mixed up in this kind of trouble and that everything would be over soon. The night I entered the hospital I met Dr. Arthur, he was standing by the head attendant's door in the first hall. Dr. Arthur said to Mr. Lowther, the head attendant, hello, you have got a new attendant. I says no I am a crazy man sent here and he laughed and went on. When I came to the hospital, Dr. Kenney examined me. Dr. Arthur was there. When I took out the habeas corpus proceeding Dr. Kenney came in my room and shook hands with me, I told him that I thought it dead wrong of the asylum authorities that after being in hospital two months to put me to this expense of getting out a writ of habeas corpus. He says, Mr. Bradley I like you, and have liked you since you've been here, and you are a man that can superintend the construction of a building and boss a gang of men, and we have no fault to find with you here by your getting through the courts, but if we discharge you, and you harm your wife or any of those persons you have a feeling against, the authorities outside would say, them doctors in the asylum must be a lot of chumps for discharging that man.

Replying to Mr. Brinnier's question Bradley stated that he called on Dr. Dawes the morning he was to be taken away and he advised me to see B. M. Coon if I could get a stay of the proceedings. I went to see Mr. Coon and told him the doctor had sent me and he told me it was outside of his jurisdiction and that I must get a writ of habeas corpus.

In answer to another question by Mr. Brinnier, Bradley said he talked with Irving Russell at the asylum and that it was not true that he had induced me to secure a writ of habeas corpus. Cross examination by Mr. Cantine, Bradley said he would be 41 years old on November 27<sup>th</sup> next. That he had been a contractor about ten years, having had contracts in Jersey, New Paltz, and the Catskill mountains; that he had been away from home about two years with the exception of three months when he worked on George Seamon's residence, that he came home occasionally about two weeks at a time.

He had had a contract to build a hotel and house in Union Hill, N. J., and that people had tried to hold him for his brother's contracts, and threatened to sue, but they did not do it, the claim being something over three hundred dollars.

In reply to a question by Mr. Cantine. He testified the day Dr. Kemble was at the foot of the stairs, my wife was on the second wind of the stairs, and asked him what he was going up in my house for. I thought he was going upstairs, I did not think it right, because he had no business there. The day afterwards my wife told me he was going up to consult with the other doctor.

By Mr. Cantine; Was this a satisfactory answer? Objected to by Mr. Brinnier and overruled.

Bradley answered, I asked him what he was going upstairs for, he was talking to my wife on some point, and I caught him and run him out. I said I've caught you now.

Asked what he meant by that remark. By Mr. Cantine:

I caught him talking to her in a peculiar place, and that I thought the kitchen was furnished well enough for anyone to consult in. It was not an appropriate place. He went upstairs and I left him in the kitchen. I thought it was not right for him to go upstairs with my wife at night. He was not going up for a good purpose, thought that they were going to bed. I would have not believed it if she told me he was going up to consult with Dr. Stafford. I put Kemble out because I supposed he was no going for a good purpose. I had suspicions of my wife's chastity, and thought she was untrue to me.

What did you base your belief on?

I went up to Troy October 28, 1895, I was sent back to get men to work, I went home and when I was going to bed that night, I found the smell of musk in the bed. I said to my wife; Mamie Russell has been sleeping with you. She said yes. I went down to Mrs. Russell's on Sunday afternoon with my wife. I said jokingly, you take my place when I gone. She says why! what do you mean? I says I smelled your cologne over in the bed. She said no. I asked my wife when I got home. I says to her: I thought you told me Mamie Russell slept with you. No, she says. It was Julia Snyder and the baby. I went away to Troy, came back January 6<sup>th</sup>. It was a very cold day. I went around the kitchen door, it was locked, and the shades were down on all the windows. I went to her sister's Mrs. Fitzpatrick's to see if she was there. They told me no, she must be home. I came back and went in the front door upstairs. My wife was inside the room. After I got into the bedroom, I said to her: It's a great time to be getting up, it was about 11:30 o'clock. She said she was not getting up, only putting on her corsets. I went down stairs, the shade on the door was up and it was open. Then there was a Metropolitan Life Insurance company agent she was carrying a policy for her mother at the rate of twenty-five cents a week. I paid it by the month, so he would have to come oftener. Last Christmas afternoon, I think it was, she was telling me of an incident that happened while I was away. I disremember what it was at the time, and asked her what Clark, the collector, was doing there at the time, as I had always paid him the first Monday in the month, and she said I owed him a balance of last month. I went away, came back in a week or so, probably two weeks, she was telling the incident that happened in Kingston, where a woman had given birth to a child and thrown it down a privy vault. I asked her who was telling her. She said Mr. Clark. I asked her what Clark was doing there again. She said you know there was a balance of last month. I said there was no balance of last month I paid him myself, and that his book was posted up to the third of February.

Two years ago last April I was playing cards in John Harms' saloon, Frank Denis, Mr. Russell and I were playing. This man Denis told Mr. Harms my wife was outside and wanted me to go home with her. I said I didn't come with her and let her go home herself. The following summer, in the latter part of August, I was coming home and I saw this man Denis coming out of my front door.

Concerning Mr. Clark: In January after being home the second time, she told me she owed him a balance. I saw a Metropolitan insurance calendar hanging on the window and one under the mantel piece. I says to my wife, Clark's been here again; she says no he hasn't been. I said, yes he has for he left that calendar here since I've been away. Another occasion my wife, boy and I went to a German picnic in the summer of '95. It was at Singer Park. We staid there for an hour or so, as I felt very tired

and did not see much pleasure seeing others enjoy themselves, I asked my wife to go home, she didn't seem to care to go. After a while we started and on her way home she was finding fault because we came home so early. We got by the academy, I told her she might go back if she wanted to I was going home, and she went back and my boy and I went home and went to bed. It was about half past ten.

Along during February '96 I got up one morning and went down stairs, my wife, boy and I, the fire was out and the boy did not have any wood in the box, or scuttle, whatever you call it. She sent him out for wood and he brought it in and threw it on the floor and she says to the boy get out of the way, shoving him, if you bother me much more I'll give you a dose of poison.

I see by the commitment papers she's got me painted as choking and beating her during my insanity, or lunacy, or whatever you call it. I claim I never did, that is, beat her, but on Decoration Day last I was working at Catskill at the time. I had promised her before I went there that Monday morning that if I did not work I would come home and take her to Barnum's circus. She said she was going, but we worked that day as they told me they would. We worked a half day, and as I had some outstanding debts to pay I worked the half day because I wanted to catch all I could. I went to the horse trot in the afternoon. I came home on the 7:20 train, my wife was busy sewing on a dress, she asked me why I didn't come home. I told her I was working was the reason. She was jawing and I went uptown. When I came home that night she was uptown. It was 11:15 when I came in the house, she was sitting on the stoop with her sister. We went in the house and she started to sew on the dress again and I asked her why she didn't finish it before she went up street. She told me to go on

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to the bed if I wanted to, she was not ready to go yet, so I took the lamp and started to go upstairs to bed. I got as far as the stairs, I thought probably she wanted to use the dress and came back with the light, and she was jawing and I caught hold of her by the neck or shoulders, I don't know which it was, I was a little bit under the weather, and told her if she didn't stop her jawing I would choke the wind out of her. Another occasion was two years ago last April on Sunday afternoon, I had been drinking that Saturday night and Sunday, had dinner and she wasn't home. She said she was down to my brother-in-law's standing for his child or a god mother, rather. We had some words and she struck me in the face with a book she had and run and I caught her by the hair as she was going upstairs. I was pretty tight and we both fell through the cellar door, but I did not strike her. Those are the only two times I had any difficulty with her. There were three other occasions when I threw things at her. I knew I would not hit her, as I am a pretty good shot if I wanted to hit her. Last March I was sitting on the lounge and I was accusing her of things.

By Mr. Cantine: Accusing her of what things?

I disremember, it was in regard to her infidelity, and she caught me by the neck and choked me so the blood ran down my shirt from her fingernails. I was sober at the time, then I was setting at the table eating dinner one day in March, I called her a bitch, she plucked up the coal scuttle, my back being turned, or I don't think she would have hit me, and threw it. It hit me in the head and bounced on the table. I did not resent it but sat and ate my dinner.

By Mr. Cantine: Did you then believe your wife was guilty of infidelity with Clark? Bradley said yes.

Do you believe it now? Bradley said yes, on these grounds that I have stated.

Do you remember of awakening one night in January or February and crying because of your wife's infidelity? Yes sir, I was crying, that if it was so my home had been broken up. I loved my wife and child. My wife was in bed with me at the time I don't remember if she asked me what I was crying for, or not. I disremember if I told her the cause. I went down stairs and had a smoke. I lit my pipe. She denied her infidelity. I cried on two or three different occasions; once in Troy, in February, it was about ten o'clock in the day. Matthew Cox was with me, I told him about it. Cried at my home, my wife and Mrs. Moran was there. I talked to Mrs. Moran about it. The subject of my wife's infidelity was on my mind

continually. It worried me somewhat. I would get up at night and smoke and I thought about it when I worked.

The hearing was then adjourned till Friday, October 9th, in this village.

2189. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 10, 1896. – HEARING RESUMED. – Evidence Taken in the Bradley Hearing Friday. – Bradley's Cross-Examination Continued and He Proves a Good Witness in His Own Behalf.

The fourth hearing in the Bradley sanity case was held in the court room in this village Friday. The Referee, John G. Van Etten, of Kingston, presided. William D. Brinnier, of Kingston, looked after the interest of Bradley, and District Attorney Charles F. Cantine, of Kingston, and Carroll Whitaker, Esq., of this village, represented the asylum authorities. The cross-examination of Bradley was resumed, by Mr. Cantine, as follows:

Regarding Frank Dennis, I did not have any at the time, but when I saw him come out of my house, on January 6<sup>th</sup>, my suspicions were aroused and I knew he did not have any business there.

Do you still believe Dennis had improper relations with your wife? Bradley answered yes.

Regarding James Sickles, I never knew of any improper relations he had with my wife, but heard so in Sexton's saloon one day; I was in there with several others, and "Budge" Phillips and Jim Sickles came in; they got in a wrangle over athletic matters and Phillips called me a slob; I shoved my fist under his nose and told him I would break his head if he said that again. Sickles then said, if you don't stop fighting, I won't lay on your back stoop. Sickles had also been there a dozen times previously. One time when I came home my wife, Miss Russell and Sickles, sat on the stoop and she stayed there. After awhile she called me and I went up.

In March I heard Mrs. Russell tell my wife that Sickles had been inquiring about her. I thought the actions were not right and think so still. One time when Sickles was playing the cornet or singing in the church, when she came home, while washing the dishes, she stopped suddenly and went out on the stoop and sat down. I was in the dining room and asked why she was on the stoop. She said it was too warm. Mr. Loerzel and Martin passed by and she came in. I said, Sickles did not come this way.

Concerning Charles Bradley: While at work in Troy, in February, I came home; my wife told me to get some coal; I went to get it while she was busy sweeping and when I came in she was gone. I asked my boy where she was, he said up stairs; she was not there; I went down to her mother's and met a man; knew who it was. I went in Mrs. Fitzpatrick's and asked my wife who she met, she said no one. On my return from Troy I bought a whisker mask in Albany (exhibited by Mr. Cantine) and thought I would try and find some evidence that way. I told Mr. Bradley I was going away that night but did not go.

I went to Connor's, stayed all night, the next morning I went up in the attic of my house through the front door. Overheard Mr. Bradley ask my boy if Papa was gone. The boy said no. Mr. Bradley came over one afternoon, Mr. Moran was there. My wife asked him if he didn't notice anything wrong with me, he said yes, that I had ailments inwardly. One day he came to my house five times, and he saw my wife. One time she was at the station to see Mrs. Moran off. I watched five days, and the fifth day my wife caught me; I couldn't get up stairs quick enough. I had my meals at Conner's and slept two nights at home on the lounge and two nights at Conner's. I was watching other men. I did not think anything wrong between him and my wife; he was too old, and I didn't think he was built that way. I wore the whiskers only twice. The subject of my wife's infidelity was not on my mind constantly. I find no fault with the men, I only wanted to catch her. I did not believe anything regarding her and Chas. Cox, only I told her that Michael Sexton had said he was no friend of mine. I couldn't say anything nor I didn't say anything concerning them. I was suspicious of my wife and Allie Nestlen especially; one day she gave him an order for four articles and he made three different visits with the four. One day I told him to bring me a box of matches; my wife said after he was gone, we got matches. I said he might want to make another visit.

Concerning Dr. Stafford, I never saw anything, but throught [sic] a circumstance suspicious in latter part of January or February. My wife, Mrs. Moran and I started to go to Russell's when we had got about twenty feet past Washington avenue she said that we could go down, she wanted to go to the doctor's and I said what do you want to see him for and she told me she wanted to get some medicine. I had no particular business at Russel's, I said we walk up with her. She said she wanted to see him on private matters and didn't want any man around. We went up and I staid outside. A week later she said she was going up again, I didn't see her bring any medicine or take any. Again she went to see him and brought back home medicine which looked like colored water, and I tasted, it was sweet. My wife and I went up to the doctor's to see about some medicine for myself, he gave me some, and told me to take it away with me, she spoke up that I was not going away, so I thought something was wrong for her to notify him I was not going away. I heard my wife tell Mrs. Moran, that if she could get me to sign over, it would be much better, and that her calculations were after she got me to the asylum that she would rent the house and move to Bridge street. I believe she sent me to the asylum, and her object was to cover up the remarks I had made so she could tell her friends I was crazy when I said them.

I never called on Dr. Stafford regarding my head, it was my back. I refused to take the medicine he gave me and I never thought he would poison me and I did not take his medicine as after I took it it had a bad effect on me.

Regarding William Maxwell. I never charged my wife with intimacy with him; told her I heard Maxwell tell his children, there's your new mamma, when my wife was crossing the street.

Regarding George Hollinger. One night as he came home and went upstairs my wife and I were in bed and she gave an alarm and I thought it was a signal to tell that I was home.

I never charged my wife with intimacy with Hollinger but told her if I caught her with Hollinger or anybody else she would never see daylight again.

What do you think the ahem meant?

I thought it was a signal to any man coming that I was home.

Regarding Judson Fuller. He came to the house about some butter, twice after I told him we had all we needed. I did not suspect anything; my wife went out one night without cause and staid to Annie Boyles and she told me she staid at the sisters of charity. I was not always talking on the subject of my wife's infidelity.

About Richard Madden. Bradley stated he knew nothing about him.

Regarding Matthew Maloney. I told her not to travel on the same boat he was on, I knew him to be a fast fellow. I charged her with improper relations with him and believed it at the time.

About George Hunt. I mentioned his name, that's all. I never charged her with intimacy with him.

I don't think I ever charged my wife with him.

About Wm. V. Burhans. I did not charge my wife with intimacy with him, what I said was I had some shares in a Loan Association and lost the papers, and my wife went to him and got the money, I wanted to draw and I told her she must have a big pull with him.

I never had a contract at Catskill, I worked by the day, don't remember of telling my wife that I got the job through her influence.

Several other minor details were given by Bradley regarding conversations with Dr. Dewitt, and the familiarity of clerks at his house, also he denied ever telling Chauncey Swart that he was off at times. Bradley said he would not hurt any of the men who were implicated as he did not blame them, and that he would not hurt the woman either, that as he felt now he would get a separation.

Dr. C. O. Sahler, of Kingston, swore he was a specialist in mental difficulty, and that he had noted the actions of Bradley during the day and that he considered him sane.

Would there be any tremor of the tongue or irregularity in the eye of a patient who was considered a monomaniac?

Yes, I think there would.

What other symptoms?

He would be melancholy, depressed and it would not take long to tell.

Monomania is a dangerous form of insanity, it is not?

Yes.

Have you noticed anything regarding Bradley that would indicate he was one?

No, sir; I don't see any evidence of it with him.

If Bradley said he would kill that man, or her would you think him insane?

No, sir, I consider him sane.

By Mr. Brinnier: Do you consider him safe to be at large after this hearing to-day?

The doctor answered: Yes.

Chris Geneger swore he was an attendant at the hospital, and that Bradley had always acted as a sane man while with him.

Arthur J. Killbryan, a keeper, swore that Bradley had always been all right except on a few occasions.

That when the doctor considered the patients safe they were allowed to go about in custody of a guard.

A lively tilt between Mr. Brinnier and Cantine then ensued. Mr. Brinnier took the witness in hand and subjected him to a severe examination. He addressed the court, stating that the witness had said in his office and refused to acknowledge on the stand.

Bradley was recalled and stated that he was down to the parade of the firemen at Middletown, Thursday, in custody of a keeper. Mr. Brinnier did this to bring out the point of the Doctor in allowing the patients to go about when he considered them safe, as sworn by Killbryan.

Irving Russell sworn he had been confined in the asylum 16 weeks and that he saw Bradley every day and his conduct was all right. He was discharged as cured and did not advise Bradley to get a writ.

Mrs. Mary E. Moran was sworn, by Mr. Whitaker, for the asylum, and her testimony was as follows: She noticed one day at the dinner table when Bradley asked who the extra plate was for, she said it was for bread; he said, no, for another of her lovers.

One afternoon we went down to Russell's, Mr. Bradley, his wife and I, and he said catch on to Mag flirting with the electric light man, and they all laughed.

Did you see a man?

I think I saw him, he was attending to his business.

Replying to another question:

He was standing near the lamp post in front, it was in the evening. Mr. Bradley was doing nothing.

The hearing was then adjourned until Wednesday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>.

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2190. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 15, 1896. – THE FIFTH HEARING. – In the Famous Bradley Case held Wednesday. - Referee Van Etten Hears the Testimony of the Defendant's Side in the Court.

The fifth hearing on the famous Bradley case was held in this village as at the former hearings. The defendant's testimony was given. Referee John G. Van Etten and attorneys Brinnier, Cantine and Whitaker were present.

The first witness sworn for the asylum people was Dr. John DeWitt, whose testimony is as follows: I examined Bradley last March at the request of Dr. Stafford. We went to the house together, Bradley was at home and was in the sitting room, his wife was there but withdrew. I questioned him, took his temperature, he was excited and a little ugly and refused to answer. I told him there was something serious the matter with him. We came away and I told Dr. Stafford I thought I hadn't evidence enough to certify he was insane. Stafford said no. Three days later, Bradley came to my house and made a statement of his troubles, saying he was suspicious of his wife's faithfulness.

I asked him what grounds he had and he described the white articles which were in the window 24 hours, which he thought were signals, also the familiarity of Clark, the insurance agent, how he had thrown his hat on the table, instead of hanging it up, which he consider [*sic*] not gentlemanly. About the

watching of his wife a week. I told him he had no grounds, and came to the conclusion that he had a monomania or chronic delusion, and believing it to be a dangerous form, thought he might do harm. Is the intellect clear when a person indicated monomania? Monomania is insane on one subject. What is the general characteristics of monomania? It is a delusion on one subject, it may be of different kinds, the principal symptoms being the tremor of the tongue, staggering walk and irregularity of the eye. Is monomania of this kind dangerous? Yes, the disease is subject to violent outbreaks with homicidal or suicidal intent. From your own examination of Bradley, do you believe him a monomaniac? I think under the delusion of his wife's infidelity superproduced by worry as far near as I can get it.

Cross examination by Mr. Brinnier:

Would you consider the man a monomaniac because he said the shirt hung out? No.

Did you see one there. No, only what Mrs. Bradley told me about it.

Did you say a man could only be a monomaniac on one subject? Yes, a man might be a monomaniac, but his mind may be complicated; but he will have delusions on one subject. He might generally be insane. Monomaniac is on one subject.

Regarding Bradley's statements so you know if they were true? I did not.

Do you know the mental condition of him know? [sic] I do not. I have not examined him lately.

Did not Bradley state that he would submit to an examination to any other doctor but Stafford? I don't remember. He said something about objection to Stafford.

Didn't Mrs. Bradley come in and say she would give Bradley suspicions and did not Mr. Bradley say to you you've told it nice? Yes.

Would the mind become impaired and the memory affected if monomania was permanently fixed? It might.

Re-direct by Mr. Cantine.

Please state how you determined the falsity of the statements made by Bradley? Mrs. Bradley said Dr. Stafford had told me of the symptoms and when Bradley came to my house and confirmed what they had said I formed my opinion.

By Mr. Brinnier: Would drink cause monomania? It might, the excessive use of it.

Isn't it a fact that some men are convinced that certain things exist while it would take ten times as much evidence to convince other men of the same and neither of them be insane? It might be true.

Chauncey Swart was sworn and testified that he had a talk with Bradley the day he was taken away and Bradley says, Chance, there are times when I ain't what I ought to be, it comes on me the same as on a woman. Also that he said it might be good for me to go away. I said, I hope it will William.

Cross-examination by Mr. Brinnier:

Did not Bradley tell you about the sunstroke? No. Which doctor handed you the commitment paper? I think it was Dr. Stafford.

Mrs. Bradley then swore:

What interest have you in having your husband treated at Middletown? None, whatever, as in sending him there I have lost his means of support and protection. I want to have him treated, hoping he will be cured.

If in the judgement [sic] of the experts, your husband is sane would you prefer to have him home?

I want him discharged at once, that is my one desire.

Is your feelings toward him kindly? I have kindly feelings, sympathy and love for him.

Has your husband ever had any cause to be suspicious of you being unfaithful to your vows? None, never by word or act.

You recollect the testimony of your husband during January, will you please state it? In the early part of January we had retired to our room, and after awhile I was startled, being awakened by hearing Mr. Bradley cry and I asked him about it, and he told me he would tell me to-morrow: after we were awake awhile he cried again and we both arose and sat on the couch and I asked what the troubles were: he refused to answer for a long time. I thought it was business troubles or about losing property, and said

not to worry as long as we had our health. He finally admitted and said he did not lose property but lost me, and said, you have been unfaithful to me. I denied the charge. He mentioned Mr. Clark, about the extra visit, and I explained it, and he seemed satisfied. About three weeks later he spoke of the same and I soothed him; he told me he was worried and did not know what put it in his head, and promised not to say it again. He followed me about the room for three weeks, closing doors, putting down shades, and talked on the subject all the time, and especially wouldn't allow me to set the broom outside. He spoke of the napkins on the grass and the sleeve of my boy's night shirt hanging over the window sill saying they were signals; every move I made he thought I had some motive.

Prior to January he never made a statement, did he? He did not.

He was worried about business matters about two years ago, over some money he had to pay, and got up at night to smoke.

Did your husband get up and smoke nights? When he had trouble he did. Down at my sister's Mrs.

Russell's he accused me of flirting with an unknown man in the electric light house.

Is that the electric light man? He was unknown to me; I never spoke a word to him in my life. I was sitting on the sofa talking to Mrs. Russell and Mr. Bradley says to Mamie Russell "catch on to your Aunt Mag flirting with the electric light man." I did not know what he said and after he left the room she asked what was the matter with Uncle Bill, and I asked why, and she said that he had charged me with flirting with the electric light man and they all laughed. Mr. Bradley came back excited and openly charged me with improper relations with the electric light man. I sent the children from the room and said, if there's going to be a scene we'll have it in our own home, and Mr. Bradley said this was going on nearly a year, and that it was time she couldn't fool him any longer. Mrs. Russell told him he was wrong and that if he kept on ruin stared him in the face. He was in an angry mood and I felt unsafe and Mrs. Russell staid with me. In March last he bade me goodbye and said he was going to Troy. He staid in the attic from Tuesday till Saturday, when I heard a noise and started to investigate. He was not quick enough and I saw him lie over the bannister. I says, "why are you lurking and stealing about in your own house?" I did not know he was there and asked when he came home; he said, "long enough to catch you." I says, "what do you mean?" He said he saw footprints in the snow and heard voices in rooms above. I says, "why didn't you burst the door and see for yourself." He said he supposed they would be gone by the time he got there.

During the time he was home were your relations improper with any men?

None whatever, I don't think ever.

He was home nearly all of January; he went to work in Catskill in April, and worked about six weeks.

Will you state about the meeting of you and Matthew Cox?

I went down to Mr. Cox's to exchange a parcel, and I met him and I asked him if he didn't think anything wrong with Mr. Bradley. He said no. Mr. Bradley came along. He was very excited and a strange man came along, my husband says here she is, your [sic] gone too far. I begged Mr. Cox not to mention it, and went home. This man was a stranger to you? Yes sir.

In March, I thought there was some thing wrong and called Dr. Stafford. Mr. Bradley complained of headaches and pains in the back; we went to the doctor's and he prescribed. He took the medicines two or three times, and said it had a bad effect on him, and said you and Dr. Stafford have some job up.

He then doctored with Dr. John DeWitt. Drs. DeWitt and Stafford came at my request in March. Mr. Bradley seemed displeased. The doctors talked an hour. Dr. John said he was unable to decide.

Do you remember of him threatening you? Yes. He came from Catskill and after a scene I did not feel safe and I went to my sister's Mrs. Daley. Mr. Bradley came down, and said if I didn't come home he'd tear me to pieces. I went home, my nephew accompanying me a week; after he accused me of being intimate with George Hollinger, and I say why not call him down and find out. He swore and said he would never see daylight again and me with him.

Will you please state about the testimony as given by Mr. Hollinger about the voices he heard? They were relatives, my nephew or nieces.

Will you please state the names of the men he accused you of being intimate with?

Chas. Bradley, Mr. Clark, Jim Sickles, G. Hunt, M. Maloney, Chas. Cox, Chas. Lusk, Dr. Kemble, Dr. Stafford, W. Maxwell, R. Madden, A. Nestlen, F. Dennis, W. V. Burhans, Joe Austin, G. Hollinger.

How often had Mr. Clark called at your house, all told? About four or five months.

Mr. Bradley made the accusation that you had relations with these men from January until June? Yes sir.

Were you present when Drs. Kemble and Stafford came to examine Mr. Bradley? I was. Dr. Stafford came in the front door and came down the hallway and stood where he could see and hear. Dr. Kemble came in the kitchen door. Mr. Bradley admitted him. He asked him who sent for him. The doctor said I came to see you, you are not well. Mr. Bradley was very excited and rushed into the dining room and got his coat and hat and walked around the house quietly. He grabbed Kemble and order [sic] him out. When he came home from Catskill he made the threat and I became alarmed and made an effort to protect myself and innocent lives. He was very excited and acted unusual.

You have visited him in the hospital? His brother Bernard and I visited him in July.

You had a conversation with him at the last hearing? He asked me to stop the proceedings and said he was bound to get out.

He did not sleep well, kept awake talking. He said he did not want to expose me.

Cross examination by Mr. Brinnier;

Did the doctors make the examination at your request? Yes, sir.

Did Dr. Stafford ask Mr. Bradley any questions? He did not.

Did he examine his person or take his temperature? No.

How close did Dr. Stafford get to Mr. Bradley during the examination? He was not in the room. He was in the hall.

Did Dr. Kemble ask him questions or take his temperature? No there was not time.

How many days before Mr. Bradley was taken away, was Dr. Kemble and Stafford there? It was two or three days. That was the only time they were there.

Re-direct by Mr. Whitaker: Did you strike Mr. Bradley with a book? No sir, Mr. Bradley struck me.

Did you ever strike him? Yes sir, he called me a vile name and I struck him with a scuttle.

The hearing was adjourned till tomorrow at Middletown where the case will be concluded.

2191. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 17, 1896. – The Bradley Case – The Final Hearing Held at Middletown Friday.

The hearing in the Bradley habeas corpus case was concluded Friday before Referee Van Etten, at the Middletown Asylum, when Superintendent Talcott and Drs. Kenney, Allen and Arthur of the Hospital staff were examined by Charles F. Cantine and all testified that Bradley was afflicted with sub acute mania. All the doctors were very severely cross examined by William D. Brinnier, attorney for Mr. Bradley. At the close of the hearing the lawyers were very pleasantly entertained by Superintendent Talcott, being invited to dinner, besides being shown through the Hospital.

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2192. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 16, 1896. Communicated. - Saugerties, N. Y. Oct. 16, 1896.

*To the Editor of the Post:*

I have refrained from calling attention to errors in the paper with reference to testimony given in the sad affliction which has come upon my family, by reason of the unfortunate mental condition of my husband; but I cannot permit the question and answer stated in your paper of yesterday in relation to my testimony to remain as it thereto appears, viz: (Question) "During the time he was home were your relations improper with any men? (Answer) "None whatever, *I don't think ever.*"

I did not use the words, *I don't think ever.* Such words would create a doubt, and upon such a subject I cannot afford to have ever [sic] the shadow of a doubt. Respectfully, Margaret Bradley.

2193. A Correction.

Dr. John DeWitt wished to correct the report of his testimony in Thursday's POST, where he is credited saying: "Monomania is a delusion on one subject, it may be of different kinds, the principal symptoms being the tremor of the tongue, staggering walk and irregularity of the eye."

What he did testify was:

"Tremor of tongue, trembling of the facial muscles, irregularity of the pupils of the eye are symptoms of paresis or dementia. These are not symptoms of monomania."

2194. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 29, 1896. — THE BRADLEY CASE ARGUED. — Before Referee John G. Van Etten at Kingston. - Counsellors Cantine and Whitaker for the State and Brinnier for Bradley Close the Famous Case.

The Bradley case was summed up yesterday before Referee Van Etten, at Kingston, Carrol Whitaker opened the argument for the State, and spoke for one and a half hours. Mr. Whitaker stated that a conspiracy was charged to place William Bradley in a Hospital, but no one could have any motive to place him there. Dr. Stafford was his family physician, and was his friend. Dr. Kemble was wholly disinterested, and the principal sufferer by reason of his unfortunate condition, was his wife, the mother of his children, one living and the other dead, with whom he had lived for 16 years, and who was now rendered homeless, deprived of her only means of support, and the only thing left for her, was to take her child by the hand, and face the world along. The Hospital authorities had no special interest in him, except to treat and cure him along with 1,200 other inmates. The charge of a conspiracy had fallen flat, because no one had any motive in keeping him there, while it would be a pleasure and a benefit if he were well. Mr. Whitaker stated that Mrs. Bradley had passed through a terrible ordeal, but she had come out of it with a spotless character, and that like Caesar's wife she was above suspicion, except in the diseased mind, and dethroned reason of her unfortunate husband. Not one thing had been proved against her and not even the poisoned breath of her own husband had cast a blemish on her good name; that was admitted by all.

Mr. Whitaker contended that William Bradley was apparently as sane as any one except upon that one subject, and upon that he was a madman, irresponsible for the thoughts as well as his acts.

Mr. Whitaker then took up the evidence and discussed it in detail, comparing opinions and putting great weight on Bradley's own testimony. He touchingly described the night when Mrs. Bradley, in St. Mary's church, all unconscious of danger, and on her bended knees, was reverently engaged in prayerful devotion, while her husband, in his delirium, was lurking around outside disguised with false whiskers and misfit garments, awaiting her coming out into the darkness that he might follow her footsteps and obtain proofs of her infidelity; that an innocent man by walking with her that night, by the by the merest chance might have been shot to death. He closed the argument by stating that the medical profession had shifted the responsibility of the matter over to the legal profession.

Mr. Cantine stated that the position of the state and hospital authorities was that if the court took the responsibility of discharging Mr. Bradley it was nothing to them and they would be relieved of the responsibility. That no one had any desire to keep Bradley in the hospital except to treat him and do him good if possible. That no one believed Mrs. Bradley guilty of any wrong except her unfortunate husband. That his delusion was so fixed and determined that he would not admit he was wrong even to be discharged from the hospital. That if Bradley had shown in the hospital that his mind was free from suspicion he would be discharged at once, but that it would be unsafe and dangerous to let him go now. Mr. Brinnier then argued for the release of Bradley, claiming that he was no more insane than other men. That all men have monomania to a certain extent. He said that Mr. Whitaker and Mr. Cantine might be considered monomaniacs on the gold question, while he and the Referee might be considered monomaniacs on the silver question. He stated that when Mrs. Bradley went back to the Singer Park, and when she permitted Mr. Clark to tell her of the finding of the child in Kingston, it was to Bradley's

mind suspicious circumstances. That if Bradley threatened to kill, it was only to be executed in case he caught his wife, and in that he was justified. He closed by asking the Referee to read over the testimony carefully before making his report.

2195. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 7, 1896. – BRADLEY DECLARED SANE! – Such is the Report of the Referee in the Case. – The Opinion is Confirmed by Judge Parker, who ordered Bradley's Release from the Middletown Asylum.

The celebrated Bradley case, the hearing in which have been held in this village, and which has caused a great deal of comment, has at last reached its conclusion. The referee in the case, John G. Van Etten, of Kingston, had rendered his opinion to Judge Parker, in which he decides in favor of Bradley.

The following is the opinion of the Referee: "On June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1896, by the usual physician's certificate William Bradley was declared to be insane, and since July 6, 1896, has been confined in the Middletown State Hospital, at Middletown, N. Y. Upon the return of the writ of habeas corpus it was referred to the undersigned to take testimony and report the same, with my opinion thereon, to the court in this matter. The relator having been adjudged insane, the burden of proof is upon him to show his sanity, the presumption of sanity having been shifted after an adjudication of insanity. It is claimed by the defense that the relator is afflicted with acute or sub-acute mania, upon the subject of his wife's infidelity. No evidence has been given showing that the relator's wife has ever been unfaithful to him. The testimony as to his sanity is conflicting. A number of medical experts have testified on either side. Three physicians of unquestioned ability, two of whom have known the relator for a number of years, testified that the relator is sane; a greater number of physicians of unquestionable ability, including the Middletown State Hospital Staff, testified that the relator is insane. While the preponderance of the testimony of the experts is to the effect that the relator is insane, the fact that their opinions are so diametrically opposed to each other, compels me in order to arrive at a just determination of the matter before me, to give weight to testimony other than expert which has been given herein. A large number of witnesses including the neighbors and relatives of the relator, who have known him for years, testified to the fact that he is rational, and there is no difference in his actions from what they have always been. "The appearance of the relator on the witness stand shows him to be a person of apparently good physical health. He was subjected to a direct and cross examination for about two days, and showed a surprisingly good memory upon all subjects upon which he was examined. He is not subject to epilepsy. He has no tremor of tongue and pupils [*sic*] of his eyes are normal. There is no insanity in the family of the relator. It is true that he is of the suspicious temperament. But it is the common experience of all, that persons of sound mind frequently have suspicions, and believe them to be true, although they have no legal evidence whatever to convince them that these suspicions are well founded. Some minds are more suspicious than others. Facts which might be conclusive to some minds would carry no weight whatever in the minds of others.

"From all the evidence before me it appears that the wife of the relator has never been unfaithful to him.

"From all the evidence in the case and the facts before me, I am of the opinion that the relator is sane."

The following are the findings of fact made by the referee:

First, That there is no insanity in the relator's family; Second, That the relator is not afflicted with insanity; Third, That the mental condition of the relator is normal; Fourth, That the relator is a sane person.

The opinion was confirmed by Judge Parker, who has ordered Bradley's release from the asylum. The attorneys in the case were William D. Brinnier, of Kingston, for Bradley, and District Attorney Charles F. Cantine of Kingston, Carroll Whitaker, and B. M. Coon, of this place and John B. Sweizy, of Goshen, for the state.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

2196. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 23, 1896. – Living Together Again.

William Bradley, who was recently released from the State Homeopathic Asylum for Insane, at Middletown, is again living happily with his wife. They will remove to New York city soon.

2197. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 30, 1896. – ANOTHER CASE OF SUICIDE. - John Sheiver, of Dutch Settlement, Kills Himself. - Found Lying on the Floor of his Bedroom With His Throat and Wrists Cut – Inquest to be Held Thursday.

The little hamlet of Dutch Settlement was thrown into a state of excitement on Sunday morning, but the discovery that John Sheiver, a resident of that place, a man about sixty years age, had ended his life by suicide.

The last seen of him alive was on Saturday morning, about ten o'clock, when he was around about his business as usual, but no one suspected he had any intention of making away with himself. Sometime during Saturday afternoon a neighbor, having a package to deliver at his house, finding the door locked, opened a window and place the package inside. As Sheiver lived alone, this was the custom of the neighbors when he was absent. In the evening, this same man returned a chain, which he had borrowed some time before. As he saw no one about he placed that through the window also, and thought no more about it. Sunday morning, when he arose, seeing no smoke coming from Sheiver's chimney, and no light, he became alarmed and started to investigate. He found the door still locked and the shades down. Summoning some of the neighbors, they entered the window and unlocked the door.

As they entered the bedroom a horrible sight presented itself. Sheiver was found lying dead on the floor, in a pool of blood, his throat and both wrists having been cut. On a chair by the side of the bed lay an open razor and a large butcher knife. The knife was a very dull one, but it was evident that that was the instrument with which the deed had been committed, as the blade and handle were both smeared with blood. No cause is assigned for the rash act. It is thought, he might have become despondent over the fact that his wife, who had previously left him a couple of time, had again deserted him.

Dr. Kemble was summoned who impaneled a jury, with Ferdinand Snyder as foreman. The Inquest will be held Thursday afternoon at one o'clock.

2198. Stamp 1 cent US Postage, Marquette on the Mississippi. [green]

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2199. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 20, 1896. – A BRUTAL MURDER. - Patrick Milligan a Captain of a Stone Barge the Victim. – His Face Horribly Mutilated. – Robbery Assigned as the Cause - His Pockets Being Cut Out – The Deed Done in a Lonely Spot on the Dock Road About One O'clock.

One of the most brutal and atrocious crimes ever committed in the annals of this town or the history of Ulster county took place this morning at about one o'clock, when Patrick Milligan, a boatman, was cruelly murdered in one of the loneliest places on the stone dock road. The murdered man was uptown early in the evening, and chatted pleasantly with his friend unconscious of the fact that in a few hours he would soon leave this earthly sphere. He left the saloon of Harry Thomas, on Main street, about twelve o'clock to wend his way homeward to his barge, which was lying in the harbor on the north side of the creek, at Maxwell's stone dock.

The supposition is that while walking on the road that leads to the dock about one hundred feet this side of the residence of John Van Keuren, Milligan was struck in the head by a club or slungshot, [sic] and it is evident by the condition of the road that there must have been a terrible struggle.

It can be plainly seen that the murdered man walked about seventy-five yards before falling, as the stones and road indicate the many stains of gore, and his face is a ghastly sight. Above the eye is a cut about three inches long, in the back of the head two large indentions, and around the lips several cuts as if a knife had also been used to complete the horrible deed.

His hands and knuckles are all pealed, adding much to the thought that a struggle took place and the assassins no doubt bear the marks of his hands as a trail of blood can be found leading from the scene of the murder, up the old Dublin road, to the rocks near Cantine's Card Factory, continuing over the bridge, whence it is supposed the murderers went after leaving their victim to his fate.

The cause of the murder is assigned to robbery as it is said that Milligan always carried a large sum of money about his person and that while uptown last evening displayed a large roll of bills and when found his pockets were cut out showing conclusively the reason for committing the atrocious act.

The body was discovered about five o'clock this morning by a man named Tompkins, who resides near by, and who was horrified at the discovery thinking the man had cut his throat. Coroner Kemble was notified, who took charge of the remains and they were removed to the undertaking establishment of Belch & Keenan, where they were viewed by many. In his pockets were found seventy-five cents, a tobacco pouch and a knife.

Milligan was about fifty-five years of age, unmarried, and a man of considerable means, owning the barge John A. Feeney, which he has used in carrying stone between here and points along the sound. He has two sisters, one living in Brooklyn, and the other in Rondout. There is no clue to the murder. A dog belonging to Thomas King who lives in close proximity to the scene, was also stabbed in the neck by an unknown person this morning.

District Attorney Chas. F. Cantine, of Kingston, who is in town, visited the scene of the murder and took charge of the effects of the deceased.

Coroner Kemble impaneled a jury in the Court Room, this afternoon which are as follows: H. Bogardus, foreman, T. B. Belch, W. E. Van Buskirk, W. V. Burhans, Chas. Kiernan, Patrick Corcoran, J. S. Elmendorf, W. M. Russell, Jas. Carew, H. H. Hildebrandt, James R. Martin, Luther Fosmire.

Immediately after taking the oath, the jury proceeded to view the body, after which an adjournment was taken, until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Officers Charles E. and David E. Abeel are working on the case.

Charles Rice and Mr. Breslin, of Rondout, are in town looking after the interests of Mr. Milligan.

2200. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 21, 1896. – FRIDAY MORNING'S MURDER. – The Victim Held in High Esteem By All Who Knew Him. Town and Village Boards Interest Themselves and Offer a Reward – A Strong Feeling of Indignation Here.

When the sad tidings were heralded about town Friday morning of the crime and cowardly murder committed upon Patrick Mulligan, the unanimous expression of the people was, that the assassins, if caught, should be lynched. Mr. Mulligan was of jovial nature and kindhearted disposition, and all came in contact with him knew him to be a friend indeed. His many acts of generosity towards his fellow workmen are highly spoken of. He was highly esteemed and were he alive to-day he could fully realize the strength of his friendship here. The action of the town and village boards is a most commendable, one and every means known will be made to capture the culprits who committed the dastardly deed. The very thought of the murderous act causes one to shudder. Mr. Mulligan, about the streets, ll [sic] unconscious of the future, and then to be waylaid and attacked in such a horrible manner by men in ambush. The villians not content with using clubs or some other blunt instruments to commit the atrocious crime, resort to a knife, making several wounds in the face and head.

The spot where the crime took place is a desolate one and the murders had ample opportunity to do their heinous work. That the assailants had only intended robbery as the motive after striking him had been discovered led them to finish their victim and to cover up the crime is the general impression of the people. Rumors have been flying about thickly, and one is that cries of "For God's sake, don't kill me," was heard by the watchman of the mills, directly opposite, at about one o'clock.

Further investigation of the scene of the murder, reveals blood stains and finger marks on the iron rails along the road, and the inference is that a terrible struggle took place, as Mulligan was known as a man

of pluck. It is hope that the villains will soon be apprehended, and receive the full punishment of the law, the electric chair.

2201. \$1,000 REWARD OFFERED! – By the Town and Village Boards at a Special Meeting.

The Above Reward offered For Apprehension of the Assassins Who Committed the Murder on Patrick Mulligan, the Boatman, Friday Morning.

Special meeting of the Board of village Directors held Friday evening, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1896 for the purpose of considering the advisability of offering a reward for apprehension of the murderer or murderers of Patrick Mulligan, killed by persons unknown on the morning of Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1896, in this village.

Directors present were: Messrs. Cantine, Cornwell, Cunyes and Rogers. A quorum of the Town Board was also present, and on motion of Supervisor Fratsher, President Cantine was named as chairman of the joint meeting of the town and village officials.

After discussion the following resolution was submitted:

WHEREAS, At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Village of Saugerties in conjunction with the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties, held in Fireman's Hall, in the village of Saugerties, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1896, organized by the appointment of Martin Cantine, chairman, and James Dederick, secretary. On motion of John D. Fratsher, it was

*Resolved*, That the Town of Saugerties offer a reward of five hundred dollars, (\$500.00), and village of Saugerties five hundred dollars, (\$500.00), for the apprehension and conviction of the murderer or murderers of Patrick Mulligan after 12 o'clock this morning near the residence of John D. Van Keuren, on the road leading to the stone dock on the north side of the creek.

The above resolution was on motion unanimously adopted on roll call as follows:

Messrs. Fratsher, Kleeber, Fuller, Lasher, Coon, Cantine, Cornwell, Cunyes and Rogers, all of whom voted in the affirmative.

On motion 200 posters were ordered struck off, and the advertisement of the reward published in the POST, *Telegraph* and *Freeman* for the period of one month.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

2202. Kingston Daily Freeman, LAST EDITION. Nov. 23, 1896. – ONE SUSPECT IN JAIL. – Blood Stains Found on a Vagrant's Clothing. - Mysterious Movements of Officer Abeel – Officials as Mysterious as the Murder.

The murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan at Saugerties is still an unsolved mystery, but the darkness that surrounds it is mere mist when compared with the impenetrable pall with which some of our local "detectives" are surrounding themselves. Ever since Sunday there have been rumors afloat that a man or men had been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the crime, but the truth of these rumors has been strenuously denied at the court house and by the other authorities. These denials have been taken at face value by many people. The Freeman has done a little investigating on its own account, and finds that, notwithstanding the denials, a man named Stephen McGuire was arrested on suspicion of being connected with the murder, and is now in jail at Kingston. The charge preferred against him is vagrancy, but the real cause for his arrest is a suspicion that he was mixed up in the murder. He was arrested yesterday afternoon, arraigned, and remanded to jail until tomorrow morning.

McGuire first came under the notice of the police on Sunday and he was shadowed. He was found to be living on one of the canal boats along the docks and was a stowaway. He appeared to be in hiding. Arrangements were therefore made to watch the suspected man, and the vigilance of the watchers never flagged for a minute. McGuire had been seen to be spending considerable money and as his appearance was not in keeping with his liberality, suspicion fell upon him as being a possible party to the Saugerties murder. Since Sunday he had sent out frequently for rum and it is said by one of the men who procured it for him that he was continually on the watch for somebody; that he slept neither day nor night. About noon yesterday he seemed to comprehend that he was being watched and a few

minutes later, unbeknown to the watchers, he left the boat. Later in the day he was arrested and a charge of vagrancy preferred against him and he was remanded to jail.

Mr. McGuire claimed he came from the country and had been employed by the water works department in the construction of the new reservoir. He said that he had been paid on Thursday night and had been discharged Friday morning. One thing about McGuire that arouses suspicion is the fact that he claims he did not reach Kingston until Sunday night, while it is positively known that was in the city at noon on that day.

It is also claimed that blood stains were found on McGuire's clothing.

Word was received from Saugerties this afternoon that a man named Dougherty had been arrested. David E. Abeel, the Saugerties "detective" who is about the most mysterious individual in the entire mysterious coterie engaged on the case, was in the city today and there is something more than a mere rumor to the effect that he brought somebody with him. A Freeman reporter found two men who say they saw Abeel leaving the court house, yet at that public office the officials denied having seen Abeel at all and of course denied all knowledge of his presence.

When it is considered that McGuire's arrest as a suspect is also denied by the police, the court house authorities and all the other officials, notwithstanding the facts stated above, it is evident how much importance is to be attached to denial coming from these sources.

It is evident that the authorities are working upon some clue that they have, be it real or imaginary, and they think secrecy is necessary until the time is ripe for a dramatic denouement.

2203. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 25, 1896. – DOUGHERTY COMMITS SUICIDE. – Cuts His Throat with a Piece of a Broken Milk Bottle. – Found Dead in His Cell This Morning – Had Been Arrested in Connection With the Mulligan Murder.

Frank Dougherty, who was arrested by Officer David Abeel, on Monday, and placed in the lockup on suspicion of being implicated in the brutal murder of Patrick Mulligan, the boatman, was found dead in his cell by the above officer this morning at 8:30 o'clock as he was about to take him his breakfast. The deed was committed during the night between, it is thought, the hours of ten and five o'clock. Dougherty was given a bottle of coffee in the evening and breaking the neck off, cut his throat with it. When found, he was lying in a pool of blood, the result of his wound. This

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act is regarded as a suspicious circumstance, and looks as if the dead man knew something of the murder. The dead man has no relatives hereabouts, and Coroner Kemble took charge of the remains, and empanelled a jury, composed of William V. Burhans, foreman, Edward Van Buskirk, Samuel W. Merclean, J. S. Elmendorf, Henry W. Turck, Clinton Van Buskirk, J. W. Reinhard, A. L. Decker, John D. Van Keuren, Alexander Lackey, Chauncey Swart and Patrick Corcoran. After taking the oath they viewed the remains and adjourned until Friday afternoon at two o'clock at the court room.

Dougherty has led a tramping life and is a tough character. He was about thirty years old.

2204. THE MULLIGAN INQUEST. – Held in the Court Room This Morning by the Coroner. – District Attorney Charles F. Cantine Conducts the Case for the People. – Testimony of Drs. Dawes and Montgomery and Henry Tompkins Taken.

The adjourned inquest of the death of Patrick Mulligan, the murdered boatman, was held in the court room this morning. District Attorney Chas. F. Cantine, was present and conducted the case for the people. The first witness sworn was Dr. S. L. Dawes, who testified as follows:

Upon examination of the body of the murdered man, it revealed several abrasions on the legs, as if done by kicks. The wounds on the face and head were described as follows:

Lower lip cut, 1 1-4 inches long, upper lip cut, 1-2 inch long; cut on jaw 1 1-4 inches long; broken jaw and splitting the roof of the mouth on cheek, cut one inch long, under eye 1 1-8 inches long. Nose fractured

and cut, 3-4 of an inch long; on forehead, cut five inches long, four inches wide, which fractured skull, the brains protruding, above cut on forehead abrasion 2 1-2 inches long, right ear cut, 2 3-4 inches long, two cuts on the crown of head, 1-2 inch long, each, being in all 16 fractures. His conclusion was that a hammer had been used, as one had been placed in several of the wounds, which fitted exactly. He thought the blow in the forehead caused death and that one blow indicated as if it had been struck from behind.

Harry Tompkins was sworn and related that he was on his way uptown about a quarter to six, or six o'clock that morning, and when he reached the spot saw a man lying there, and ran back, excited, and told his father that he thought a man had cut his throat; and with his father and Irving Van Keuren came out and looked, and then came up for the coroner.

Mr. Tompkins was sworn and corroborated his son's testimony.

Dr. C. T. Montgomery swore he examined the body with Dr. Dawes, and corroborated Dr. Dawes' testimony. Also that Mulligan was apparently a strong man. He also said he thought three blows were hit while the man was running, and that as he turned to defend himself received the wound in the forehead which caused his death. He said he did not think the first blow would have stunned him, as a man may have a fractured skull, and go about. As we go to press the inquest is being continued.

2205. Incontrovertible Evidence –

“Now, children, I want you all to remember that James Watt discovered the wonderful steam engine by simply watching the kettle boil.”

“Please ma'am, I don't just see how that could be.” “Why not?” “ 'Cause watched pots never boil.”- Boston Courier.

2206. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston NY. Nov. 25, 1896. – ANOTHER TRAGEDY. – In Connection With the Saugerties Murder. - FRANK DOHERTY KILLS HIMSELF. – The Subject Found Weltering in Blood in his Cell. – CUT HIS THROAT WITH A BOTTLE. – Great Excitement in Saugerties – Other Arrests May Soon Follow – The Mysterious Detective.

The Saugerties murder mystery took another turn this morning at a few minutes before 9 o'clock, and another tragedy was developed when the blood-smeared dead body of Frank Doherty was found in the village lockup in Fireman's Hall, in Partition street by Constable David E. Abeel, who had gone there to carry breakfast to the prisoner. That Doherty was concerned in the murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan last Friday morning few people in Saugerties now doubt although before he committed suicide it was generally believed that he was innocent.

A hasty examination made by Coroner Kemble, who soon arrived, showed that Doherty had been dead for several hours, as the body was cold and rigid. It lay, a mass of blood and filth, extended on the floor of the cell, right along the grated door, and presented a horrible sight. The interior of the cell was saturated with blood that had run from the self-inflicted wounds. Doherty had cut his throat with a broken milk bottle.

The last see of him alive was at about 10 o'clock last night, when Constable David E. Abeel and Detective McCullough visited him. Up to the time of their visit he seemed cheerful, and they found him singing loudly. They told him some things they had discovered during the day, pressed him strongly to make a confession, and left him with the injunction to think the matter over during the night and give them his answer this morning. Just what they had discovered of course is not known to anyone but the two detectives, but it must have impressed Doherty with the idea that his doom was sealed. He was not heard singing any more and nobody went to look after him until Officer Abeel took in his breakfast this morning, and discovered that no confession could ever be hoped for from that source. Last night one of the bottles Frank Pidgeon delivers milk in was filled with coffee and left with Doherty. He broke the neck off this bottle, leaving two sharp prongs of glass projecting, and with these he had hacked and sawed away at his throat until a large blood vessel was severed, and he bled to death. He must have endured

great pain while inflicting the wounds and displayed greater fortitude in persevering in his course than he was ever suspected of possessing.

The cell in which Doherty was incarcerated is an iron cage built in one corner of a room on the ground floor of Fireman's Hall. The building is not occupied by any person except when prisoners are in the cells, which are used only as a temporary lockup. The quarters were much better than Doherty was accustomed to, and while locked up he was generally thought to be having a good time as he had plenty to eat. He was cheerful and claimed that on the night of the murder of Captain Mulligan he was so drunk he did not know where he was or whom he was with. This cheerfulness he kept up until visited by the detectives last night. What they told him was evidently of such a character as to convince him that his connection with the murder was known, and he had nothing to hope for. They admitted that he seemed to be deeply impressed with their message.

Doherty was about 35 years of age. He was a sort of a village drunkard, who slept in barns and outhouses and occasionally did odd jobs for drinks. He sometimes slept at the house of Peter Van Steenburgh, whose wife was a distant relative. On the night of the murder Doherty was out with several other tough characters. All were intoxicated. They were seen by Police Justice Coon and Peter Cantine in front of the Russell Block on Main street, at about 10:30 that night and fact were ejected from the hallway of the building at that time. This is opposite the saloon of Harry Thomas, where Captain Mulligan was at the time. Later Doherty entered the saloon, but soon left.

That night a party of drunken men slept in the barn of William Doyle. They were heard carousing there at a late hour. They came sometime about 2 o'clock in the morning and all left unseen excepting Doherty, who seen to leave the barn after daylight on Friday morning. The officers heard of these circumstances, and investigated. They found Doherty's face scratched. He was arrested on Monday and locked up in the village lockup, locally known as "the cooler." He claimed that he received the scratches on his face in a fight with a man named Slade. This man, when brought to the lockup and confronted with Doherty, hesitatingly admitted that they had been fighting.

Many and varied are the stories in circulation in Saugerties. One is that Doherty and four others, had stolen a boat last Thursday night and gone over the river on a chicken stealing expedition. They returned at about 2 o'clock, and on their way from the creek passed along the road in which the dead body of Captain Mulligan must have been lying at that time. Although it was bright moonlight night and the road there is very narrow, with nothing to cast a shadow on it, they claimed to have seen nothing. The story that a watchman at the paper mill heard a voice crying, "For God's sake, don't kill me!" is as yet uncontradicted. This, taken with the marks of the struggle, leads many to reason that after knocking Mulligan senseless, and robbing him where he first fell, the criminals delayed until their victim recovered his senses and recognized them, Then to cover their lesser crime, they resolved to commit the greater one, and he cried out to them: "For God's sake, don't kill me!" The struggle from this point to where the body of the murdered man was found, a distance of over 300 feet by actual measurement, according to this theory took place after the robbery, after the recognition of the robbers by their victim, and while they were seeking to add murder to the crimes of robbery, in order that their victim might not live to reveal their identity. The fence along the road here, the imprint of a bloody hand at intervals and the bloody trail of blood left by one of the murders, wounded by Captain Mulligan led for half a mile or more in the direction that Doherty and the other suspects would naturally have taken.

Until the suicide of Doherty gave confirmation to the public of the suspicions of the detective, the general impression in Saugerties was that Doherty had nothing to do with the murder. The basis of this belief was that he was too much of a coward. But the theory that the murder was committed in desperation to conceal a lesser crime goes far toward showing how probable it is that Doherty was mixed up in it.

Captain Mulligan was one of the most popular men in Saugerties. He was always liberal in his charities and uniformly kind to all. Feeling ran high when the murder was discovered, and the greatest excitement still prevails. Last night when the late edition of The Freeman [*sic*] arrived men stood

about in groups in stores and under street lights reading the latest developments in the case. This morning the crime was the only topic of conversation on the streets, and when at 9 o'clock the word was passed that Doherty had committed suicide there was a general rush for the lockup. Several hundred people gathered in a few minutes, but of course none were admitted in the building. Officer Abeel stood guard at the door until the coroner came and after his visit the door was locked. About the only person who was allowed to enter and view the ghastly spectacle inside was the Freeman reporter, who was one of the first on the scene. In the midst of the other excitement Lawyer Carroll Whitaker and Officer Abeel had a "run in" in front of the Palmer House, which drew about as big a crowd as the dead body in the lockup. It seems Lawyer Whitaker had been criticising the course of the detectives and reflecting upon them for immuring in a solitary cell a man who was only suspected of crime, thereby driving him to suicide, and detective Abeel thereat waxed wrathful and in loud auctioneering tones and strong terms and gave Mr. Whitaker what a resident of Dublin termed "a dirty settin' out."

It is expected that at least two arrests will be made today, as the suspected men who were with Doherty on the night of the murder, are being shadowed constantly. This is thought better than to arrest them right away, as if left seemingly at liberty they might do something to criminate themselves.

The New York detective employed by District Attorney Cantine to aid the Abeels in the case is John T. McCullough, a former U. S. Secret Service man with an excellent record. In a famous St. Louis murder case he spent three months in the same prison cell with the murderer, finally extracting a confession upon which the man was convicted and hanged. The work of McCullough and the two Abeels, David E. and Charles, has been well done and the mystery with which their movements have been surrounded has been only what was necessary to do the work well. Further developments will be given in a later edition of The Freeman.

#### THE LOCAL SUSPECT.

Stephen McGuire, who was arrested by officer Sullivan on Monday on suspicion of being implicated in the Saugerties murder, was taken before Recorder Murphy this morning. The charge of vagrancy was withdrawn and he was discharged. Later in the morning one of the city clergymen gave McGuire enough money to enable him to get to his home in New York.

2207. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston NY. Nov. 27, 1896. LAST EDITION – The DOHERTY SUICIDE. – Reasons For Believing That He Was Innocent. – Solitary Confinement Made Him Insane – When Added to the Lack of Habitual Stimulant.

Besides the theory that Frank Doherty killed himself in the Saugerties lockup last Tuesday night because of remorse and despair, there is another view of the matter held by many people in Saugerties and this city as well. These people argue that Doherty told the truth when he said he knew nothing about the murder; that there was nothing suspicious in the fact that he slept in a barn on the night that Captain Mulligan was murdered, as he was in the habit of sleeping in barns. They say he was a steady drinker, and had been helplessly drunk, that night – so drunk that he really had no recollection of his whereabouts and movements. Then he was arrested and placed in solitary confinement in the iron cage in Fireman's Hall. He was told he had murdered Captain Mulligan, and that the detectives had evidence of it. Then he was left in solitude and deprived of his usual supply of rum. Solitary confinement is such a place would be enough to drive a sane man and sober man insane,

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and the effect upon one in Doherty's must have been much stronger.

Then the detectives again visited him, ordered him to "confess," and told him he was doomed anyway. Unable to remember where he was on the night of the murder, he knew he could not refute any evidence they had. Then on the verge of "the horrors," convinced that he must suffer for a crime that he knew nothing of, his mind gave way entirely, and in his frenzy he decided to meet death at once. That even the detectives have lost all faith in Doherty's suit is indicated by their failure to arrest the

parties who were suspected in conjunction with him, as was their intention while they believed in Doherty's guilt.

It is claimed by those who hold this theory that Doherty had not even been arraigned, and that his detention was an outrage and in violation of all the rights accorded to a man under arrest. They say that placing a man in his mental and physical condition in solitary confinement and depriving him of stimulants, was sufficient cause to lead to suicide, even though he were innocent of the crime charged and could prove it, which Doherty could not.

Scarcely a week would pass without a suicide in the county jail here if heavy drinkers brought in were suddenly deprived of liquor and given nothing in its place. In many instances it is only by dosing them with liquor and drugs that they are kept from doing something desperate even when they can be watched, and when they have the company of other prisoners. Doherty was not watched, and had no companions.

2208. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 28, 1896. – A Denial From Saugerties. – Four Young Men Repel a Charge Made in the Murder Story.

The following is clipped from the *Leader*:

*The Leader* is in receipt of the following communication from certain young men in Saugerties, who presume themselves alluded to in an article in Wednesday's "Freeman:"

107 Main St., Saugerties, N. Y.,  
November 26<sup>th</sup>, 1896

EDITOR KINGTON DAILY LEADER:

Gentlemen – We, the undersigned, positively deny that we were over the river on a chicken stealing expedition on the night of November 19. At a quarter to six William Lasher and Henry Thompson took a row boat and crossed the Hudson river, and at six Daniel Kane and Eugene Carl went over the river on the steamer Saugerties. The four had agreed to meet and return home together. They met at Patsey Morey's hotel at about ten o'clock and started to come across, but the tide being strong and the wind blowing hard made the river so rough that they went back and anchored at Livingstons boathouse, and returned to the hotel and stayed until 1:15 a. m., when they again started for home. At this time the tide was in their favor and they crossed, landing at Sweeney's dock, where they left the boat and walked up; and turned by the iron fence, coming through Dublin. This was about ten minutes to two.

Signed, Eugene Carl, Henry Thompson, Dan. Kane, William Lasher.

2209. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 7, 1897. Board of Health.

At a meeting of the Health Board held Wednesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year; President, A. Lackey; Vice President, Albert Rowe; Secretary J. H. Jones; Health Officer S. L. Dawes, Register of Vital Statistics, S. W. Merclean, and Sanitary Inspector, W. H. Hommel.

2210. New York Herald. Line drawings. Captain Mulligan and the place where he was murdered. Henry Tompkins who Found the Body. [illustrations]

2211. New York Herald, Tuesday, November 24, 1896. – WOMEN DEFEND HIM. – They Denounce the Arrest of a Man in Connection with the Murder of Patrick Mulligan. – Witness or Principal? – Frank Dougherty Expected to Tell Something About the Persons who Committed the Crime – TWO MEN AT THE WINDOW. – Seen Peering at the Money the Captain Displayed in a Game of Cards. (By Telegraph to the Herald.)

Saugerties, N. Y., Nov. 23, 1896 – Frank Dougherty, thirty years old, was taken into custody here to-day by Constable Abeel, on suspicion of having had some connection with the murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan.

THE HERALD told on Saturday how Patrick Mulligan, captain and owner of the stone barge John A. Feeney, was found murdered in the Dock road early on Friday morning with a wound extending from temple to

temple. Captain Mulligan was powerful. There were several assailants, as shown by the evidence of a frightful struggle for 300 feet along the roadway. His pockets had been cut out and rifled of all their valuables.

In a hollow just below where the body was found a dog, owned by Thomas King, was discovered to have a stab wound in the chest on the morning of the murder. The King boys had often worked for Mulligan, and the dog had a great affection for him. The dog's wound resembled those inflicted on Mulligan. King and many others say the dog took part in the battle.

TWO MEN AT THE WINDOW.

Mulligan had spent Thursday night playing cards with two you men in Henry Thomas' saloon, and several persons say they noticed a man in a heavy overcoat peering through the window at the Captain, who displayed a roll of bills. This man is said to have been joined by a companion who also peered through the window. The saloon keeper says Mulligan was perfectly sober as he started on the lonely walk to the Maxwell dock, just below where his body was found.

Frank Dougherty, who has no family and no home, has spent half of his life doing odd jobs about Saugerties. Those who know him say drink is his one failing. Judge Cantine told me he had seen the young man drunk in Main street last Thursday night, in the company of the King brothers and other young men.

Edward Ennis and his family, who live in the hollow between the Dublin and the Dock roads, have often sheltered Dougherty, who did chores for them. The man turned up there at noon last Saturday. He had bruised knuckles and a scratch on one hand. Mrs. Ennis said he appeared to be much shocked over the murder.

"If my own brother had done it I'd tell on him," he declared.

Constable Abeel and a detective visited the house this morning. When they asked Dougherty to step outside he turned white and trembled visibly they say. The examined his pockets, his injured hand and

TOO DRUNK TO REMEMBER.

Dougherty said he had been too drunk on the night of the murder to remember anything except that he slept in Patrick Doyle's barn, in McCarthy street. The constable said he told conflicting stories, however. Mrs. Ennis and her mother, Mrs. Steemburgh, were indignant at the arrest. They said Dougherty was peaceable. He is slight of build, and many persons doubted whether he would have had strength to attack Mulligan.

Captain Mulligan was buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, at Rondout, this morning. His sister, Mrs. Patrick O'Reilly, of No. 186 Bainbridge street, Brooklyn accompanied by Edward Riley of Rondout, came to Saugerties to-day and took charge of the Captain's property.

2212. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 28, 1896. – HIS OWN HAND DID IT. – So Say the Jury Relative to Frank Dougherty's Death. – The Inquisition Held in the Court Room Friday Afternoon, When the Testimony of Officer Abeel, Detective Mc Cullough and Dr. S. L. Dawes Were Given.

The inquisition touching the death of Frank Dougherty, who committed suicide Wednesday morning, while confined in the lockup, under suspicion of being implicated in the murder of Patrick Mulligan, the boatman, was held in the court room Friday afternoon.

A number of witnesses were sworn. The milk bottle with the broken neck, covered with blood stains and tufts of hair was exhibited. The first witness sworn was Officer David E. Abeel whose testimony is as follows:

He arrested Dougherty on Monday, brought him to the court room and kept him there until about eleven o'clock that night, when he took him to the lockup and placed him in a cell. Officers Charles Abeel and Wm. H. Hommel have keys to the cells. Took Dougherty his breakfast Tuesday morning, between 8:30 and 9 o'clock, in fact, took every meal to him.

The last time I saw him was Tuesday night about nine o'clock. Went over to the lockup with his breakfast Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock in front of Davis' Livery. Mr. Davis called me in to tell me

about a rumor he had heard about, a minute after started to go in the lockup and when I reached cell looked through the grating and saw Dougherty's overcoat on the bunk, but did not see Dougherty. I examined the upper lock of the cell, it was all right, and then the lower one, and saw Dougherty lying lengthwise on the floor of the cell covered with blood. I called out Dougherty. I ran out in Davis' office and called Mr. Davis, and told him of Dougherty's death, and we went and seen the body. I sent him for the coroner, and ran over to the Palmer House and got my associate, John F. McCollugh, who was put on the case by the District Attorney, and we viewed the remains. I searched Dougherty before he was put in the cell. The broken bottle was exhibited and the witness identified it as the one he had given Dougherty the night before containing coffee. I found the bottle in the pool of blood, other pieces were on the bunk. Dougherty's throat was cut, one of the blankets was under his head. Detective Mc Collough corroborated officer Abeel's testimony and described the finding of the body. Dr. S. L. Dawes said he had examined the body of Dougherty and his measurement was just five feet in height. Witness had the suicide's hands washed and discovered on the third figure [*sic*] of the left hand, between the second and third joint, a small bruise with a scab three eights of an inch in diameter on it.

On the third finger of the right hand and the second joint a similar wound of the same size.

On the fourth finger of the left hand and third joint a small bruise.

His throat had a ragged cut just above the Adam's apple 2 ½ inches long and seven-eights of an inch in width, cutting through the windpipe and blood vessels. Witness believed the wound was committed by the broken bottle exhibited.

The coroner charged the jury and after deliberating brought in a verdict that the suicide has come to his death by cutting his own throat with the milk bottle.

2213. Post. Feb. 20, 1905. [hand dated] Ernest Hassinger, whose collection of firemen's and other badges, souvenirs, etc. numbers over one thousand, has just added two new cases of them. He will soon put in another. Mr. Hassinger's collection is not excelled anywhere and embraces besides badges a fine lot of photographs. They are well worth seeing.

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2214. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 27, 1896. — THE MULLIGAN INQUEST. — Additional Testimony Given Wednesday Afternoon. — The Evidence Given by Several Who Saw the Murdered Man Leave Thomas' Saloon After One O'clock Friday Morning. — Doherty the Suicide in the Place Early in the Evening. — Testimony Conflicting.

At the time of going to press Wednesday, the inquest touching the death of Patrick Mulligan, the murdered boatman, was still in progress. The witnesses sworn were those who say him leave Harry Thomas' saloon, where he spent the evening playing cards. The evidence revealed the fact that Frank Dougherty, who committed suicide, while under arrest of being implicated in the murder, visited Thomas' saloon early in the evening when Mulligan was there. The witnesses testified that Mulligan left the saloon after one o'clock Friday morning.

The testimony was conflicting and is as follows;

Harry Thomas testified that he was a saloon keeper, place of business corner of Main and James streets, Saugerties. Had known Captain Mulligan almost four years. He was in his saloon Thursday night. Came in first at 7 o'clock, and was there only a few minutes. He could not remember who was in then, but there were only one or two. He came in again about 9 o'clock, with George Joy. He called up two or three to the bar and had a drink. At the same time there were in the saloon George Joy, Will Hill, Will Spatz, Fred Hildebrandt, and Arthur Russell. The Captain called up Joy, Hill and witness to the bar, and laid down 15 cents for the drinks. Then Arthur Russell, George Joy and witness and Mr. Mulligan went into the middle room and the Captain proposed a game of cards and they played joker euchre, and they sat there until about ten o'clock, the four of them. Then they came out into the bar room, sat at a table,

and played there until about 12 o'clock. Each had a sandwich at the bar. While eating them Mr. Mulligan proposed another game of cards. Got through that, and he stood up in front of the bar a few minutes, when Arthur Russell and George Joy started for home. That was about one o'clock. Mulligan stood talking to witness, telling him what happened to him at Whitehall. That he got in a little trouble about identifying a person getting a money order in the post office. He came out to find out afterwards it was the wrong party that got the money order. Captain Mulligan then bade him good night and left the place. That was about a quarter past one. In the evening Frank Dougherty came in. That was between 9 and 10 o'clock. Dougherty said he was looking for a man about a horse that ran away from him, that belonged out in the country. Whether he said West Saugerties or Toodleum he forgot. He did not pay much attention to him, because he was under the influence of drink by the looks of him. He was not in over half a minute altogether. Mulligan was not in the room where Dougherty was and "I do not believe he could see him, as he did not go back far enough." Witness mentioned as other parties being in the saloon that evening, William Merchant, a quarter of 10 o'clock, and Thomas Slade, who came in before 10 o'clock. He wanted a sandwich, and she [sic] made him one, and he went out. He was in there not over five minutes.

When Slade was in, Mulligan and the others were just coming out into the bar room from the middle room. This is why witness noticed Slade being there. He did not believe that he was under the influence of liquor. He had his face marked up a little. Said he had had a scrap. Mulligan did not say anything about where he had been. When the Captain was in at seven o'clock he started over to the post office, as the witness understood him to say. Most of the time when the captain's boat was in the creek he visited the place of business. "He was just like home with us." When asked if Mulligan was a strong man, he answered "About my build." He did not display money while at his place. During the time he had known the captain never knew him to display money. The captain had five drinks that evening. First gave him fifteen cents in change, and the other five drinks he paid for by giving him a one dollar bill and receiving 75 cents change. Thought the change was three quarters of fifty cents and a quarter. The Captain was not under the influence of liquor when he left his place, said he had never known him to be under the influence of liquor. He usually drank ponies, that is small glasses. Witness did not notice any one looking in his place that night.

Arthur Russell testified the same as the saloon keeper regarding the movements of the Captain inside the saloon. Witness heard Frank Dougherty in the place, and he asked Thomas who it was, and Thomas looked and said it was Dougherty. When witness left the saloon Captain Mulligan and Harry Thomas were the only ones there.

Witness went home a few minutes after one o'clock. He did not think Mulligan was under the influence of liquor. He did not show any roll of bills, and he did not see him use money at all, and did not hear him say anything about a check he had received from James T. Maxwell.

John D. Van Keuren was called to prove the identity of the Captain with the dead man.

Alonzo Shultis testified that on the Thursday night in question, in company with Abe Holsapple and Claude Derby, he went coon hunting down to Mt. Marion, and when he came back the moon was shining very bright. They looked at the town clock and said; "We are early yet." It was only twenty-five minutes past one o'clock by the town clock. Holsapple and Derby went down West Bridge street, and witness came by the drug store and saw that the place of Thomas was all lighted up. He saw Mr. Mulligan standing in the door hold of the door knob talking. He had kown [sic] Mulligan some time as captain of a boat. The witness turned the corner as he got to Mac Russell's store, he heard footsteps, as though the man was coming behind him. He looked around because he thought it was funny if the Captain came that way. He listened, and the footsteps became more distant. Witness did not hear of the murder until some one told him the next morning.

The inquest was then adjourned until Monday two o'clock at the court room.

2215. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1896. MULLIGAN INQUEST RESUMED. – The Third Hearing Held in the Court Room To-day. – Evidence Taken of the Four Witnesses Who Came Over from Tivoli Early That Morning. – Testimony of Other Witnesses Who State they saw a Suspicious Character.

The inquest relative to the death of Patrick Mulligan, the murdered boat man, was resumed in the court room this morning at eleven o'clock. District Attorney Chas. F. Cantine, conducted the examination of the witnesses. The first witness was Eugene Carl, whose testimony was as follows:

Went over to Tivoli the night before the murder, while over there was in company of Willis Decker, Kate Funk, Gertie Plass and Nellie McDermott; I went over on the steamer Saugerties at six o'clock. I remained in Madalin until ten o'clock and then went down to Morey's hotel. Daniel Kane, William Lasher and Henry Thompson was there. We started to come home at a little after ten o'clock. We had Sweeney's row boat. Lasher and Thompson brought the boat over. Daniel Kane came over on the Saugerties with me. After we started we could not get over on account of the tide and wind. We went back to Morey's hotel and stayed until twenty minutes past one o'clock and started again. We had two pairs of oars, and arrived at Sweeney's dock about ten minutes to two. We came up from the dock and Lasher took an oar he borrowed of Jim Shultis and put it in his shed. We came up the road single file. I was in the lead. We turned in the path above the iron rail and came down through Dublin. It was very bright, just like day. It was about ten minutes to two. I did not see or hear anything only when we passed King's house, I heard the dog bark. I called him by name, Shine." He was a black dog. We would have seen the body if it had laid on road. I did not see Mulligan the day before the murder. I knew his barge was in the creek. Louis Carle is a relative of mine.

I did not see Flynn, Daly, Connelly, Tom King, Carl, or Dougherty. Doyles' barn is about a couple blocks from where I live.

William Lasher swore he went over the river at a quarter to six o'clock in a row boat with Henry Thompson. Went over to see a young lady named Jacobs and spent the evening with her. Came down to Patsy Morey's hotel and met Kane, Thompson and Carle. Carle and Kane went over on the Saugerties. When we started the tide was running down and the wind blew; we anchored at Livingston's boat dock house and went back to Morey's and staid until twenty minutes past one. We did not drink anything. We got in the creek about fifteen minutes to two. We had two pair of oars. We came up the road and went down through Dublin. We walked single file.

It was bright moonlight. Did not see any person. Did not see King, Connelly or Dougherty. Saw a black dog as we passed King's he was barking; his name was "Shine." I knew Mulligan by sight. I passed his barge in the creek. Did not know he carried much money. I am sure it was King's dog.

Henry Thompson corroborated the testimony of Lasher and Carle, also said he did not know Mulligan. Witness saw Mulligan when he was going over the river; he was near the office of W. Porter. Mulligan asked Lasher where we were going. Lasher answered and said fishing. Mulligan said it's no good. Lasher said we're going fishing for girls. Did not see Dougherty.

William Lasher recalled stated he saw Mulligan on Maxwell's dock when going over the river. Also corroborated what Thompson said about fishing for girls.

Abram Holsapple said he had been coon hunting in company with Claude Derby and Alonzo Shultis and that they parted at the town clock, twenty-five minutes past one o'clock on the morning on [sic] the murder.

Claude Derby corroborated Holsapple's testimony and that when near the residence of Carroll Whitaker, on West Bridge street, he saw a man behind the tree, the man dived across the street and pulled his cap down over his eyes. He had a light sack coat on and wore dark pants. He was a medium sized man heavily built. Did not think him Dougherty. I told Holsapple I thought he was trying to do up Carroll Whitaker.

Holsapple was re-called and corroborated Derby's testimony. Witness said he didn't think he could identify the man; did not know if he had a moustache; heard no noises near his house in Montgomery

street. The man wore a light sack coat and dark pants. He was walking fast, saw him first below Whitaker's house.

Derby recalled, said he couldn't see the man's face. First saw him behind a tree; when we came he ran across the street. Don't think I could identify him. Thought it was suspicious.

As we go to press the examination of witnesses is being continued.

2216. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 5, 1896. – Mulligan Inquest Resumed – The Third Hearing Held in the Court Room Thursday. – Evidence Taken of the Four Witnesses Who Came Over from Tivoli Early That Morning – Testimony of Other Witnesses Who Stated they saw a Suspicious Character.

As we went to press yesterday, the examination of witnesses were given.

Daniel Kane testified as follows:

I knew Captain Mulligan by sight. I went over the river on the steamer Saugerties at six o'clock the night before the murder. While over there, I called on some young ladies, returned to Patsy Morey's. Witness corroborated testimony of his companions relative to leaving Tivoli dock, and the return to Morey's. I arrived at my home about five minutes of two. I did not see Mulligan the day before the murder. Near King's house I heard a dog bark. Did not see or hear anybody on my way coming home. I am not employed now. I have talked with the other boys about us coming by the place since. I have not visited the place where Mulligan was murdered. I had no desire to go there.

George Lang swore as follows: I remember coming up West Bridge street the night before the murder about quarter past one o'clock and passed Claude Derby and Abram Holsapple. I went home through First street thence through Livingston street to my home. Did not see anyone coming that way.

George Dial was sworn and his testimony is: I knew Mulligan and saw him quite often and spoke to him occasionally. On the night before the murder I left Decker's soloon [*sic*] at twenty minutes past nine o'clock and went home through Jane street. I did not hear or see any strange man go up Bridge street, I knew nothing of the murder until the next morning when my brother Louis told me. It was eight o'clock. I have not been down to the place where Mulligan was murdered. I have not heard, expressed or formed any opinion how Mulligan was murdered. George Peters was in Decker's saloon when I was there, I did not see Dougherty that night, and did not see Mulligan the day before he was murdered. I did not wear any overcoat on that night as I seldom

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wear one. My hands were hurt about two years ago, but have had no injury since.

The inquest was then adjourned until Wednesday at 11 o'clock.

2217. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 9, 1896. MULLIGAN INQUEST RESUMED. – The Fifth [*sic*] Hearing Relative to Mulligan's Death. – Court Room Crowded With Eager Spectators. – The Examination of Several Colored People Who Live Near the Scene – Peter Cantine Conducts the Examination.

The court room was crowded with spectators at the fourth hearing in the inquest, relative to the death of Mulligan, the murdered boatman, on the morning of November 29<sup>th</sup>, this morning.

Peter Cantine conducted the case for the people in the absence of District Attorney Cantine, who was unable to be present.

The first witness sworn was Mrs. Elizabeth Joy, and her testimony is as follows:

George Joy is my son. I did not know when he came home the night before murder, but know he was in bed at half past one o'clock. He went out that evening about seven o'clock. He said nothing about it the next day. I am sure it was half past one o'clock. I did not know how long he had been in bed.

Katie Joy said she knew nothing about when her brother returned home.

Clarence Bassett testified that he knew Mulligan. Saw Mulligan the night before he was murdered. Saw him on the crosswalk near the post office. It was about quarter past seven o'clock. Did not see him later. Know Dougherty did not see him that night. Saw Dougherty last on Monday before the murder.

Went to my brother's after I seen Mulligan, staid [sic] there until quarter past nine o'clock. William Brown is my brother; he lives opposite the Catholic Church. Went from his house, home. Did not hear any noise. Saw where the body lay next morning. Have heard nothing about how Mulligan was killed. Stephen Basset said he knew Mulligan, saw him the night before the murder about quarter to eight; no one was with me, went home, staid there, heard no unusual noise, knew nothing about the murder. Heard my dog bark about half-past eight.

William Brown: I was not outside the house the night before Mulligan was murdered. My half brothers came to my house that night, no one else was there. I went to bed about a quarter to eight, went to sleep quickly. I am a sound sleeper; did not hear anyone. I knew Dougherty saw him Tuesday before the murder, saw him after. Don't remember of Dougherty's coming to my house the morning of the murder. I go to the dock every morning about 6:30 or 7 o'clock to look for work. I did not tell anyone that a person came to my house to wash his hands which had blood on them, not one came to wash before or after breakfast, the only one was William Van Etten, a cousin of mine who told me about the murder. We lock our door every night and put a chair against it. The door is locked by a button. I am sure I locked it. My wife opened the door to let my brothers in. We always keep it locked.

Charles Cantine said he saw Mulligan the night before he was murdered saw him on the crosswalk near the post office. Clarence Bassett was with me; went home at half-past eight o'clock and staid there; did not go out after. Saw Dougherty on Friday afternoon, the day of the murder at Clarence's house. No one said anything about the murder. Dougherty didn't come to Brown's the morning of the murder. I did not see the body of Mulligan. During the night I was awakened by Mrs. Brown who was dreaming. I lighted a cigarette; it was about a quarter to two; I looked at the clock; staid awake about twenty minutes; heard dogs making an awful noise toward King's house. I did not open the door or go out. As we go to press the examination is being continued.

2218. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 10, 1896. — MULLIGAN INQUEST RESUMED. — The Fifth Hearing Relative to Mulligan's Death. — Court Room Crowded With Eager Spectators — The Examination of Several Colored People Who Live Near the Scene. — Peter Cantine Conducts the Examination. The court room was again filled with eager listeners at the Mulligan inquest Wednesday afternoon and much conflicting evidence was give as we went to press.

The examination of Hertford Coon was begun, and he swore he was out quite late the night before the murder and while going down Main street near Russell Block, saw a man standing about fifty feet in James street on Seamon's side, the man was about five feet eight inches tall, and wore dark clothes. I did not recognize him, I took out my watch, it was five minutes past one o'clock. I did not stop by walked slowly down Main street. The man wore no overcoat. It was bright moonlight, saw nightwatchman [sic] Abeel and Krantz at Davis' corner, witness told Abeel about the man acting suspicious and Abeel went up. I went down Partition street, I saw another man standing opposite Brede's barn in Jane street, the man wore a light Ulster overcoat, he was shorter than the other man on James street. Witness walked down Partition street; a man came out of Jane street. I was on the east side of Partition street, the man wore dark clothes. Witness thought the man was white, and a little taller than Dougherty. The man in James street wore a slouch or derby hat, the man in Jane street wore a low hat and had his coat collar turned up, heard no noise after. I reached home about twenty minutes past one.

Charles Abeel corroborated Coon's testimony and said he took precaution to come up the middle of the road, met Chris. Stauss who said he saw no one. I went through James street thence to Jane to West Bridge around by the bank and when I reached the Postoffice I took out my watch it was quarter past one, saw a light in Thomas' saloon.

Samuel Hallenbeck, Sr., swore his wife told him that a man came to his house about five o'clock the morning of the murder and asked for some matches, she said he was the man whom witness had loaned

harness to a few days ago and that it was Dougherty. She only saw one man but heard some on talking with him.

Geo. Joy sworn said: On the night before the murder I met Captain Mulligan on Van Buskirk's corner and went to Harry Thomas' saloon with him. During the evening we had drinks and played cards. About 12:30 o'clock we stopped playing. Some body looked in the door, and about two o'clock, in company with Arthur Russell, I went home. During the evening somebody came in the saloon and asked for a man from West Saugerties, saying his horse had run away. I asked Mr. Thomas who it was and he said it was Dougherty. I arrived home at eight minutes past one. There was no one in the saloon except Mr. Mulligan and Mr. Thomas when I left and I did not meet any one on the way home on West Bridge street.

Aaron Taylor was called and responded, "I am coming, I am coming." On the night of the 19<sup>th</sup>, he said, I was at home in Unionville where I am employed by John Jordan. Charles Cantine told me that Frank Dougherty came to Clarence Basset's house on the morning of the murder and had his hands washed at about daylight. Charles Cantine told me this story shortly after the murder was committed.

William Hill was sworn and testified to being in Thomas's saloon the night previous to the murder.

Henry Krantz the night watchman on Partition street was sworn and testified that he did not see any one on his beat that acted suspicious that night.

An adjournment of one hour was taken to wait for the arrival of Charles Cantine, the last witness, who denied making any statement to Aaron Taylor in reference to Dougherty washing his hands at Basset's house on the morning of the murder. Afterward he testified that he had heard Clarence Basset's sister say the Dougherty had washed his hands at their house and that Dougherty said he had been fighting. John Jordan, was sworn and said, Charles Cantine told him that Dougherty said to him, "If he wanted to go out there was a stake in it." He knew more than I dare tell and if he told all he knew his head would not be as good as a rooster's. Charles Cantine told my wife yesterday, that Mrs. Bassett has the poodle and she has left town.

Jordan was not allowed to testify further, and the inquest was adjourned to Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

2219. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 12, 1896. — PERSONS UNKNOWN COMMITTED THE MURDER. — The Jury Bring in a Verdict Friday Afternoon. — The Inquisition Finally Concluded After Several Hearing and Nothing That Will Lead to a Clue was Discovered — An Exciting Scene in the Court Room.

The sixth hearing in the inquest relative to the death of Captain Mulligan, the murdered boatman, was continued in the court room Friday afternoon. The court room was crowded, as at former hearings. The evidence of several witnesses was read for information.

James Connelly was the first witness sworn, who said that on the night of the murder he stayed at Maggie Bassett's house. I knew Captain Mulligan and saw his body on the morning he was murdered. I knew Frank Dougherty, and last saw him alive Friday morning, the day of the murder, at Clarence Bassett's, at 9:30. I did not see him wash his hands or hear anything about his washing his hands there. Dougherty said to me he had been in a fight up street with Thomas Slade.

Conrad Wineand testified, on the night of the murder he was home. I know Clarence Bassett. I remember being at his house one day recently. I heard Maggie Bassett say that Dougherty came there and washed his hands, and inferred it was to wash his hands of blood. I was at Bassett's house in the afternoon. Chas. Cantine, Sr., was present when I heard the above conversation. No one has approached me and asked me to keep any of my knowledge from the jury.

Officer D. E. Abeel was sworn, and said: I am constable, and do not consider I have anything to do with this inquest. I do not think I have suggested the names of any witnesses to the coroner or his jury. I did, however, suggest the names of six witnesses, and afterwards withdrew four.

The Coroner then said, upon the advice of the District Attorney: I am ready to close up this case and present it to the jury. I propose to draw the line and submit the question to you to bring in a verdict.

This inquest has lasted three weeks. I have sworn thirty-five witnesses and desire to leave further inquiry in the hands of the District Attorney and the grand jury.

Juror Harry Hildebrandt, was given and floor and said: I think it right that the jury should state their position. We are sworn to perform, if possible, our duty, and we are willing to do all we can to ferret out this matter, but if this jury is going to be in the way in meting out justice to the guilty parties, I am willing to say amen and close the case. I want the public to understand the position of this jury. The coroner read the oath of the jury and made the following charge: Gentlemen of the jury your duty as jurors is: First, to find if a crime has been committed, and if so who did it, and how was it committed. A crime that has no parallel in the history of the town.

I place the case in your hands, as you all know the manner of his death and if you have any doubt as to who caused it, you render a verdict as to who probably caused it. The jury then retired and after deliberation brought in the following verdict.

We the undersigned member [*sic*] of the jury in the matter of the murder of Patrick Mulligan (captain of the barge James A. Feeney) after having all the evidence submitted by the coroner Warren Kemble, assisted by the District Attorney, Charles F. Cantine and after mature deliberation have arrived at the conclusion that said Patrick Mulligan came to his death by the hand of hands of some person or persons unknown to this jury between the hours of one and six o'clock on the morning of Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 1896.

Howard Bogardus, foreman; Thomas B. Belch, William V. Burhans, William E. Van Buskirk, Charles Kiernan, Luther Forsmire, James Carew, H. A. Hildebrandt, J. Smith Elmendorf, Patrick Corcoran, Wm. Mac Russell, James R. Martin.

#### 2220. Dates When the River Has Closed.

The dates at which the river has closed at Albany for the past 20 years is as follows: December 9, 1872; November 22, 1873; December 12, 1874; November 29, 1875; December 2, 1876; December 31, 1877; December 20, 1878; December 20, 1879; November 25, 1880; January 2, 1881; December 4, 1882; December 15, 1883; December 19, 1884; December 13, 1885; December 3, 1886; December 20, 1887; December 14, 1888; open all winter 1889; December 3, 1890; December 24, 1891; December 22, 1892; December 6, 1893; December 24, 1894; December 9, 1895. It will be seen by the above that during nine years the river closed later than December 17, and one year did not close at all.

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#### 2221. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 15, 1896. The Mulligan Murder. – The Evidence Given Will Probably be Useful in Locating the Guilty Parties.

Now that the inquisition relative to the death of Patrick Mulligan, the boatman who was cruelly murdered on the morning of November twentieth, has been decided by the jury that he came to his death by persons unknown, yet the evidence of several of the last witnesses tends to increase the theory and inference of the people that Frank Dougherty, the arrested suspect, who committed suicide in his cell, was implicated in the dastardly deed. His appearance at Thomas' saloon the night previous to the murder with a rambling inquiry about some man's horse had run away, proved to be an untruth, as several reputable citizens who had been on the streets that evening deny that such an event occurred. His coming to Bassett's house the morning following the murder at an early house [*sic*] and washing his hands which are supposed to have had blood stains on them, his appearance at Samuel Hallenbeck's residence at about five o'clock on the same morning inquiring the time and begging some matches, together with his remark while under arrest, that he "got thirty-seven cents out of it," and his refusal to either affirm or deny that he knew nothing concerning the murderous affair, are regarded as suspicious circumstances, and the chain of evidence had begun to weave in such a manner that no one doubts Dougherty's knowledge of the affair. At the request of District Attorney Cantine, Coroner Kemble

closed up the inquest, so as to enable the officers at work on the case to bring something to light, and arrests may follow at any moment which we hope will soon be consummated.

2222. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 27, 1897. - A Hearing Had.

District Attorney Charles F. Cantine and his stenographer Isadore Ellis, of Rondout, were in town Tuesday and held a private hearing in the office of Peter Cantine relative to the murder of Patrick Mulligan. Several witnesses were examined by Mr. Cantine as to their knowledge of the murder, but nothing can be learned. It is stated on good authority that some developments will soon be made known.

2223. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 28, 1897. - Arrested for the Murder.

Thomas King was arrested this morning by detective John F. McCullough and his associate, officer D. E. Abeel, upon the charge of being implicated in the murder of the late Captain Mulligan. He was taken before Judge Coon who committed him to the lockup. Upon being placed in the lockup, he requested that he be placed in the cell which Dougherty committed suicide. A hearing was held this afternoon. District Attorney Cantine was present. At the time of going to press no further particulars could be learned.

2224. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 29, 1897. - THOMAS KING ARRAIGNED - Before Judge Coon Thursday Afternoon. - District Attorney Cantine Appears for the People and Carroll Whitaker for King. - A Private Hearing.

The adjourned hearing of Thomas King arrested by Detectives McCollough and Abeel Thursday morning, for being implicated in the atrocious murder of Patrick Mulligan, the boat man, on the road heading to the dock Friday morning, November twentieth, between the hours of one and six o'clock, was held Thursday afternoon.

When the officers went to arrest King, it is said he ran upstairs to the garret and endeavored to hide himself.

The dastardly crime is fresh in the minds of the people and the rumors have flown thick and fast, while officer David E. Abeel and Detective John F. McCullough have worked on the case and nothing has developed until the present time.

The arrested suspect, Frank Dougherty, would probably had aided in establishing a clue had he not committed suicide by cutting his throat in his cell, and it is supposed he knew all about it.

At the hearing King was represented by Carroll Whitaker, who, in opening the case for the defence said that his client was charged with the highest offense known to law and that if he was guilty he should be punished, if he was innocent, he should be discharged. The crime was a serious one and the whole community is aroused; that his sister and brothers believe him to be innocent and that in the interest of the public, the examination should be a public one.

Mr. Whitaker then examined the warrant and the affidavit on which King had been arrested and asked for the discharge of prisoner on the ground that the law demands an affidavit must certify both belief and information.

He said he knew of courts that had sustained affidavits on belief and information and not belief alone. This affidavit is alleged by John F. McCullough that he believes one Thomas King to be guilty of the murder of Mulligan.

McCullough has no information, only a belief. Mr. Whitaker continued and said. I have suspicion myself on three different ones but have not the sufficient information to hold them. He then instructed to judge to place in his minutes that the allegation was not a positive one, that the warrant of arrest on which the prisoner is held is based upon information, which information, does not appear in the complaint.

The Judge ruled that the complaint was sufficient.

Mr. Whitaker asked for a public hearing, saying it was the request of the prisoner's family that the hearing be a public one, as the public was interested, and their side were willing to have the facts published.

District Attorney Cantine objected to a public hearing, saying that the ends of justice have been frustrated many times by public hearings.

Mr. Whitaker argued in favor of a public hearing, saying that heretofore all hearings had been public ones, and said he did not see how justice could be frustrated.

Mr. Cantine said he had reasons for not having it public, and did not think it was advisable, and then moved that all be excluded from the room.

Mr. Cantine requested that the reporters be excluded.

Mr. Whitaker argued that they be allowed to remain.

The Judge overruled Mr. Whitaker and the hearing was made private.

The following witnesses were sworn Dr. S. Lyman Dawes, William Wright, Harry Thomas, John Wright and William Slade.

In the evening King testified and denied all knowledge of the murder. Hon. Peter Cantine represented the people in the absence of the District Attorney.

Lawyer Whitaker renewed his request for the discharge of the prisoner, which was refused, and the hearing was adjourned until this morning at which time Judge Coon decided that the evidence was not strong enough to hold the prisoner, and discharged him.

2225. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 8, 1897. — THOMAS KING RE-ARRESTED. As the Suspected Murderer of Captain Patrick Mulligan.

When the train on the West Shore road due here at 12:38 arrived at the station Saturday, it brought Detective John F. McCullough, who has been in New York the past few days and District attorney Charles F. Cantine.

Shortly after their arrival a conference was held in the office of Peter Cantine, and rumors began to fly about that an arrest was to be made. A warrant was procured from Judge Coon and Detectives McCullough and Abeel secured a two-seated sleigh at Davis' livery and drove off in the direction of Malden. About half past four o'clock they returned bringing with them Thomas King whom they arrested at the Consolidated Ice Company's house at Malden where he was working. King had been arrested by the same officers on Thursday January 29<sup>th</sup> and after a private hearing before Judge Coon was discharged owing to the evidence adduced being insufficient to hold him

It will be remembered that when the officers endeavored to arrest King the first time, a week ago, they were threatened by the other members of the King family, and a representative of the POST learned the other evening that Margaret King, the arrested man's sister, had said she would kill the party if she knew who was the cause of Tom's arrest. When King was arrested the first time he insisted upon being put in the cell in which Frank Dougherty had committed suicide, and his request was granted. About then o'clock that night King's sister and brother came to the lockup as Detective McCullough was leaving and tried the door. McCullough asked the sister what she wanted and she replied that she wanted to see Tom. She was told that it was too late.

She said she didn't want anything to happen him. [*sic*] McCullough said he didn't think he would kill himself. She said she did not know whether he would or not. King ate very little during his first arrest, and seemed worried, but now has a good appetite. After a long delay in waiting for Judge Coon, Saturday King was arraigned and in the absence of his counsel, pleaded not guilty, and he was committed to the lockup until this morning at eleven o'clock, when a private hearing was held before Judge Coon, and later was adjourned until one o'clock.

As we go to press, the hearing is being continued.

2226. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 9, 1897. – WILL SLADE FAINTS AWAY. – While Bring Examined at the King Hearing.

The second preliminary examination of Thomas King, charged with the murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan before Judge Coon, was commenced at eleven o'clock Monday morning. District Attorney Cantine appeared for the people, and Carroll Whitaker for the prisoner. The following witnesses were sworn for the people. Dr. S. L. Dawes, J. F. McCullough, Henry Tompkins, Harry Thomas, George Joy, Charles Slater, George Morse, Lawrence Lasher, Joseph Keenan, George B. Sickles and William W. Slade. Each witness was examined privately and was subject to a searching and rigid cross examination, lasting about one hour, and more by the prisoner's counsel.

During the cross-examination of Wm. W. Slade, by Mr. Whitaker. Slade broke down and fainted. Stimulants were procured, but before he could be revived at eleven o'clock, P. M. an adjournment was taken until half-past eleven o'clock this morning. It is said that the statement made by witness Slade at the first hearing on Jan, 28 and then one last evening do not coincide, and that realizing his position was unable to stand the strain and swooned.

HENRY KING ARRESTED

This morning, as Detectives McCullough and Abeel were bringing Thomas King from the lockup to the court room at a quarter past eleven o'clock, Henry King, a brother of the prisoner, attempted to take the prisoner away from the officers, in front of the post office, and continued threatening them as they went upstairs. In an interview with Detective McCullough, the POST representative learned that this is the third time Henry King has threatened him, and he informed King that he would hurt him if he did not cease. King's sister persuaded her brother to cease, but he followed the officers to the lockup and insisted upon going in. He was refused admission by McCullough and drawing his hand back as if to secure a weapon from his pocket said "I've been going to do you a good while and guess I'll give it to you now." McCullough consulted Abeel and they decided in order to save trouble to lock King up and immediately a scuffle ensued in which King fought and kicked and Officer Abeel's hand was badly lacerated. King was finally locked up.

NOTES OF THE HEARING.

The prisoner's counsel states that all that has been heard and seen of threats and defiance by the King family is rubbish. They ridicule the idea of Tom's being guilty; say he is the coward of the family. Mr. Whitaker believes King is innocent and insists he is being made a scapegoat of; that they have no evidence against anyone and in good time Tom will be acquitted, and the real murderers of Capt. Mulligan will go unpunished.

A rumor was rife on streets Monday that a detective had been working unknown to King at the ice house and learned new evidence.

Detective McCullough was on the stand for two hours and was given a rigid examination.

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The reason assigned by the detective for Slade fainting away is that he was threatened with his life, if he gave any damaging evidence, by Patrick King. He was thoroughly frightened and the heat of the room caused him to faint.

Patrick King said a good many others will faint before they are through with this and made other threats against the witnesses and the officers. He was asked to keep quiet and was finally ejected from the lockup last night, where he had gone to say goodnight to his brother.

King seems indifferent and laughs as the testimony goes on, and is unconcerned about the affair.

Witness William Slade is confined to his home with an attack of nervous prostration. He is under the care of Dr. Montgomery.

2227. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 10, 1897. – The Examination Not Finished – Henry King Released From Custody in the Afternoon.

The examination of Thomas King the suspected murderer was not concluded Tuesday, owing to the illness of William Slade, one of the witnesses for the people, who is suffering from nervous prostration. The hearing began about eleven o'clock and was adjourned until two o'clock when Dr. C. T. Montgomery, who is in attendance on Slade, swore that Slade is very ill and could not answer any questions, and that Slade was liable to go crazy. The hearing was then adjourned until Thursday at eleven o'clock.

Henry King who was locked up for threatening the detectives Tuesday was released about five o'clock in the afternoon.

2228. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 12, 1897. – The Hearing Adjourned.

The hearing in the murder case was again adjourned yesterday until to-morrow, owing to the illness of Slade, at the request of the District Attorney, and says he is in a precarious condition, and it is hoped he may be able to answer questions to-morrow. There was some talk of holding a hearing at Slade's home, but it was abandoned. King says he does not get enough to eat, while officer Abeel says he furnishes Palmer House board. The District Attorney instructed the officer to give King all he wanted to eat.

2229. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 16, 1897. – THOMAS KING GETS A WRIT. - Judge Parker Issues One Directing the People to Produce Him in Court. – Counselor Whittaker Secured it Monday Owing to the Long Adjournment Taken by the Prosecution – King May be Released.

Carroll Whittaker attorney of Thomas King who is incarcerated in the lockup charged with the murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan the boatman and whose case has been adjourned until Friday appeared before Judge Parker in the Supreme court, at Kingston Monday afternoon and secured a writ of habeas corpus directing Judge Benjamin M. Coon and Officer David E. Abeel to produce King in court, at Kingston, this afternoon and show cause on what ground King is detained in custody.

Several hearings have been held since his arrest on February 6 and ever since the breaking down of William Slade one of the principal witnesses of the people, the case had been adjourned until Friday of this week.

King during this time has been under surveillance in his cell at the lockup. The petition of King's counsel sets forth that the adjournments have taken place without the consent and objection of the prisoner, that the code of criminal Procedure [sic] says an adjournment in such cases must not be more than two days without the consent of the prisoner, and it is claimed the adjournment until Friday gives King his freedom. It also says that there is no evidence implicating King and that no testimony has been taken since Monday.

District Attorney Cantine representing the people before the Judge, who said if the facts were as alleged in the petition, the prisoner would have to be discharged.

It is said that when the hearing was held at the residence of William Slade, who has been prostrated since last Monday, Slade said he had no recollection of what he said at the previous hearing.

Should King be discharged through the technicality raised by his counsel, it is probably that he will be re-arrested and brought before Judge Coon, and preliminary examinations will again have to be held.

2230. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 17, 1897. – KING IS RELEASED. – Judge Parker Signs the Order Tuesday Afternoon. – Will Remain at Home, Should the Officers Desire to Re-arrest Him. Release Secured Through a Technicality in the Proceedings.

Thomas King, the suspected murderer, who secured a writ of habeas corpus from Judge Parker as told in Tuesday's Post was taken to Kingston on Tuesday before the Judge who signed an order releasing him.

The Leader says:

Police Justice Coon and Constable Abeel, of Saugerties, to whom the writ was directed, were in court.

District Attorney Cantine said that through an unfortunate error on the part of the Justice in adjourning

the hearing before him from Monday until Friday without King's consent, it was necessary that King be discharged, for the Criminal Code provides in such cases that an adjournment shall not be for more than two days without the consent of the prisoner.

Mr. Whitaker asked that costs be imposed and was proceeding to argue that question, when Judge Parker said that he would not impose costs.

It appeared that the adjournment was a mistake and if every judicial officer was compelled to pay costs every time he made an error it would be very unfortunate.

Every one was expecting to see King arrested again at once, but he was not arrested. Mr. Whitaker said that he is not going to run away, and that if the District Attorney wanted to arrest him in the morning, he would not go to work on the ice, but would remain at home until the officer called for him.

2231. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 20, 1897. – The King Case.

District Attorney Cantine will bring the Thomas King case before the grand jury at Kingston Tuesday. Several persons in this village have received subpoenas to appear before that body. King was released through a technicality in the proceedings.

2232. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 26, 1897. KING INDICTED AND ARRESTED. Third Arrest of the Suspect by Detective McCullough and Officer Abeel. - Prison Now in Kingston Jail and is Depressed in Spirit – Trial Will Take Place in April at Kingston – Believed to be the Guilty Man.

On Tuesday forty-two residents of this village appeared before the grand jury in session at Kingston and gave testimony in the Mulligan murder case. Wednesday morning that body concluded their labors and brought in their report, which contained several sealed indictments, after which they were discharged.

One was charging Thomas King with the murder of Patrick Mulligan, the boatman on the morning of November 20<sup>th</sup>, in the first degree, and immediately District Attorney Cantine informed Detective McCullough and Officer Abeel, of this village.

The officers procured a rig and drove to the Whitney ice house, at West Camp, where King was working, and after chasing King, who wanted to evade them, about the ice finally arrested him.

King was brought to this village and placed in the lockup and later taken to Kingston on the 3:34 train on the West Shore Road where he is now languishing in the county jail.

He was somewhat depressed and the courage and indifference which he had hitherto maintained seemed to have left him. It is needless for us to rehearse the crime as it has been fully told in the columns of the Post.

This is the third time the prisoner has been arrested, the first release resulting from detective papers and his second, owing to a technicality in the proceedings.

Detective McCullough and Officer Abeel are confident that they have the guilty party and that others will soon be apprehended.

King's arraignment and trial will take place before Judge Chase and a jury in Supreme Court at Kingston in April.

2233. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 27, 1897. – A LETTER FROM KING. – The Accused Man Writes to "The Leader." - Protesting his Innocence of the Murder of Capt. Mulligan, He Asks All Who Believe Him Guilty to Attend his Trial – Says Mulligan Was His Friend – Visited by His Sister in the Jail.

The Kingston "Leader" is in receipt of a letter from Thomas King, who is incarcerated in the Kingston jail for murdering Captain Mulligan, which says:

King was visited at the jail Friday by his two sisters, one of whom lives in New York and the other in Saugerties. He continues to assert his innocence of the murder of Capt. Mulligan with the greatest vehemence and appears to look forward to his acquittal as an absolute certainty. During the morning, he wrote a letter to The Leader, when, with the exception of reference to the motives of the officers, is printed below:

I am in jail for the murder of Capt. Patrick Mulligan and I aint guilty. I have no suspicion who killed him. I wish I had. I want a trial right away but cant get none till April and I must be locked up till then. Abeel and Mc Cullough are to blame for it.

But I don't want any one to think that I killed Capt. Mulligan, who was my friend, and the friend of our family. All I want is a trial and I want every one who thinks me guilty to come to my trial and hear for themselves.

King seems to be anxious to have the public know that he claims to be entirely innocent. The circumstances which led up to his two arrests and his indictment by the Grand Jury have been kept secret by the District Attorney and the detectives. At the hearing before Police Justice Coon at Saugerties, only such evidence as given as appeared to the District Attorney to be sufficient to give the Justice some thing on which to hold King in custody. It is probable that the Grand Jury has heard the whole story. Some surprise is expressed that others have not been indicted, for it is generally believed that more than one person was concerting in the murder.

2234. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Apr. 8, 1897. – The King Trial Undecided. – Waiting for Edward Ennis, Who is Supposed to be a Good Witness.

The argument whether the trial of Thomas King, the suspected murdered, would come up at this term of court, owing to the absence of Edward Ennis, was heard before Judge Chase at Kingston, yesterday. Carroll Whitaker, counsel for King, opposed the postponement vigorously, and offered several affidavits from Ennis; relative stating that he knew nothing of the matter, and that his evidence would be of no value to the prosecution and said if necessary Ennis could be present Friday, if the county would assume the expense.

District Attorney Cantine argued that Ennis was the main witness and that his testimony would implicate two accessories of King.

Judge Chase advised the holding of a special term of court for trying the case, but Mr. Whitaker objected. After a long argument on both sides, the judge decided to county must furnish the \$32 to bring Ennis here, and held the matter open until to-morrow.

2235. The Three Largest Vessels of the World Compared.

The three "big ships" of the world may be compared in the following way: -

|                           | Length, | Draught, | Tonnage, | Horse Power. |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|----------|--------------|
| Oceanic                   | 704     | 26       | 17,000   | 45,000       |
| Great Eastern             | 680     | 30       | 19,000   | 2,700        |
| Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse | 648     | 26       | 14,000   | 30,000       |

The beam of the Oceanic is seventy-two feet against eighty-three for the Great Eastern and sixty-six for the Kaiser Wilhelm.

The Oceanic has a coal capacity sufficient to enable her to circumnavigate the globe at a speed of twelve knots and hour without recoaling.

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2236. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 9, 1897. – KING'S AFFIDAVIT READ. - At the Argument Before Judge Chase, Wednesday. – Read by his Counsel and Mentions Dougherty's Bloody Coat, an Old Jack Knife and Other Things Done – Asks no Favors.

During the argument in reference to putting over the trial of Thomas King in the Supreme Court, Kingston, Wednesday, Carroll Whitaker, his counsel, read the affidavit of King. In it King swore that he was indicted in February and arrested, and his since been confined in jail; that a reward of \$1,000 was offered by the town and village of Saugerties for the arrest of Mulligan's murder; that after the murder,

a Coroner's inquest was held, lasting from November 26 to December 9, and 31 witnesses were sworn, but Ennis was not called; that afterwards King was twice arrested on warrants issued by Police Justice Coon, on an information "made by one John F. McCullough, a private detective who has been in Saugerties in the Mulligan case since about November 21, 1896, and who has kept up a running persecution of deponent and others since that time, and whose motives and record will be shown at the proper time;" that the examinations following both of the arrests were private, against the wish of King, who wanted a public hearing; that 40 witnesses were subpoenaed before the Grand Jury, and at least some of the grand jurors reluctantly found an indictment and deponent was arrested for the third time and put in jail; that Ennis has stated that he knew nothing about the case, which could hurt or benefit anyone; that deponent is informed that the prosecution expect to prove by Ennis that an old coat or shirt or some other article of wearing apparel belonging the Frank Dougherty (the man who committed suicide while under arrest) hung in the barn of Peter Van Steenburgh, where Dougherty was in the habit of going, subsequent to the death of Mulligan; that it is well known in Saugerties that the blood on the clothing, if there was any, was caused by a fight Dougherty had with William Lasher, at least a month before Mulligan's death; that the only other testimony Ennis can give is that Dougherty gave Ennis an old rusty knife, as a present, and that Ennis afterwards sold it for 15 cents; that the same facts can be proved by members of the Van Steenburgh family and that deponent will not dispute any testimony of that kind and will simply explain by witnesses all that is known about the coat, the shirt and the knife; that Dougherty was intoxicated on the night of the murder and that deponent does not believe that Dougherty had anything to do with it, but if he did, he (King) cannot be held responsible; that he will prove where he was on the night of the murder from 8 o'clock until some time after the time of the murder; that his family were on the friendliest terms with Capt. Mulligan and lived within an eighth [sic] of a mile of where he was killed; that deponent is absolutely innocent of the murder, had no hand in it and has not even a suspicion of who did it; that he fears no testimony that can be produced against him and has not the least doubt of an acquittal on the trial; that he asks no favors but begs the court for a trial at this term, otherwise he will be compelled to remain in jail for six months.

2237. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1897. – King Arraigned.

Thomas King, charged with the murder of Capt. Patrick Mulligan in this village last November, was brought in from the jail and arraigned before Judge Chase Monday afternoon. King appeared to be as nonchalant as ever over his fate. He kept constantly chewing on something, leaned over the Clerk's desk in a familiar way and was at ease during the whole proceedings.

When asked whether he had counsel, King said he had none, and no money to procure a lawyer, and had no friends able to assist him. He would like to have Carroll Whitaker appointed to defend him.

Judge Chase assigned Mr. Whitaker to look after King's interests, and the prisoner was then arraigned.

Before pleading Mr. Whitaker said he wanted leave to inspect the minutes of the testimony taken before the Grand Jury. He told how King was twice arrested and twice discharged, once by Police Justice Coon and once on habeas corpus, and declared that the prevailing opinion was that King was innocent.

"The District Attorney," Mr. Whitaker said, "he had done his duty carefully, but the extraordinary methods pursued by a so-called private detective –"

Here District Attorney Cantine interrupted to ask what the motion was.

Mr. Whitaker rejoined that it was for leave to inspect the minutes of the Grand Jury. If there is a good case against King, it will harm no one; if there is a poor case, the inspection would benefit King. Possibly illegal testimony was given before the Grand Jury and that cannot be determined until the testimony is known.

Mr. Cantine said he wanted the motion put in writing, so that he could answer it intelligently.

Judge Chase said that he could entertain only a formal motion, and therefore denied the application of Mr. Whitaker, who then said that King would enter a plea of not guilty, and demand as speedy a trial as possible.

Mr. Cantine then made a motion to put the case over the term on the ground that Edward Ennist, one of the witnesses, had left Saugerties and was now at Johnsonburgh, Pennsylvania, beyond the reach of a subpoena. This he had not learned until Saturday, and he could not proceed to the trial without Ennist's testimony.

Mr. Whitaker replied that he would oppose the motion with all the power he could summon, because a postponement would keep King in jail until October. Ennist cannot possibly help the case by his evidence, and besides, he should have been subpoenaed before he left Saugerties.

Mr. Cantine said he would have subpoenaed him, if he had known that he intended to go away.

Judge Chase disposed of the matter by stating that a formal application on affidavits must be made by the District Attorney, and that he would hear the argument on Wednesday.

Ennist, the missing witness, was not examined before Justice Coon on the preliminary hearings. – Leader.

The motion of the District Attorney to put the case of the term was argued before Judge Chase yesterday by the District Attorney and Mr. Whitaker. The Judge denied the motion and set the case down for trial to-morrow. (Friday), and ordered that Edward Ennis, the absent witness, be sent for at once.

2238. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 11, 1897. – Ice House Burned.

At the Williamson banquet at Glasco, Tuesday night, a miniature ice house made of inflammable material, was set on fire and burned. First Assistant Chief Engineer, Ernest Hassinger, touched the match with which it was ignited.

2239. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 10, 1897. – To be Tried in June – The Case of Thomas King, the Suspected Murderer.

The trial of Thomas King, who is confined in the Kingston jail on the charge of murdering Captain Patrick Mulligan, will be held at a special term of court on June 21<sup>st</sup>. When the argument came up before Judge Chase Friday afternoon, at Kingston, Carroll Whitaker, counsel for King, stated that he had given Peter Van Steenburg, father-in-law of Edward Ennis, the \$32 ordered by the court to bring Ennis from Johnsonburg, Pa., and that he had received a telegram from Van Steenburg stating the inability [*sic*] to arrive here before this morning and asked the judge to set an early date for the trial. District Attorney Cantine said it would be impossible for him to try the case in April or May owing to a pressure of other business. Mr. Whitaker asked for June 1<sup>st</sup>, but after a conference with the judge it was decided as above. An extra panel of jurors will be drawn for the trial, and eighty witnesses will be examined. The trial will last about twelve days.

2240. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 12, 1897. – BURGLARS AT WORK. – Five Residences Entered Here on Tuesday Night. The Work of Out of Town Men Whom the Police Believe to be Professionals – Travel by Boat as They Were Seen to Leave.

Saugerties was the scene of a series of robberies Tuesday evening and the whole village is excited and in a state of perturbation over them. The residences of five of our prominent citizens were visited and the hauls made in some were quite large, valuable booty being secured, such as diamonds and other jewelry.

The robbers are believed to be a gang who are operating along the river towns, and the police are of the opinion that they are the same burglars who made raids in the City of Kingston on Monday night, and their work there corresponds exactly with the same done here. That they are professionals at the business is evidenced by the way in which they accomplished their nefarious and iniquitous work. The marauders after securing their booty, departed in a boat from the lower creek, as they were seen to leave Porter's stone dock by fishermen, who were scapping for herring nearby, and who were unable to discern their faces owing to the mist which prevailed during the night.

A Post reporter was informed that there were three or four in the boat. All day Tuesday and several suspicious characters were seen loitering about the place and especially in close proximity to where the burglaries were committed. Counsel Peter Cantine and B. Taylor Harris were the heaviest losers the others bring just visited. The trail of the burglars work seems to have been from Mr. Harris' on John street, then to Isaac Lazarus on Main street, across the yard to his father's Jacob Lazarus on Washington avenue, thence to the residences of Peter Cantine and George Seaman which adjoin one another on Main street.

A POST reporter visited the places robbed and learned that the thieves visited Mr. Harris first, as about 8 o'clock, or a few minutes later, while a nurse was getting his children ready for bed, she was unable to close the blinds owing to a ladder which was standing there. She went downstairs and informed Mr. Harris, and when he arrived the ladder had disappeared.

Nothing was thought of the matter until this morning he discovered that his diamond pin, two children's watches and his wife's diamond cluster pin, all were missing. An initial H gold scarf pin and a pair of gold cuff buttons, also bearing the initial H, which were lying on the dresser near the other jewelry was undisturbed.

The residence of Isaac Lazarus was entered by means of a ladder, the thieves climbing over the front porch and raising a window with the aid of a jimmy and prowled about inside but nothing was taken. They departed by way of the front door which was found unlocked this morning. Mr. Lazarus' father lives in the rear of his son's residence on Washington avenue, and the burglars visited him also. An entrance was effected through a window into the kitchen, but in their haste the thieves overturned a bottle standing on the table which awoke the family and they made a hurried exit, having secured nothing.

The final visit was made to Counselor Peter Cantine, and as in every other place visited, the ingress was made through a window into the sitting room. The clothes of Mr. Cantine were taken from his room and his pocketbook and another lying near-by, containing \$8.00 was taken. Also Mr. Cantine's gold watch and chain, diamond stud, silver handled knife and other small articles. The robbery was discovered by Mr. Cantine when arising and he was unable to find his wearing apparel in his room, but found them later down stairs strewn about the floor. An old hat was all secured at Mr. Seamon's as the intruders were frightened away before beginning their work. Mrs. Seamon is a sufferer from rheumatics and is unable to rest well and on hearing the noise about the house, she thought it was her husband. She called to him but received no response and upon investigation she discovered that robbers had invaded her home and left with only a hat. The house was also entered through a window. Officers David and Charles Abeel are working on the case and the police along the river have been instructed to keep a sharp lookout for the robbers.

2241. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 27, 1897. – TWO MORE BURGLARIES. – Believed to be the Work of Local Characters This Time. – Butzel's Store Entered and the Cash Drawer Emptied – Shears Residence Also Visited But Nothing Secured.

Robbers again made raids in our village Wednesday night, two places being visited, in one they were frightened away and in the other their haul was of not much value. The work was evidently done by local characters, for if the men have been professionals the large safe in one of the places would not have escaped their eye.

The store of John L. Butzel's Son, was entered in the rear by means of a ladder through a window, a small piece of glass being cut from one of the panes sufficiently large enough to

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allow a hand to be placed through. The sash locks were both opened and the window raised by the burglars. After getting inside the store the cash drawer containing some change, the exact amount not

being known, a revolver and two cigars was relieved of its contents. Nothing else of any value is missing from the store.

The residence of Peter Shear, on Russell street was also visited but before an ingress could be made the family were awakened by the tumult and noise made outside, and the burglars were frightened away. To a Post reporter Mrs. Shear said the one of her daughters heard one of the men say "put the ladder up this way," as if he didn't understand his business.

Neighbors living nearby also heard the noise which was shortly after midnight, and whom they believed were several men under the influence of liquor and who were carousing about.

Officer Charles E. Abeel arrested William Lasher this noon on suspicion of being one of the robbers and arraigned him before Judge Coon and the hearing was adjourned till 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

2242. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 28, 1897. THREE SUSPECTS ARRESTED! – Officers Abeel Lock Three Men Up On Suspicion – Two Captured at Sing Sing and One Here – Charged With the Wednesday Night's Robberies.

As stated in the POST that the burglaries committed on Wednesday night was evidently the work of local characters, three young men, one from this village and two from New York, one of the latter having formerly resided here, were placed in the village lockup on suspicion of having committed the robberies.

Officer David E. Abeel, learning early Thursday morning that two young men who were quite familiar with this place, were spending money quite freely at Tivoli, started for that place on the 8:50 ferry. On arriving there he found they had left on the 7:52 train going south, and had purchased no tickets of the agent. Office Abeel immediately telegraphed the chief of police at Sing Sing, who sent an officer to the station to intercept the men on their arrival. This he did and took them to the station house. The chief then wired Abeel at Tivoli that he had them.

Officer Abeel then telephoned to his brother, Officer Charles Abeel, in this village, to arrest William Lasher, which he did, and after having his man arraigned before Judge Coon, placed him in the lockup. Abeel took the 12:04 train out of Tivoli for Sing Sing, and brought back with him Eugene Carle, who resides in New York but who formerly lived here and Adopika Bouvienne, a Frenchman, also of New York. He arrived here on the 7:04 train and placed them in the lockup. Quite some money was found on each of these men.

The officers are inclined to believe that Carle and the Frenchman came from New York on Wednesday evening to Tivoli, where they stole a boat and rowed over here, and in company with Lasher committed the robberies. When placed in the lockup Lasher was happy as a lark, singing all the afternoon, manifesting no fear and was as unconcerned as could be.

A POST reported in conversation with a Tivoli man said when he came to Saugerties early Thursday morning. Carle was very much under the influence of liquor and the Frenchman was going through his pockets. This was near Patsey Morey's hotel.

When the prisoners were arraigned before Judge Coon this morning the court room was crowded. Considerable delay was made in securing counsel for the prisoners and finally M. F. Kenney was secured. Lawyer Fred. J. Dargan appeared for the people in the absence of District Attorney Cantine. When the charge was read, they pleaded not guilty. Lawyer Kenny [*sic*] moved for the discharge of the prisoners on the ground that the complaint showed that no goods were taken from Louis J. Butzel individually, also that the warrant set forth two crimes, burglary and larceny and the complaint alleges burglary. The court denied the motion. The prisoners waived examination and were committed to the Kingston jail to await the action of the grand jury.

2243. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 11, 1897. – THE BURGLARS INDICTED. – The Grand Jury Find a Bill Against Them. One of Them When Arraigned, Pleaded Guilty, and is Sentenced to Four Years and Five Months – Indicted for Complicity in the Harris and Butzel Robberies.

When the grand jury which has been in session at Kingston the past week brought in their report to the court, Thursday afternoon, among the indictments was one charging Eugene Carle, William Lasher and Adolph Bourienne with burglary in the second degree, in having on the night of May 11<sup>th</sup>, entered the residence of B. Taylor Harris, on John street, and stealing a number of diamonds and other articles, and also on the night of May 16<sup>th</sup>, with entering the store of L. J. Butzel. The trio were arrested by Officers David and Charles Abeel, on Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, and arraigned before Judge Coon. They waived examination and were committed to the county jail.

The story of the burglaries are still fresh in the minds of the people, the facts having been told in THE POST. Five residences being visited simultaneously on the evening of May 11<sup>th</sup>, and at the Harris and Cantine residence the burglars secured quite a haul. At the other places visited nothing of value was taken. At the Butzel robbery a revolver, about twenty-five dollars in cash and other articles were stolen. When Carle and Bourienne were arrested at Sing Sing, the revolver and quite a sum of money was found on them. The "Leader," in speaking of their arraignment says:

The three burglars, Eugene Carle, Adolph Bourienne, and William Lasher, were arranged. [sic] They came up bright, smiling and cheerful. Lasher wearing a red rose on his breast. Lasher lives in Saugerties, and Carle is a frequenter of that place. Carle and Lasher, and two other men, who have heretofore been named, came prominently before the public at the time of the Captain Patrick Mulligan murder at Saugerties for the reason that they came across the river, passed over the ground where Mulligan was murdered, exceedingly close to the time that the murder was committed, and swore they neither saw nor heard anything. The District Attorney told them that they had been indicted for the crime of burglary committed on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May at Saugerties, breaking into the dwelling house of Benjamin T. Harris with intent to commit a crime therein. They separately plead not guilty. A second charge was read, that they had committed grand larceny in the first degree, stealing from the house of said Benjamin T. Harris, one gold scarf pin, of the value of \$60. To this they also plead not guilty. They had no counsel. Carle said he would like to have Mr. Brinnier, and he didn't know whether his parents would pay for his defense or not. Lasher said he desired Carroll Whitaker to represent him.

Eugene Carle and Adolph Bourienne were then arraigned on another indictment, burglary in the third degree, committed at Saugerties the 27<sup>th</sup> of May, breaking into the store of Louis J. Butzel. Also for the crime of grand larceny, for stealing from said store \$26.41 and other articles. Carle plead not guilty and Bourienne plead guilty. Mr. Brinnier was assigned to defend Carle.

Bourienne said he would just as lief be sentenced now. Being examined he said he was 17 years old. His appearance showed that he was considerable older. He was short, dark complexion, black eyes, posed in a most nonchalant manner, twirled his hat in his fingers, at times smiled, showing a set of white teeth. He said he was born at Havre, France, had no home at present, his occupation was running an elevator. Had never been convicted before. The District Attorney upon being asked to give the facts of the case, told how Carle and Bourienne had come up from New York, crossed the river to Saugerties in a row boat and broke into the store between two and three o'clock in the morning. They were also connected directly with the other crimes for which they had been indicted, and it was perfectly clear that the defendant had committed the crime deliberately, and that it was not his first offence by any means. Not the slightest leniency should be shown.

Judge Clearwater, in sentencing him said he doubted from his manner whether anything the court could say would have any impression upon him and he was of the opinion that he was a bad boy. He sentenced him to Dannemora prison for four years and five months, whereupon the prisoner smiled.

2244. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 18, 1897. – Carle Sentenced.

The case of Eugene Carle, found guilty of burglary in the third degree in having robbed the store of Louis J. Butzel was moved by the district attorney for sentence Thursday afternoon. Judge Clearwater said that Carle was a member of a good family and spoke to him of the evil of liquor drinking and of bad associations. He sentenced him to Dannemora states [sic] prison for four years and six months.

2245. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. May 20<sup>th</sup> 1897.

Gustav F. Peters, formerly of this village died at Saranac lake Wednesday last. Mr. Peters was a cigar-maker and conducted a business in this place for a number of years. On account of failing health he was obliged to discontinue his business here and remove to Saranac lake in hopes of regaining his health. The deceased was a member of North American Lodge, No. 225, K. of P., of this village, also of the Cigarmakers' International Union. The remains were brought here for interment and the funeral services were held at the German Lutheran church on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock under the auspices of North American Lodge, No. 115, K. of P.

2246. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 30, 1897. Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

Peter Mower a much respected resident of this town died suddenly of heart disease at his residence at Cedar Grove, on Monday, June 28. He was born September 26, 1829, on the old family homestead near where is at the present station of the West Shore Railroad in this village. He had resided all his life in this town and was a carpenter and contractor, but of late years devoted his attention to farming and the cultivation of small fruits, in which he was successful, and has secured a considerable competence. He married Miss Lydia A. Valk on September 4, 1850, by whom he had three children, all of whom survive him. His wife died in 1868, and in 1877 he married Miss Catharine Wolven. He was an active member of the M. E. Church, and a good citizen.

2247. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 20, 1897. The Weather, as Reported From the Corner Drug Store. Showers to-night, and probably clearing off Wednesday.

DIED – MOWER – At Cedar Grove, June 28<sup>th</sup>, Peter Mower, aged 68 years and 9 months.

2248. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 19, 1897. – The Prisoners Discharged. - Evidence Insufficient to Warrant Conviction and They were Discharged by the Court.

The trial of John Daley, of this village, and John Van Steenburg and William Bush, of Kingston, charged with highway robbery in attacking a peddler named Max Eschler, near Smith's Landing, as told in THE POST recently, came up before Judge Heath, at Catskill, this morning. Daley was represented by Carroll Whitaker and Bush and Van Steenburg by Wm. D. Brinnier. District Attorney Charles F. Cantine of this county appeared for the people in the absence of District Attorney Gifford of Greene Co. Daley was tried first and the first witness for the prosecution was Mrs. Perry Low who admitted on the cross examination that the peddler told her that Detective John F. McCollough and Officer David E. Abeel had agreed to give him twenty-five dollars and pay all expenses if he would make a complaint against Daley. Perry Low another witness for the people swore he heard some laughing and hollering outside and that they were having fun with the peddler. When the people had finished their testimony Mr. Whitaker moved for Daley's discharge on the ground that the evidence was insufficient. Mr. Cantine opposed the motion, but the judge discharged Daley. Mr. Brinnier then moved for the discharged [sic] of Van Steenburg and Bush on the same ground as Daley's counsel had, and the judge discharged them. The prisoners had a number of witnesses but owing to insufficient evidence on the part of the people they were not examined.

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2249. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 2, 1896. – Among Our Firemen - R. A. Snyder Hose Company Nominate Officers for the Ensuing Year.

That R. A. Snyder Hose Company is one of the finest fire organizations in New York state is an acknowledged fact. That crack organization held a very interesting meeting Tuesday evening. Joseph B. Sheffield and Herbert Van Buskirk were elected active members. Officers for the ensuing year were also

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nominated and were as follows: Ernest Myer, President; Dr. Fred. D. Wygant, Vice-President; Albert Samm,[sic] Foreman; John A. Snyder, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Foreman; Irwin Ronk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Foreman; J. William Lackey, Secretary; William Ziegler; Treasurer; Henry A. Ohley, James Teller and Edward J. Lewis, Trustees; Ernest Hassinger, Janitor; Irwin Ronk, Representative; William Ziegler, Delegate to State Convention; Irwin Ronk, Proxy; Edward Moran and Edward Snyder, Delegates to Tri-County Convention. Ernest Hassinger was named for First Assistant Chief Engineer.

2250. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 3, 1896. – Knights Elect Officers.

At the regular convention of North American Lodge, No. 115 Knights of Pythias, held Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected:

Benjamin Gillespy, C. C.; Dwight L. Martin, V. C.; Brace Van Loan, P.; Judson Fuller, M. W; Herman Mittrach, M. E. ; Edgar Myer, M. of F.; Jeremiah France, K. of R. and S.; Albert Shear, M. A.; Lewis Kleeber, Representative; Andrew Simmons, Alternate; Isaac Lazarus, Trustee.

2251. Village Nominations – Candidates for offices to be Voted For on Tuesday Next.

The following are candidates for Directors, Water Commissioners, Assessors, Collector, Treasurer and Fire Wardens:

Directors – Ward No. 1, Charles E. Cornwell; Ward No. 2, A. P. Lasher; Ward No. 3, James D. Myer.

Collector – Ira Swart.

Treasurer – William H. Eckert.

Assessors - Ward No. 1, Jas. Crump; Ward No. 2, T. B. Cornwell; Ward No. 3, J. P. Russell.

Water Commissioners – 3 year term, G. W. Washburn; 3 year term, Howard Bogardus; 2 year term, Ovid T. Simmons.

Fire Wardens - Ward No. 1, James Reynolds; Ward No. 2, Ernest Hassinger; Ward No. 3, John A. Snyder.

This election will occur Tuesday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, at Firemen's Hall, from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

2252. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 11, 1897. - Card of Thanks.

I desire to express my heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the members of R. A. Snyder Hose Co., for presenting me with my uniform, assuring them that the gift will always be appreciated and that the company will always be held dear to me. John F. Bruckner.

2253. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 4, 1896. – The Shrier Inquest. – The Coroner's Jury Bring in a Verdict of Suicide.

The inquest in the case of John Shrier, who committed suicide at Dutch Settlement, last Sunday morning, was held Thursday at that place by coroner Kemble. A jury was impaneled with Ferdinand Snyder as foreman. The knife and razor with which the deed was committed was put on exhibition. Several witnesses were sworn, who testified that the last seen of him was the Saturday morning previous at ten o'clock. They also testified as to their entering the house through the window, and finding him lying on the floor dead, with his throat cut. The jury brought in a verdict that the deceased came to his death by his own hand.

2254. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 7, 1896. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Many Petitions at the Regular Meeting Saturday Evening – New Street Lamps to be Placed.

A regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening;

Directors Cantine, Quick, Cunyes, Lasher, Cornwell and Rogers were present. President Cantine presided.

A petition signed by all the residents of Jane street, requesting that a street lamp be placed between Partition and James streets was received and was granted by the Board.

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Upon motion a lamp was ordered placed on Ripley street, and the matter of a lamp on McCarthy street was referred to the street committee.

The ladies of the Congregational church were granted permission to have a transparency placed over street lights during their fair.

The committee on streets reported that the streets had been cleaned and a sewer on West Bridge street had been repaired.

The committee on finance reported that the treasurer's account had been checked up, the vouchers returned to the clerk, and that the accounts were correct. The report was accepted.

The President appointed directors Quick, Rogers and Cunyes as inspectors of the charter election.

The report of the village tax collector, D. E. Abeel, was received. Mr. Abeel was given a vote of thanks for his efficient work of collecting the taxes, and his bondsman released.

The following bills were ordered paid:

|   | GENERAL FUND |
|---|--------------|
| D. E. Abeel, collecting poll and dog tax,                                   | \$17.50      |
| Norman Cunyes, repairs on cistern and side walk near Congregational church, | 2.07         |
| H. Gleisner, 3 cross bridges,   | 1.50         |
| Saugerties Gas Co.,   | 58.66        |
| Kingston Freeman, warrant book,   | 12.50        |
| John Maxwell, lighting streets,   | 46.00        |
| E. B. Codwise, surveyor,  | 64.42        |
|   | ROAD FUND    |
| Wm. Doyle,  | 22.50        |
| James Donahue,  | 10.50        |
| Wm. Thumond,  | 6.75         |
| James Lavey,  | 4.50         |
| Robert Casey,   | 5.25         |
| Barney Reynolds,  | 3.75         |

On motion, the Board adjourned.

2255. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 7, 1896. – Granted a Divorce.

E. Bert Whitaker, of this village, was granted an absolute divorce from his wife, Pauline A., as defendant, at the Special Term of the Supreme Court, in Kingston, on Saturday. The plaintiff is permitted to marry again; the defendant who formerly resided in Catskill, N. Y., and who now resides in New York, is forbidden to marry again.

2256. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 7, 1896. – Have Exchanged Places.

David P. Van Orden, proprietor of the Windsor Hotel, at Catskill, and Harry A. Goff, proprietor of the Central Hotel in this village, have exchanged places. Mr. Goff assuming the proprietorship of the Windsor at Catskill, and Mr. Van Orden the Central in this village.

2257. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 7, 1896. – A Lucky Fellow.

The handsome diamond ring which was raffled at the Central Hotel, Saturday night, was drawn by Archie Smith, who held the lucky number.

2258. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1896. – Stone Cutters Elect Officers.

At a meeting of the Saugerties branch of the Hudson River Blue Stone Cutters' Association, held at the Ziegler's Cafe last Saturday evening, the following officers were elected; Vice-President, John Farrell;

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Treasurer, Charles Fiero; Recording Secretary, David Lewis; Corresponding Secretary, William Rourke; Trustees, John Smith, William Spencer, A. Wolven.

2259. Laflin Hose Officers.

At a meeting of Laflin Hose Company, held in their rooms Monday evening, first assistant chief engineer, William V. McCormick, was unanimously indorsed as candidate for chief engineer. Charles Derby was elected lieutenant, William Gordon and Benjamin Burnett, delegates to the tri-county convention, and John McCormick to the State convention. [no date or paper]

2260. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1896. – Regular Ticket Wins – The Opposition Ticket Received But Thirteen Votes.

The village charter election was held at Fireman's Hall to-day, and the regular ticket was elected by a large majority. The total vote polled was one hundred and forty-five. Several voters forgot to place the mark in the circle, and nineteen blank ballots was the result. Charles E. Cornwell, Jas. D. Myer and A. P. Lasher were elected Directors, receiving one hundred and one votes. James Crump, C. F. Sudderly and John Lowther received thirteen votes. The opposition ticket had only candidates for Directors.

2261. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 17, 1897.

Philip Hollinger, of Elizabethport, N. J. a former resident here, died last week. Mr. Hollinger was a tailor in the employ of Albert Cohen nearly twenty-five years.

2262. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 9, 1896. – Bryan Cane on Exhibition. – In Jewett's Window on Main Street – A Valuable and Costly Article.

In the attractive windows of Jewett, the jeweler, on Main street, the cane presented by the Rev. Michael Powers, formerly pastor of St. Mary's church, in this village, to William J. Bryan, the democratic candidate for president at the recent election is displayed. It is a beautiful gift and was cut near the tomb of Thomas Jefferson, in Virginia.

The cane is beautifully engraved, the handle being solid silver and bears the following inscription: "Presented to William Jennings Bryan, the Author of the New Declaration of Independence, by an ardent admirer, Rev. M. Powers, Wappingers Falls, N. Y." In the center of the handle is a small piece of gold, and around it sixteen pieces of silver, symbolic of sixteen to one.

The following is inscribed on the cane: "Thomas Jefferson, of Virginia, born April 13, 1743, was President U. S. A. 1801 to 1809, wrote Declaration of Independence [*sic*], founder of the University of Virginia, 1819, died July 4, 1824. This cane was cut near Jefferson's tomb. Jefferson's dying words, I resign my spirit to God and my daughter to my country." [no opening quotation mark]

The cane will remain on exhibition for a few days when it will be forwarded to Mr. Bryan at Nebraska. Father Powers had a large collection of canes that have been cut and made near the scene of nearly every historic spot in this country.

2263. Pittsburgh Dispatch. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1896. [hand dated] - A Romantic History – How a Slave Girl Came to Be the Empress of China. Newcastle Chronicle.

The deceased mother of the Emperor of China played a very important part in the Government of the Middle Kingdom, and it will be remembered that her name was a good deal to the front during the troublesome times of the last year.

The Dowager Empress had a very romantic history. She was the child of poor parents, in the suburbs of Canton, and remarkable for her beauty. At a time when her parents did not know whence their daily bread was to come she suggested that they should sell her as a slave. This course was followed, and she became to property of a famous general. He was so enchanted with her beauty that he adopted her. When the General next went to Peking he offered his beautiful daughter to the Emperor and thereby

won great favor. The young girl so charmed His Majesty that he soon made her his wife. When the Emperor died, the former slave became Regent of the Empire, and administered the national affairs better than almost any of her predecessors. She was justly considered one of the great women of her time.

2264. Saugerties Post. Dec. 15, 1896. [hand dated] The G. A. R. Elect Officers.

The following have been elected officers of J. R. Tappen Post, G. A. R., No. 215.

E. L. Quick, Commander; Abram Turck, S. V. C.; J. W. Van Gelder, J. V. C.; Ira Swart, Chaplain; Dr. J. H. Reed, Surgeon; D. Y. Smith, Officer of the Day; Eugene Barritt, Adjutant; Dr. Warren Kemble, Quartermaster; W. H. Burhans, Officer of the Guard; Robert Bailey, Sergeant Major; C. F. Van Keuren, Quartermaster Sergeant; Col. J. L. De Peyster, Delegate to State Encampment; P. S. Wickham, Alternate; Trustees, Eugene Barritt, Abram Turck, Abram A. Post.

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2265. Kingston Leader, Kingston, NY. Monday Dec. 7, 1896. - THE BAPTIST PREACHER – A Case Recalled by the Mulligan Murder – A Scoundrel in the Cloth – The Drowning of Mrs. Johnson – Arrest of the Preacher – His Two Trials and Acquittal.

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The recent terrible murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan on the bank of the Esopus creek at Saugerties, recalls to the memory of many an old resident of this county the crime committed on the bosom of the same stream a short distance above that spot 43 years ago last August. It was the celebrated murder case known as "The Baptist Preacher Case," and the two trials were in the array of eminent lawyers the most noted ever tried at the Ulster county bar. And these men were in their prime and at the height of their reputation, and every inch of ground was contested like the wheat field of Gettysburgh was in the civil war.

In 1851 there appeared a fluent talker among the Baptists of Saugerties who presented credentials showing that he was Rev. Joseph R. Johnson, a duly licensed Baptist minister, but not showing that he had been silenced for immorality. They called him as their pastor, in entire ignorance of his unsavory record.

Johnson was a man of some 35 years of age, having been born in Vermont. He had worked in an oil-cloth factory from 1834-1839, and from 1842-6. In 1838 he married Lucy Ann Skinner, of Waterford, whose parents lived in Jefferson county. In 1851 he appeared at Henderson, in that county as a Baptist preacher, but being discovered in an intrigue he was brought before his ministerial brethren and admitting his culpability had been deposed.

From thence he came to Saugerties. His family did not come for some time and he boarded with a Mrs. Botsford, who had a 16 year old daughter named Eliza Ann. In January, 1852, his family arrived and the also boarded with Mrs. Botsford until May when they took a house and Eliza Ann went with them and remained there through the winter of 1852-53. His familiarities with the girl were the cause of trouble with his wife and indignation on the part of others. He secured the dismissal of a young man to whom the girl was engaged, and a scandal was occasioned.

On the afternoon of August 4, 1853, Johnson invited his wife to take a row up the Esopus. They took with them their two younger children, one of whom was Alice, not yet three years old, and the other a babe of five months. He would not let his eldest, a daughter of ten, accompany them, though she begged to do so. They rowed a mile or more up stream, and landed to pick berries.

About six P. M., as two brothers named Wolven, were at work in the hay field, on the east side of the creek, Johnson came running, out of breath and hatless and saying that his wife and child were drowning and he wanted help. His story was incoherent but in effect that they were getting into the boat and his wife, with the babe in her arms, stumbled in stepping over a seat and fell into the stream with the babe, and grasping him as she fell pulled him overboard too. He said the water was 10 or 15

feet deep and as he could not swim, he could not help her. They sank and he loosened himself from her grasp, and crawling on the bottom to shallower water got out, but could reach neither her nor the baby and had run for help.

The Wolven brothers ran with him to the stream and after them came Major J. V. L. Overbagh and his son Peter and reaching the bank Peter Overbagh sprang in and swam to the boat, which was slowly floating down stream, brought it ashore and rescued three-year old Alice, who was quietly sitting in the stern. The others went up stream to the vicinity of the accident and found mother and babe floating. But life was extinct. They attempted resuscitation then and after the bodies were taken home physicians labored for hours to effect it without avail. An inquest was held and although Johnson's three versions of the occurrence did not exactly agree the jury rendered a verdict of accidental death. Johnson took his remaining two children to the mother's sister in Jefferson county. While there little Alice asked him in the presence of her aunt: "Papa, why did you put mother in the water?" and, "Why did you strike mother and ... in the water"? [bottom of column, word missing]

In November, 1853, he attempted to secure from his clerical brethren a certificate of good standing. But they proceeded to investigate, found his vile record as a man and deposed him April 12, 1854.

Meanwhile, in March previous, he left his charge in Saugerties and went to New York. While there he married Eliza Ann Botsford.

The village, many of whose citizens had sympathized with him in his affliction now began to question and examine and matters developed so rapidly that he was indicted by the grand jury and on April 22, 1854, he was arrested in New York, where he was working in a lumber yard.

He was put on trial July 17, 1854, before Judge William B. Wright, and a jury. As before stated the array of distinguished counsel on the two sides was the greatest ever seen at the Ulster County bar. On the part of the prosecution with the District Attorney John Lyon, were associated Ambrose L. Jordan, Horace F. Clark and John C. Perry, and with the prisoners counsel Egbert Whitaker, were Mitchell Sanford, Jacob Hardenbergh and Judge Montfort. For a week the legal battle raged, and when the testimony was all in, and the counsel were about the sum up the Judge remarked that he deemed it his duty to call attention to the fact that the prisoner was indicted for the murder of Anne Johnson, while the evidence showed that the name of the woman alleged to have been murdered was Lucy Ann Johnson. He thought the variance vital, and instructed the jury to render a special verdict of acquittal of the murder of Anna, and remanded the prisoner to the jail to await the action of the grand jury on a charge of murdering Lucy Ann.

In November, 1854, the grand jury found another bill against him and on Tuesday April 24, 1855, Johnson was again put on trial, this time before Judge Amasa J. Parker, and a jury, with Lyman Tremain, substituted for Mitchell Sanford as one of his counsel.

The evidence on both sides was complicated. It was testified on the part of the people that the body had shown black and blue marks on the breast, and abrasions on the nose which was denied by the witnesses for the defense. The defense claimed that the water was 10 to 15 feet deep, the people claimed that it was only five feet; the defense that the prisoner could not swim; the people that he was an expert swimmer and diver; the defense that he was in feeble health and raised blood; the people rebutted this; the prosecution proved endearments between Johnson and the girl in the garden on the night of the drowning.

But there was nothing to prove that he had murdered his wife, but the artless prattle of a two-year old child, and this could not be introduced. And here was the fatal weakness in the chain.

The summing up was the most remarkable scene the court house has ever witnessed for eloquence, logic invective, vehemence, and pleading. It was opened by Jacob Hardenbergh, for the defense, to a forcible plea of an hour and a half. This was followed on the part of the people by John C. Perry. The closing plea for Johnson was then made by Lyman Tremain. It was a magnificent effort and worthy of the high reputation of the distinguished advocate and lasted three hours. The next morning Ambrose L. Jordan closed for the people. He spoke four hours. It was a masterpiece. With withering invective,

with deep pathos, with utter scorn, with graphic description, with infinite skill he wove the evidence and marshalled the facts. He convinced everybody of the guilt morally if he could not prove it legally. Judge Parker charged the jury and they retired and sat all night. They came in the morning unable to agree. The judge sent them to breakfast and then to deliberate once more. In half an hour they rendered a verdict of not guilty.

Johnson then arose and addressed the Court and jury in an unbecoming manner until Judge Parker stopped him. He then attempted to take the foreman, Henry H. Reynolds, by the hand, and thank him, but Mr. Reynolds repelled him with scorn, saying that the jury believed him guilty but under the charge he could only be convicted of murder in the first degree, or acquitted, and the charge had not been proven

A few days after, while walking along the highway, Johnson was overtaken by a man in a wagon, who, not knowing him, invited him to ride. He inquired the business of the driver, who told him he as a minstrel. He asked him what he sang. The minstrel replied, his own songs. Being asked for one, he sang the song of "The Baptist Preacher":

"The Baptist priest went sailing, On the Esopus rippling tide; But soon returned a wailing; Drowned was his child and bride."

and Johnson leaped from the wagon and walked away. The minstrel was Henry Backus, "The Saugerties Bard." This singer and his life is "another story," as Rudyard Kipling says. I propose to tell at another time.

After his acquittal Johnson disappeared. He was afterwards heard of in Western Pennsylvania and later in Utah as a Mormon elder. Van Der Sluys. [Lucy Ann Skinner and her babe are buried in Trinity Cemetery, ed.]

2266. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 11, 1896. – Communicated.

*To the Editor of The Post:*

The work being done on the new abutments for the bridge at Glenerie, is so notoriously bad as to excite universal comment. The Town Board is fully cognizant of the character of this work and yet it is allowed to go on. Why is it? It is proposed to place upon these ramshackle heaps of stone a steel bridge costing nearly three thousand dollars with no guarantee that it will be held in position after the first freshet.

There is not a dozen large stones in it within the meaning of a proper specification relating to work of this nature, it is improperly and insufficient bonded and bedded, the stones are too small and in many cases while they show a face are simply set on edge with no bed. The mortar which enters into the composition of these mud walls is an outrageous fraud, that which has been laid for more than five weeks can be picked out now with the naked fingers. It will not require a very vivid imagination to foresee the consequence of placing a bridge of nearly one hundred and forty feet span upon abutment, (one which is to be over thirty feet high), built in this manner.

We are told that an expert is to examine this work and pass his opinion upon it. That is good as far as it goes but no expert can make the work good that has already been built nor gainsay what practical men have seen of this contract. It would be of no consequence to put first-class masonry on the upper portion of these abutments now, they are rotten as far as they are built and should come down and be replaced by others that are properly built with derrick stone laid in a sufficient quantity of good cement mortar. The town board cannot afford to take the responsibility of accepting and paying for that which they have been told is a gross imposition and fraud, and of which they have personal knowledge. It is better and cheaper to stop now and tear down this work than to go on and incur danger of damages from many sources. Alpha

2267. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 12, 1896. – Royal Arcanum Officers.

The local order of Royal Arcanum met in their lodge rooms, Friday evening and elected officers for the ensuing year. After the election of officers the lodge adjourned to the Congregational fair in a body

where the ladies served them an elaborate supper. The following were the officers elected: E. Hassinger, Regent; C. W. Quick, Vice-Regent; W. E. Van Buskirk, Orator; D. W. Maxwell, Collector; H. A. Ohley, Secretary; Edson Finger, Treasurer; Charles E. Abeel, Chaplain; Byron Hallenbeck, Guide; J. T. Washburn, Jr., Warden; I. B. Howard, Sentry; Rufus Carle, Trustee for three years; H. A. Ohley, Representative to Grand Lodge; J. W. Reinhard, Proxy Representative.

2268. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 14, 1899. - Has Purchased the Phoenix. James T. Maxwell has purchased the Phoenix Hotel property from Abram Turck and has received the deed therefor. Mr. Maxwell has leased the hotel to Mr. Turck for a term of years, who will continue its management as heretofore.

2269. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 14, 1896. – Communicated.

*To the Editor of The Post:*

I saw an article signed "Alpha," in the POST, issued on the 11<sup>th</sup> inst., regarding the abutments of the New Bridge on the Glasco turnpike, and although my name or the position which I hold in the town were not mentioned in connection with it, I feel that a sentiment of reflection upon me pervades the whole article, and being in a position where I am acquainted with the facts, and being able to prove the misstatements in the article, I feel it my duty to make the corrections in this public manner.

In making a general denial of the statements, I will say there is no reason that the abutments will not support three times the weight which will ever be put upon them

"Alpha" claims there are not more than one half dozen large or derrick stone, whereas there are now over one hundred stones which would require the united efforts of from three to five men to turn over and which have been laid in the wall. As to the stone being set on their edge in the face of the wall, with little or no bed, I claim with but a very few exceptions there are no stone in the face of the wall the bed of which has not greater dimensions than the face. Practically there are none.

The walls not being bounden is certainly a mistake as I know and can prove that there are stone binders which extend across the wall, being four and five feet long, and I doubt if there is a course of stone lain which has not binders from three to five feet in length extending across the wall.

Alpha may be a mechanic and a practiced man in the construction of abutments, but when he tries to make the public think that only large blocks of stone will support a weight of less than thirty tons, what are we to do consider will become of our long bridge in the village, which has more than double the weight, and has not one half as many heavy stones in the abutments as are being put in those now under construction, and yet that has stood for more than twenty five years, and unmoved. The abutments of the present Glasco bridge was lain dry and with stone no larger than those now in use, and has stood 54 years. Besides, there are buildings erected in this town, the weight of which will far exceed the weight of the entire bridge and all the stone in the foundations are small.

I regret that the writer of the article in Friday's issue was not willing to give the public his name, as it now appears he don't want anyone to know him, and the statements he makes lose their weight.

I have had a great deal of experience in the laying of abutments, piers and foundations, for superstructures of great weight, and I have yet to learn of one over which I had supervision which has cracked, crumbled down, or shown the least sign of weakness, and therefore pretend to know something of work of this character.

I will not sign this article Omega, although I hope the whole Greek alphabet will not be exhausted by these fault finders not willing to give their names. E. P. Simmons, Com. of Highways.

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2270. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec, 14 1896. – WOODWARD AND DONKEY HERE – They Are on Their Way to San Francisco, California. – Must Reach There by November Third Ninety Seven or Lose a Wager of Five Thousand Dollars – Greeted by Ovation Everywhere.

R. Pitcher Woodward, who is paying an election wager the result of Bryan's defeat and who is compelled to travel to San Francisco on a donkey, arrived in town about noon today. Mr. Woodward left the Hotel Bartholodi, in New York city, two weeks ago and owing to several accidents, his donkey having been run into in Yonkers, he is somewhat behind.

The condition of the wager is that he must reach San Francisco by November third eighteen ninety-seven or lose the sum of five-thousand dollars. He must earn his living as he journeys along which he does by selling pictures of himself and donkey sawing wood and other odd jobs.

He is obliged to wear glasses and a high hat and cannot ride on anything except his donkey. When tired of riding he walks.

His donkey enjoys the distinction of having the sobriquet of "Macaroni," and he too must wear glasses according to the condition of the wager.

Mr. Woodward must also visit Bryan at Nebraska and Mc Kinley, at Canton, otherwise he must pay the forfeit of five thousand dollars.

At Poughkeepsie he exchanged donkeys, securing a younger and much faster beast, the other one being able to travel but two miles an hour, while his new acquisition can make four miles in the same time.

When Mr. Woodward started he had ninety nine cents in his possession, and had to purchase his donkey with money that he earned around the hotel, selling photographs, amounting to fifteen dollars.

He has received ovations everywhere along the river.

His equipment consists of a gun, a satchel, a rubber coat, overcoat and a sweater.

He left for Catskill immediately after dinner, which he expects to reach to-night, in order to make up time. Sunday evening the pair stopped at Schoentag's hotel, Glasco.

2271. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 15 1896 – LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. – The Glasco Bridge.

*To the Editor of the Post:*

During the month of October I was invited, with others, to submit a bid for the construction of abutments for a new steel bridge near Glenerie. I examined the locality, and as the building of heavy substructures was in my line of business, and I had every facility and tool required for doing it, besides an experience of nearly thirty years, I felt that I would like to do a piece of work near my own home. I therefore tendered a bid in good faith. All the bids were rejected on the ground that the three lowest bidders could not possibly understand the requirements of the specifications. The bids were as follows, viz: B. Hallenbeck, \$2,483; N. Cunyes, \$2,000; F. Pidgeon, \$1,910; A. Brown, \$1,225; Mullen & Cox, \$1,160; S. Whitney, \$1,100. The specifications were altered, by adding these words, if I remember, "The contractor shall be required to use large stone," which at least two and probably all of the three highest bidders did intend to use and to handle them with a derrick. Bids were again received, the two highest bidders refusing to bid; my bid was raised, the figures at this letting were as follows, viz: F. Pidgeon, \$1,974; Cox & Mullen, \$1,511; S. Whitney, \$1,400; A. Brown, \$1,325. Not being the lowest bidder in either case and having been informed before the first letting, that all bids would be rejected my interest in it as a contractor ceased as my experience told me that this work was not coming my way. The lowest bidder in the first instance was clearly and fairly entitled to the contract notwithstanding his extremely low figure, but his bid was thrown out and it was awarded at a higher figure as is shown above. There was still a further slight addition to the specifications which said that the contractor should give bonds, if required, a very proper and wise provision on the part of the commissioner of Highways, if carried out.

I told the commissioner at the time, as did others, that work of a proper character could not be done for the amount named in the lowest bid and that derricks must be used. He thought differently and adhered to the cellar wall style of work all through, and he has just about that kind of masonry of a very poor grade.

He stated at the time of the letting that the work must be completed by Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, which it could have been, if more than two masons and two helpers had been employed; it is now Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, and the end is

not yet. Moreover in this hard freezing weather, not a stone should be laid in the ordinary way. Knowing what I do of this work, I am surprised that Mr. Simmons or anyone else should undertake to defend the methods used in the construction of it, and I cannot understand why it was necessary if Mr. Simmons was giving his personal attention to the construction of this work and is ready to prove the details are as he states, and is willing to vouch for the quality of the work, that it was deemed necessary by the Town Board to put on one of their number on the work, as an inspector in their interests. The fact that the old bridge foundations laid up dry, have stood for 54 years, by the will of God, is hardly an argument that will carry weight with engineers in modern construction. The specifications indicated in the present structures that some reliance should be place upon cement. I do not wish to be misunderstood or misquoted. A foundation can be built of small stones – all small stones, sand and cement, but then it is no longer rubble wall, but concrete. The accepted rules and proper specification for rubble masonry are so clearly defined that it is only a waste of time and space to attempt to argue it. The specification Mr. Simmons furnished for the work in question, does not meet the requirements, it does not specify and the work done is not in accordance even with it. The Saugerties bridge has nothing to do with the case. The foundations are laid and securely bonded with Belgian bridge stone (all beds,) in the best manner, as I am informed by those who saw them laid, and there is no lack of cement. It is worse than useless to try to compare weights of bridges upon abutments, thrust, vibration, force of wind and other matters all demand that more than usual care shall be exercised in the construction of work of this kind and it is almost a separate trade in itself. I have neither time nor inclination to pursue further a newspaper controversy. I made practically the same statement several weeks ago that I made last Saturday over the signature "Alpha." I said that there was not a dozen large stones in these abutments, within the meaning of a proper specification relating to work of this nature, that the stone were not properly bedded, that they were insufficiently bonded, that the mortar was an outrageous fraud, that it could be picked out with the naked fingers after having been laid for more than five weeks. I now reiterate these statements and further say that the rock is not properly leveled to receive the south wing wall on the west abutment. In view of the fact that the Highway Commissioner had gone to considerable trouble to deny the statements made by me, I desire to make the following proposition, viz: if the Town Board will order the abutments torn down now, and may statements are found to be incorrect, I will pay for the tearing down and will rebuild them at my expense, this work to be done under the supervision of an engineer who is an expert on rubble masonry, to be chosen by three prominent citizens, and large taxpayers in this town, only one of whom either party shall name, I will put up bonds for the faithful performance of my part of the agreement and shall expect the same security from the other parties in interest. If my proposition is accepted. If I am right they are to pay me. FRANK PIDGEON

*To the Editor of the Post:*

I have read the communications of "Alpha" and the present commissioner of highways about the Glasco Bridge abutments. If the reports are true "Alpha" is right and the public better look after that west abutment right away. I don't know anything about the east abutment. Adam Lasher knows, just find out what took place in Van Buskirk's livery barn when that sample of mortar was brought up in a box. It was nothing more than sand and that we used to build at least one-half of the west abutment. The commissioner of highways ought to know sand from mortar. Adam Lasher knows, because he brought it up to "Dicky" Van Buskirk's barn, and had it shown, and condemned it. I am glad "Alpha" has exposed the swindle on the town. Bur the people of this town liked to be swindled. PLATTEKILL

2272. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 31, 1896. – Mason's Elect Officers.

At the annual communication of Ulster Lodge, No. 193, F. & A. M., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: William Ziegler, Worshipful Master; William V. Burhans, Senior Warden; Luther H.

Stuplebeen, Junior Warden; Homer Russell, Secretary; Jeremiah P. Russell, Treasurer; Edward J. Lewis, Trustee for three years. The appointed officers will be announced at the next regular communication. Palmer A. Canfield has been elected master of Rondout Lodge, and Wesley D. Scudder has been elected master of Kingston Lodge.

2273. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 9, 1898. Saugerties Paving Brick Co. – The Company Incorporated in New York City Tuesday.

The Saugerties Paving Brick Co. was incorporated in New York city on Tuesday with a capital stock of \$250,000. A Mr. Bonticue is the president of the company, and John F. Harris, Jr., of Catskill, will be the general manager.

2274. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 16, 1896. – His Remains Sealed.

After the body of Ira Shafer had been cremated at Troy, the ashes were placed in a hermetically sealed copper box, 12 inches long and six inches square, and this box was placed in the ordinary burial casket in which the body was taken to the crematory. It was then returned to Highland, and interred in the Highland cemetery. The cremation took two hours and a half.

2275. Disinherits His Eldest Son.

Ira Shafer's will conveys property valued at \$300,000, to be held in trust for his widow and seven children, share and share alike. Before he died, he gave his widow \$100,000 outright.

The lawyer has disinherited his eldest son, Eugene, by his first wife, because of his intemperate habits and because he has threatened to contest the will. Eugene Shafer now lives with an uncle. [no date or newspaper]

2276. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 19, 1896. – ALMOST A BIG FIRE – Discovered in the Nick of Time at Firemen's Hall. – A Large and Destructive Fire Would Have Been the Result of the Flames – The Floor Chopped Away.

What would have been a large and disastrous fire was discovered at the Firemen's Hall, in the apartments occupied by the steamer and hose carts, about half past seven o'clock Friday evening, and which would have been a terrific one had it secured some headway. It was discovered by Harry Wilson, a member of Washington Hook & Ladder Company, while showing a friend the interior of the rooms and fire apparatus. At half past seven o'clock as he was entering the place he found the hall and lower rooms filled with smoke.

Wilson immediately informed Alonzo Pultz, an employee of Davis' livery stable nearby, and where a key to the lower door is kept in the event of fire, and they made an investigation. Word was telephoned to chief engineer, William V. Burhans, who, in company with several others hurried to the scene, followed by several members of the fire department. They were unable to locate it for awhile and finally began chopping the floor about the heater and a smouldering fire was discovered. A small hose was attached to the faucet in the room and a stream plied on the flames, which were soon subdued.

Fortunately the fire was discovered at such an early hour for had the blaze broken out later during the night a large destruction of property would have been made as the fire department would have been useless with their apparatus in the burning building.

The origin of the fire is believed to have been caused by the heater which is situated directly on the woodwork of the floor nothing being used to separate the same, as it is customary for use when placing heaters.

The hot fire and the closeness of the wood to it had ignited the floor, and it had probably been smouldering during the day. However, it was a fortunate discovery.

The fire bell was not rung but the news spread quickly and a large crowd soon congregated.

The loss is covered by insurance in Donlon & Darbee's agency.

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2277. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 19, 1896. Encampment Officers.

At the regular meeting of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., held Friday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Ernest Myer, C. P.; Jas. Smith, Jr., H. P.; Chas. H. Vedder, S. W.; Robert Webber, Scribe; H. A. Ohley, Treasurer; James H. Hommel, J. W.; Ezra Carnright, E. Hassinger, John Lang, Trustees; E. Hassinger Representative to Grand Encampment; H. A. Ohley, Proxy Representative.

2278. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 21, 1896. — OUR COMMON COUNCIL. — Last Meeting of Our City Fathers This Year. - A Lively Session in Which Much Business was Transacted — Several New Lamps Ordered and Other Miscellaneous Business — Alderman Cunyes Extended a Vote of Thanks.

The regular and last session of the board of Alderman, [sic] for '96 was held Saturday evening with all the Alderman [sic] present. Mayor Cantine presided. The minutes of the last meeting were read for information.

Corporation Counsel Cantine and Senator Davis were also present.

Chairman Cunyes, of the finance committee reported that the special committee appointed to confer with Samuel Hallenbeck regarding his claim against the village were unable to make a settlement and suggested that the matter go before a referee and that the corporation counsel should proceed immediately. On motion the report was received and placed on file.

Chairman Lasher of the street committee reported work being done on sewers at Taylor's on Partition street and Van Gasbeck's on Allen street.

Chairman Quick of the firemanic committee reported that repairs caused by the fire in Fireman's Hall were completed and the Hook & Ladder house was being whitewashed.

New lamps were ordered placed on the corner of Allen and McCarthy streets and the lamp situated on the north side of the island be removed to the south side of the iron mill bridge under the direction of Alderman Cornwell. A lamp be placed on Mill street under the direction of Aldermen Cornwell and Rogers.

Certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., were granted Joseph B. Sheffield and Herbert Van Buskirk and exemption certificates were granted to Thomas Tuttle and William Tracy of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and Ernest Myer and Frank A. Jewett of Snyder Hose Co.

On motion the clerk was directed to notify Richard B. Overbagh to abate the nuisance caused by water running from hydrant over the walk in front of his property on Underwood street, and that he will be held responsible should any damages be incurred.

Irwin Ronk, representative of Snyder Hose, appeared before the board requesting that one of the doors leading into their rooms be repaired.

On motion the roadway in front of the Henkle and Truesdale properties on West Bridge street was ordered repaired as soon as weather permits.

A communication asking the board if they were willing to make some repairs to the road leading to the Long Dock, as it was a public benefit and the owners deriving nothing from it, rather than close it up decided to ask the board relative to same was upon motion referred to the street committee to look into and report.

The official canvass of the charter election was read and placed on file.

Mayor Cantine spoke very feelingly of the work of Alderman Cunyes whose six years of service have ended. He referred to his energy and faithfulness to his work, and regretted his departure from their number, and on motion a vote of thanks was unanimously extended to Mr. Cunyes.

Alderman Cunyes responded that he retired from the board with the feeling that his successor would meet as well as he did and that he endeavored to act in the interest of the taxpayers. He related the

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condition of affairs at the beginning of his term and the present condition which is in better shape than ever.

The following bills were ordered paid.

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| James Dederick, crusher ins.,      | \$20.00 |
| Saugerties Post,                   | 15.00   |
| Saugerties Mfg. Co.,               | 15.00   |
| John Lang, sharpening tools,       | 13.91   |
| Edward Rogers, inspector,          | 2.00    |
| E. L. Quick, “                     | 2.00    |
| Norman Cunyes, “                   | 2.00    |
| W. E. Persons, care of town clock, | 25.00   |
| John G. Palmer, janitor,           | 14.00   |
| Finger & Lewis,                    | 65.00   |
| S. W. Merclean, registering,       | 17.00   |
| Alex. Lackey, health board,        | 26.00   |
| Albert Rowe, “ “                   | 36.00   |
| B. F. Crump, “ “                   | 6.00    |
| S. L. Dawes, health officer,       | 73.00   |
| Wm. Doyle, teams,                  | 15.75   |
| Robert Casey,                      | 1.50    |
| James Donohue,                     | 3.00    |
| W. Reynolds,                       | 7.88    |
| W. Trueman,                        | 7.88    |

On motion board adjourned.

2279. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 21, 1896. – Horse in a Cistern – One of Carnright's Delivery Team Has an Experience.

One of the brown mares, belonging to Albert Carnright, the feed dealer, broke loose Sunday night and wandered about the stable. Underneath the barn is an old cistern, and the floor gave away, the horse being precipitated into it. The horse was discovered by Brace Van Loan, an employee of Mr. Carnright, about six o'clock as he was going to feed the team. The animal was sitting on her haunches, partially covered with water.

He informed Mr. Carnright, and help was procured, and the cistern pumped dry. A rope was placed on the horse and by means of a tackle, an attempt to hoist the horse was made, but the rope broke and the horse sank deep into the mire of the cistern. Another attempt was made with two ropes and the animal was finally released from its predicament. After being thoroughly dried and given whiskey, the animal was all right. It required four hour's work to get the horse out.

2280. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 21, 1896. – The Dedication Service. – At the German Lutheran Church Last Sunday.

The handsome pipe organ, recently purchased by the German Lutheran Church was dedicated on Sunday with appropriate exercises conducted by the Pastor, the Rev. Theodore Bauck, who preached a dedicatory sermon. Prof. Otto Leddin musical director, presided at the organ, and in the evening preached a fine sermon in english. [*sic*]

2281. Board of Aldermen Banquet. - Held Saturday Evening at the Phoenix Hotel.

The annual banquet of the Board of Aldermen, was held Saturday evening at the Hotel Phoenix, under the supervision of the banquet committee, Aldermen Quick and Lasher.

An elaborate menu was served by Host Turck, including turkey, oysters, and other delicacies which were relished greatly by all present.

Corporation Counsel Cantine and Alderman Quick made the guests merry by their humorous remarks, and Chief Burhans spoke of our fire department.

Those present were: Mayor Cantine, Corporation Counsel Cantine, Senator Davis, Aldermen Lasher, Cunyes, Rogers, Quick and Cornwell, Alderman elect Myer, Collector, D. E. Abeel, Collector elect Swart, Clerk James Dederick, Street Commissioner Pultz, Detective McCullough, of New York, John G. Palmer, Chief Engineer Burhans and Joseph W. Frankel.

2282. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 22, 1896. – THE NEW GLASCO BRIDGE. – Report of Civil Engineer Edward B. Codwise. - He says Not Many Large Stone are Used and that no Mortar Should be Laid in Freezing Weather – Also That Stone are Not Properly Bounded.

Mr. John D. Fratsher,

*Supervisor of the Town of Saugerties:*

Sir:- At your request I yesterday visited the site of the new Glasco bridge, and made a careful examination of the masonry abutments which are in process of construction. Mr. E. P. Simmons, the Commissioner of Highways, was on the ground, and I talked the matter over fully with him. Before going over the work I was handed a set of plans and specifications which I examined carefully. The plans and specifications co-operate, and are to be used together, and the work should be examined, remembering that what is shown on the plans though it is omitted in the written specification, nevertheless governs; and vice versa.

It is specified in the written specification that "Limestone of good size and quality, sound and not liable to slack" should be used and also, that the abutments shall be built of "heavy masonry with very large stone, well bound." It seems to me that this section of the application is not fully complied with. The stone with which the work is built seem to be of good quality, and are of sufficient size, if proper care had been used, and pains taken, in their selection, to have laid up strong and good looking work. But few of the stone are "very large stone," and in many cases they are not "well bound" The plans show the corners of the abutments plainly, and from them I find the evident intention of the designer to have all joints broken about one foot. Also to have approximately level beds and vertical points. It also seems to me that it was intended to have reasonably close joints.

These points are, however, not specifically referred to in the written specification. In both of the abutments I find cases, where instead of breaking joints, for from two, five or six courses, there is joint over joint, without any bond. This is wrong, is plainly contrary to the specification and should be remedied.

In many of the vertical joints, the stone are not close together in the face, and spalls have been driven between them to fill the void; this makes weak and unsightly work. The interior of the abutments I could not see.

The specifications call for mortar to be made of two parts sand and one part cement, (Rosendale,) for a height of fifteen feet; above that of three parts of sand to one of cement.

Two parts of sand to one part of cement is proper, and should be used throughout the work. When I was at the work, the weather was very cold, and the cement in the abutments was frozen hard. I could therefore, not judge of its character. The sand which was being used, although rather fine, would make good mortar. The proportions of sand to cement should be measured, and for good work no masonry should be laid when it was freezing hard. Very respectfully yours, Edward B. Codwise, C. E., Kingston Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> 1896.

2283. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 26, 1896. – SAYS HE IS A MAD MAN. – A Letter from Mrs. William Bradley to Father Powers. – She Will Secure a Separation at Once, Having Retained Lawyer Whitaker – Says Life is Unendurable – Lives with Her Sister Now.

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Rev. Father Powers, at present in this village, hands us the following letter from Mrs. William Bradley. Father Powers believes Bradley is insane, and in justice to the physicians who pronounced him insane, and in justice to Bradleys's wife, who at the risk of her life was prevailed upon to live with him again, and in the interest of the public where the case has been prominently aired, he requests us to publish the letter, although without the consent or knowledge of Mrs. Bradley, and solely on his responsibility alone.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. and DEAR FATHER POWER:

No doubt you will be surprised to receive this letter, but knowing you are the only one who understands my case thoroughly and the position I am placed in, I feel that I can take the liberty of asking this great favor of you. I suppose you know that I am living in New York again with my husband. I took him back, hoping that my trouble was at an end on his promises. Knowing I had my child to think of, and nothing to help myself with, made me decide to try him once more, and having now tried him for over a month and the torture having become unendurable, I have now decided to take the final step and separate. He is more a madman than ever, being jealous of the strangers in the block where we live, and not allowing me to even go to the grocery store to get things in the house that I need.

For the past week he has been worse then when he was first taken to the asylum, and I am living in constant terror of him each day I live. To day, not being able to stand it any longer, I came over to my sister Bridget's and think I will stay here as I am afraid to go back. I know that I have not been guided by Mr. Whitaker in this matter as I should have been, and I fear that I have lost his sympathy [*sic*] and yours also, but I made this appeal to you as I have not brother or anyone who can help me, and I need the assistance and advice of some good kind friend. Thanking you in advance for anything you may do for me, and hoping your will give this your prompt and personal attention, I remain, Very respectfully yours, Margaret Bradley.

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2284. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 22, 1896. — WHILE THEY'LL BE HAPPY ON CHRISTMS DAY.

Alderman Charles F. Cornwell, because the street committee will repair Valley street next year.

Martin Cantine, because he will be re-elected mayor.

Prof. F. N. Moulton, because our schools are among the leading ones of the state and the graduates take high rank.

Clyde Van Steenburg, because the social dance will be the society event of the season.

William Mould, because he expects he'll be the next postmaster.

John D. Fratsher, because his ability as a presiding officer is recognized by the Board of Supervisors.

Chief William V. Burhans, because the fire department is one of the best in the state.

Leroy D. Turck, because he has youth in his favor and cuts a figure with the ladies.

Frank Martin, because his orchestra furnished the latest and most popular music.

Postmaster Wilbur, because the post office receipts are larger than ever.

William V. McCormick, because he will be elected chief of the fire department.

Commissioner Pultz, because his work has been ably done.

Jim. Whitaker, because he expects a new delivery wagon.

J. T. A. Jewett, because jewelry business is at its height now.

Dave Van Orden, because he has the best hotel stand in town.

Howard Crum, because the cantata at the Baptist Church will be a success.

Col. Laflin, because he has the best drilled fire company in the State.

Charlie Abeel, because he hopes to catch the spook.

Sam. Adams, because the people are beginning to appreciate his efforts and attend the shows.

M. Shutz, because his store has the prettiest salesladies in town.

A. J. Shear, because he expects to do up more work than ever.

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Manager Ronk, because the telephone business is booming.  
George Palmer, because Gen. Coster will trot inside of 2:20 next year.  
Lewis Kleeber, because he has been an obliging official.  
James Dederick, because he has a cinch on next year's clerkship.  
Dave Abeel, because he hopes to capture Mulligan's murderer.  
Detective McCullough, because he has a clue to the murder.  
Phil. Davis, because he is writing many insurance policies.  
William Ziegler, because his cafe can't be beat.  
J. K. Merritt, because he has an unblemished business reputation of twenty five years.  
Alderman Lasher, because the streets are in good condition.  
Ernest Hassinger, because he has been elected representative of Ulster Lodge.  
Judge Coon, because he can tie the nuptial knot for the most fastidious.  
Corporation Counsel Cantine, because we will have a shale brick works and trolley road soon.  
Depuy Davis, because he is selling lots of horses.  
John McLaughlin, because all the girls insist upon having him tender them the "male."  
Senator Davis, because he expects to have all his bills passed in the next legislature.  
James D. Myer, because he has been elected Alderman.  
Alderman Quick, because the hard roads make dull horses.  
Wm. Doyle, because he is kept hustling.  
Wm. Hanna, because he expects to be champion bike rider of the county.  
Joe Reinhard, because his ability as a musician is unquestioned.  
Pete Linden, because he will go to New York after New Years.  
Ed. Jernegan, because he is foreman of the finest exempt firemen's company along the river.  
Henry Ohley, because he knows all about secret orders.  
Dr. Dawes, because he is a popular physician.  
Frank Yerger, because we'll have a bangup ball team next year.  
Bobby Ballman, because his work is right up to date.  
Max Stone, because he is the best window dresser in town.  
Willie Mattes, because his knowledge of the tonsorial art is A number 1.

2285. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 24, 1896. – Santa Claus On Time - Program of the Cantata at the Baptist Church Friday Night.

The following is the program and the characters who take part in the bright cantata "Santa Claus on Time," at the Baptist Church Friday night:

Violin and Piano.

Introduction, Instrumental, Piano

"Ring the Bells," Solo and Chorus, Vivian

"Santa Claus," Solo, Lorna

"The Fairy Tale," Solo and Chorus, Teacher

"Rock-a-ringle ray-lo," Solo, May

"Santa's Fairies," Soli, Fairies

"The Happy Time," Soli, Girls

"Happy we'll be," Solo and Chorus, Meta

"What Shall We Do?" Soli, Grumblers

"Song of the Tinkers," Soli, Tinkers

"Waifs of the City," Solo and Duett, [sic] Vashti and Zoar

"Jing Jing," Chorus, Girls

Violin Solo, Joseph Reinhard

"Jolly Boys," Soli, Boys

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"The Jay Birds Song," Soli, Keno

"Sing and Laugh," Chorus and Solo, Girls and Keno

"Good Night," Chorus

CHARACTERS.

Santa Claus,

Vivian, Grace Smith

Vivian, Annie Cornwell

Pearl, Maud Votee

Lorna, Marion Gates

May, Maud Griffis

Zora, Georgiana Kane

Vashti, Bertha Cornwell

Zoar, Jennie Cornwell

Teacher, Ida Burnett

Tom, Everett Christian

Sam, Charles Brooks

Will, Robert Ball

Joe, John York

Frank, Lewis Fellows

Keno, J. H. Jewett

Grumblers, Kate Burnett, Eva Sheldon, Mamie Dumery, Ruth Bostwick.

Chorus of Fairies

Chorus of Tinkers

Howard P. Crum, Director

Miss Isabel Cornwell, Pianist

Joseph Reinhard, Violinist.

2286. Kingston Daily Freeman, Kingston, NY. Jan. 2, 1897. – HIS AIM WAS BAD. – Harry Wilson Attempts Suicide at Saugerties.

Harry Wilson, a young married man of Saugerties, made a desperate attempt to commit suicide on New Year's eve at a few minutes before 12 o'clock. Mr. Wilson returned home about half past 10 o'clock in the evening from up town, and entering the house spoke harshly to his wife, who went up stairs shortly after to retire. She was startled to hear a pistol shot down stairs and then heard her husband call to her for help. When she opened the door Wilson aimed the smoking revolver at her. She overpowered him, and securing the weapon flung it out doors. Blood was running from a wound on the right side of Wilson's head in a stream. Mrs. Wilson, with the aid of her sister, Miss Lillie Merritt of Cairo, who was visiting her, prevented her husband from getting a razor which he was calling for to kill them both, until a neighbor responded to her cries for help. Dr. S. Lyman Dawes was summoned, who learned that the wound was only a scalp wound.

Wilson probably intended to shoot himself through the temple, but aimed too high. The cause of his desire to make away with himself is not known, but it is thought to have been from temporary insanity or despondency. It is said that family troubles may have had something to do with his insane act. Wilson has had steady employment at the Saugerties Manufacturing Co.'s mills, and is a printer by trade. To his friends Wilson has appeared despondent for the past week. Upon one occasion he threatened to shoot his wife because of a slight disagreement. Last evening he was less violent, and resting easily.

2287. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 2, 1897. – Ulster Lodge Officers.

At the regular meeting of Ulster Lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., held Thursday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Harvey Snyder, noble grand; William H. Ward, vice grand; Charles H. Vedder, recording secretary; Robert Weber, permanent secretary; John Seamon, treasurer; James Smith, Jr., Trustee for three years.

2288. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 5, 1897. – Brown-Post Nuptials. – A Pretty Home Wedding Solemnized this Afternoon.

A pretty home wedding occurred in this village this after noon at two o'clock when Miss S. Eleanor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Post, was married to George F. Brown, of East Kingston. The Rev. W. F. Stowe, pastor of the Congregational church, performed the ceremony. The bride was attired in a charming gown and carried a bouquet of roses. About seventy five invitations were issued and friends and relatives were present from Kingston, Albany and Newburgh. The bride and groom were the recipients of many handsome presents. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will reside in East Kingston, and have the best wishes of a host of friends in this village.

2289. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 4, 1897. – Bradley's Story. – Tells all About the Letters from His Wife to Father Powers.

William Bradley, who was recently released from the Middletown insane asylum, and whose marital relations have been aired in court, and now a resident of New York, where he moved some time ago with his wife, after having effected a reconciliation, was in town last week, and while here said the following in reference to the letter sent by his wife to Father Powers, published in THE POST a few days ago.

My wife and I for a month or more have been living in ninety-sixth street, New York, and we got along well together. A week ago last Monday he had a few angry words in the course of which Mr. Bradley went hurriedly out of the room and to the floor above where in the presence of one of the tenants, she told them that she was afraid to live me. [sic] The next day she went to visit her sister at Greenpoint and on Wednesday night, when he stopped at the house to take her home she refused to go, saying she would never again live at Ninety-sixth street, and so Bradley returned to his home alone.

Wednesday afternoon his 13 year-old son came to the house and told him that his mother and aunt were coming over that night but if they failed to do so Bradley was to leave the keys of the house in his son's possession. The wife and sister did not come that night nor next morning, so Bradley came to Kingston. Fearing that his wife might try to take the furniture if he left the keys to her, he brought them with him.

2290. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 4, 1897. – OUR VILLAGE FATHERS. – First Regular Meeting Held Saturday Night. – Alfred Pultz Re-elected Street Commissioner, Charles Capen, Engineer of Steamer, John H. Jones, Board of Health – Other Business Transacted – Standing Committees.

The first regular meeting of the Board of Village Aldermen, was held Saturday evening, with all the Aldermen present. Mayor Cantine presided. The minutes of the last regular meeting read and approved.

Mayor Cantine announced the following standing committees:

Finance: Rogers, Lasher and Myer; streets, Lasher, Quick, Cornwell and Myer; crusher, Lasher, Quick, Cornwell and Rogers; firemanic, Quick, Lasher and Cornwell; health, Cornwell, Myer and Rogers, legal Myer, Quick and Rogers.

The first and third Saturday nights of the month were designated as the regular meeting nights.

On motion, the health committee were directed to confer with the corporation counsel in regard to consolidating the village and town boards of health.

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On motion, confirmation certificates in Laflin Hose Co. were granted to John Castree, William Dillon and William Keenan.

Alderman Lasher and Rogers were appointed tellers, and an informal ballot for street commissioner was ordered, and resulted as follows:

Alfred Pultz, 5, Patrick Corcoran, 1

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On the formal ballot the vote resulted: Alfred Pultz, 6. Mr. Pultz was declared elected.

An informal ballot for member of the board of health, resulted in six votes being cast for John H. Jones, and on motion the informal ballot was declared formal, and Mr. Jones elected.

On motion, Charles E. Abeel and Henry Krantz were appointed policemen at the salary of \$52 per year.

On motion, William E. Persons was appointed keeper of the town clock, at the salary of \$50 per year.

On motion, Peter Cantine was appointed Corporation Counsel, at the salary of \$100 per year.

An informal ballot for engineer of the steamer, resulted as follows:

Charles Capen, 4; Willet S. Baldwin, 2. On the formal ballot: Charles Capen, 4, Willet S. Baldwin, 2.

Mr. Capen was declared elected at the salary of \$80 per year.

On motion, a certificate of indebtedness for \$500, at 4 per cent, was issued to the Saugerties Savings Bank, and the roll call on same resulted: Quick, aye; Lasher, aye; Cornwell, aye; Rogers, aye; Myer, aye; Cantine, aye.

Chief Engineer Burhans appeared before the Board, requesting the appropriation of one hundred dollars as specified by the laws of 1894, to be set aside for inspection day purposes. He was directed to bring his request in writing.

The firemanic committee reported that the fire bell had been rung New Year's morning for purposes other than fire, which is contrary to the ordinance of the Board, and the parties, if found out, will be prosecuted.

The following bills were ordered paid:

|  | GENERAL FUND. |
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| Saugerties E. L. Co., light from June to Jan., | \$ 27.00      |
| Willet Baldwin, engineer of steamer,           | 40.00         |
| L. B. Howard, repairs,                         | .75           |
| A. Turck, meals,                               | 40.00         |
| James Dederick, salary,                        | 50.00         |
| John Palmer, disinfecting,                     | 2.50          |
| John Maxwell, salary and labor,                | 48.25         |
| Henry Krantz, 26 weeks police duty,            | 26.00         |
| Chas. Abeel, 26 weeks police duty,             | 26.00         |
|  | HEALTH FUND.  |
| S. W. Merclean, registering,                   | 4.75          |
| W. H. Hommel, sanitary inspector,              | 24.00         |
|  | ROAD FUND.    |
| A. Pultz, 4 months salary,                     | 116.68        |

On motion, Board adjourned.

2291. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 6, 1897. – SNYDER HOSE BANQUET. –Annual Gathering of This crack Company at Ziegler's. – A Fine Spread Served and a Pleasant Evening Enjoyed – Many Prominent Out of Town Firemen Present, and Many Humorous Speeches Made – John Bruckner Presented With His Uniform.

Robert A. Snyder Hose Co., No. 1, the crack fire organization of our fire department, held their annual election of officers and banquet Tuesday evening.

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The election of officers was held at their rooms in Firemen's Hall, and the following were elected for the ensuing year: Ernest Myer, President; Dr. Fred. D. Wygant, Vice-President; Albert Samm, [sic] Foreman; John A. Snyder, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Foreman; Irwin Ronk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Foreman; J. William Lackey, Secretary; William Ziegler, Treasurer, Henry A. Ohley, James Teller, Edward J. Lewis, Trustees; Ernest Hassinger, Janitor; Irwin Ronk, Representative; William Ziegler, Delegate to State Convention; Irwin Ronk, Proxy; Edward Moran, Edward Snyder Delegates to Tri-County Convention; Leonard Howard, William Rivenburg, Proxy Delegates.

Ernest Hassinger was named for First Assistant Chief Engineer.

At the conclusion of the election, the company proceeded to Ziegler's Cafe and enjoyed their annual social gathering and banquet. Host Ziegler appeased their appetites in sumptuous style serving an elaborate supper, including turkey and other delicacies. The guests filled four tables and a pleasant feather was the chiefs of the Kingston and Catskill fire department, thus strengthening the bonds of friendship between our neighbors and our department.

The feast was enjoyed by all and at the conclusion remarks were made Chief Kolts and Alderman Quackenbush, of Kingston, chief Baker and John O'Brien, of Catskill, Deputy county clerk "Kit" James, Supervisor John D. Fratsher, Chief Burhans, First assistant chief McCormick, Col. Laflin, Dr. S. L. Dawes, C. G. Wilson, H. S. Morgan, Capt. Peter Bell, John A. Snyder and Ernest Myer. At the mention of Robert A. Snyder's name it was greeted by vociferous applause.

John A. Snyder in a few appropriate remarks presented John F. Bruckner with his uniform, the first time that such an event has occurred in the history of our fire department and it is an act worthy of praise. Mr. Bruckner having long been identified with Snyder Hose Company, and owing to his inability to run with the boys now, the company presented the uniform as a token of their appreciation of his faithful service.

The following were present; Chief Kolts and Alderman Quackenbush, Kingston; Chief Baker and John O'Brien, Catskill; C. G. Wilson, Charles Zisenitz, John F. McKinney, and John F. McCullough, New York; William V. Burhans, Irwin Ronk, S. W. Merclean, Robert Ballman, Edward Lewis, John A. Snyder, Chauncey Rightmyer, Frank Jewett, D. N. Finger, Joseph W. Reinhard, John Lang, Sr., William V. McCormick, John F. Bruckner, John D. Fratsher, William Rivenburg, Col. H. D. Laflin, John Lang, Jr., M. M. Baker, Bion Hallenbeck, Ezra Carnright, William Washburn, Leonard Howard, Gus. Kehr, Dr. T. F. O'Dea, Chas. B. Cox, J. W. Lackey, A. Saam, Chas. Clum, William Mattes, Alfred Nestlen, E. T. Myer, Bert R. Whitaker, William G. Sickles, Frank Yerger, James Teller, John Hallenbeck, P. H. Davis, Harry Windfield, Dr. F. D. Wygant, Harry T. Keeney, Herbert Van Buskirk, William Hanna, Edward Snyder, W. E. Simmons, Geo. B. Snyder, Edward Moran, Clinton Van Buskirk, Leroy Turck, Fred. T. Lewis, C. C. James, T. B. Cornwell, Ernest Myer, H. S. Morgan, Dr. S. I. Dawes, C. S. Clark, S. Yates Knight, J. W. Frankel, Luther Hommel, Peter Canner, Captain P. E. Bell, George W. Palmer, Clyde Van Steenburg, William Doyle, David E. Abeel, J. M. Reed, Chas. Abeel, Samuel Cohen, Chester E. Blackwell, Ernest Hassinger, Nicholas Bauer, L. J. Butzel, Edward Jernegan, William S. Manning, Jeremiah P. Russell, Elmer Walker and William Ziegler.

2292. Kit Didn't Want to Get Left.

At the banquet of Snyder Hose Co., Tuesday evening President Myer called on Chief engineer Kolts of the Kingston fire department to make a few remarks. Kolts said that he was no public speaker and that he would resign in favor of our next county clerk, John D. Fratsher. When deputy county clerk Kit James, the silver tongued orator was called, he said this is a firemanic, and not a political gathering and when you talk about your next county clerk, why I might have a candidate myself. Evidently Kit don't want to let his boom die. He don't want to get left. [no date or paper]

2293. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 7, 1897. - Masonic Officers – Those Who Have Been Elected and Installed for the Coming Year.

At the regular communication of Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M., held in their lodge rooms, Russell Block, Wednesday evening, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, the following officers were installed for the ensuing year by Past Master Lewis B. Adams, past Master M. H. Wygant of Rhinebeck Lodge acting as Marshal: William Ziegler, Worshipful Master; William V. Burhans, Senior Warden; Luther H. Stuplebeen, Junior Warden; Homer Russell, Secretary; Jeremiah P. Russell, Treasurer; J. Edwin Hayes, Senior Deacon; Leonard B. Howard, Junior Deacon; James D. Myer, Chaplain; Edward Jernegan, Marshall; William G. Sickles, Senior Master of Ceremonies; John Lang, Junior Master of Ceremonies; Irwin Ronk and Edward J. Lewis, Stewards; Fred T. Russell, Organist, John K. Robinson, Tiler.

2294. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 8, 1897. – Firemanic Matters. – Items of Interest of Our Own and Other Companies.

The regular meeting of Washington Hook & Ladder Co., was held in their rooms in Firemen's Hall, Thursday evening.

The attendance was large, and Henry A. Hildebrandt was elected an honorary member, and Joseph W. Frankel an active member. The election of officers for the ensuing year, resulted as follows: Dr. Thomas F. O'Dea, Foreman; William Tracy, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant; Fred. Gradwohl, 2d Assistant; James P. Sweeney, Secretary; Isaac Lazarus, Treasurer; Lewis H. Kleeber, Trustee; Isaac Lazarus, Rep. State Convention Lewis H. Kleeber, Proxy Rep.; Edgar Morgan and Fred. Gradwohl, Delegates Hud. River Association At the conclusion of the election, the newly elected officers tendered the company a banquet.

2295. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 9, 1897. – Royal Arcanum Officers Installed.

The officers elect of the Saugerties Council, No. 1365, of Royal Arcanum, were installed Friday evening by District Deputy D. Donnolly, of Hudson. The following are the officers: E. Hassinger, Regent; C. Westbrook Quick, Vice Regent; J. W. Reinhard, Past Regent; W. E. Van Buskirk, Orator; H. A. Ohley, Secretary; D. W. Maxwell, Collector; Edson Finger, Treasurer; Charles E. Abeel, Chaplain; Bryon Hallenbeck, Guide; John T. Washburn, Jr., Warden; L. B. Howard, Sentry; Rufus Carle, Trustee for 3 years; H. A. Ohley, Representative to Grand Council; J. W. Reinhard, Alternate.

2296. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 11, 1897. - Deaths and Funerals – Those Who Have Departed this Life and Gone Beyond.

The funeral of the late John W. Field, a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Field, of this village, who died at Eddyville Thursday evening after a short illness of a few days, was held at the residence of the deceased's father on Russell street Sunday afternoon, the Rev. G. H. Smith, pastor of the M. E. Church officiating. Mr. Field held the position of chief engineer at the Lawrence Cement works at Eddyville. The funeral cortege was a large one. Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F., of which the deceased had long been a member, attended in a body and conducted their impressive burial ritual at the grave. Henry A. Ohley acting as chaplain. The pall bearers were: John Lang, Ezra Carnright, Elisha Paradise, J. W. Reinhard, of Ulster Lodge and W. V. Burhans, James Jewell, George Bridgeman and William Mattes, of Confidence Lodge.

2297. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 11, 1897. - Deaths and Funerals – Those Who Have Departed this Life and Gone Beyond.

The funeral of the late Ella McCabe was held at St. Mary's Church Sunday afternoon and was attended by a large concourse of friends. Father Murray officiated and James Sickles sang "Lead Kindly Light," and "Shubert's Last Greeting." The remains of the deceased reposed in a casket lined with white plush, and the floral offerings were very beautiful. The pall bearers were, John McLaughlin, William Dixon, Harry Russell, John Murphy, Thomas Russell, and Martin Cavanaugh. This morning Father Murray chanted

requiem high mass and Peter's requiem in D was sung. Miss Clare McCormick sang "Pie Jesu". The remains were interred in St. Mary's cemetery.

2298. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 11, 1897. – Broke One of His Ribs.

Dr. Henry W. Turck, the veterinary surgeon while making a professional visit at the residence of Frederick Cunyes, at Churchland Sunday morning at two o'clock had the misfortune to fall on some ice and fracture one of his ribs. Mr. Cunyes, brought the Doctor home and Dr. S. L. Dawes was summoned and rendered surgical aid.

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2299. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 12, 1897. – Fire Department Officers.

The committees of the various fire companies to recommend officers of the department for the ensuing year, met at the rooms of Washington H. & L. Co., Monday evening and named the following: Chief Engineer, Wm. V. McCormick; First Assistant Engineer, E. Hassinger; Second Assistant Engineer, Martin Cantine; Treasurer, Ernest Hassinger. These names will be presented to the Board of Directors at the meeting on Saturday evening, Jan. 16 the [sic] for confirmation.

2300. Officers Elected.

The Ladies Aid Society of the German Lutheran Church have elected the following officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. J. W. Reinhard, President; Mrs. Herman Gleisner, Vice-President; Mrs. Andrew Jacobs, Secretary; and Mrs. Charles Quase, Treasurer. [no date or paper]

2301. Saugerties Bank Election.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Saugerties Bank held to-day. Albert Carnright, President; George W. Elting, Vice-President; Charles B. Cox, Cashier; Homer Russell, Teller. The following were elected directors: Albert Carnright, George W. Elting, James O. Beers, Egbert Whittaker, John H. Stewart, Wellington Porter and Charles Davis. [no date or paper]

2302. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 15, 1897. – Ulster Lodge Installed – The District Deputy Elton J. Palmer and Staff, of New Paltz.

District Deputy Elton J. Palmer and staff, of New Paltz, paid an official visit to Ulster Lodge, I. O. O. F., on Thursday evening, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, and installed the following officers: Harvey Snyder, Noble Grand; William H. Ward, Vice Grand; Chas. H. Vedder, Rec. Sec.; Robert Webber, Per. Sec.; John Seamon, Treasurer; Stephen F. Barker, Warden; James Smith, Jr., Conductor; John Tetzloff, R. S. N. G.; Albert R. Freese, L. S. N. G.; J. H. Rightmyer, R. S. S.; Edward Sniffen, L. S. S.; Henry Taylor, R. S. V. S.; S. Yates Knight, L. S. V. G.; Fred. A. Keener, Chaplain.

2303. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 6, 1897. – The Exempts Elect Officers.

At the regular meeting of the Exempt Firemen's Association and Fire Patrol held Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Will. S. Manning, foreman; John Lang, first assistant foreman; Denis McLaughin, second assistant foreman; Jeremiah P. Russell, secretary and treasurer; Edward Jernegan, delegate to the State Firemen's Convention; Joseph W. Reinhard and John G. Palmer, delegates to Tri County Convention.

2304. The deer really weeps, its eyes being provided with lachrymal glands.

The atmosphere is so clear in Zululand that, it is said, objects can be seen by starlight at a distance of seven miles.

There are three varieties of the dog that never bark – the Australian dog, the Egyptian shepherd dog and the "lion-headed" dog of Thibet.

2305. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 18, 1897. - OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – A Short Session Held Saturday Night. - Very Little Business Transacted – Fire Department Officers Confirmed and an Appropriation Made for Inspection Day Purposes.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Present: Cantine, Cornwell, Quick, Myer and Rogers. Absent Lasher. President Cantine presided. Minutes of last meeting read for information.

Finance committee reported that the certificate of indebtedness for \$500 had been deposited to the credit of the general fund with the treasurer.

Health committee reported having met with the town and village boards of health, and no agreement had been reached, the village board having organized and elected officers, but they agreed to consider the matter at the next meeting, relative to consolidation.

Special committee for lock up reported that the town had agreed to pay \$50 a year for rent, the village to heat same and store election booths used at Firemen's hall.

Firemanic committee reported repairs made to doors at Firemen's hall, and also the purchase of a wrench for the water cock.

Corporation Counsel Cantine reported that he had secured an order of substitution from Charles Davis as counsel in the Hallenbeck matter, and would push the matter shortly.

On motion, William V. McCormick, as chief, Ernest Hassinger, first assistant chief, Martin Cantine, second assistant chief; Ernest Hassinger, treasurer, were confirmed as officers of the fire department.

On motion \$100 was appropriated for inspection day purposes.

Complaints having been made about hawking and peddling without license, the matter was referred to the legal committee to investigate and report.

The following bills were ordered paid:

|                              |         |              |
|------------------------------|---------|--------------|
|                              |         | GENERAL FUND |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas,     | \$63.41 |              |
| Daily Post, printing,        | 1.50    |              |
|                              |         | HEALTH FUND  |
| S. W. Merclean, registering, | 3.50    |              |
| On motion, Board adjourned.  |         |              |

2306. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 23, 1897. – A suit for Separation.

Mrs. William Bradley, of New York, formerly of this place whose marital troubles have been aired in court, has begun an action for separation from her husband, William Bradley, recently released from the asylum, though her attorney Edward J. Dooley, of Brooklyn in Supreme court in that city. Mr. Bradley has engaged Andrew J. Wise, of New York city to defend him.

2307. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 25, 1897. – Inhaled Gas Three Days. – Strange Death of Henry Geil, a Storekeeper in Peekskill.

A Peekskill correspondent to the New York Herald says on January 23: The peculiar death of Henry Geil to-day furnished Peekskill a sensation. Geil, who was about thirty five years old, several years ago opened a novelty store and billiard parlor at No. 830 South street. Last week his wife, accompanied by their son, Lee, twelve years old, went to Saugerties, Ulster county to visit her mother, Mrs. C. E. Quick, on Elm street.

Some of his customers saw him close his store Wednesday night. His store was not opened all day Thursday, nor yesterday, nor to-day. He was at his home in Depew street.

Thomas H. Dugan and Adolph Harer were unable to gain entrance this morning, and after careful investigation, they burst in a door. Going to the second story, they opened a door in a double room.

The two rooms were filled with coal gas. In one room was a large self-feeding stove, with the draughts

closed and the front door opened. In the other room, connected by an open door, was Geil, lying and bed, and breathing heavily. He never regained consciousness and died at one o'clock this afternoon. Citizens cannot understand how he lived from Wednesday night, when it is presumed that he went home, until this morning, inhaling gas continually. There is a belief held by some that it may have been a case of suicide.

2308. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 5, 1897. – Maennerchor Officers.

At the regular business meeting of the Saugerties Mænner Quartette, held in their rooms Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Theodore Kistner, president; Henry Schneider, vice-president; Charles Quase, secretary; John Lang, treasurer; Herman Gleisner, trustee for three years; Peter Linden, color sargeant; [*sic*] Herman Gleisner, Maitre de Plaisare.

2309. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 11, 1897. – The Action Discontinued. – The Hardenburg-Washburn Sensational Suit Ended.

The action of John H. Hardenburg, proprietor of the "Little Market," on the corner of Partition and Jane streets, against John Tyler Washburn, the brick manufacturer, for \$25,000 for alienating his wife's affections has been discontinued without costs to either party. The suit attracted much attention and was a sweet morsel for the gossipmongers of this place, owing to the prominence of the parties. The suit was tried before Judge Fursman and a jury in Supreme Court at Kingston last October, and the jury after being out all night, were unable to reach a verdict, the vote being eight for the plaintiff and four for the defendant. Brinnier & Newcomb represented Hardenburg and Judge Clearwater represented Washburn.

2310. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 2, 1897. AMONG THE FIREMEN. – Letter Sent out by the Newburg Fire Department.

The Newburgh fire department is sending out invitations to the different companies along the river to participate in the big parade of the Tri-county Firemen in June. The following is the letter being sent out:

Newburgh, N. Y., Jan, 1897

TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK:

GENTLEMEN: The year that has just been ushered in marks the centenary of this department. You can't blame us for wanting to have a big time once in a hundred years. That is what we propose trying to have, but we are not so selfish as to desire the enjoyment by ourselves alone. We would like our friends with us. That's the excuse we have for encroaching on your valuable time now.

As you will remember we wanted the State Firemen's convention – but we didn't get it. In June the Tri-County Firemen's convention is to meet here in annual session – a most opportune time, we think, for our centennial observance. It will be a grand chance for you to meet and get acquainted with the great lights of Hudson River fire life. Won't you arrange to come? Don't table this, or direct your secretary to reply, "respectfully declined." Give it consideration. Think it over. There's no hurry - as far as we are concerned. Make up at your minds to come, and let us know at your earliest convenience, and in June bring all you can with you. The month is one of the finest in the year. It's the month of roses, the month of brides – why not the month of firemen? We've got a pretty city. It's easy to reach. We've plenty of sights to show you. Open hearted citizens by the score. We'll use you well, make you glad you came and send you home rejoicing.

You'll hear from us again, and when you do, be prepared to tell us that you already have a committee out considering the subject. Don't let that committee go to sleep, as so many committees do, but keep everlastingly at it, until the day in the middle of June, when Newburgh shall open wide her arms and

greet every fireman who comes to the Hillside City to participate in the centenary of her Fired Department. Yours to the finish, John F. Tucker, Secretary.

2311. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 15, 1897. Will of Peter Mower.

The will of Peter Mower of this town was proved in Surrogates Court Tuesday. The estate consists of real property valued at \$1,000. The will was executed May 4, 1895, and witnessed by W. D. Brinnier and Hezekiah K. Winne. To Elmer, a son, is given "my old style clock, known as grandfather's clock," and to the son, Herbert W., and [sic] eight day clock; to the daughter Laura A. Finger, an inlaid center table and to the wife, Catherine, a marble top stand. All the rest of the property goes to the children above named and to the wife, Catherine. The sons, Elmer and Herbert W., are appointed executors.

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2312. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 12, 1897. - Completely Surprised Him. - Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Tender a Surprise.

The members of Washington Hook & Ladder Co. tendered a surprise to their former captain, Henry A. Hildebrandt, on Thursday evening. About nine o'clock the company met at their rooms and proceeded in a body to Mr. Hildebrandt's and presented him with a handsome invalid's chair. The chair is made of black walnut and is richly upholstered in red brocaded silk.

The presentation speech was made by ex-chief engineer Wm. V. Burhans, who spoke very feelingly of Mr. Hildebrandt's work and interest in the company. Mr. Hildebrandt was completely surprised and responded in a few appropriate remarks. Refreshments were served during the evening and short speeches were made by Dr. O'Dea, William Tracy, Fred. Gradwhol, Martin Cantine, Isaac Lazarus, Lewis H. Kleeber, James P. Sweeney, William Mattes, Thomas Tuttle and J. W. Frankel.

2313. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 12, 1897. - Delegates Chosen.

The Democratic primary of district No. 1, was held in the court room in Russell Block, Thursday evening. J. Smith Elmendorf was elected chairman, and L. H. Kleeber, secretary. Peter J. Curley, William Stanley, Earnest Hassinger, and Norman Cunyes were elected delegates to the town caucus to nominate a ticket to be supported at the coming spring election.

The delegates were given the power of substitution and were instructed to urge at the caucus that District No. 1 have six instead of four delegates to all future caucuses. The caucus will be held Saturday evening.

2314. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 4, 1897. - WHY DAVIS VOTED FOR PAYN. The New York Press Tells The Whole Story. - Gives Our Senator a Thorough Lashing in its Columns by their Albany Correspondent.

The New York Press of Wednesday under the head of Charles Davis flops says: It was only at 9 o'clock this morning that the twenty-seventh vote, which made a caucus unnecessary, was corralled. This vote was that of Charles Davis of Saugerties. He was conscientiously opposed to Payn last week, and made little secret of the fact. The appeal of the Governor to him on Friday was unproductive of result. Even last night he had not changed. There was a rumor about the chamber that while he had left home opposed to Payn, he would find a message on his arrival that would sway him so that he would land in the Payn camp. Still he was in doubt when he went to bed, notwithstanding that it was pointed out to him this his vote against Payn would be of no avail, as the surrender of Ford had given the lobbyist that fateful twenty-sixth vote, without which confirmation by Republican votes exclusively would have been utterly impossible.

As late as 9 o'clock this morning it was the purpose of the majority to swing the caucus club and try to force other men into line. To have gone on the floor with only twenty-six votes would have been too

dangerous, and besides, Lou Payn's man, Ford, rather shied at what would have been the open and palpable evidence that his treachery to his constituents was what would make Payn's triumph assured. Therefore, Ford wanted either a caucus behind which to hide, or the vote of Charles Davis with him, so that there would be one to spare. At the hour named, however, Davis lowered his flag and, with the hesitancy which comes from self recognition of doing something against his judgment, said he would vote for Payn.

Thus Senator Davis, who must not be mistaken for Senator George A. Davis, of Erie, has a political boss in the person of Sam Coykendall. He plays politics a good deal as men play poker. Last fall he and Lou Payn had a falling out over some judicial nominations. Coykendall had influence with Davis. Payn needed Davis badly, and so Davis was used as the bridge over which Payn and Coykendall might throw their differences. It was hard on Davis, who has many excellent qualities, but Payn and Coykendall were not bothering about that phase of the situation. If Payn could get confirmation and Coykendall could win the favor of Payn, what mattered it about Davis.

2315. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 8, 1897. — OUR COMMON COUNCIL. — Short Session on Saturday Evening at Firemen's Hall. Many Bills Ordered Paid — The Coasting Ordinance to be Enforced and Officers Instructed to Make Arrests — Other Business Transacted.

The regular meeting of the Board of Village Directors was held Saturday evening. Director Rogers was the only absentee. President Cantine presided. Minutes of the last meeting read for information. Road committee reported that the ordinance relative to coasting was being disregarded and on motion posters were ordered printed and the police instructed to make arrests of any person coasting on the village streets.

Legal committee reported progress in the matter of hawking and peddling without license, also that the corporation counsel had secured an order directing Samuel Hallenbeck, to accept the answer of the village.

The Firemanic committee reported that Washington Hook & Ladder Co., had requested that a team draw their truck during the winter in the event of fire and it was granted, also that a check for damage done to the heater had been received. Elmer Walker, D. G. Gale, James Ledwith, Milton L. Butzel and Joseph W. Frankel were confirmed as members of the Washington Hook and Ladder Co.

The Clerk reported having collected \$5.00 from the Conley Comedy Co.

The bill of Daniel Lamb was referred to the street committee and the bill of the Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co. to the finance committee.

On motion, the crusher committee were authorized to have the crusher buildings painted.

Bids for quarrying stone at the crusher were received from F. Lutz & Co. at 35 cents per ton and Henry Kipper at 30 cents per ton, and on motion the contract was awarded to Henry Kipper, the Board of Directors to determine the quantity of stone required.

The following bills were ordered paid:

GENERAL FUND.

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Finger & Lewis, brick,        | \$ 6.40 |
| H. A. Hildebrandt, repairs,   | 7.74    |
| A. D. Myer, labor,            | 4.00    |
| Ulster Blue Stone Co., stone, | 5.55    |
| Harry Gray, wood,             | 1.00    |
| Norman Cunyes, labor,         | 5.25    |
| P. Cantine, expenses,         | 16.28   |
| John Maxwell, salary,         | 46.00   |

LICENSE FUND.

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Howard & Valkenberg, labor, | 36.40 |
|-----------------------------|-------|

Janitor Palmer has the room in a neat and bright looking condition and everything has a cheerful look.

2316. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 8, 1897. - HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT. - Submitted on Friday Evening to the Health Board. - Our Place in Good Healthy Condition, and Not Much Contagion the Past Year - Record of Diseases and Complaints.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health held Friday evening, Dr. S. L. Dawes, health officer, submitted his annual report. Owing to the absence of Mr. Jones, the monthly report will be submitted this week.

*To the Honorable Board of Health of the Village of Saugerties:*

GENTLEMEN: - In transmitting to you my annual report as executive officer of your honorable board, I think that contagious diseases, and our fight against them, demand your first attention.

During the year ending Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, '96, there were reported 38 cases of contagious disease.

During the year ending Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, '97, there were reported 16 cases of contagious disease.

Of the above named contagious diseases, almost all were Scarlet Fever, and the reasons for so marked a decrease from year to year is due, unquestionably to superior sanitary precautions. In 1894 the period of quarantine was but three weeks, and while disinfection was ordered, the work was not done by an officer of the board. In 1895, at my suggestion, the period of quarantine was increased to 5 weeks and all fumigations were done by the Sanitary Inspector, that being now our rule. Not only have the results justified our method, but we have the hearty commendations of the State Board of Health, upon the scientific administration of our work. Below will be found the cases of contagious diseases for the year classified.

| Diseases       | No. of Cases | Deaths   |
|----------------|--------------|----------|
| Measles,       | 1            | 0        |
| Typhoid Fever, | 2            | 1        |
| Diphtheria,    | 2            | 1        |
| Scarlet Fever, | 11           | 0        |
| Small Pox,     | <u>0</u>     | <u>0</u> |
| Total          | 16           | 2        |

During 1896 there have been received 4 written complaints; held 17 meetings, made 51 investigations of nuisances; made 42 orders to abate nuisances; granted 3 permits for keeping pigs; given 5 hearings; made 24 inspections of markets; posted 19 notices; disinfected 31 houses; recorded 53 births; recorded 25 marriages; recorded 67 deaths; passed 2 ordinances.

The apparent discrepancy between 16 contagious diseases and 31 houses disinfected, is explained by the fact that a number of cases of Scarlet Fever were reported in November and December, 1895, and not released from quarantine until Jan., 1896.

The annual death rate per 1000 in 1896 was 13.40 while 1895 it was 17.60 a very marked decrease as you may easily see.

The legislature of 1896 passed a law requiring all health boards to annually appoint an inspector to visit all mercantile establishments in the jurisdiction to ascertain how many children, between the ages of 14 and 16 are employed in such establishment, and to allow no such children to continue such work without a certificate from him, which, after examination as to physical and mental condition, and affidavits by parents or guardians as to age, the inspector is to grant at his discretion, and report the same to the State Factory Inspector. This has been complied with, by the appointment of Mr. Lackey as inspector and with him, I have made examination of all such applicants, and he has granted such certificates.

This new law necessitates extra labor for the board and as added expense to the municipality The expenditure on account of the board of health I have summarized from the books of the Village Treasurer, and have thought that it might not be amiss, to compare them with the expenditures for 1894 and 1895.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

|                              | 1894   | 1895   | 1896         |
|------------------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
| Health Com., Salary,         | 96.00  | 102.00 | 96.00        |
| Sanitary Inspector,          | 74.50  | 70.00  | 56.00        |
| Supplies,                    | 93.44  | 1.45   | 32.21        |
| Printing,                    | 42.50  | 12.00  | 11.50        |
| Clerk,                       |        | 25.00  | 20.00        |
| Vital Statistics,            | 72.75  | 118.40 | 91.87        |
| Counsel,                     | 20.00  |        |              |
| Health Officer,              | 200.00 | 200.00 | 150.00       |
| Amount still due and unpaid: |        |        |              |
| Health Officer,              |        |        | 50.00        |
| Sanitary Inspector,          |        |        | 24.00        |
| Vital Statistics,            |        |        | <u>23.00</u> |
|                              | 599.19 | 528.85 | 554.58       |

While but \$457.58 has been actually paid there is still due and unpaid on account of lack of funds \$97.00, making a total for the year of \$554.58. Of this however, a part, amounting to \$83.92, and divided as follows:

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| Sanitary Inspector, | \$19.00     |
| Supplies,           | 23.92       |
| Vital Statistics,   | 35.50       |
| Printing,           | <u>5.50</u> |
|                     | \$83.92     |

belongs properly to the year 1895, as it was for work done in that year, therefore during the year just past our actual expenses have been \$470.66.

During the coming year I think that our expenditures, unless some unlooked for epidemic of contagious disease arises, can be made \$400.00.

I would suggest to your honorable board that no report of committees, nor of officers be received, unless in writing, in order that an accurate record may be preserved of all work done. I would also suggest that in the future all bills audited and ordered paid, be recorded in the minutes and an accurate record kept of the same for reference.

In closing I wish to thank your honorable board for the hearty support given me in my work as Health Officer and to congratulate you upon the fruition of your efforts to make our municipality a more healthful, and at the same time a more agreeable place of residence.

Our self congratulation at the success of our endeavors must not allow us in the least to relax our vigilance, and should indeed but spur us on to fresh efforts and to the searching for new sources of danger to life and health or for old dangers which we may have passed by.

All of which is respectfully submitted. I have the honor to be,

Respectfully, S. L. Dawes, Health Officer. Saugerties, N. Y., Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897.

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2317. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 10, 1897. - THOSE HAVING PASSED. - Reports of the Recent Regents Examinations Held Here. - Many Successful Students - Work Gratifying to the Teachers and Parents - Our Schools Rank High - Many Pass Cards.

The following credentials are claimed by Saugerties High School, as the result of the recent Regent's examination held Jan. 25-29. Those marked \* passed the subject at a former examination also.

PASS CARDS.

Spelling - \*Mabel Abeel, Percy M. Abeel, \*Bessie E. Adams, Lillie J. Ames, Elizabeth Barker, \*Rosa M. Bedell, \*Lulu Bruckner, Lena E. Carle, \*Matie E. Carnright, Caroline C. Clum, \*Ray A. Cohen, Alfred T. Davis, Byron L. Davis, Helen B. Davis, \*Nellie Davis, Katherine Decker, William Doyle, Lilabel M. Finger,

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Mabel M. Finger, J. Theodora Gates, John H. Gillespy, \*Esther Hallenbeck, \*Mabel E. Hanna, \*Anna M. Hassinger, \*Harry Hill, William Hornbeck, Helen V. Jack, Lila Russell James, Alice H. Jewett, \*Jennie Hortense Jewett, \*Walter Kerbert, \*Carrie C. Kleeber, Benjamin L. Lewis, Clarence Lynk, \*William W. McFarland, Gertrude B. McNally, \*S. Jennie McNally, Anna F. Myer, \*Dora Ohley, \*Harry Person, \*Edward Phillips, \*Lucy J. Potter, \*Carrie M. Russell, Mable Schoonmaker, Eva E. Sheldon, Arthur D. Sinsapaugh, Ford Smith, Susie M. Smith, Nina Suderley, Bessie M. Swart, Fannie L. Tayler, Harry M. Valkenburgh, Harry Van De Bogart, M. Katie Van Etten, Katharine S. Wilson, \*Charles Young.

Elementary English - Lena E. Carle, Caroline C. Clum.

Writing - Lena E. Carle, Caroline C. Clum.

Reading – Nina M. Crump, John B. Gillespy, Edna M. Griffis, Maude L. Griffis, Eliza Lowther, Edith Snyder.

Arithmetic – Edna A. Austin, Elizabeth Barker, Nina M. Crump, Stephen C. Fiero, Lucy E. Finger, John B. Gillespy, Edna M. Griffis, Maude L. Griffis, Eliza Lowther, Edith Snyder, \*Evelyn Waterbury.

Geography – Elizabeth Barker, Nina M. Crump, Charles W. Davis, John H. Gillespy, Lewis H. Kleeber, Nellie Martin, Ford Smith, Edward A. Washburn.

Advanced English - No papers above 75. Only four out of 25 handed in.

English Composition – Lynn B. Gates, Maude L. Griffis, Harry Hallenbeck, Mattie C. Longendyke, Alida Russell, Edith Snyder, Evelyn Waterbury.

Rhetoric – Marguerite Cordes, Harry Hallenbeck, Lucy W. Morss, Alida Russell.

English Literature – Florence Corse, Louise DeWitt, Caroline Simmons, Mai M. Smedberg

1<sup>st</sup> German - Emma Simmons.

2d German - Marguerite Cordes, Harry Hallenbeck, Cora Lowther, Fordyce Schoonmaker.

1<sup>st</sup> Latin – Henrietta R. Wilson.

Caesar – Isabel M. Cornwell, Carrie Hallenbeck.

Cicero – Peter W. Finger.

Virgil – Harold D. Clum.

Xenophon – Henry S. Bahler, Peter W. Finger.

Homer – Henry S. Bahler, Harold D. Clum.

Algebra – Florence B. Corse, Cora Lowther, Anna Russell, Emma Simmons.

Solid Geometry – Marguerite Cordes, Edwin P. Valkenburgh.

Physics I - Henry S. Bahler.

Geology – Ida May Burnett, Marguerite Cordes, Isabel M. Cornwell, Helen D. Lowther, F. Gilbert Morss, Emma Simmons, Mai M. Smedberg, Henrietta R. Wilson.

Physiology – Elizabeth Barker, Lynn B. Gates, Lucy W. Morss.

General History – Marguerite Cordes, Edwin P. Valkenburgh.

Roman History – Fordyce Schoonmaker.

English History – Harold D. Clum, Isabel M. Cornwell, Byron L. Davis, Peter W. Finger, F. Gilbert Morss, Caroline Simmons, Emma Simmons, Florence M. Snyder, Edwin P. Valkenburgh.

U. S. History - Elizabeth Barker, Stephen C. Fiero.

Civics – Mattie C. Longendyke, Cora Lowther.

Drawing – C. Alfred Clum, Florence B. Corse, Cora Lowther.

Book keeping – Irving M. Rowe.

Preliminary Certificates – Nina M. Crump, John B. Gillespy, Edna M. Griffis, Maude L. Griffis, Ella Lowther, Edith Snyder.

12 Count Certificates – Florence B. Corse, Cora Lowther.

24 Count Certificates – Ida May Burnett, Isabel M. Cornwell, Florence B. Corse, Cora Lowther, Emma Simmons.

36 Count Certificates – Marguerite Cordes, Peter W. Finger, Caroline Simmons.

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2318. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 19, 1897. – DIED.

SWART – In this village, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, Captain Ira Swart, aged 60 years, 6 months and 1 day. Funeral from Reformed Church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Kingston papers please copy.

2319. CAPTAIN IRA SWART DEAD. – A Valuable Citizen Expires After a Short Illness. – The Community Loses an Esteemed and Honorable Man – A Consistent Christian Man and a Soldier of the Late Rebellion. Captain Ira Swart, a highly esteemed and honorable citizen of this place died this morning at this home on Jane street at half past eight o'clock after a short illness of one week. Mr. Swart had long been afflicted with heart trouble, and was taken suddenly ill last Saturday from which sickness he did not recover and resulted in his death.

Mr. Swart was 60 years old, having been born in this town August 18, 1836. At the age of twenty-six years Mr. Swart entered the service of our union enlisting as a private in Company G., 120<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Volunteer Infantry, July 29, 1862. He proved to be a valuable soldier and was promoted in September 1862 to Corporal, on February 3, '63, to Sergeant, on July 1, '63 to Orderly Sergeant, on June 24, '64 to Second Lieutenant, on December 31, '64 to First Lieutenant, and in February, '65 to Captain. He participated in the following battles: Chancellorsville, Va., Gettysburg, Pa., Wapping Heights, Va., Kelly's Ford, Payse's Farm, Mine Run, Wilderness, Spotsylvania, North Anna, Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Strawberry Plains, Siege of Petersburg, Poplar Grove Church, Boyton Plank Road, Hutche's Run, Amelia's Spring, Boynton Plank Road, March 3, '65 and the surrender of Lee at Appomattox. During the month of August of the first year of the war he was confined in a hospital at Washington, D. C.

Mr. Swart was a charter member of J. R. Tappan Post, G. A. R., of this village having been Post Commander at the time of his death. He was president of the 120<sup>th</sup> Regimental Union, which held a reunion in this village in Davis' grove, last summer. Last week he visited Kingston, and made arrangements for the annual reunion of the regiment to be held on Washington's birthday, Feb. 22d, 1897.

He was a consistent and exemplary christian [sic] man, having united with the Reformed church in this village March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1870 and had always been active in its work having been connected with the Sunday School, being the treasurer for about fifteen years.

He joined Confidence Lodge, I. O. O. F. July 23<sup>rd</sup> 1866, and held the office of chaplain a number of years. Mr. Swart was elected collector of the village at the charter election held last December and held the position of manager and book-keeper for Burhans & Brainard, the stone dealers for nearly twenty years. He is survived by a wife, and one daughter, who have the sympathy of all in their sad bereavement. By the death of Mr. Swart, our village loses an honest and upright citizen. His funeral will be held at the Reformed Church Sunday afternoon, at 2 P. M., in charge of Tappen Post. The following will be the bearers: Dr. W. Kemble, J. Teetsel, A. Turck, D. W. Hommel, R. W. Sickler, George Schmitt, Paul Snyder and Elijah Van Aken, members of Co. G., 120<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Vols. who served under the captain during the war.

2320. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 22, 1897. – DIED.

MAINES – In this village, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, Margaret Derby, wife of James Maines, aged 64 years, 8 months and 5 days. Funeral from residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

2321. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 22, 1897. – DIED.

MAINES - In this village Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, James Maines, aged 74 years, 5 months and 21 days. Funeral from residence Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

2322. MOTHER AND FATHER DEAD. – Sad Deaths of Mr. and Mrs. James Maines – Mrs. Maines Expires Suddenly Saturday Afternoon and Mr. Maines on Sunday Morning – A Sorrowful Affair Indeed.

Seldom has a community ever received such a shock as this one has the past few days, when both father and mother have been called to their home about by Him who is infinitely wise and knowing all things best.

Mrs. Maines died very suddenly on Saturday afternoon about half past three o'clock of heart trouble. Mrs. Maines was a robust and healthy woman and was enjoying the best of health, and her sudden departure from earth, is an awful blow to her children.

The circumstances connected with her death is a sad affair. For a long time her husband has been a sufferer of complicated diseases but for the past few weeks his illness had been of such a serious nature as to confine him to his room. Mrs. Maines ministered to his wants and did all that lay in her power to soothe and console him in his affliction.

On Saturday afternoon as stated above Mr. Maines' condition became alarming and it was presumed that he was dying, and Mrs. Maines hastened over to Quick Bros. blacksmith shop on the corner of Livingston and First streets, where her eldest son Charles is employed and informed him of her husband's condition. Having informed her son, he started for his home in haste and noticing his mother breathing heavily, told her to take her time, saying I'll go on ahead. As she passed through the yard near Burhan's blacksmith shop, she sat down on the stoop, her son in the meantime had become alarmed about his mother's absence and retraced his steps and found her as stated. He secured help and she was conveyed home and Dr. Montgomery was telephoned for, but could not be secured, and Dr. Brink was summoned and he gave her some stimulants, but his services were of no avail, she expiring in a few minutes.

Mrs. Maines maiden name was Margaret Derby, being a daughter of Charles Derby and Christina Funda, and was born in this village June 15, 1832, her age being 64 years 8 months and 5 days. She is survived by three sisters, Mrs. D. Y. Smith, of this village, Mrs. Thomas Hickey, of Holyoke and Mrs. James Douglas, of Rondout and two brothers Charles and James Derby of this village. She was married to James Maines, in 1856 and the fruit of their union were six children, Ada, (deceased). Etta, wife of Harry W. Walker, George, Charles L. and Thomas, of this village and James J., of Jersey City. Mrs. Maines was an estimable woman, a loving and devoted mother, a kind hearted neighbor always ready to lend a helping hand in aiding others.

She was an earnest christian, [sic] being a member of the Baptist church. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her and especially in her home where her presence always shed rays of sunshine.

Can it be that dear mother has left us

And has reached the golden shore,

To be free from pain and sorrow

And dwell there evermore?

Jesus chose her out of many

As he watched her from afar,

And in mercy for her opened

The heavenly gates ajar.

But dear mother, home will be lonely;

Will be full of bitter gloom.

Even though we know your're happy

Far beyond the silent tomb.

For evening now while we are weeping,

Up in heaven she's looking down;

She is happy with our Saviour,

For she wears a golden crown.

THE FATHER DIES.

Sorrow when it comes, comes at once and scarcely had the grim destroyer departed from this saddened home, when it reappeared on Sunday morning about nine o'clock and took away the father. Mr. Maines

has long been an invalid, and of late his illness has been of a severe nature. He was a life-long resident of this place, having been born at Churchland, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1822, and his age was 74 years, 5 months and 20 days.

He was a blacksmith by trade, and had been in business a number of years, until failing health compelled

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him to abandon it. He was always interested in the welfare of the village, especially the fire department, having been chief engineer in 1859. At the time of his death he was a charter member of the Exempt Fireman's Association, and was the second foreman of the organization, and was one of the charter members of Rough & Ready Engine Co. No. 1, organized in 1848. He was also a member of Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows, who will have charge of the funeral services.

The entire fire department will attend the funeral, which will be held in connection with his wife's, making it a double one, on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at their late residence on Ulster avenue. The interment will be in Main street cemetery.

2323. Funeral of Captain Ira Swart. – One of the Largest Even Held in Town – the Church Filled.

The funeral obsequies over the remains of the late Captain Ira Swart were held in the Reformed church Sunday afternoon, the large auditorium, being filled to its utmost capacity, the aisles and every available space being taken, while many others were unable to gain admittance. General Geo. H. Sharpe commander of the 120<sup>th</sup> regiment made a short address and Dr. Wortman delivered the sermon eulogizing the sterling and noble character of the deceased. The funeral cortege was one of the largest ever held in town.

It was headed by a guard of six guns and the battle torn flags of the late Captains regiment. The Laflin Drum Corps with muffled drums rendered several dirges. Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Laflin Hose Co., and the Exempt Firemen's Association in full uniform and Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows attended in body, the deceased being a member of the last two organizations. The services at the grave were conducted by Rev. Dr. Wortman, Past Commander Eugene Barritt, and Carroll Whitaker of J. R. Tappen Post, G. A. R. At the conclusion, a volley of six guns were fired, and the departed one laid to rest.

ATTENDED THE FUNERAL.

The following members of the 120<sup>th</sup> N. Y. Volunteers, residing in Kingston, were in attendance at the funeral of the late Captain Ira Swart Sunday.

Gen. George H. Sharpe, Jas. H. Everett, Levi Roosa, J. P. Roosa, William Joy, A. H. Barber, Wm. D. Burgess, Wilbur L. Hale, J. G. Jackson, Wm. H. Kniffin, L. B. Van Wagenen, Malachi Garrison, John Brodhead, G. A. Hart, C. F. Carnright, Charles Dumond, Dr. H. Van Hoevenburgh.

2324. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 26, 1897. – Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

The funeral of the late Homer Russell was held at his late residence on Second street Thursday afternoon. The Rev. George H. Smith, of the Methodist church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. F. Stowe of the Congregational church. There were several beautiful floral offerings from the Masonic Lodge and Royal Arcanum, of which the deceased had been an honored member.

The bearers were: John Snyder, J. D. Fratsher, E. J. Lewis, I. Ronk, Wm. Sickles, Bion Hallenbeck, L. B. Howard, Henry A. Ohley. The interment was in the Main street cemetery.

2325. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 22, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Short Session of the Village Fathers Saturday Evening. – Committee Appointed to Draw Up Resolutions in Respect to the Late Captain Ira Swart – Other Miscellaneous Business Transacted.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. All the Directors being present. President Cantine presiding. The session was a short one, there being not much business.

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The finance committee reported favorably on the bills of Daniel Lamb, \$65.39, and the Saugerties Coal and Lumber Co., for \$85.33, which were ordered paid.

The committee on streets reported the streets to be in fair condition and the sidewalks and gutters quite free from snow and ice.

The stone crusher committee reported progress. The legal committee reported that the village charter amendments would be ready to present to the legislature by next week.

The firemanic committee reported that the matter of tramps lodging in Laflin Hose Co.'s rooms on the South Side had been given attention.

Directors Quick, Lasher and Cantine were appointed a committee to draw up resolutions of respect and condolence to be presented to the family of the late collector, Ira Swart.

The communication of Charles D. [paper torn, ending 'en', perhaps Capen] was received and placed on file.

Upon motion, an oil lamp was ordered placed on Washington avenue, between Division and Main streets, and also one on Livingston street between First and Market streets.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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|---|---------|
| T. J. Barritt, minute book,               | \$ 1.75 |
| Denis Wortman, registration of marriages, | 2.25    |
| Saugerties Gas Co.,                       | 58.66   |
| Saugerties Post, printing,                | 2.00    |
| John Palmer, janitor,                     | 8.00    |

On motion, Board adjourned.

2326. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 23, 1897. The Social Dance. - Brilliant Dancing Event Held Monday Evening at St. Mary's Hall.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather which prevailed Monday evening, the fashionable soiree at St. Mary's Hall was a brilliant and recherché affair.

It was attended by the cream of Saugerties best society, and the pretty costumes and gowns of the ladies and the dress suits of the gentlemen was a beautiful sight to behold.

Martin's superb military orchestra of ten pieces was seated on the stage and rendered inspiring and selected music, and the dancers were fully aware of it and took advantage of it, in the way they participated.

The following musical programme was rendered preceding the dancing, and which was heartily enjoyed: Wheelsman's Galop, J. O. Casey

Two Step, "Remus Takes the Cake," J. H. Ellis

Waltz, "Irene," Bennett

Two Step, "The Yellow Kid," Thompson

The dance was a huge success and great credit is due the committee who successfully managed the affair. The following were the committee: Martin Cantine, Chairman of Arrangements; Aids, J. T.

Washburn, Jr., J. Wm. Lackey, C. C. James, E. J. Lewis, J. D. Fratsher, R. B. Overbagh, H. C. Van Buskirk, J. A. Snyder, J. C. Shults, D. G. Gale, E. C. Snyder, J. B. Sheffield, C. Van Steenberg, H. S. Morgan, L. S.

Hommel, F. T. Lewis, H. T. Keeney, Marvin Reed, F. D. Wygant, P. H. Davis. Reception Committee – J. B. Sheffield, Chairman; Aids, H. S. Morgan, R. B. Overbagh, F. D. Wygant, H. T. Keeney, D. G. Gale, Marvin Reed, J. W. Lackey, L. S. Hommel, C. C. James.

Clyde Van Steenberg, floor manager; Aids, J. T. Washburn, Jr., F. H. Davis, E. C. Snyder, H. C. Van Buskirk, F. T. Lewis, John B. Kearney, J. C. Shults, J. D. Fratsher, E. J. Lewis, J. A. Snyder, H. C. Finger.

2327. Firemanic Matters. – Items of Interest of Our Own and Other Companies.

The board of foremen of the Poughkeepsie fire department, met Friday evening and decided the date for the parade and inspection October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. Many visiting companies will take part in the parade

and it is expected that it will one of the greatest firemanic events ever seen along the Hudson. The following are the prizes which will be given: Drill – 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$100; 2d prize \$50.

Finest appearance -1<sup>st</sup> prize \$25.

Finest H. & L. truck \$25.

Finest steamer \$25.

There must be more than one company entered to secure a prize on hook and ladder, hose carriage or steamer.

H. & L. contest – 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$50; 2d prize \$25.

If only two companies enter there will be only one prize.

2328. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 24, 1897. – Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

The double funeral of Mr. and Mrs. James Maines whose sudden deaths were chronicled in the Post Monday, was held at their late residence on Ulster avenue, Tuesday afternoon, the house being filled with relatives and friends of the deceased, while many were unable to get in, and lined the sidewalks near by. The Rev. F. H. Gates, pastor of the Baptist church, officiated. There was several beautiful floral pieces, one being a massive firemen's trumpet, over three feet in height, of white carnations, violets and cala lilies, upon which was inscribed with immortals, "Chief S. F. D. 1859," from Snyder Hose Co., and also beautiful pillows from friends.

Snyder Hose Co., Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Laflin Hose Co., and the Exempt Firemen's Association in fatigue uniform attended in a body and Confidence Lodge of Odd Fellows had charge of the services at the grave. W. E. Van Buskirk acting as chaplain and George Bridgeman as Noble Grand. The bearers were members of Confidence Lodge and were as follows: Norman Cunyes; Winslow Pells; Smith Elmendorf, James H. Carew, J. W. Shults, Andrew Myer, W. E. Myer, Franklin Fuller, Benjamin Ebel, Howard Van Debogart, Winslow Van Etten and Charles Capen. The interment was in the Main street cemetery.

2329. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 23, 1897. – DIED.

RUSSELL. – In this village Feb. 22d, Homer Russell, aged 38 years, 1 month and 1 day.

Homer Russell, who has been seriously ill the past few weeks with heart trouble died Monday evening about eleven o'clock aged 38 years, 1 month and 1 day. He was born in this village January 21, 1859, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah P. Russell. Mr. Russell was one of our leading business men, having conducted a grocery store at West Camp about three years, when he removed to this village and accepted the position of manager of James Russell's hardware store. He resigned this position and accepted one as teller in the Saugerties Bank, a position he held at the time of his death. He was a prominent mason holding the position of secretary of Ulster Lodge, No. 193 F. & A. M. and also a member of the Saugerties Council of Royal Arcanum, having held different offices in the organization. He was a lifelong democrat and has been chairman of the democratic town committee, and was postmaster of West Camp under the first Cleveland administration. He leaves a young wife and two children to mourn his loss. The funeral will be held at his late residence on Second street Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and will be private.

2330. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Feb. 25, 1897. – Card of Thanks.

The members of the family of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Maines desire to thank the Snyder Hose Co. for beautiful floral tributes, Washington Hook & Ladder Co., Laflin Hose Co., Exempt Firemen's Association, Confidence I. O. O. F., and the many friends who so kindly assisted them in their recent affliction.

2331. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 1, 1897. - LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

*To the Editor of the Post:*

A circular, with the customary disregard for the truth usually displayed by the persons who take it upon themselves to abuse the people in the liquor business, has been issued stating that the circular sent to the voters of this town recently and signed by Business men and Taxpayers was a gigantic falsehood. We merely desire to say in reply, that every work of that circular is absolutely true. That we do not quote figures we know nothing about. That we did not say, nor does the signature imply that *all* the business men and taxpayers in the town were consulted. But we do say that every person who was instrumental in getting up and distributing of that circular was a business man or taxpayer; representing some of the most important business interest in the town. Business Men and Taxpayers.

2332. The year 47 B. C. was the longest year on record. By order of Julius Caesar, it contained 445 days. The additional days were put in to make the seasons conform as nearly as possible with the solar year.

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2333. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 2, 1897. – A Conflagration Averted. – Prompt Discovery in Suderley's Building Saves a Big Fire.

Shortly after one o'clock to-day smoke was discovered issuing from the roof of Suderley's bakery shop in the rear their store on Partition street by Mrs. Rudger Suderley who resides in the apartments over the store and an alarm was immediately given.

Snyder Hose Co. and Washington Hook & Ladder company with their apparatus arrived on the scene promptly, followed by Laflin Hose Co. A bucket brigade had extinguished the blaze before the firemen arrived. In the absence of chief Engineer McCormick, first assistant chief Ernest Hassinger took charge of the work. The chief arrived later.

The fire originated over the baking oven, and but for its prompt discovery would have been a disastrous conflagration and resulted in a large loss of property. A large amount of paper boxes, lard, crackers and flour were damaged by water. The loss, which is not known, is covered by insurance. This is the second time fire has broken out on this property.

2334. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 4, 1897. – Where the Name Originated. – How the Sobriquet "Uncle Sam" Started Years Ago.

The nickname "Uncle Sam" as applied to the United States Government is said to have originated as follows: Samuel Wilson, commonly called "Uncle Sam," was a government inspector of beef and pork at Troy, N. Y., about 1812. A contractor, Elbert Anderson, purchased a quantity of provisions, and the barrels were marked "E. A." Anderson's initials, and "U. S." for United States. The latter initials were not familiar to Wilson's workmen, who inquired what they meant. A facetious fellow answered: "I don't know, unless they mean "Uncle Sam."

A vast amount of property afterward passed through Wilson's hand, marked in the same manner, and he was often joked upon the extent of his possessions. The joke spread through all the departments of the government, and before long the United States was popularity [*sic*] referred to as "Uncle Sam."

2335. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 4, 1897. – The New Templars Lodge.

A new lodge of Good Templars has been organized at Malden with the name of Perseverance Lodge No. 77. At a recent meeting the following officers were elected: Herbert M. Hover, Chief Templar; Matie Hover, Vice Templar; George W. Terpening, Chaplain; Fayette P. Knight, Secretary; Clyde Hover, Assistant Secretary; P. St. John Colman, Fin. Secretary; Mrs. Etta Carle, Treasurer; William E. Ward, Marshal; Anna Whitney, Deputy Marshal; Oscar Manton, Guard; Rose Valk, Sentinel; Chas. Knox, Lodge Deputy; Mrs. Ada Fiero, Sup. Juv. Templar; [*sic*] Chas. Rightmyer, Past Chief Templar.

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2336. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 3, 1897. – Attention Firemen.

The undersigned presents his compliments to the Saugerties Fire Department, as specified below, and respectfully solicits the pleasure of their company at a supper to be given at Ebel's Hotel, Glasco, on Tuesday evening, March 9<sup>th</sup>. The Saugerties Exempts, The Snyder Hose Co., Washington Hook & Ladder Co., The Laflin Hose Co., Citizens Brass Band. The Glasco Cornet Band and orchestra will furnish music. Respectfully, James Williamson, Glasco Ice Co.

2337. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 22, 1897. - OUR COMMON COUNCIL – Two Drinking Fountains Ordered Purchased. – Several Bills Audited and Other Business Transacted – Resolutions Regarding the Death of Captain Swart Adopted.

The regular meeting of the village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. All the directors were present. President Cantine presided. Minutes of previous meetings read for information.

On motion David E. Abeel was appointed collector to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Captain Ira Swart.

On motion two drinking fountains were ordered purchased from the J. L. Mott Iron Works, style plate 215 K, at \$70 each.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Him who doeth all things for the best, to take from our midst our fellow village officer, Captain Ira Swart, be it

*Resolved* By the Directors of the Village of Saugerties that they express their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family in this hour of affliction and sorrow, and furthermore be it

*Resolved* That this expression of the Board be spread upon their minutes and a copy of same be sent to the family.

The following bills were ordered paid:

General Fund.

Saugerties Gas Co., gas, \$63.41

License Fund.

Seamon Bros., furniture, \$56.75

Dog Fund.

C. C. Cornwell, painting crusher \$20.00

Health Fund.

Weed & Parson, printing, \$ 2.75

Dr. Wortman, registering, 2.25

S. W. Merclean, vital statistics, 7.75

Road Fund.

Wm. Doyle, teams one-half day, 2.25

Jas. Donahue, 2 days, 3.00

M. Lawler, 1 day, 1.50

J. Dillon, 1 day, 1.50

A. Pultz, 2 months salary, 58.33

On motion board adjourned.

2338. The pleasure of yourself and ladies is requested to attend A Private Dance, to be held at St. Mary's Hall, Saugerties, N. Y., Thursday evening, December thirty-first, eighteen hundred and ninety-six. Clyde Van Steenberg, Chairman, Music by Prof. Martin's full Military Orchestra. [illustration]

Reception Committee Dr. F. D. Wygant, Chairman, C. V. Winship, Luther Hommel, F. T. Lewis, F. G. Phelps. Floor Committee. J. T. Washburn, Jr., Chairman, Edward C. Snyder, P. H. Davis, H. C. Van Buskirk, John C. Shults.

Gentlemen Assessed \$1.50, Including Refreshments.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

2339. Not Transferable - Mr. Ernest Hassinger - You are respectfully invited to attend the Third Annual Masquerade Ball of the Deutscher Unterstuetzungs Verzein, to be given at the Nelida Theatre, Thursday Evening, Feb. 11, 1897, past experience guarantees this will be the most attractive and successful event of the year. Prizes of \$5 each, in gold, will be awarded the best costumed lady and gentleman. Music by Prof. Hill's Orchestra. Committee – Henry Hansen, Wm. Kruger, F. A. Stahl, John G. Miller, John C. Bordt, Frank Hasselman. [illustration]

2340. NOTICE.

A Costumer from New York will be in attendance for those who desire to hire costumes. Prices of Costumes, \$1, \$2, \$3, and \$4.

Carriages will be furnished free of charge

Carriages will not go out of the corporation.

Orders for carriages must be given to F. A. Stahl, E. Mink or A. X. Franz before 12 M. Parties ordering must be ready at time specified.

Grand March at nine o'clock.

No one will be allowed on the lower floor unmasked.

No one will be allowed on the lower floor without dancing tickets.

Gallery Tickets 25 cents.

Special lady's dancing ticket 35 cents.

Dancing ticket for lady and gentleman \$1.00.

Supper will be furnished on the stage on the European plan.

Tickets on sale at Klepser's Bakery, Frank Knoll's F. A. Stahl's, E. Mink's, Con. Hammer's and of any member of the committee.

Invitations must be presented at the Theatre door.

\$5 in gold will be awarded to the lady and \$5 in gold to the gentleman wearing the finest costumes.

[A part of the above invitation.]

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2341. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Apr. 5, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – A Long Session Held by the Board Saturday Evening – Many New Lamps Ordered and Considerable Work to be Done on the Streets – Chief Engineer Submits His Report.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Present - Cantine, Cornwell, Lasher, Myers, Rogers and Quick. President Cantine presided. Minutes of last meetings read for information.

Chief engineer of the fire department Mc Cormick appeared before the Board and reported the testing of hose and steamer, and that all firemanic apparatus was in good condition, and also that 1,300 feet of hose was uptown and 650 feet on the south side.

The street committee reported repairs made on Hill street and the walk complained of by O. T.

Simmons. Also street commissioner was directed to make necessary repairs to Main street, between the Reformed Church and Washington avenue, Ulster avenue, this side of the old Lutheran Church, and wherever needed, and complete the upper part of Partition street.

On motion, the following ordinance was adopted in reference to straightening street line of northerly side of Division street.

Description of Division street, Saugerties; Beginning at a post, the corner of the lot of George C. Pollock, at the southeast corner of Washington street and Division street, and running thence northerly along the easterly line of Washington street, 41 45 100 feet to a point three feet northerly of the present fence on Division street of Ulysses Winans, thence parallel with the southerly side of said Division street, N. 78, E about 572 feet to Cedar street, thence southerly along Cedar street 41 45-100 feet, then S. 780, W about 572 feet to the place of beginning.

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

The points assumed for the southerly side of the above street are the post of Pollock on Washington avenue, and the N. E. corner of the brick building on said southerly side of Division street nearest to Cedar street.

Crusher committee reported that an inventory of the tools and other appurtenances at the crusher had been made, and the boiler plate in good condition. Also a contract had been made with Henry Kipper to quarry and crush stone at fifty cents a ton, and the contract for 2,000 tons to be ready for placing on the streets, to be completed by July 1. Kipper furnished a bond of \$1,000 with Chas. E. Cornwell as surety for the faithful performance of the contract. A new sign was also ordered to be painted for use at the crusher, to give warning.

On motion, \$25 was ordered paid to John W. Davis for stone and necessary privileges of crossing land for the year of '97.

A petition from the residents of the South Side for a double crosswalk at Dixon's hotel was on motion granted.

New lamps were ordered placed on Malden avenue, between John Post's and Main street and one on Main street near Howard Bogardus' residence.

On motion six new lamps were ordered purchased.

The following bills were ordered paid:

|                                    | General Fund. |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| W. E. Persons, care of town clock, | \$12.00       |
| M. Bradley Co., indexes,           | 3.78          |
| H. Brownson, filing bills,         | 2.00          |
| John Maxwell, salary,              | 46.00         |
| Howard & Valkenburg, repairs,      | 2.78          |
| E. B. Codwise, civil engineer,     | 29.40         |
| George Van Etten, civil engineer,  | 16.18         |
|                                    | Road Fund.    |
| W. Doyle, teams, 5 days,           | \$ 22.00      |
| J. Donohue, 5 ¼ "                  | 8.25          |
| M. Thuman, 4 "                     | 6.00          |
| M. Lynch, 1 "                      | 1.50          |
| J. Dillon, ½ "                     | .75           |
| R. Casey, 1 ½ "                    | 2.25          |
| A. Pultz, 3 "                      | 4.50          |

On motion Board adjourned.

2342. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 31, 1897. – Card of Thanks.

SAUGERTIES, N. Y., March 30, 1897.

*To the Officers and Members of the Royal Arcanum, No. 1365 of Saugerties, N. Y.*

I have this day received of your treasurer, Mr. Edson Finger, a draft for \$3,000, in payment of Certificate No. 133837, on the life of my late husband. I desire to thank you for the prompt settlement of the claim, and cannot do otherwise recommend to everybody who can pass the requisite examination a life insurance. Very truly yours, Lizzie E. Foland Russell. [as written]

2343. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 22, 1897. – A SERIOUS CHARGE – Made Against Carrol Whitaker of this Village. – A Proceeding to Recover from Him \$400 Which it is Claimed Belongs to a Client – The Matter Adjourned.

A serious charge, if true, was made against a member of the Ulster county bar Saturday morning at the regular special term of the supreme court at the court house, Kingston. The lawyer is Carrol Whitaker, of this village, and the charge was made by William A. Sweetser, of the firm of Sweetser & Sulzer, of 45

Broadway, New York city. Mr. Sweetser is attorney for Bessie Hardenburg, daughter of John H. Hardenburg, the "Little Market Man." The matter which came before Justice Chase at special term was a special proceeding of Miss Hardenburg, who now lives in New York, asking the court for a [sic] order compelling Carroll Whitaker to pay to her the sum of \$400 alleged in the petition to be part of \$500 which Whitaker received in two checks, dated respectively February 23 and March 3, 1891, each for \$250 each. Miss Hardenburg alleges that in 1891 she had a cause of action against one John T. Tompkins, of Saugerties, and placed the same in the hands of Carrol Whitaker to prosecute or take such other action as might seem fit to him as her attorney. The petition alleges that he represented at the time of the settlement of the action with Mr. Tompkins that he could not make as good a settlement with Tompkins as he thought he could, and that he only received \$100 and said that on account of the small amount he would not charge anything for his services beyond disbursement, which amount was \$16, because of his being such an intimate and long-time friend of Mr. Hardenburg, the petitioner's father. The petitioner states that at about the same time, February 27, 1891, Whitaker handed her a piece of paper, purporting to be a release of all claims against Tompkins, which was in Whitaker's handwriting, and contained the clause, "for and in consideration of \$500." The petitioner says she signed the paper, relying entirely on the fact that Mr. Whitaker knew her from infancy, and that he showed her a letter written by her brother, Jacob Hardenbergh, telling her it was all right, and to sign any paper that Whitaker asked her. She swears that at the time she signed the paper she did not know what it contained, except as far as Whitaker represented it was a receipt to Tompkins for \$100, because Mr. Whitaker had the paper folded so that half of it was against the table, and so concealed that she could read only the last few lines immediately above where she signed her name, and further says that had she known it was for \$500 she would not have signed her name. The petitioner also states that she did not ascertain or know that Tompkins had paid \$500 to Whitaker until late in the year 1895. She states in her petition that she has since endeavored without success to settle her claim so as to obviate the necessity of exposure in court.

An affidavit of Jacob Hardenburg attached to the petition, substantiates the allegations of his sister, the petitioner. There is also an affidavit of J. W. Tompkins which contains briefly that he knew all the facts and that he did pay Whitaker \$500 on the day named, and that the first he knew about the claim was just before February, 1891, when he received notice to call upon Whitaker at his office, and that Whitaker told him when he called that he had better settle the Hardenbergh matter for \$1,000 or otherwise he would get himself into jail. The affidavit goes on to state that he refused to pay \$500, which Whitaker wanted in cash, but that Whitaker finally accepted the checks made out in his name. After Mr. Sweetser started to make his motion for the order and had stated a large portion of the grounds for the proceedings, John W. Searing who appeared for Mr. Whitaker, asked for an adjournment on the ground that his client was engaged in the Kipp matter, at Saugerties before Referee Linson, and that the application had no merit.

Mr. Sweetser said the papers were served on Whitaker on March 11<sup>th</sup> and that he then knew the matter was coming up at the special term but instead Whitaker had since consented to take part in the reference on the same day.

Judge Chase said while he considered Mr. Whitaker's claim for an adjournment as weak, he would follow the usual course, as this was the first application for an adjournment, but would consult Mr. Sweetser as to the date and that notice would be taken as to expense and disbursements at the proper time. Mr. Sweetser fixed the date for April 17<sup>th</sup>, at the next special term and the court gave an order adjourning the proceedings to that date.

2344. The deepest lake in the world is Lake Baikal, in Siberia. In some parts it is 5,261 feet deep; its length is 397 miles, with an area of 15,000 square miles. It is the largest lake in Asia, and the sixth largest in the world.

2345. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 23, 1897. – LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

Saugerties, March 23, 1897.

*To the Editor of the Post:*

Will you please permit me to state in answer to that "Serious Charge."

1. That some of the statements made in the alleged claim of Miss Hardenberg are true, and some are not.
2. That I was never employed by her.
3. That I never received \$500 for her alone from J. W. Tompkins.
4. That over six years ago she received in money all that she was entitled to, and more.
5. That I owe her nothing and never owed her anything.
6. That Tompkins made a diabolical, and deliberate, attempt to ruin a young girl. He employed me to obtain a release, and the written evidence of his guilt. I did both for him after three trips to New York, and a dozen interviews and consultations, with him and others and he paid me. If he thinks this is not true I challenge him to sue me for libel and I will prove it.
7. Four years later this same Tompkins wanted some of his money back. I requested him to call and see me but he never did.
8. The wolf and the lamb then joined forces for the purpose of the application when the lady first presented her claim, through a Kingston lawyer, a short time ago. I requested an immediate interview with her in the presence of her father and brother and offered to refer the matter to any attorney *she might name*, neither offer was accepted. I explained the matter fully to her Kingston attorney who refused to have anything further to do with it.

If you wish further information before the hearing on April 17<sup>th</sup>, it can be obtained down at the corner where the chicken was hatched, for the sole purpose of getting any kind of a whack at me. Yours truly,  
Carroll Whitaker.

2346. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 22, 1897. – Signed At Last. – The William Bradley Commitment Papers by Judge Parker.

William Bradley, who has been incarcerated in the lockup since Saturday will be taken to the Middletown Insane Asylum. The papers over which so much trouble has been had, were signed by Judge Parker at the Kingston depot on Wednesday at the request of Supervisor John D. Fratscher. Bradley was allowed to go out for an airing Wednesday afternoon with Samuel Truesdale who promised to take care of him. Bradley enjoyed a ride behind Mr. Truesdale's horse and seemed all right. In the evening at the residence of his brother-in-law's John O'Connor, on West Bridge street he became wild again and Officer Michael Kenney had a tussel with him. In the evening a surrey was procured and Officers Chas. Abeel and Kenney brought Bradley to the lockup after another tussel. He will be taken to the asylum as soon as the attendants arrive.

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2347. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 31, 1897. – MR. WHITAKER'S REPLY – To Lawyer Sweetser's Lengthy Article of Tuesday. – Tells His Side of the Meeting at his Residence – Claims He Would Not Settle – Claims Sweetser Drafted Miss Hardenberg's Letter.

March 31, 1897

*To the Editor of the Post:*

The "cheek" exhibited by Mr. Sweetser in his labored two column letter to the "Post" of yesterday, will pardon the continued washing of dirty linen before the public.

One would imagine from the tone of his remarkable effusion that it was somewhere recorded in the First Book of Moses, that "the Lord made the Heavens and Earth in six days, and then he made Sweetser; but I nowhere discover that the creative act was exhausted when he was produced.

I did not offer \$250 or \$300 to settle. I did offer to donate \$50 or \$100, rather than have dissatisfaction.

He states I dodged him, and did not appear in court on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Why did he not state, fairly, that I had previously written him, requesting a delay until after the following Tuesday on account of the Kipp hearing. It was necessary to examine Mr. Philo Snyder, aged 79, and infirm, who had come here from New Jersey, and the reference was to be held here especially to take the testimony of our venerable citizen Thomas J. Barritt, aged 79, also who is not in good health. I had consented to change it from Friday to Saturday to accommodate Mr. Cantine, who had to go to New York.

But although Mr. Sweetser knew the necessity of the hearing in the Kipp case, he refused to postpone his motion although admitted it would be granted; and he even attempted to force the agreement, in my absence, until stopped by the court.

He then did what was contemplated, and intended from the start, by the firm of James, Seamon and Davis, (who control Mr. Sweetser at this end of the line,) he rushed into the news papers. He caused telegrams to be sent to New York papers, and he gave the "Freeman" and the "Post" the contents of his moving papers. And, to carry out the scheme, hundreds of papers were purchased by the firm, and marked copies were mailed to persons in Saugerties and elsewhere, at the cost and expense of the firm. Many of the papers and wrappers have been sent to me by persons to whom they were addressed. I replied briefly, and Mr. Sweetser characterizes it as "unseemingly and conceited haste to rush into print rather than wait until April 17<sup>th</sup>."

Why did he not wait until April 17<sup>th</sup>? Why did he rush into print? Why did he permit hundreds of newspapers to flood the town?

If he had not, there would have been no answer:

Then, again, Mr. Sweetser left New York to take care of himself, on March 18<sup>th</sup> to give me "a final chance to pay up." When he reached here he twice telephoned permission to call at my house, which I granted. I supposed that he would observe the ordinary decencies incident to a call, but not so.

It was a funny interview. I believe I did say that "I was not a fool," and he said he "was not a fool." I said I was not a *cheap* lawyer, (hardly a *high priced* one), and he said he was "Not a cheap lawyer," and then we became lost in admiration for each other.

He even lugs in the conversation about the Kipp case, the interesting features of which he was anxious for me to tell him. Why did he not fairly state that the "romantic story about the Kipp bible" consisted in my telling him I could not be in Kingston on the 20<sup>th</sup> because I wanted Mr. Barritt to identify the Hawaiian words written in the bible.

He states he stayed two hours, and I think he did. Why all that time. Why did he not state how he begged a settlement of his client's claim, and how I refused unless I could have an interview with her, or refer it to some fair minded attorney, which was declined. Why did he not state, fairly, that I stated I could not be forced, or driven to pay an unjust claim, but that I was willing to donate something if dissatisfaction existed.

It is true we did agree that it was a dirty case, and that I regretted my part in it.

Mr. Sweetser did admit that he had been on terms of intimacy with one of said firm for ten years. He invited himself to call again the next morning. I did not request it, but consented. The excess of his politeness quite overcame me when he insisted upon carrying my valise to the office. Then he figured up less than his claim, and wanted me to pay that. I told him it was out of the question, that I would nothing in any such way. He "hung on" until the "bus" man near the door shouted "West Shore down," and off he went, with one of the firm, to Kingston, and to the newspapers – as I assumed he would. He published the copy of a letter drafted by himself, and signed by his client. Why does he not publish all the letters? Why select that one?

The other parts of his labored effort form no part of the controversy. Yours truly, Carroll Whitaker.

2348. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 30, 1897. -THAT "SERIOUS CHARGE." – Attorney Sweetzer [sic] replies to Mr. Whitaker. – The New York Lawyer Presents some Facts of the Case – Miss Hardenberg's letter to Her Kingston Attorneys.

New York, March 26, 1897

*To the Editor of the Post:*

In your issue of the 22d inst., is an article or letter addressed to you by Mr. Carroll Whitaker, a lawyer of your town, which he feels pleased to call an "answer" to "A Serious Charge." made against him by the daughter of his friend and intimate of many years.

I may be pardoned for noticing his letter and his eight senile attempts to square himself before your readers, his friends and neighbors, since I am now the *Attorney* for the lady and *not Mr. Whitaker*. The weakness of his position, and that he realizes it himself, too, is manifested in his latest attempt to throw sand in the eyes of the people, by his unseemingly and conceited haste to rush in to print rather than to wait until "April 17" to "state his answer" to "A Serious Charge" in court. He was served on March 11<sup>th</sup> with copies of Miss Hardenberg's petition. Tompkins (poor Tompkins) affidavit and the notice of motion to come into court and be heard in his own defense. Did he do it? Oh, no! He preferred to dodge. Did you ever hear of a more skillful or more artful dodger? He will have to meet me in court, where he will *hear* it all, rather than in a newspaper controversy with me. His *real* reason for his letter to you must, therefore, fail of realization. It makes no difference what challenges or bluffs he issues to Tompkins. *His* kind do not fear little things like "actions for libel." He cannot side-track the question, "Why does he refuse to make restitution to his former client?" Of course, Tompkins *did* try to get his money back, as he believed it was his legal right, *after learning four years later*, that Whitaker didn't pay it over to her, and for whom he drew his two checks to Whitaker's order. What *other* view would a lay person take of it? But the "Kingston lawyer" very properly told him "*You, (Tompkins) have no claim to it, but Miss Hardenberg HAS,*" and so advised Mr. Whitaker that he had better settle. The "Kingston lawyer" referred to, only took the matter, to try and induce Mr. Whitaker to settle without taking him into Court, and Mr. Whitaker said to "the Kingston lawyer" he would pay \$200 or \$250 which Miss Hardenberg declined. When I was consulted it was *my* advice to her *not to consent* to meet Mr. Whitaker or "refer it to any attorney." It was *HER* money, *NOT* her brother's, nor her father's. Unless he made restitution, the Court was the proper *referee* and Mr. Whitaker, at his house last Friday, agreed with me.

To give Mr. Whitaker a *final chance* to pay up, I left New York on Thursday P. M., the 18<sup>th</sup>, that I could be in Saugerties to meet him all day Friday. He saw me for two hours at his house, a good part of which, he entertained me with the *romantic story* about a *bible playing a part* in his Kipp case, found from a shipwreck off the coast of the Sandwich Islands. It makes me shiver to think of it now! He couldn't, however, side track me *that way* and he was quick to realize it. He stated to me there "*I am no fool*" and I was pleased to agree with him. With a great show of impressiveness, he also, with much emphasis, said "*I am a very high priced – no cheap – lawyer*" and (remembering he charged \$416 out of a settlement of \$500, giving his client \$84.00) I was pleased again to agree with him.

Again he stated to me "there was much dirty work about *this case* and *I did it*" and (remembering again that he kept her four hundred dollars) I was pleased to agree, that he *did, true enough*, do the "dirty work."

He then showed his good sense by offering to abide by anything I said was proper; but had a string to it "If you are liberal enough."

When I ASKED HIM why it was, since he claimed he was Tompkins' lawyer, that he made Miss Hardenberg sign a paper for \$500 releasing Tompkins from all claims, containing this clause "And for any and all costs, charges and disbursement FOR MY SAID *Attorney* which is to be paid out of the sum *in his own handwriting*?" He answered, "*Oh! that's nothing. That was very carelessly drawn.*" I then began to doubt the wisdom of my having agreed with him that he "was no fool."

He was *anxious* for me to *consent* to the adjournment. But I wouldn't.

Next morning I met him at 9 a. m. (his own suggestion) and getting suspiciously confidential, he magnanimously offered to "*give Miss Hardenberg a donation,*" but as my client is not an object of Mr. Whitaker's charity, I left him and went to Kingston to [bottom of page, last word lost.]

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Please find herewith enclosed copy of letter to the "Kingston" lawyer written by Miss Hardenberg.

November, 1896

DEAR SIR: - I have received your note and copy of Mr. Whitaker's letter to you. Mr. Whitaker may as well understand now and for all time, that I will not take any bluff. I have nothing to fear from him or from any one, as his carefully guarded letter, between the lines, would seem to indicate he means to convey. He has got money in his hands belonging to me and for some time no one knew it better than he but now I know it quite as well and better too than he thinks. I will not submit (no matter how desirous he may be to do so) the matter either to Senator Linson, Judge Clearwater, my father, or anyone else either singly or collectively; and by this I do not mean to impeach the fairmindedness or integrity of any of the gentlemen named.

I will try my case against Mr. Whitaker in open Court where it should be tried. His proposition to save me embarrassment is as brazen and insulting as his keeping my money is fraudulent. The only "surprise of the claim," is due only to the fact that he has been found out. I have no "embarrassment" to fear and want you to serve the summons and complaint at once.

You may send this letter to Mr. Whitaker if you wish. Would rather you would. I am satisfied now that Carroll Whitaker is a dangerous man.

(Signed) BESSIE HARDENBERG.

This is not the only instance of Mr. Whitaker's legal differences with a client as shown by the following clipped from the Kingston Freeman, December 29, 1896.

"A LARGE SETTLEMENT.

*"Recently a Saugerties young lady"*

*"Brought suit against a prominent law"*

*"yer of that village for moneys which,"*

*"she claimed the lawyer had belonging"*

*"to her. After filing his answer the"*

*"lawyer concluded it would be best to"*

*"settle, which he did, and the suit was"*

*"dropped."* Every one knows who the lady was.

Perhaps he will "prove an alibi" on April 17, by showing it's the same, money Tompkins paid *him*, like the clever negro, who set up that defense because the chicken he stole "was stole from him the night befo', " but on account of the minister's family, was willing to let the matter drop by paying a "donation."

Mr. Whitaker may take some comfort to himself in splitting fine hairs but our Courts do not. If there is any "wolf" in the matter the people will recognize him, and as for the "chicken hatcher" Mr. Whitaker laid the egg in New York and not on the Corner. Very respectfully, William A. Sweetser, Attorney for Petitioner, No. 45 Broadway, New York City.

2349. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sep. 28, 1897.

Miss Minnie Soop, of Brandt, Penn, is the guest of Miss Katherine Hassinger on Partition street.

2350. Attention Snyder Hose. [hand dated Sept. 1897]

The members of this company are requested to meet at their rooms, in Firemen's Hall, this evening at 8 o'clock sharp. Ernest Myer, Pres. - Ernest Hassinger, Secretary.

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2351. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 5, 1897. - LAWYERS STILL AT IT. - Carroll Whitaker answers Mr. Sweetser's Latest Letter.

April, 1897

*To the Editor of The Post:*

And still another letter from Mr. Sweetser? It must be apparent to the most casual observer that his sole object is to injure me at the expense of his client.

Let us see! Mr. Sweetser published a letter, drafted by himself, and signed by his client, *as evidence against me*. I asked him why he did not publish all the letters? No letter which he put into print was in answer to the following letter which he refrained from publishing. It was addressed to his clients then, Kingston attorney – whose name I omit.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 23, 1896

DEAR SIR:

I received your letter yesterday on my return home.

If I have or have had, any money in my hands belonging to Miss Bessie Hardenberg I wish to know it, and I want her to have it.

I will submit the matter, together with the papers in my possession to Senator Linson, Judge Clearwater, to her father, to yourself, or any other fair minded person you may name, and will abide by the result whatever it may be.

That will relieve her from embarrassment, and will be satisfactory to me and should be to her. I have engagements all this week, but will meet you any day next week after Tuesday. Please write me to Saugerties. I am surprised at the claim but know of course who is behind it. Yours truly, C. Whitaker. Was not my letter a fair one? Were not the requests and propositions fair? If Mr. Sweetser had not been controlled in Saugerties would he not have acted upon it at once?

Instead of that he grabbed his pen and commenced a war of words, to the delight of those suffering with political, refrigerator and steamboat consumption. Yours truly, Carroll Whitaker.

2352. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 8, 1898. – Hudson's New Chief.

At the firemen's election in Hudson yesterday, Horace P. Dakin was elected chief engineer of the fire department. The vote was as follows: Horace P. Dakin, 103; William Granger, 87; Edgar H. Davis, 49.

2353. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. June 16, 1897. - BURGLARS ON TRIAL. – Evidence Given Before the County Court Tuesday. Eugene Carle Arraigned on the Charge of Robbing Butzel's Store – Several Witnesses Testify.

The trial of Eugene Carle indicted with William Lasher and Adolph Bourrienne for burglary in the third degree, began at County Court Tuesday. Carle was represented by J. Griffiths Westbrook.

Before opening the case, District Attorney Cantine placed several packages and two revolvers on the table as part of the exhibit on the part of the prosecution. On the night of May 26, the store of Louis J. Butzel in Saugerties was entered and the money drawer robbed of \$26.51, and two combs and a memorandum book were also stolen. The thieves gained an entrance to the store by a window and escaped through a door. Carle and a young Frenchman, Adolph Bourrienne, were captured at Sing Sing and indicted for the burglary. Bourrienne plead guilty and is under sentence to state prison.

Jacob Lawenhaupt, an officer from Sing Sing, was the first witness, and he told how he caught Carle and Bourrienne on a train from Tivoli on their arrival at Sing Sing, and identified the articles in the possession of the District Attorney as having been taken from them. Each had a revolver, and the revolver that Bourrienne had belonged to Mr. Butzel's cashier, and was taken on the night of the robbery. Carle said he had slept "under the ties" that night, and he appeared to have been drinking.

Louis J. Butzel testified that the two combs shown were like those kept on a dresser in the store for the use of the clerks, and also identified the memorandum book. Mr. Butzel also detailed an interview he had with Carle in the jail, on company with Detective McCullough, on the Sunday following the robbery. Carle then acknowledged that he had entered the store and asked Mr. Butzel to "let up on him" and he would lead a better life. Mr. Butzel told him he could do nothing of the kind.

Milton Butzel, cashier in the burglarized store, gave evidence as to the money left by him in the drawer the night before the robbery, and also identified his revolver and the memorandum book.

David E. Abeel, the Constable, told how he took the prisoners from Sing Sing to Saugerties and also identified the money and other articles as having been received from officer Lowenhaupt in Sing Sing. This closed the case for the prosecution, and then Mr. Westbrook had Bourrienne brought up from the jail, where he is kept, awaiting transportation to Dannemora. The prisoner was sworn and acknowledged that he told Mr. Westbrook that Carle was not with him the night of the burglary. This statement, Bourrienne coolly [*sic*] said, was not true. Carle was with him and they came up from New York together, stopping a day at Montross on the way. He rowed across the river to the Saugerties Long Dock with Carle, and they went to Butzel's store together. Bourrienne hesitated about telling his story, saying that he did not want any other charge waiting for him when he gets out of prison, but Mr. Cantine assured him that he had been sentenced to all the imprisonment he could get for the Butzel robbery. He then said that he broke the window and let Carle in through the door, and that Carle went to the drawer and got the money and other things. They then went to a place he did not know, and Carle paid a man to row them across the river again. He and Carle had an agreement that he should swear that Carle was innocent but he did not "want to swear to a false oath and have eight years staring him in the face." He was in Saugerties before, but not when the burglary at Mr. Harris' house occurred. Mr. Westbrook said it was rumored the man was a detective in disguise, employed to work up evidence in the Mulligan murder case. This caused Bourrienne to smile. Judge Clearwater wanted to know whether he was a descendant of Napoleon's biographer and the prisoner said he did not know. Further questions from Mr. Westbrook elicited the information that Bourrienne was last employed regularly in running an elevator at the Dardenelles Flats in Morton street, New York. He denied that he was concerned in the Harris burglary.

Carle was then put on the stand. He said that on the night in question, after they came across the river to the Long Dock, Bourrienne went up the road and he went to the stone dock at Glasco, and waited there until Bourrienne came back about 5 o'clock in the morning. After they crossed the river, Bourrienne gave him some money and a comb. They bought drinks at Tivoli and purchased tickets to Sing Sing. Bourrienne had given him money at other times, telling him "to blow himself." Going down on the train Bourrienne told where he got the money. Every one in jail, said Carle, was against him. The friends of King, who is charged with the Mulligan murder, told him that if he opened his mouth, they "would dump him."

In answer to Mr. Cantine, Carle described the movements of Bourrienne, William Lasher and himself from May 2 to 10. McCullough had got him to sign a confession of burglary, which he thought was simply a statement of what he had heard.

When Carle's testimony was ended Mr. Westbrook said that Carle was afraid of the other prisoners in jail and asked that he be kept separate from them. Sheriff Schantz said he would look after that. William Lasher, who is indicted with Bourrienne for burglary at the house of B. Taylor Harris, was then put on the stand. He said he heard Carle and Bourrienne talk in the jail. Carle wanted Bourrienne to say that he did the Butzel job alone. The latter at first consented but they had some trouble and then Bourrienne refused.

As we go to press the case is still being heard.

2354. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 22, 1897. LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

April 21, 1897.

*To the Editor of the Post:*

Dear Sir: - In the article of your issue of April 19<sup>th</sup> inst. referring to the Hardenberg-Whitaker matter, it is stated that the "Motion to compel Whitaker to pay the money is denied," which is rather misleading for the reason that those who are not lawyers might believe that the application was thrown out of Court, which is not the case.

It is true I insisted that the Court should direct Mr. Whitaker to pay over the money "in an Order to be made then upon the affidavits, but Judge Chase stated that the matter was so serious and of so much

importance to the public, that he thought a referee should be appointed to take proof of the parties and so that they might be cross examined. That the public were more concerned than the mere question involved of \$400.

It is true I would not consent to an interview between my client and Mr. Whitaker and the reason, in the light of what has been shown, in the affidavits, is obvious. I would not consent to any *arbitrator* but I never declined to consent, that the matter be sent to a Referee appointed by the Court.

Judge Chase has appointed the Hon. John Sanderson, County judge and Surrogate of Greene county, as the referee in the matter of Bessie Hardenberg for an order directing Carroll Whitaker to turn over certain money, &c, and to report the same to the Court with his opinion thereon, with all convenient speed."

It is, therefore, apparent, that Miss Hardenberg's petition *has not been denied* but awaits *final* determination upon the report and opinion of the distinguished Referee named. Respectfully yours, William A. Sweetser.

2355. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 20, 1897. – The Weather, as Reported From the Corner Drug Store. Generally, fair, low temperature to night. Wednesday warmer.

DIED

HANNA - In this village, April 19<sup>th</sup>, Elizabeth Wheeler Baker, widow of the late Aaron Hanna, aged 43 years, 8 months and 15 days. Funeral from residence Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

2356. Deaths and Funeral. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

Our community was startled at noon Monday to hear that Mrs. Aaron Hanna, relict of the late Aaron Hanna, had died at her residence on Washington avenue, during the morning about twelve o'clock, after a short illness of three days. Mrs. Hanna had been enjoying good health until Friday morning last, when she was suddenly seized with a bad spell, attributed to heart trouble. Dr. S. L. Dawes was summoned and made her as comfortable as possible, and on Saturday an improvement in her condition was perceptible, but later she grew worse and languished until Monday morning, when He who worketh all things well, called her from this earthly habitation to a home on high. Mrs. Hanna's maiden name was Elizabeth Baker, she being a daughter of Abel W. and Mary E. Baker, and was born at Hudson on August 4<sup>th</sup> 1854. Her age at the time of her death being nearly forty-four years. She was married to Aaron Hanna, deceased, a son of the late William Hanna, in September 1873, and five children were born to them. Ada, Jennie G., Della M., Mabel and William, all living here. Mrs. Hanna was of a kindhearted and loving disposition, full of good wisdom and charity for all. A shadow of darkness has crept over this home which will long remain, and the sorrowing children and relatives have the sympathy of many friends in their sore bereavement and affliction.

A precious one from us has gone,  
A voice we loved, is stilled;  
A place is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled.  
God in his wisdom has recalled,  
The boon his love had given;  
And though the body slumbers now,  
The soul is safe in Heaven.

The funeral services will be held at her late home on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. W. F. Stowe, pastor of the Congregational church, will officiate.

2357. Some of the wooden churches of Norway are fully 700 years old, and are still in an excellent state of preservation. Their timbers have successfully resisted the frosty and almost Arctic winters because they have been repeatedly coated with tar.

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2358. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 21, 1897. – THOMAS KING DISCHARGED. – The Indictment Against Him Quashed by Judge Chase. – The Matter Up on Saturday at Special Term – District Attorney Cantine Informs the Court That the Indictment Was Based on Carle's Testimony Who is Now in Prison.

Saturday was the day fixed for drawing an extra panel of 100 jurors for the trial of Thomas King for the murder of Captain Patrick Mulligan, but when the matter came up before Judge Emory A. Chase, at the Court House, Kingston, District Attorney Cantine created a genuine sensation by moving that to quash the indictment against King. In making the motion Mr. Cantine said that the Grand Jury in indicting King, was influenced by the testimony of Eugene Carle, who swore that he saw King, together with Frank Dougherty, at 2 o'clock on the morning of the murder, but a short distance from the place where the mangled body of Capt. Mulligan was discovered. When Dougherty was arrested and placed in the lockup at Saugerties, he committed suicide. Since King's indictment another Grand Jury indicted Carle for burglary in the third degree and grand larceny in the second degree, and he was convicted a few days ago of the crime of burglary was serving a term of four years and six months in Dannemora prison on that conviction. This conviction alone would be sufficient to put the prosecution in such a position that it would not desire to jeopardize [*sic*] a man's life on such testimony as that of Carle. Since Carle's conviction the District Attorney had learned that his crimes were no exceptions in his career, but part of a regular course of crime. For this reason he asked that the indictment be quashed.

Carroll Whitaker, counsel for King, said he not did wish to be considered as opposing the motion, but he desired to make a statement. To this Judge Chase assented, and Mr. Whitaker said:

"On the 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1896, the people of the county were shocked, beyond expression, by the brutal murder of Captain Mulligan, of Kingston. The public mind became inflamed, and outraged justice sternly demanded that the criminals be hunted down. Rewards were offered by the town and village of Saugerties. The learned District Attorney labored zealously and faithfully to discover the perpetrators of the crime, and for that all good citizens will commend him. In my judgment, whatever mistakes were made by him were the outcome of an over-confidence in the integrity and wisdom of unscrupulous and incompetent men. But, a word for Thomas King. On the 28<sup>th</sup> of January last this young man, whose parents have long since passed away, and who was living with his brothers and sisters near the scene of the tragedy, and whose only known fault was an occasional indulgence in liquor, was charged by a private detective with the murder of Captain Mulligan, and was arrested and manacled, and paraded about the streets of Saugerties. An examination was had upon his demand, but against his earnest protest, it was held behind barred doors. He was discharged upon the People's own showing. On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of February last, while at his work in the town of Saugerties, King was again arrested upon the information of the same private detective, and he was again manacled and thrown into a little cell in the village lock-up; he again demanded an examination, and it was again accorded him in secret, against his protest. He was escorted from his cell to the court room, and from the court-room to his cell, in irons, for more than a week, waiting the recovery of a conscience-stricken witness who had fainted; but this court intervened and King was again made free. He again returned to his home, but in the latter part of February the scene of the investigation was transferred to Kingston, and forty witnesses were taken to the Grand Jury room, and to the surprise of those conversant with the facts, King was indicted. Carle, the burglar, who was sent to state prison for four years and six months, and who must have reached the quivering body of Mulligan at the very moment of the murder, testified before the Grand Jury that he saw King going from the place of the murder; but that statement is met by the testimony of himself, and three of his companions, given before the Coroner when they testified that they heard and saw no person whatever. King was again arrested and brought to jail here, within the stone walls of which he

has been kept for several months under the terrible accusation of murdering his friend and benefactor, while his sisters have gone about in tears, and the reason of his brother has been dethroned. He has been a model prisoner knowing that his vindication would come. He has asked nothing except a speedy trial, and he came near being deprived of that constitutional right through the inability of the learned District Attorney to procure the attendance of his own witness. But the majesty of the law at last asserts itself. The learned District Attorney now moves to quash the indictment against Thomas King. With all due respect to this honorable court, King declines any offer of freedom, unless it be accompanied by an open avowal of his innocence. He asks no favors, he demands justice. Liberty has no charms for him based upon the mere *ipse dixit* of the learned District Attorney. All examinations have been had in secret. The public has never heard the testimony upon which he has been arrested three different times, and upon which he has passed over 100 days in prison. King asks that the question of his guilt or innocence be determined by a jury of his peer, [*sic*] that he may forever be relieved from even the shadow of a suspicion."

In reply Mr. Cantine said that it was neither the time nor place for him to express his own opinion of King's guilt or innocence, but in connection with the motion for the dismissal of the indictment, he would ask for an order that the case against King be resubmitted to the next Grand Jury.

Mr. Cantine's motion to dismiss and leave to resubmit the case were both granted, and King, who sat alongside of Mr. Whitaker, showing no unusual interest in what was going on around him, was discharged. As he rose to leave the court room he bowed his thanks to Judge Chase, and he was soon joined by his sisters and brother, who were anxious spectators of the proceedings. King returned home Saturday afternoon with his sisters.

2359. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 5, 1898. Received a New Nozzle.

Chief Ernest Hassinger has received a new nozzle for use of the fire department. It is a comition [*sic*] one, throwing either a solid stream, or a spray stream, or both together, if desired.

2360. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Mar. 10, 1897. – THE WILLIAMSON BANQUET. - Enthusiasm and Fireworks All Ablaze at Glasco. The Town Painted Red – Williamson Outdone by Mulford and the Firemen all Gratified Over the Feast.

The Saugerties Fire Department on invitation of Mr. James Williamson went to Glasco last evening and were entertained by him to a splendid supper. No pains were spared to have all delicacies the best the market could offer. The New York city markets supplied everything that is in season. Hotel Ebel, Tuesday night outshone some of our first class hotels in the arrangements necessary to the catering of so large a number of guests. Out boys left in busses and covered wagons at half-past seven o'clock intending to make a short parade on arriving at Glasco. Rain, mud and bad conditions of the streets prevented it. As it was, the firemen were all there a little after eight o'clock with two brass bands, the Citizens band and Glasco band. The town was finely illuminated with flags and Japanese lanterns, all tending to make our fire boys happy.

While the supper was being prepared, the firemen were called together in a large ball room, and after some excellent music by the bands, Mr. Chas. Mulford, one of the ice kings, and an old exempt fireman, gave the address of welcome, and gave some statistics of what the old volunteers were in days gone by.

At his side stood another old veteran, Mr. Levy L. Lyan, of the old Atlantic Hose Co., New York.

Mr. Williamson, the host, spoke very feelingly on the event that had brought so many together, referring to the boys that used to run with the old machine and extended to all a very hearty welcome, and it was his wish that all would enjoy themselves to their hearts content.

Col. Laflin responded for the firemen as follows:

BROTHER FIREMAN: [*sic*] – To-night we are the honored guests of a brother fireman, an exempt fireman – Brother Williamson – who has seen in his day many battles of fire and has served his time in places more arduous and more dangerous than has been allotted to most of us here. While the life of firemen is not

always pleasant, especially in large cities where fires are much larger and more dangerous to the lives of active firemen, and no instance was ever heard of a fireman refusing to obey the commands of his chief, or negligent in any duty required of him, even at the sacrifice of his own life. Hardly a week passes but what we read of so many firemen losing their lives in protecting homes that are just as dear to them as our own homes and lives as sacred as those of our own fire side. There is no body of men who respond so cheerfully to their duties as firemen. It is said that our citizens do not appreciate the efforts made by our firemen. This is not so. When you look around to night and see so many handsome fire companies as represented here, all handsomely uniformed, it goes without saying, Saugerties is proud of her fire department, and we are proud to be honored as guests of Brother Williamson. Some of us may not be so personally acquainted with him, but we take great pleasure in taking to hand of one, if one takes in consideration the time and money that this splendid repast has cost. With his large heart, and no one who knows him has any larger. Evidently, when the idea struck him to give an entertainment to the whole fire department of our town, including two brass bands and a supper so magnificent as this has proved to be, he intended not to be outdone, and he has done it, and we brother firemen will ever remember the great honor he has done us; and where ever we are, shall always be ready to give him a hearty greeting knowing his heart and feeling are always with us.

John O'Connor, a guest of Washington Hook & Ladder had composed a song which he dedicated to the company, and it was sung by Mr. O'Connor the Hooks joining the chorus, as follows:

What means this merry gathering,  
Of the fire lads to-night?  
Dressed up in their uniforms  
Looking gay and bright.  
It's a special invitation  
Accepted by them all,  
From Jimmie Williamson,  
To Davie Ebel's Hall.

CHORUS

You may talk about the Vanderbilts,  
Your Astors and your Goulds,  
The Bradley Martin fancy Ball  
And Mulford's supper too.  
We know that they have lots of wealth,  
And they put up the sum;  
But they're not in the race to night,  
With Jimmie Williamson.

To show their appreciation  
To the man that gave the feast,  
Of wine and chicken, cake, and ham,  
Oysters and roast beef,  
A better spread you could not get,  
In Delmonico's on Broadway,  
So now for Mr. Williamson,  
Hip! Hip! Hurra! Hooray!

It is impossible to make special mention personally of those that were there. Our fire department was fully represented by our Chief Engineer Wm. McCormick and Assistant Engineer Ernest Hassinger. The old-time honored Exempts were out in full force, Snyder Hose Co., a very full representation, Washington Hook & Ladder turned out to a man, Laflin Hose Co., in full members.

## Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

By 11 o'clock nearly 250 had been served and all amply testified to the splendid entertainment tendered to them by Brother Williamson. At 12 o'clock all returned to their homes, satisfied with the inner man, and congratulating themselves that nothing had occurred to mar the pleasant hospitable [*sic*] served them by their host. The following menu was served by caterer Swart:

### MENU

Shallow Oyster Stew,  
Chicken Curry with Onion Sauce,  
Beef, a la Mode, with Celery Vinegar  
Corned Beef, with Chili Sauce,  
Ham, in Mould, Horseradish Sauce,  
Oyster Loaf, with Tarter Sauce,  
Pickeled Oysters, Spiced Fruits,  
Pickeled Mussel, Cucumber Sauce,  
Pickeled Tongue, Tomato Catsup,  
Potato Salad, French Vegetable Sauce,  
Pickeled Olives,  
Fresh Cucumbers, Sweet Pickles  
Mustard Pickles,  
Coffee and Tea,  
Cake, Chicken Fricasee.

2361. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 28, 1898. Wesley Shultis Assigns. Wesley Shultis, who for several years has conducted a grocery and crockery store in Russell Block, has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors to Ira Lewis. This afternoon the following notice was posted on the front door of the store; Ira Lewis, assignee, for the benefit of creditors. Executed by WESLEY SHULTIS.

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2362. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 13, 1897. PROMINENT FIREMAN IN TROUBLE. – Chief Engineer William Granger of Hudson. – He is the Head of the Brewing Firm of Granger & Gregg and a Married Man. – Became Engaged to Miss Snyder. The name of William Granger, of Hudson, has attained some prominence in eastern New York, at the head of the firm of Granger & Gregg brewers. They have a large patronage and have agencies for the delivery of ale, in nearly every town along the river and many in the interior country. From all accounts William Granger has led a busy life. Engrossed in business affairs and the chief engineer of the Hudson Fire department, he by his own sworn statement now admits with the utmost suavity, that he has led a Jekyll and Hyde existence. While a married man with an attractive home and family, he has freely associated with a young woman named Lulu B. Snyder and she has now brought against him an action to recover twenty thousand dollar damages for breach of promise of marriage and seduction. At the time of their association Miss Snyder lived near Hudson, but until a short time ago she claims neither she or any of her family, knew that Granger was a married man. The action was before the Special Term held by Justice Barnard in Po'keepsie Saturday morning, on a motion to vacate a stay pending an appeal obtained by the defendant and the papers were submitted to the Court for a decision. Miss Snyder's complaint alleges that in the month of June, 1891, Mr. Granger became engaged to her and promised to marry her. Thereafter in the summer of 1891, Granger induced her to submit to marital relation with her on various occasions at Hudson, Germantown and Coney Island, and this relation continued down to the month of February, 1896, when Granger ceased his attention to her.

She says that since her engagement to Granger, when he gave her an engagement ring with their initials engraved on the inside, she has discovered that he is a married man and unable to carry out the contract of marriage that he made with her. She also avers perhaps unnecessarily that she rolled on his promise and her submission to their subsequent relations was entirely due to this fact.

With woman-like tenacity Miss Snyder has clung to her engagement ring, which bears the inscription, "W. G. to L. B. S.," and is the best evidence to support her charges if any was needed. But here Granger comes to the front with an almost wonderful nerve, and substantially admits by his answer that he had promised to marry Miss Snyder, and the relations she charges followed their engagement. His only defense is contained in allegation that Miss Snyder was engaged to be married to another man at the same time, and sustained improper relations with other men, and that she knew he was married and could not carry out his end of the contract. He also says that she freely and voluntarily submitted to their relations and not because of any promise of marriage. This is Granger's amended answer. In his first answer he denied all the charges made against him.

The Court on a motion made on behalf of Miss Snyder three weeks ago compelled Granger to serve a bill of particulars of the charges in his amended answer. He subsequently served a bill of particulars giving the name of a man, now dead as the man who Miss Snyder was engaged to.

The bill of particulars also contained a general allegation of Miss Snyder's association with other men, and the Court ordered that it be stricken out unless the names of the men and times and places of the occurrences were given to Miss Snyder's attorneys. So far these particulars have not been furnished, but the attorneys for Mr. Granger say they can furnish them next week. They have stipulated to try the case at the April Trial-Term of the Supreme Court to be held at the Court House in Poughkeepsie during the week commencing the 19<sup>th</sup> inst., and it will undoubtedly be the most interesting case tried since the time the late William J. Thorne and "Bob" Andrews of Hudson defended a wealthy Columbia county woman in a breach of promise action brought against her by a northern Dutchess man.

Miss Snyder is described as a fairly good looking young woman of average height, good figure and brown hair. As far as can be learned there has never been a breath of suspicion against her outside of the familiarity with which she and Granger regarded each other.

They are reported to have travelled to different summer resorts together, and the statement in the complaint bears out information given that Grange and Miss Snyder made a trip to Coney Island one summer and spent several days at that resort. It is also reported that they made a trip to Niagara Falls. A friend also says that Granger gave Miss Snyder many presents and frequently wrote to her while he was away from home, called her "my wife" and "my pet," and using other endearing terms. The presents are presumed to be jewelry, as Miss Snyder wore costly diamond pins, earrings, etc., and was frequently away visiting while Granger and his brother firemen of Hudson were attending tournaments and inspections.

2363. Colored picture of the Lower Falls of the Yellowstone. [illustration]

2364. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 12, 1897. The Weather, as Reported From The Corner Drug Store. Threatening weather and occasional showers to-night. Tuesday fair and slightly warmer.

DIED

FINGER – In this village, April 11<sup>th</sup>, Ann C. Snyder, wife of Captain Henry L. Finger, aged 67 years, 11 months and 24 days. Funeral from M. E. Church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

DAWES – In this village, April 11<sup>th</sup>, Doctor Thomas S. Dawes, aged 74 years, 11 months and 18 days. funeral from residence Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

2365. IN DEATH'S REALM – Dr. Thomas S. Dawes Passes Away Monday Afternoon. – A Prominent and Highly Respected Citizen Called to a Higher Reward After a Long and Lingering Illness.

The grim destroying angel death, with all its saddening influences invaded the peace of our village Sunday afternoon and removed from our midst Dr. Thomas S. Dawes, who after a long and lingering illness passed from this life, to the life beyond at a quarter to four o'clock, at the age of nearly seventy-five years, the deceased birthday occurring on the 23d inst.

Dr. Dawes was a man of sterling integrity and high nobility of character, and his strong personality won him the confidence and esteem of all those who came in contact with him. He was an honest and upright citizen, always contributing to the welfare and interest of our place. His ability and skill in the medical world, has proved to be a criterion of the highest type, and many citizens of this place can add their testimonials to his kind heartedness in exerting every effort to restore them from death's door, to health and strength.

Dr. Dawes was born at Cummington, Mass., April 23d, 1822. After receiving a common school education, he came to this state, and through persistent and energetic efforts, which were characteristic of him, he entered Albany Medical College, from which institution he graduated with high honors in 1848.

Immediately after graduation, he came to this village and located here, and soon succeeded in establishing a large and lucrative practice, which he continued uninterrupted until June 1893, when he was stricken with a stroke of paralysis, from which he never recovered and resulted in his death. Prior to his stroke he associated with him in his business, his youngest son Dr. S. Lyman Dawes who has continued the practice ever since. The Doctor was married in 1849 to Elizabeth Russell youngest daughter of Hon. Jeremiah Russell and the fruit of their union was four children, two sons and two daughters, Mitchell of Providence R. I., formerly of this place, Dr. S. Lyman, of this village, Mrs. D. S. Carll, of Washington, D. C. and Jessie F. of this village.

The deceased had been an active Republican in politics and was greatly interested in the Greeley movement. He was appointed postmaster by President Lincoln in the sixties, but resigned before his term expired. He served this town as Supervisor three years and he was also president of the village. He was the originator of the famous Dawes dog law to regulate the ownership of dogs, which created a great sensation when passed by the Board of Supervisors, and has since been adopted in one form or another in many cities, counties and states.

Governor Hill when in office appointed him a member of the State Board of Health and later reappointed him. He was a member of the New York State Medical Society, ex president of the Ulster County Medical Society, the American Public Health Association, Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M. and an honorary member of the Berkshire County, Mass., Medical Society. Dr. Dawes was a brother of Senator Henry L. Dawes, of Massachusetts, and has a sister, Mrs. L. D. Williams, living at North Adams, Mass. He was also a second cousin of ex-secretary of the navy Hon. Wm. C. Whitney.

The funeral services will be held at his late residence, "The Hedges," Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, and will be conducted by the Rev. Thomas Cole, of Trinity Church. The services at the grave will be in charge of the Masonic lodge.

#### 2366. DEATH OF MRS. HENRY L. FINGER.

Mrs. Henry L. Finger, the estimable wife of Captain Henry L. Finger, died after a short illness of a few days, at her residence on Washington avenue a quarter to twelve o'clock Sunday morning. Mrs. Finger was a devoted and loving mother, and a faithful and consistent christian [*sic*] woman, being a member of the Methodist church. She leaves a husband, and five children; Edson, William L., Daniel N., J. Gilbert and Henrietta, wife of B. F. Fellows to mourn her loss. Her funeral will be held in the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

2367. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 14, 1897. – Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

The funeral obsequies of the late Dr. Thomas Spencer Dawes were held at his late residence, "The Hedges," Tuesday afternoon and were attended by a large concourse of relatives and friends. Rev. Thomas Cole, rector of Trinity Church, read the Episcopal service for the dead and eulogized the noble character of the deceased. The services at the grave were in charge of Ulster Lodge, F. & A. M., of which the deceased had been a member and were conducted by A. Lee Wager, past master of Rhinebeck Lodge F. & A. M., in an impressive manner. The pall bearers were; Hon. Peter Cantine, Col. H. D. Laflin, Captain Ovid T. Simmons, Albert Carnright, James Crump, Peter Shear, Edgar Blackwell and George W. Washburn.

2368. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 13, 1897. – Fell From a Ladder.

A few minutes past two o'clock this afternoon, Frank Yerger, manager of Yerger's Market Street Hotel, had the sad misfortune to fall from a ladder and break one of his legs. Mr. Yerger was preparing to clean the windows in the room adjoining the hotel cafe, and having an old step ladder, he considered it unsafe, and purchased a new one. No sooner had he began work on it, when it collapsed and threw him to the floor, breaking the right leg above the knee. Dr. S. L. Dawes was quickly summoned and reduced the fracture, and made the injured man as comfortable as possible.

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2369. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 13, 1897. - The Cemetery Meeting. – Held at the Reformed Chapel Monday Evening.

A public meeting was held in the Reformed Dutch Chapel on Monday evening, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Dr. S. L. Dawes in the chair, to hear the report of committee appointed at a former public meeting to look into the affairs of the village cemetery.

Mr. B. M. Coon reported that this committee had gone before the Village Board, asking them what part they would take in putting the old cemetery in proper condition.

The Board replied that they would repair fence and street and give one hundred dollars for committee, to clean the grounds, and if incorporation could be accomplished would gladly deed to an association the old cemetery and make an annual appropriation to be used by the trustees of said corporation for its care.

The one hundred dollars was accepted by this committee, and already a great deal of the work of cleaning the ground has been accomplished.

The report by Mr. Coon was accepted and a motion made and carried that this committee have the thanks of the meeting for their work and be formally discharged from all obligation.

Motion made and carried that a committee of two, B. M. Coon and John S. Post be appointed to complete the work of cleaning ground, already begun by them.

Motion made and carried that a village cemetery association be incorporated. Mr. Coon read the laws of the State of New York upon incorporation of cemeteries, and the following persons requested that a corporation or association be formed at once:

Geo. Seamon, Howard Gillespy, J. P. Russell, Alfred P. Lasher, John C. Davis, Benj. M. Coon, John S. Post, Eugene Barritt, F. H. Gates, W. F. Stowe, Edson Finger, S. L. Dawes, Mr. Geo. Whiting, Mrs. S. G. Searing, Mrs. F. Pidgeon, Mrs. Peter Cantine, Mrs. E. D. Chipman, Mrs. John S. Post, Mrs. D. G. Gale, Mrs. Howard Gillespy, Miss Wilbur, Miss Van Etten, Miss M. Mynserse, [sic] Miss J. Van Hoesen.

Moved and seconded a committee of three be appointed to choose a board of trustees for such corporation. The chair appointed Geo. Seamon, Howard Gillespy, F. T. Russell.

Motion made and carried the board of trustees should consist of nine members.

Motion made and carried that the name of this corporation be "The Saugerties Cemetery Association."

Mr. Seamon reported that the nominating committee had chosen the following to serve as trustees: For three years – B. M. Coon, A. P. Lasher, Mrs. Geo. Whiting. For two years – Geo. Seamon, John S. Post, Mr. F. Pidgeon. For one year – F. T. Russell, John C. Davis, Mrs. Howard Gillespy.

Report accepted.

Motion made and seconded that annual meeting of this association be held the second Monday in May. Carried.

Motion made and carried that B. M. Coon be asked to draw up articles of incorporation and to attend to all legal matters pertaining thereto.

The cost of incorporation, ten dollars, was subscribed by Geo. Seamon, Howard Gillespy, A. P. Lasher, John C. Davis, F. T. Russell.

M. E. P. Gillespy, Secretary.

2370. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 23, 1897. – To Buy Their Uniforms. – Liberal James Williamson the Ice Man Will do so.

The Glasco cornet band is in luck. James Williamson, the iceman who gave a grand banquet to the Village firemen last winter, learning that the band was desirous of getting new uniforms, just went to the boys and told them he would like to buy those uniforms himself, and suggested that two of three of the members be chosen to accompany him to New York to select materials, colors, etc. and decide upon the style and trimmings, he insisting that they must be first-class in every detail, and that he would send a city tailor back with them to Glasco to take the measure of each member, and then go on and complete the uniforms, all the bills to be paid by him. The only consideration he asked was that the band in their new suits shall lead the New York exempts, of which he is a member, at the firemen's convention in this village next year. To all which the band modestly assented, adding that hereafter they shall be known at the Williamson cornet band of Glasco. There are 16 members, and it is estimated that it will cost Mr. Williamson not less than \$400.

2371. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 22, 1897. - Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

Frederick A. Van Wart, of Newark, N. J., formerly a resident of this village, died at his home in that city on Sunday at 11:45 p. m. He was born in Coxsackie, November 18, 1840, and married Miss Mary A. Teetsel, of this village, December 31, 1873. During his residence here he was foreman of the yardmen of the Ulster Iron Works, and when the iron works closed down removed to Jersey City and entered the employ of his brother-in-law, the late Alfred Teetsel, in the manufacture of lubrication oils and greases. When the factory was removed to Newark, he became a resident of that city, where he resided until his death. In December, 1896, he was taken ill with Bright's disease. About three months after he so far recovered as to be able to go out and visit his friends in Jersey City, but suffered a relapse occasioned by an attack of grip.

He was a private in Company H, 120<sup>th</sup> Regiment, serving from 1862 to the close of the war, and a charter member of Tappen Post while a resident of this village.

He leaves a wife and two children. A short funeral service will be held in Newark this evening at 8 o'clock, and the funeral will be held at the M. E. Church in this village to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, the remains arriving on the 2:52 train.

Members of the Post will act as bearers, meeting the body at M. E. Church on its arrival there.

2372. 1876 Centennial, 1876

First Annual Cadet Ball, - held at - Loerzels Hall.

Monday Eve'n, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1876 Tickets Fifty Cents

Music by La Fayette Colored Band. [ticket] [illustration]

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2373. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 4, 1897. – Elected Officers.

The Esopus Bathing Club held their annual meeting at Ziegler's Cafe Monday evening, and elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, John Gordell; Vice-President, Wm. Sickles, Secretary and Treasurer, Wm. Ziegler. The club is in a flourishing condition. Several extensive improvements are to be made to the club's grounds.

2374. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 4, 1897. – A Fine Present.

Colonel Laflin, of Saugerties, has presented to Rescue Hook and Ladder Company, of Rondout, a full sized portrait of himself, elegantly framed. The members of Rescue Hook and Ladder Company prize the gift highly and will assign it to a place of honor in their handsome parlor on Abeel street. Coming as it did from the Colonel himself the Hooks doubly appreciate the honor. – Express.

2375. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 4, 1897. – Tendered a Serenade.

The members of Robert A. Snyder Hose Co. and the Saugerties Mænner Quartette tendered a kalathumpian serenade to their fellow member Robert Ballman and his bride Monday evening. After the fish horn band played, in which discord had a part, Mr. Ballman appeared and escorted his noisy friends to Ziegler's Cafe where a collation and liquid refreshments were served.

2376. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 8, 1897. - Resolutions of Condolence. - Adopted by Cigarmaker's Union, On the Death of Gus. Peters.

Resolution of condolence and regret adopted by the Cigarmakers Union No. 84, Saugerties, N. Y., at a regular meeting held June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1897, in regard to the death of Gustave F. Peters.

WHEREAS, We realize in the death of our beloved brother, we have lost a good friend, and our Union a staunch supporter, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That although he is gone from our midst, his labor in the cause of unionism still lives: and

*Resolved*, That our sincere sympathy be extended to the bereaved widow and in consideration of his being a charter member of Cigarmakers Union No. 84, of Saugerties, N. Y., that our charter be draped in mourning for a period of three months.

*Resolved*, That this preamble and resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and published in the village papers, and a copy be sent to the widow of our esteemed brother.

Committee of condolence, I. N. Potter, M. Fitzgerald, Geo. Gordon.

2377. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 17, 1897. – THE FIREMEN'S PARADE - Newburgh Thronged with Firemen and Bands on Wednesday. – The Big Parade a Success and Everything Handled in Good Order – Over Three Thousand Men in Line.

Newburgh is happy and deservedly so. Thrice have centennial observances been held within her borders; thrice have the streets been thronged with strangers assembled to do her homage – in July, 1876; in October, 1883; and last but not least, in June, 1897.

For a year past, yea, for two years past, has the Firemen's association been engaged in providing for fitting observance of the centenary of the formation of its department. True, the arrangements were not pushed as energetically as they might have been had the fire department had the monied community at its back; still, nothing daunted, the directors went at it with a determination to make the celebration a success and accomplished the desired end. The celebration of Wednesday adds another leaf to the laurel wreath that the queen of the Hudson is entitled to wear upon her fair brow.

The city was gaily decorated and as the vast column moved along the companies were greeted with much applause. The prize for the finest parade carriage was awarded to Clinton Hose of Kingston.

No award of prizes for competitive drill was made, as there was no company to compete with Edmonds Hose, of Hudson, which though disappointed gave and [*sic*] exhibition drill.

The competitive hose race was won by Lafayette Hose, of Valatie, first; Morgan Hose, of Coxsackie, second, and Columbia Hose, of Peekskill, third. The prize for the best appearing company was divided between Davy Crocket H. & L. Co., of Po'keepsie and Citizens' Hose Company, of Catskill.

Promptly at 1:30 the giant procession began the line of march along the handsomely decorated, densely lined streets. As the head of the column turned into Broadway the sight was an inspiration. Up Broadway to West Newburgh, then to Water street by way of Colden, finally from Water to Grand street and thence to Broadway went the column and dismissed.

2378. Carle Found Guilty – Lasher's Trial Put Over Until the New Term.

In County Court Wednesday morning, the case of The People vs. Eugene Carle, was summoned up by J. G. Westbrook, for the prisoner and District Attorney Cantine for The People. The jury found a verdict of guilty and sentence was deferred until to-morrow morning.

In the afternoon, District Attorney Cantine asked to have the case of The People vs. William Lasher, indicted for robbing the house of Mr. Harris, sent over the term, on the ground that some facts with reference to a pawn ticket which had been given for certain jewelry had come to his knowledge only the night before and he considered it necessary to investigate the matter. The case was sent over to November, Lasher to be admitted to bail in the sum of \$1,000, provided he can find a bondsman.

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2379. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 16, 1897. - FIREMEN IN SESSION. – Report of the Tri-County Firemen's Association. – Saugerties Secures the Convention for Next Year – The name Changed to the Hudson River Volunteer Firemen's Association.

Newburgh was all agog Tuesday when the Tri-County Firemen's Association met in Columbus Hall and held their annual convention. The hall was appropriately decorated and the attendance of delegates was large. As each delegate responded to his name a souvenir copy of the centennial was given him. Promptly at the hour named the convention was called to order by the president, George Wachmeyer, who invited all ex-Presidents and ex-Vice Presidents to a seat on the platform. He then introduced Mayer Odell, who asked to be heard through Lewis M. Smith as his substitute, who warmly welcomed the visiting firemen. Chas. G. Coffin, of Catskill, as Chairman of the Executive Committee, responded. Eugene Farrington, of Newburgh, John N. Bruck, of Kingston, and Joseph Solomon, of Hudson were appointed a committee on credentials.

At the afternoon session President Wachmeyer in his annual report said that the affairs of the association were in excellent condition, and trusted that the future would be as prosperous as had been in the past.

The Treasurer reported \$313.46 on hand.

Mr. Coffin, Chairman of the Executive Committee, submitted the following:

That the association be known as the Hudson River Firemen's Association composed of the organizations of those present at the present convention and in good standing in the Tri-County Association. Also those who may be elected by the volunteer fire companies of the various departments. The association shall have a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer, an Auditing Committee of three, and an executive committee of six. The initiation will be \$2, annual fee of each member, \$1. Chief Engineers initiation fee was also placed at \$2.

The report was taken up by sections, and it was decided to call the association the "Hudson River Volunteer Firemen's Association;" and that there be one Vice President from each county to be nominated by the representative from each county, and that the Citizen's Committee of the city in which any convention is to be held shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee.

Captain Ovid T. Simmons, of this village, made an address requesting that the next convention be held in Saugerties, and he was followed by Col. Charles Rogers, of Hudson, who also advocated our village. The convention decided unanimously to hold their next session here, amid much applause.

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When the order of election of officers was reached Capt. O. T. Simmons, of this village, nominated George Wachmeyer for re-election and it was carried unanimously. The election of Vice-Presidents resulted: A. H. Miller, of Hudson, for Columbia county, First; Elting J. Palmer, of New Paltz, for Ulster county, Second; John F. Tucker for Orange county, Third; Henry Van Bergen of Coxsackie, for Greene county, Fourth.

Charles G. Coffin, of Catskill, was chosen Secretary by 62 votes to 42 for W. J. Cox of this village, and Edgar H. Davis, of Hudson, was chosen Treasurer by acclamation.

Jonathan Deyo, of Newburgh, was unanimously elected delegate to the State Convention.

After the election of honorary members the convention adjourned.

2380. We Have Got It.

As predicted in The Post that Saugerties stood a good chance of securing the Tri-County Convention for '98, our prediction has been verified for on Tuesday afternoon a dispatch was received here stating that success had crowned the efforts of the village delegates and that the convention of '98 would be held here.

2381. Saugerties Post, June 11, 1897, Saugerties, NY. – He is Hustling.

Ernest Hassinger is hustling to secure the necessary funds to secure the Tri-County Convention here next year. The first person to plank down the cash was Jas. Williamson, of the Glasco Ice Co., who presented Mr. Hassinger with \$10.00. Let everyone lend a hand.

2382. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 6, 1897. – The Trotting Races. – Finely Contested Heats at the Driving Park.

The first trotting meting given by the Driving Park Association at the Driving Park Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, attracted a large concourse of people. The races were well contested, especially the free for all, which required five heats to decide.

The 2.40 class was won in three straight heats.

Philip Proper, the driver of Lindenwald, was fined ten dollars for pulling the second heat in the 2.40 class.

The association deserves much credit for the fine day's sport and should be liberally patronized in their effort to furnish good racing.

The judges were, George Orr, Kingston; Edward Sturges and Harry Fiero, Madalin, and A. C. Norris, Saugerties.

FREE FOR ALL,

|                        |                                |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Lucille, (Ross)        | 3 2 1 1 1                      |
| Valencia, (Phelps)     | 1 1 3 2 2                      |
| Decker Boy, (De Graff) | 2 3 2 3 3                      |
| Time                   | 2.36, 2.36½, 2.35, 2.35½, 2.34 |

2.40 CLASS,

|                      |                  |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Burley Boy, (Ross)   | 3 2 3            |
| Lindenwald, (Proper) | 2 3 2            |
| Lula Lee, (Phelps)   | 5 3 4            |
| Pan Fly, (Burhans)   | 1 1 1            |
| Leona, (Myer)        | 7 6              |
| Eva B. (Van Keuren)  | 6 5 5            |
| Topsey, (Dolan)      | 4                |
| Time                 | 2.41, 2.41, 2.48 |

2383. The wings of birds are not only to aid locomotion in the air, but also on the ground and water. One bird even has claws in the 'elbows' of its wings to aid in climbing.

2384. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 2, 1897. – ATTEMPTED MURDER. – Wm. Hommel, of Unionville, Fatally Shot by Thos. Kelly. – Deliberately Takes a Shot Gun and Aims at Hommel's Face. - The Discharge Blows Out Both Eyes and Carries Away Part of His Nose. – The Assailant Arrested and Arraigned. The little hamlet of Unionville and vicinity was thrown in a state of excitement Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock upon learning that Thomas Kelly had attempted to murder a young man of the same place named William Hommel. The facts obtained by THE POST representative, are as follows: William Hommel had called at the house of Peter Kelly, the father of Thomas Kelly, and was conversing with Mr. Kelly. At about the time Hommel was to leave for home, Kelly's son Thomas, came in the house and went to a closet and found something to eat, remarking to Hommel not to be in a hurry, as he would show him how quick he could shoot a man.

Not much attention was paid to this remark, except that Kelly's father said he should not talk foolish. A moment afterwards Kelly brought a shot gun from the closet and raising it discharged the weapon in Hommel's face, blowing off part of his nose and driving the eyes from their sockets. The wounded man cried in agony and in a few moments the surrounding neighborhood was at the scene of the tragedy. Dr. C. T. Montgomery who happened to be at Unionville was summoned and did all he could for the wounded man. Word was sent to this village for an officer, and Officer Hommel went to Unionville, arrested Kelly and brought him to the lockup.

Fearing Hommel would die, word was sent to coroner Kemble who took his anti-mortem statement, which was as follows: "I live in the town of Saugerties; think I may die; I was shot to-day by Thomas Kelly; he shot me with a gun, he shot me in the face; his father, Peter Kelly was by; we had had no trouble; he did it without any provocation that I know of; I was down to his father's house and talking with his father and he came home; he went into his father's closet and got something to eat; he said, you wait awhile and I will show you how soon I can shoot a man; his father said don't talk that, you're getting foolish, and then he went into the closet and got a gun and said, I will show you how I can shoot a man, and then discharged it almost in my face; what happened after that I cannot say; I asked some one to go after a doctor and not let me bleed to death; Dr. Montgomery was called in; I and this man had no trouble and I know no reason why this man shot me." Kelly, it is said, bears a bad character, having been in more than one affray.

This morning he was arraigned before Police Justice Coon, and pleaded not guilty to the charge of attempting to kill, waived an examination and was taken to the county jail at Kingston to await the action of the grand jury. The condition of Hommel is critical. He was taken to the Kingston City Hospital this morning on the 11:34 train.

2385. The fact that skeleton remains of elephants are so rarely found in any part of Africa is explained by an explorer, who states that as soon as the bones become brittle from climatic influences, they are eaten in lieu of salt by various ruminant animals.

2386. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 3, 1897. – A Pretty June Wedding.

The pretty little German Lutheran Church was filled to its utmost capacity on Wednesday afternoon, to witness one of the prettiest church weddings ever held in this village, the contracting parties being Katherine Louise Wismer, one of our best known and highly esteemed young ladies, and Louis Rauhauser, a well-known contractor of New York city. The church was handsomely decorated with flowers, palms and ferns.

A handsome arch of ferns and daisies was placed at the center of the lecturn. The solemnization of the sacred rite by the Rev. Theo A. Bauck, pastor of the church, was unusually impressive. The Rev. gentleman stood within the arch, awaiting the arrival of the bridal party, who entered to the music of

Lohengrin's wedding march, Miss Katie Mattes presiding at the organ. The questions put by the clergyman, were answered earnestly and distinctly, and at the conclusion of the ceremony the newly wedded couple left the church, the organist rendering Mendelssohn's wedding march.

The bride was handsomely attired in white organdie, and wore an orange blossom veil, and carried a cluster of white bridal roses. The bridesmaids were Miss Katie Dietrich and Miss Mamie Schoentag. John Rauhauser, a brother of the groom, acted as best man. Miss Dietrich wore an elegant dress of lavender organdie, and Miss Mamie Schoentag a beautiful dress of Nile green organdie; each of the brides maids carried bridal roses.

The ushers were: Joseph Reinhard, George Lang, John Dietrich, Eugene Myer, of this village; George Schoentag of Glasco, and Henry Kaufman, of New York

After the ceremony the guests left for Schoentag's Glenerie Falls Hotel, where a reception was held and a sumptuous collation was served. The happy couple left on the West Shore train for a tour of the Eastern states, after which they will reside in New York. The presents were numerous and costly. Both the young people have the best wishes of many friends.

2387. Profile picture in color of an unnamed woman. [illustration]

2388. A NOVEL sort of window glass has been invented. Persons on the inside of the house can see through it, but it is opaque to those on the outside.

2389. The oldest university in the world is El Ayhad, at Cairo. It is the greatest Mohammedan university, having clear records dating back nearly a thousand years.

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2390. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 1, 1897. – THE INTERSCHOLASTIC GAMES. – Held At the Driving Park on Memorial Day. A Large Attendance and Many Events – The Thing Poorly Managed, But a Success However – N. Y. M. C. of Cornwall, Lead in Prizes.

The interscholastic field events of the several Hudson River schools, was held at the Driving Park, Memorial Day, and commenced at 2:30 o'clock. The attendance was very large, the entire grand stand being filled, and the track and interior of the field being scattered with many others. The management of the affair was poor, there being no head to the thing, and everyone had a hand in the doing the officiating. Notwithstanding the poor management the affair was a success.

Representatives from seven of the leading schools along the river were present and participated in the contests, some of which were very close and exciting, while others were of a loafing character. There were twelve events, consisting of bicycle, foot and hurdle races and standing and running jumps.

The schools who were represented were Albany High School, Hudson High School, Kingston Academy, Siglar School, Newburg, Catskill Free Academy, New York Military Academy of Cornwall and the Saugerties High School. The New York Military Academy of Cornwall captured five of the events, Saugerties High School, two, Catskill Free Academy, one, Kingston Academy, one and the Hudson High School, one. The prizes were solid silver cups and were very valuable and pretty.

The track was in fine condition and everything passed off satisfactorily.

John M. Adams, John O. Sweet and Archie Smith of the village rode an exhibition half mile on the Tribune "Blue Streak" Triplet with flying start in 1:10 1-5.

Edward Phillips of the Saugerties High School distinguished himself in the standing broad jump, surprising all his friends and beating his own record. In the standing high jump no one appeared to contest with him and he was awarded the prize. Phillips has a record of 4 ft. 11 in. in this jump. Smith and Hanna made a very creditable showing in the bicycle races, although being in no condition to race. The Judges were Prof. Myron Michael, W. C. Crosby and Floy J. Bonesteel, of Kingston and Martin Cantine of this village. C. D. Bruyn, of Kingston, was starter, and H. B. Pitts and George B. Styles, of

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Kingston, the timers. The Saugerties High School colors were white and yellow, Kingston academy, orange and black, Catskill free academy, orange and blue, N. Y. M. A. red and white. The following is the summary of the events, some of which were run in heats:

100 yard dash – First heat: Won by Lord, N. Y. M. A., Herbert, K. A., second, Lewis, C. F. A., third; time 10 1-5.

Second heat: Robinson, N. Y. M. A., first; Keogh, A. H. S., second; Sommer, S. S.; time 11.

Other starters in these heats were Sweet and Phillips, S. H. S., and Smith, K. A.

The final heat was won by Lord, N. Y. M. A.; Robinson, N. Y. M. A.; second; Herbert, K. A., third. Time 10 4-5.

220 yard dash – First heat; Won by Herbert, K. A.; Whiting, N. Y. M. A., second; Amhler, C. F. A. third. Time, 26 2-4.

Second heat – Lord, N. Y. M. A., first; Robinson, N. Y. M. A., second; Sommer, S. S. Third. Time 27 1-5.

The final heat was won by Lord, N. Y. M. A., first, Herbert, K. A., second; Robinson, N. Y. M. A., third. Time 27 4-5.

220 yard hurdle race – Lord, N. Y. M. A., first; Graham, A. H. S., second; Ambler, C. F. A., third. Time 27 1-2.

One-half mile run – Deutschbein, A. H. S., first; Phillips, S. H. S., second; Sweet, S. H. S., third. Time, 2 16 3-5.

Other starters were Smith and Schoonmaker, K. A.

One mile run - Deutschbein, A. H. S., first; Dykeman, C. F. A., second; Hayes, S. S., , third. time 5 1-9.

Half Mile Bicycle Race – First heat; Osterhoudt, K. A., first; Mellen, H. H. S., second; O'Brian, S. S. third. Time 1.12 1-5.

Second heat – Keating, H. H. S., first, Carter, K.A., second; Smith, S. H. S. third. Time, 1.20 3-5

Final heat – Osterhoudt, K. A. first; Carter, K. A., second; Keating, H. H. S., third. Time, 1.19 1-5.

One Mile Bicycle Race – Keating, H. H. S., first; Mellen, H. H. S., second; Carter, K. A. third, Time, 2.45 2-5.

Other starters were O'Brien, S. S., Hanna and Smith, S. H. S.

Standing Broad Jump – Phillips, S. H. S., first; Jenks, N. Y. M. A., second; Van Loan, C. F. A., third. Distance 10 feet 3 8-4 inches.

Running Broad Jump – Whiting, N. Y. M. A., first; Cooke, A. H. S., second; Van Loan, C. F. A., third. Distance 19 feet 2 inches.

Running High Jump – Snyder, C. F. A. first; Graham, A. H. S., second, Height, 5 feet 2 inches.

Putting twelve pound shot – Whiting, N. Y. M. A., first; Donahue, C. F. A. Second; Cook, A. H. S. Third. Distance 39 feet.

2391. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 15, 1897. – ANNUAL REPORT – Of the Board of Education of Union Free School, No. 10. – A Full Report of the Receipts and Expenses for the Fiscal Year Ending July 31, 1897.

Pursuant to law, the Board of Education of Saugerties Union Free School District No. 10, Town of Saugerties, Ulster County, N. Y., herewith submit a report, containing a full and detailed account of all moneys received and paid out during the fiscal year ending July 31, 1897.

|   | RECEIPTS. |
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| Balance on Hand, July 31, 1896,               | \$ 811.84 |
| Amount of public money for teachers wages,    | 1986.60   |
| Amount of public money for school library,    | 25.00     |
| Amount of public money from Board of Regents, | 261.41    |
| Raised by tax for school purposes,            | 7,332.05  |
| From County Treasurer for back taxes,         | 54.37     |

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| Received from non-resident pupils for tuition, | 327.08      |
| Received from A. P. Lasher, overdraft,         | <u>.18</u>  |
| Total Receipts                                 | \$10,798.53 |

EXPENDITURES

Teacher's Salaries.

|                             |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Fred N. Moulton, Principal, | \$1,500.00 |
| Leah E. Lindsey,            | 550.00     |
| Eva E. Briggs,              | 500.00     |
| Cora M. Rogers,             | 400.00     |
| Kate R. Bishop,             | 450.00     |
| Isabelle M. Welton,         | 400.00     |
| Elizabeth Sebring,          | 375.00     |
| Mary E. Lundberg,           | 400.00     |
| Mabel W. Vorhees,           | 360.00     |
| Louise H. Base,             | 360.00     |
| Mary E. Brainard,           | 400.00     |
| M. Louise Russell,          | 360.00     |
| Anna F. Malthy,             | 425.00     |
| Viola A. Davis,             | 320.00     |
| Bessie E. Andrews,          | 400.00     |
| Mrs. Grace A. Smith Hoyt,   | 375.00     |

FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY.

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|------------------------------|-----------|
| J. J. O'Byrne,               | \$ 111.43 |
| Rand, McNally & Co.,         | 5.00      |
| Walmsley, Fuller & Co.,      | 126.58    |
| F. N. Moulton, (Expressage,) | 1.55      |

EXPENSES OF SCHOOL HOUSES AND SITES.

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|--|---------|
| J. W. Myer, painting and fixing blackboard,        | \$ 8.00 |
| Edward Wright, flag pole,                          | 4.00    |
| Howard & Valkenberg, repairs,                      | 48.20   |
| D. McLaughlin, repairs at Academy,                 | 33.25   |
| Tower Manufacturing Co., paint,                    | 7.20    |
| Gilbert Dederick repairs at Post street,           | 2.00    |
| Finger & Lewis, lumber,                            | 38.76   |
| W. R. Freligh, repairing gas fixture,              | 1.30    |
| Mrs. S. J. Adams, rent of Library and Board rooms, | 150.00  |
| H. A. Hildebrandt, repairs,                        | 9.89    |
| John McEntee, "                                    | 4.69    |
| E. A. Ricketson, painting,                         | 5.00    |
| A. P. Lasher, clocks bought,                       | 2.16    |
| Edward Jernegan, insurance,                        | 23.20   |
| Seamon Bros., repairing chairs,                    | 7.85    |
| Daniel Lamb, repairs,                              | 59.97   |
| Reed & Reed, curtains for library,                 | 10.00   |
| Saugerties Coal & Lumber Co., lime,                | 2.10    |
| P. Canner & Co., repairs,                          | 4.65    |
| John L. Butzel's Son, matting and linoleum,        | 42.75   |
| Saugerties Savings Bank, rent of academy,          | 100.00  |

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| John E. McDonough, painting school house,       | 75.00         |
| Richmond School Furniture Co., school furniture | <u>600.00</u> |
| Total   | \$1299.97     |

FUEL, LIGHT, SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS.

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| Saugerties Manufacturing Co., supplies,  | \$ 84.76 |
| J. K. Robinson, cleaning closets, etc.,  | 6.50     |
| Saugerties Post, printing,   | 29.45    |
| Saugerties Water Com, water rent,  | 20.00    |
| Chas. E. Abeel, taking census,   | 15.00    |
| " " " truant officer,  | 150.00   |
| Homer Russell, postage, etc.   | 5.00     |
| " " making tax roll,   | 15.00    |
| " " salary as clerk, six months.   | 25.00    |
| John Maxwell, janitor,   | 110.00   |
| Wm. Keenan, "  | 376.25   |
| Caroline Simmons, librarian,   | 50.00    |
| Florence Snyder "  | 50.00    |
| Rand McNally & Co., supplies,  | 12.00    |
| Tower Mfg. Co.,  | 80.92    |
| Ginn & Co.,  | 21.85    |
| Fred N. Moulton, incidental expenses,  | 18.98    |
| O. T. Simmons, incidental expenses,  | 3.73     |
| Eva E. Briggs, supplies,   | .78      |
| H. D. Clum, supplies,  | .87      |
| American Book Co., supplies,   | 5.20     |
| Milton Bradley Co., supplies,  | 2.45     |
| Orville Carn, wood,  | 2.75     |
| Maynard, Merrill Co., supplies,  | 1.28     |
| Peter Canner, expressage paid,   | 1.50     |
| D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,   | 1.84     |
| C. W. Bardeen, supplies,   | 15.50    |
| James Dederick, Notary fees,   | 2.25     |
| Saugerties Gas Light Co.,  | 7.75     |
| Finger & Lewis, coal,  | 128.10   |
| Prang Educational Co., supplies,   | 22.68    |
| Silver Burdett Co., supplies,  | 42.28    |
| H. A. Hildebrandt, supplies,   | 5.33     |
| James Teller, supplies,  | 1.55     |
| John L. Butzel's Son,  | 5.65     |
| William Doyle, freight and cartage,  | 7.31     |
| J. Phil Bannigan, Sect'y, one years' membership in assn, of N. Y. State School Boards, | 3.00     |
| D. N. Finger, water rent Post St.,   | 3.00     |
| Lewis H. Kleeber, recording and filing bonds of collector and treasurer,               | .50      |
| W. R. Freligh, gas burner,   | 2.76     |
| Quayle & Son, lithographing,   | 66.45    |

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| Maud M. McFarland, expenses,                       | 10.00               |
| Mrs. W. S. Manning, books for<br>indigent pupils,  | 7.22                |
| Mrs. S. J. Adams, rent of hall,                    | 30.00               |
| Mrs. S. J. Adams, water rent,                      | 6.00                |
| Frank Martin, orchestra,<br>commencement exercise, | 10.00               |
| A. P. Lasher, incidental expenses,                 | 8.43                |
| C. H. Ditson & Co., supplies,                      | .62                 |
| John G. Myers, refunded tax,                       | 14.00               |
| J. Wm. Lackey, postage,                            | 6.00                |
| J. Wm. Lackey, salary as clerk<br>6 months,        | <u>25.00</u>        |
| Total  | \$1,823.11          |
|  | RECAPITULATION,     |
| Total for Teachers' salaries,                      | \$7,575.00          |
| " " Library,                                       | 117.43              |
| " " Apparatus,                                     | 179.47              |
| " " School Houses and Sites,                       | 1,299.97            |
| " " Fuel and incidentals,                          | <u>1,823.11</u>     |
|  | \$10,994.98         |
| Deficit,   | 196.45              |
|  | BOARD OF EDUCATION, |
|  | A. P. Lasher, Pres. |

J. Wm. Lackey, Clerk.

2392. Saugerties Daily Telegraph. Saugerties, NY. Dec. 11, 1897.

At a regular meeting of the Saugerties Council No. 1365 Royal Arcanum, held Friday evening, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C. Westbrook Quick, Regent; Elisha Paradise, Vice Regent; Ernest Hassinger, Past Regent; Joseph W. Reinhard, Orator; Henry A. Ohley, Secretary; Edson Finger, Treasurer; William E. Van Buskirk, Chaplain; Charles E. Abeel, Guide; Edgar P. Simmon, Warden; Charles Clum, Sentry; Byron Hallenbeck, Trustee; Joseph Reinhard, Representative to the Grand Council; Ernest Hassinger, Proxy Representative. After the lodge closed a number of the members visited the M. E. Church fair in the Suderly building.

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2393. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 14, 1897. – THE GRADE PROMOTIONS. – Rank of the Students in Our Union Schools. – Successful Pupils Who have Attained Deserved Success and Who Will Enter School the Next School Year.

The following is a list of all pupils attending our public schools during the past year. The grades indicated are the grades the pupils will enter if they attend school during the year 1897-98. Pupils marked \* will be allowed to enter and remain in the grade indicated with the following conditions. They must enter school at the opening of the session in September, except in case of illness. They must be regular and punctual in attendance. They must sustain a class standing of at least 80 in each subject studied. Department must be excellent.

2394. First Grade – Eddie Cornwell, John Coumbe, Chandler Du Bois, Vincent McCabe, William McMullen, John Rogers, Charles Smith, Harry Townsend, Gertrude Freligh, Jennie Gardner, Florence Haines, Aneita Harms, Anna Herring, Annie Johnson, Mary Knaust, Florence Kneifer, Nellie Kuggleman, Theresa Kugleman, Ethel Lasher, Lizzie Lewis, Mildred Lewis, Myra Lewis, Sadie Peters, Katie Shultz,

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Grace Thompson, Carrie Whitaker, Roy Burnett, Floyd Cook, Collins Elting, Willie Finger, Percy Foland, Walter Haines, Lyman Hallenbeck, Alfred Jewett, Adam Knaust, Arthur Lamb, William Lawrence, Ernest Lubousky, Abraham Martin, Willie Mattes, Blaine Maxwell, Edward Morgan, Douglass Overbagh, Edward Pultz, Benjamin E. Rose, Edwin Schoonmaker, George Seamon, Harry Smith, Jennie Ball, Effie Burhans, Minnie Burhans, Maude Carnright, Sadie Cook, Mary Crump, Eva L. Darbee, Harriet L. Davis, Minnie Deidrick, Jennie Griffis, Mildred Griffis, Minnie Griffis, Rose Hollinger, Lena Knight, Hazel Lezette, Nellie Lowther, Rose Miller, Annie Nestlin, Alice Ronk, Eva Smith, Blanche Snyder, Sadie Snyder, Edna Swart, Minnie Walsh, Lillian Whitaker.

2395. Second Grade - \*John Carle, Willie Coumbe, John Du Bois, Fred Eckert, \*Arthur Freligh, Francis McCabe, Walter Moore, Willie Peters, \*John Robinson, Harry Simmons, Alvin Teetsell, Maud Carle, \*Sadie Du Bois, Phoebe Holsapple, Jennie Johnson, Lizzie Johnson, Jennie Sinsapaugh, Addie Snyder, Loretta Whitaker, Kenneth Bogardus, George Brandt, Robert Coon, John Fellows, George Hallenbeck, Emil Hanson, Benjamin T. Harris, Willie Kearney, James Lawrence, Leslie Maxwell, Robert Myer, George Ohley, Caldwell Overbagh, Hoyt Overbagh, Clinton Ricketson, DeLancy Ricketson, Lewis Robinson, Frank Ronk, Lansing Schoonmaker, Albert H. Smith, Willie Soura, Charles Squires, Edward Stone, Percy Zeilman, Nina Baldwin, Inez Carnright, Ida Dile, Hattie Frayer, Lizzie Genthner, E. Louise Gleason, Hattie Knight, Annie C. Maxwell, Minnie McNally, Florence Myer, Isabel Overbagh, Julia Pettit, Grace Pultz, Evelyn Smith, Myrtle Stone, Myrtle Tyson, Georgianna Valk, Ethel Whittaker.

2396. Third Grade – Ralph Burhans, Irving Cantine, Harold Cornwell, Leon Cox, George Du Bois, Willie Eckert, \*Bennie Ennis, \*Harry Henkel, Thomas Kugleman, Charles McNally, George Simmons, George A. Simmons, Charles Stumpt, Warren Waters, Helen Cantine, \*Edna Crum, Lottie Du Bois, Loretta Harms, Elsie Herring, Anna Johnson, Pearl Lewis, Edna Martin, Emily Schoonmaker, \*Minnie Stenson, \*Eva Thompson, Rachel Van Etten, Bessie Whittaker, Robert C. Ball, Lewis Cooper, James I. Crump, Lewis Fellows, \*Henry Genthner, John Gordell, Edward Hollinger, Hartley Horton, Raymond Jerrell, George Keim, Joseph Krieger, Eugene Legg, Albert Myer, Kiersted Pidgeon, Irving Teller, Lincoln Whitaker, Fred Wolven, Florence Belch, Margaret Brainard, Bessie Burhans, Emma Burhans, Lillian Burhans, Elizabeth Crosswell, Annie Field, Jessie Gleason, Hazel Griffis, Henrietta Kleeber, Elizabeth Koch, Anna Lewis, Jennie Lowther, Augusta Miller, Louise Overbagh, Marie Pidgeon, Martha Ann Porter, Mabel Robinson, \*Sadie Shultis, Emily Snyder.

2397. Fourth Grade – Frank Brown, George Cantine, Fred Carle, Percy Carle, Philip Du Bois, Lewis Eckert, Edward Freligh, Elmer Kiersted, John Knorr, Willie Krout, \*Charles Stewart, Chester Teetsell, John York, Grace Brooks, Mary Cantine, \*Edith Carnright, Jennie Cornwell, Hattie Coumbe, Anna Ennis, Bessie Ennis, Rachel Kiersted, Alice McNally, Anna Powers, Bessie Robinson, \*Maud Schoonmaker, Lena Thielsch, Carrie Underhill, Frank Abeel, \*Charles Brooks, Edward Buckman, Harry Burke, John Carnright, Byron Cohen, Nathan Dederick, \*Edward Du Bois, Harry Field, John Finger, Charles Genthner, George James, Edward Knight, Howard Lord, Walter Maxwell, Charles Miller, William Miller, Charles McNally, Harold Morss, Fredrick Moulton, Harry Ohley, Pierre Overbagh, Richard Overbagh, Albert Pultz, Howard Pultz, Stephen Pultz, Glenwood Robinson, \*Roy Rose, William Sickler, Renwick Smedberg, Joseph Smith, Roger Smith, \*Elbert Wortman, Charles Yahncke, Alice Ames, Alma Bauck, Elsa Bauck, Emily Belch, Ethel Brandt, Bessie Coon, Kate Davis, Alberta Decker, Mabel Du Bois, Marian Gates, Ida May Horton, Georgiana Kane, Mabel Knight, Millie Lange, Satie Lange, Edna Myer, Bessie Person, \*Maud Phillips, Edna Preston, \*Lottie Squires, Mary Sullivan, Minnie Tyson, Satie Tyson, Ruth Van Etten, Gertrude Waterbury, Bessie Worth, \*Ella Wright, \*Grace Wright.

2398. Fifth Grade – Harry Corse, Paul Cox, \*Forest Espey, William Freligh, Fred Henkel, Harry Mower, \*John Teetsell, Eddie Webber, \*Mamie Anderson, Annie Cornwell, Rachel Crump, Minnie Espey, Mary

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Johnson, Jessie McMullen, Mamie Peck, Edith Sinsapaugh, Grace Teetsell, Jennie Teetsell, Mamie Thompson, Sarah Van Etten, Helen Waters, Annie York, John Cook, John Davis, Robert Finger, David Hildebrandt, Frank Hildebrandt, \*Fred Keener, Samuel Keener, Eldred Knight, Lewis Koch, Walter Krieger, Fred Lewis, Henry Minkler, John Myer, Frank Palmer, Ralph Russell, George Van Etten, Etta Baldwin, Lena Ball, Sarah Bostwick, Minnie Bruckner, Kate Burhans, \*Henrietta Dunnery, Eva Fosmire, Jennie France, Maude Harris, \*Josephine Hill, Jessie Lasher, Esther Lazarus, Charity Mower, Jessie Post, Florence Shultis, Henrietta Tetzloff, Mary Waterbury, Emma Yahncke.

2399. Sixth Grade – Charles Ames, \*John Bates, Otis Belch, \*Harry Carew, Edward Comfort, Edward Cox, Alfred Du Bois, \*John Genthner, William Gleisner, Clarence Hallenbeck, George Healy, Milton Hill, Charles Jack, James Johnson, Samuel Jones, Frank Kime, Grover Kime, George Knaust, Ernest Lasher, Clyde Miller, Harry Peters, Henry J. Plimley, Charles Reinhard, Aaron Robinson, Orville Robinson, George Schoonmaker, Irving Shear, William Shultis, William Sullivan, Ralph Teetsell, \*Clifford Teller, George Thielsch, Richard Washburn, \*Robert Whitaker, Spencer Whitaker, James G. Woods, Denis Wortman, Ella Baldwin, Alice Bates, Sarah Brown, Frances Burnett, Anna Clum, Laura Field, Rose Freligh, Effie Genthner, Winnifred Gillespy, Essie Hill, Rosa Hornbeck, Emilie Hommel, Marie Johnson, Fannie Keener, Anna Knaust, \*Sadie Krout, Mari Lowther, Ruth Lowther, Daisy Myer, Gertrude Overbagh, \*Eva Peters, Agnes Plimley, \*Agnes Reinhard, Carrie Ricketson, Sarah Romm, Grace Tuttle, Mari Valkenburgh, Laura Washburn, Evelina Whitaker, Blanche Zeigler.

2400. Seventh Grade – Norman Ames, Milton Burnett, Albert Canner, Herman Carson, Everett Christian, Charles Crum, Willis Davis, \*Charles Fellows, Harold Field, \*Lee Giel, Charles Holsapple, Clinton Howard, Robert Johnson, \*Albert Kipper, Charles Kittell, Clarence Lynk, Lewis Mattes, \*Augustine Maxwell, George McNally, Charles Myer, William Ohley, William Rogers, \*Albert Rowe, Oscar Schutt, Ovid Simmons, Cortland Smith, \*George Smith, Fred Voerg, Estella Balz, May Barber, Cora Burhans, Emma Burnett, Lena Cook, \*Bertha Cornwell, Bessie Decker, Henrietta Finger, Verna Griffis, Minnie Harris, Jeanette Hotaling, Maude Jerrell, Ruth Kearney, Daisy Kennedy, Ella Krieger, Annie Lange, Anah Lasher, Nellie Mont Ross, Anna Myer, \*Lila Palmer, Elizabeth Pettit, Pauline Porter, \*Addie Robinson, Amelia Schmidt, Maud Shultis, Maud Votee, Florence Walsch, Minnie Wolven, Effie Young.

2401. Eighth Grade – Percy Abeel, Jerry Carle, Alfred Davis, William Doyle, Harry Hill, William Hornbeck, Walter Kerbert, Edward Krout, John Lowther, William McFarland, \*Warren Myer, Harry Person, \*Charles Quick, Arthur Sinsapaugh, \*Ernest Teetsell, \*Albert Teller, Harry Valkenburgh, John Van Etten, \*Ward Washburn, Charles Young, Lillian Ames, Katie Decker, Addie Elmendorf, Lilabel Finger, Mabel Finger, Theodora Gates, Lila James, Alice Jewett, \*Chloie Lackey, Minnie Lazarus, Gertrude McNally, \*Edith Parker, Mabel Schoonmaker, Eva Sheldon, Susie Smith, \*Kittie Snyder, Bessie Swart, Fannie Taylor, \*Carrie Valkenburgh, Katie Van Etten.

2402. Advanced 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - \*Raymond F. Abeel, \*Wilford Ball, Robert S. Bedell, \*Charles Carnright, \*Benjamin F. Davis, Charles W. Davis, John G. Gillespy, \*Ralph Keener, \*Benjamin Lewis, \*Edward Phillips, \*Wakeley W. Porter, George H. Quick, Benjamin Rowe, \*William F. Russell, Harry Van De Bogert, Edward A. Washburn, \*Mabel Abeel, \*Bessie Adams, Rosa Beedell, \*Lulu Bruckner, \*Matie Carnright, \*Caroline C. Clum, \*Ray A. Cohen, \*Carrie Coon, Helen B. Davis, \*Nellie Davis, Essie L. Finger, \*Mabel Hanna, \*Annie Hassinger, \*Helen V. Jack, Jennie Jewett, \*Matilda Johnson, Bessie Keener, Carrie Kleeber, \*S. Jennie McNally, \* Sarah K. Mont Ross, \*Dora Ohley, Martha Porter, Ida L. Rightmyer, Carrie Russell, \*Sarah Snyder, \*Nina Suderley, \*Jennie R. Whitney, \*Catharine Whitney.

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2403. Special Preacademic Students - Katharine DeWitt, Gertrude M. Lamb.  
 High School – First Year Students – C. Alfred Clum, Stephen C. Fiero, Lewis Kleeber, Irving M. Rowe, Ford C. Smith, Charles H. Wolven, Edna A. Austin, Lena E. Carle, Lucy E. Finger, Esther Hallenbeck, Eliza Lowther, Nellie Martin, Anna T. Ransom.  
 Second Year Students – Byron L. Davis, \*Lynn B. Gates, \*Harry F. Lewis, \*George W. Washburn, Jr., \*Elizabeth Barker, Edna M. Griffis, Maud L. Griffis, Della M. Hanna, Helen D. Lowther, Lucy W. Morss, \*Edith Snyder, Evelyn Waterbury.  
 3d Year Students – Harry Hallenbeck, Louise De Witt.  
 4<sup>th</sup> Year Students – F. Gilbert Morss, Isabel M. Cornwell, \*Carrie Hallenbeck, Cora Lowther, Emma Simmons, Henrietta R. Wilson.  
 5<sup>th</sup> Year Students – Florence B. Corse, Florence M. Snyder.  
 6<sup>th</sup> Year Students – Semy Baiz, Marguerite Cordes, Mai M. Smedberg.  
 Special High School Students – John G. Boothman, John B. Gillespy, F. Howard Myer, Ida May Burnett, Nina M. Crump, Ethel H. Gray, Jennie G. Hanna, Mattie C. Longendyke, Blanche J. Palmer, Effie B. Paradise, Alida Russell, Edith S. Van Gelder, Carrie L. Washburn.  
 High School graduates, 1897 – Henri S. Bahler, Harold D. Blum, Peter W. Finger, Fordyce Schoonmaker, Edwin P. Valkenburgh, Caroline Simmons.

SUMMARY OF STUDENTS

|                             |    |             |
|-----------------------------|----|-------------|
| First Grade,                | 73 |             |
| Second “                    | 61 |             |
| Third “                     | 65 |             |
| Fourth “                    | 89 |             |
| Fifth “                     | 56 |             |
| Sixth “                     | 67 |             |
| Seventh “                   | 59 |             |
| Eighth “                    | 40 |             |
| Advanced Eighth Grade,      | 45 |             |
| Special Students,           | 2  |             |
| Total Preacademic Students, |    | 557         |
|                             |    | HIGH SCHOOL |
| First Year Students,        | 13 |             |
| Second “ “                  | 12 |             |
| Third “ “                   | 2  |             |
| Fourth “ “                  | 6  |             |
| Fifth “ “                   | 2  |             |
| Sixth “ “                   | 3  |             |
| Special “                   | 14 |             |
| Graduate “                  | 6  |             |
| Total High School Students, |    | <u>58</u>   |
| Total School registration,  |    | 615         |

2404. Colored picture of the Statue of Liberty, N. Y. [illustration]

2405. Two well-known English plants, the thistle and the rape, are so inimical that if a field is infested with thistles, which come up year after year and ruin the crops, all you have to do is to sow it with rape. The thistle will be absolutely annihilated.

2406. There is a plant in Jamaica called the life plant, because it is almost impossible to kill it or any portion of it. When a leaf is cut off and hung up by a string, it sends out white, threadlike roots, gathers moisture from the air, and begins to grow new leaves.

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2407. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 16, 1897. – THE BICYCLE RACES – Second Annual Meet of the Saugerties Bicycle Club. – A Fine Day and Good Racing – Large Crowd – The Ulster County Championship Won by a Dark Horse - Big Day for the Town.

Farmer Dunn, who, although small in stature, can make considerable trouble if he wants to, and who caused the flood gates of the skies to open on Monday, and let the gentle rains come down in a deluge for two days, so as to render the going about especially at the Driving Park, better in rowboats than on foot or wheels, kindly consented to allow "Old Sol" to venture out on Thursday and make the day delightful indeed for the Saugerties Bicycle Club's second annual meet, which had been postponed on Wednesday, owing to the muddy condition of the track.

The day was all that could be desired, the atmosphere being just right so as to make things pleasant. The track was in excellent condition.

Nearly two thousand people were present, and the races were conducted in a manner satisfactory to all. Loafing being eliminated, the large crowd congested on the grand stand and standing about, watched with intense interest, the coming of the racers down the stretch, and the finishes in several were very close and exciting. Every race run without a hitch or break, and the people in attendance were unstinted in their praise of the fine management of the affair.

The county championship was hotly contested and the winner, Carl Preston, proved to be a dark horse, as Carter, Keeney or Hanna had been picked to win. The race was contested for with much energy by each rider, and the winner managed, after a magnificent spurt, to cross the tape a few inches ahead of Carter and Keeney and win the race, greatly to the surprise of all.

Owing to the many entries in several of the races, they were run in heats, the final heats being paced by Walter Wesley, of the Poughkeepsie Bicycle Club, a speed rider, and fast time was made in the events. William Manney, of the Poughkeepsie Bicycle Club, rode an exhibition half mile with a flying start, paced by the triplet team of the same club, composed of W. D. Haight, A. B. Miller and Walter Wesley in 1:03. The star rider of the day was George Reith, of the Harlem Wheelmen, New York, who captured all the open events. His style and manner of riding was with such ease so as to evoke the admiration of the crowd.

The officials who so ably conducted the races, and to whom much praise is due, were:

Referee, Richard Robe, of Albany; Judges, Dr. N. Borst, Poughkeepsie; Frank R. Dickey, Newburgh; A. Lee Wager, and C. E. McCarty, Rhinebeck; Howard Gillespy, of this village. Starter; Charles S. Mitchell, Poughkeepsie; Scorers, Frank Worden, Coxsackie; Benjamin F. Fellows, of this village. Timers, Henry Powers, Rondout; Harry Pitts, Kingston, J. William Lackey, of this village. Clerk of the Course, F. N. Moulton; Assistant Clerk, Dr. F. D. Wygant; Announcer, James Dederick; Umpires, John Hallenbeck, Arthur Van Steenburg and Harry Brownson.

The following is the summary of the events:

One mile Novice – First prize, Gold medal; second, Silver medal; won by E. R. Cashin, Rondout, second, C. M. Eastmead, Poughkeepsie; third, John M. Adams, of this village. Time 2:29.

One mile open – First prize, \$35 Diamond; second \$20 watch chain; third \$5 umbrella. First heat won by Ray Murray, Pleasant Valley; second, A. S. Lee, Cohoes, third Frank Tracy, Poughkeepsie. Time 2:25.

Second heat – Won by George Reith, New York; second, W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring; third, R. A. Miller, New York. Time 2:23 2-5.

Third heat – won by O. V. Babcock, New York; second, W. H. Manney, Poughkeepsie; third, William Denison, Stillwater. Time 2:28 1-5.

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Final heat – won by George Reith, New York; second, Ray Murray, Pleasant Valley; third, W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring. Time 2:23.

Quarter mile open – First prize, \$15 clock; second, \$5 patent leather shoes; third, cyclometer. Won by George Reith, New York, second, A. B. Miller, Mont Ross, third, O. V. Babcock, New York. Time .34.

Two mile handicap – First prize, \$35 diamond; second, \$10 Morgan & Wright tires; third, \$5 search light, Won by W. A. Ladue, 50 yards, Cold Spring; second W. B. Fries, 110 yards, Hyde Park; third, W. H. Kane Jr., 100 yards, Hackensack; fourth. Time 4:49.

One half mile open – First prize, \$25 gold watch; second, \$10 training robe; third, revolver.

First heat – Won by H. C. Esselstyn, Rhinebeck; second, George Reith, New York; third, A. B. Miller, Mont Ross; fourth E. A. Thomas, Newburg. Time 1:08.

Second heat – Won by O. V. Babcock, New York; second, Ray Murray, Pleasant Valley; third, W. H. Cane Jr., Hackensack; fourth J. R. Vosburg, Johnstown. Time 1:07 2-5.

Final heat – Won by George Reith, New York; second, A. B. Miller, Mont Ross; third, H. C. Esselstyn, Rhinebeck. Time 1:07 2-5.

Ulster County championship – one mile – Prize gold medal, won by Carl Preston, Kingston; second Charles Carter, Kingston; third, H. T. Keeney, of this village. Time, 2:36 2-5.

Two mile open – First prize, \$35 diamond; second \$15 lamp; \$5 gold studs. Won by George Reith, New York; second, A. S. Lee, Cohoes; third, W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring. Time 5:15.

Five mile handicap – First prize, \$35 diamond; second, \$15 traveling bag; third \$8 cuff buttons; Fourth, box cigars. Won by R. A. Miller, stratch, [sic] New York; second, A. S. Lee, 60 yards, Cohoes; third, W. A. Ladue, 100 yards, Cold Spring; fourth, J. Thompson, New York, 100 yards. Time 13:23.

### SPROCKET TEETH.

Announcer James Dederick and the megaphone were a decided success.

The steamer Saugerties did not leave the creek until 6:30 o'clock so as to accommodate several city wheelman, who spoke in high terms of the fine service given between New York and this village.

When Preston won the county championship his sister, who was seated on the grand stand, gave vent to her joy by jumping about three feet high. Well might she be proud.

Fred Van Anden of the Poughkeepsie Star, John Dubois, of the New York Herald, Editor John W. Searing of the Kingston Leader and Edward Merritt of the Kingston Freeman, were among the out of town newspaper men who occupied seats reserved for the press.

Who'd ér tho't Preston would win the county championship. A dark horse indeed,

Lawyers A. H. Van Buren and Jas. Jenkins, of Kingston, and District Deputy of the Knights of Pythias, B. E. McKenzie, of Port Ewen, were among the crowd on the grand stand.

When Thomas Van Allen, the colored rider, appeared on the track, he received much applause. Tom was born in this village.

Prof Hunt, of New York, gave several difficult exhibitions of juggling and walking on the slack wire during the afternoon. He was applauded by the crowd.

The Citizen's Brass Band enlivened the occasion by playing all the latest and popular music in a very creditable manner.

Reith, the star rider, carried home two diamonds, the clock and gold watch.

LaDue, the speedy rider of Cold Spring, who was the star rider at the meet last year, captured four of the prizes, one of them being a diamond. LaDue holds the track records at Po-keepsie and Newburgh.

In the five mile handicap Fries' tire burst and Room and Tracy collided throwing each other. Neither was seriously hurt, but Tracy broke the pedal on his wheel.

In the half mile open, the finish was very close and exciting. Reith crossed the tape by a narrow margin.

The judges had quite a time in making the decision for second place between Miller, Esselstyn and Murray, and finally awarded Miller second and Esselstyn third.

Reith says the track was the best he had ever ridden on excepting the Manhattan Beach track.

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2408. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. April 19, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Quite a Lengthy Session Held Saturday Evening. – Badges for Chief and Assistants of the Fire Department – Committee on Cemetery Appear Before the Board.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Directors Cantine, Lasher, Myer, Quick and Rogers, present. Absent, Cornwell. President Cantine presided. Minutes of previous meeting read for information.

First assistant chief engineer, Ernest Hassinger, appeared before the Board and requested that the chief engineer and assistant chiefs of the fire department be provided with suitable badges, also that keys be purchased for the rooms of Snyder Hose Co., and Washington Hook & Ladder Co., and a closet be erected in firemen's hall for Snyder Hose use, and on motion the firemanic committee was instructed to procure the above.

Street committee reported work finished on Main street, up to Pidgeon's also the cross walk lowered corner Washington avenue and Main street. The street commissioner was instructed to repair drain on Washington avenue and sewer on Ulster avenue.

Firemanic committee reported having ordered a register placed in Firemen's hall, and also a new drain pipe heading to the cistern in front of Firemen's hall.

The crusher committee reported having made necessary repairs to the pump at the crusher.

On motion, an oil lamp was ordered placed on Elizabeth street, and two lamp posts be purchased of H. A. Hildebrandt.

President Cantine reported the purchase of two drinking fountains, and that they would be shipped April 20<sup>th</sup>.

M. P. L. Loerzel, a member of Snyder Hose Co., was granted exemption papers.

A committee of ten taxpayers, appointed at a cemetery mass meeting held recently, appeared before the Board and stated that the condition of the cemetery was a disgrace to the town, and after considerable discussion the Board agreed to contribute \$100 toward cleaning up the same with the assurance that a cemetery association be formed to take charge in the future.

Director Quick offered the following, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That Senate bill printed No. 1117 introductory number 909, amending the charter of this village as amended in the Assembly, printed No. [blank] is hereby unanimously approved. The bill being now before the Governor; and

*Resolved*, That Governor Black is respectfully requested to affix his signature to the bill at the earliest day practicable.

I, James Dederick, clerk of the village of Saugerties, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the resolution within set forth and adopted by the Board of Directors and of the whole thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the village this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1897.

James Dederick,  
Village Clerk.

The following bills were ordered paid.

|   |               |
|---|---------------|
|   | Health Fund.  |
| W. Kemble, M. D., vital statistics,                       | \$ 4.50       |
| S. L. Dawes, M. D., 3 months salary as<br>Health Officer, | 50.00         |
|   | General Fund. |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas,                                  | \$56.66       |
| J. Dederick, salary and sundries,                         | 35.42         |
| C. Davis, printing amendments,                            | 4.00          |
|   | Road Fund.    |
| Chas. Capen, labor,                                       | \$ 7.00       |

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| H. Kipper, stone,          | 173.15 |
| W. Doyle, teams 9 ½ days,  | 35.25  |
| W. Yonker, teams 7 ¾ days, | 31.37  |
| J. Donahue, 7 ¾ days,      | 11.62  |
| J. Tracey, 7 ¾ days,       | 11.62  |
| Wm. Dixon, 7 ¼ days,       | 10.87  |
| J. Lavey, 2 days,          | 3.00   |
| M. Matthew, 2 days,        | 3.00   |
| J. Dillon, 1 day,          | 1.50   |
| A. Newkirk, 1 ¼ days,      | 1.87   |
| F. Lutz, 1 day,            | 1.50   |
| A. Pultz, 6 ½ days,        | 8.25   |

2409. Saugerties Daily Post, Dec. 9, 1897. [hand dated] - Cigarmaker's Officers.

At a meeting of the Cigarmakers Union held the other evening, the following were elected officers: John G. Palmer, President; Eugene Coon, Vice-President; Michael Fitzgerald, Recording and Financial Secretary; Charles H. Yake, Treasurer; Charles Anderson, Sergeant-at-Arms; I. J. Potter, R. E. Young and George Gordon, Financial Committee. This Union is in a flourishing condition.

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2410. Three colored photos, U. S. Battleship Indiana, Brooklyn Bridge, U. S. S. Texas. [illustration]

2411. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. May 3, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. - Regular Session Held at Firemen's Hall Saturday Evening. – Board Transact Considerable Business and Hear Reports of Committees and Other Municipal Work About the Village.

The regular meeting of the board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Directors present Cantine, Cornwell, Lasher, Quick, Myer and Rogers. President Cantine presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were read for information and after a slight correction were approved.

The bond of Collector David E. Abeel was approved and accepted by the board.

The street committee reported having made repairs to Livingston street, from First to Market streets, on Main street and crosswalk at Trinity cemetery.

Crusher committee reported having made needed repairs to same and the replanking of the platform which holds the stone.

Firemanic committee reported that badges had been ordered for the fire department chief's, [sic] and that the closet for Snyder Hose use had been built, also that keys for the Snyder Hose Co., and Washington Hook & Ladder Co. rooms had arrived.

On motion the clerk was directed to notify Mrs. E. D. Chipman to lay her sidewalk on Elm street outside of the trees so as to conform to the ordinance of June 15, 1895.

William G. Morgan, of Po'Keepsie was granted an exempt fireman's certificate, his former one having been lost.

The street committee were empowered to have the Main street cemetery fence repaired.

Crusher committee were instructed to erect a shed at the crusher for protection of screen and other property.

The street committee reported lamps having been placed on Livingston and Myer streets and Malden and Washington avenues.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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| John Maxwell, salary and labor,           | \$47.50 |
| Howard & Valkenburg, labor,               | 8.81    |
| Georgiana A. Jackson, stenographers' fees |         |

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| Hallenbeck case,            | 60.00      |
| G. Dederick, repairs,       | 4.50       |
|                             | Road Fund. |
| H. Kipper, stone,           | \$233.67   |
| W. Doyle, teams, 13 days,   | 58.50      |
| W. Yonker, " 11 ¾ "         | 52.87      |
| J. Donahue, 12 days,        | 18.00      |
| J. Tracy, 12 "              | 18.00      |
| W. Dixon, 11 "              | 16.50      |
| J. Lackey, 2 "              | 3.00       |
| M. Matthews, 2 "            | 3.00       |
| W. Lowther, 7 ½ "           | 10.87      |
| J. Carew, 1 "               | 2.00       |
| C. Jones, 3 ½ "             | 5.26       |
| A. Newkirk, 4 "             | 6.00       |
| A. Post, 1 ¾ days, 2 men,   | 4.30       |
| A. Pultz, salary and labor, | 71.83      |
| On motion board adjourned.  |            |

2412. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 7, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – A Full Attendance of the Board of Directors. – Meeting held on Saturday Evening, and Many Matters of Business Attended to – Other Matters.

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Present – Cantine, Cornwell, Quick, Lasher, Myers and Rogers. President Cantine presided. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The street committee reported that repairs to Partition street completed and that the repairs to lower end of Main street progressing. Also work on the sewer at Loerzel's progressing.

The street commissioner was instructed to repair the curb and gutter on East Bridge street, near Votee's.

The firemanic committee reported that the repairs needed at the Laflin Hose Co.'s hose [sic] was more than they expected, and asked the whole Board to visit same in reference to the above and not leave it with committee. Also requesting them to witness the testing of new nozzles. The board will meet Friday evening on McCarthy for the above purpose. All taxpayers are invited to be present.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, At a special meeting held March 13, 1897, for the purpose of amending the village charter, certain amendments were agreed to by the Board of Directors, and said amendments have been duly passed by the Senate and Assembly, and signed by the Governor, and are now a law.

*Resolved*, That these amendments be accepted and engrossed upon the minutes of this board.

The clerk reported he received \$25 license fee from the Sig. Sautelle Circus.

Judge B. M. Coon of the cemetery cleaning committee, appeared before the board and gave a brief report of the expenditures of the \$100 appropriated by the board for the cleaning up of the Main street cemetery. He reported that a balance of \$5.58 still remained unexpended up till Saturday evening. He stated the cemetery was in a presentable condition now, but said there was a need of several minor improvements, such as straightening of old tombstones and filling up several paths, and said that an additional appropriation of \$25 would complete the work, and on motion the same was granted. He also reported that several persons in cleaning up their plot had strewn their refuse about, this defacing other graves, and subjected themselves to a heavy penalty.

On motion the contract for crushing stone was increased from 2000 tons to 3000 tons under the same option as in the contract.

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On motion Charles Lusk was refunded \$3.82 owing to an error in assessment.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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| M. Plimly, watchman,             | \$ 4.00 |
| Daniel Lamb,                     | 38.25   |
| I. N. Griffis, watchman,         | 4.00    |
| A. A. Post, labor                | 55.40   |
| Finger & Lewis,                  | 55.60   |
| Nellie Elmendorf, notaries fees, | 5.00    |
| Adams & Co., supplies,           | .50     |
| Fred Myer, watchman,             | 4.00    |
| J. P. Russell, assessor,         | 36.00   |
| Norman Cunyes, labor,            | 14.48   |
| Ulster Blue Stone Co., stone,    | 24.00   |
| D. Y. Smith, painting,           | 22.75   |
| John Maxwell, salary,            | 46.00   |
| Emerick Bros., supplies,         | 2.08    |
| Milford Crum, watchman,          | 4.00    |
| Peter Cantine, salary,           | 50.00   |
| John W. Davis, stone,            | 25.00   |
| H. Kipper, stone,                | 412.30  |
| A. Pultz, men and teams,         | 313.42  |

2413. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. June 21, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular Meeting Held Saturday Evening. – Many Matters of Business – Several Fireman [sic] Expelled, Others Granted Exemption Certificates – Many Bills Paid.

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Present – Cantine, Cornwell, Lasher, Quick and Myer; absent, Rogers. President Cantine presided.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The finance committee reported the condition of village finances to date and the report was on motion placed on file.

The street committee reported the sewer at Loerzel's and the connections at John Taylor's completed. Also that repairs to Main street nearly finished, and that the work on Livingston street was progressing and would be finished next week.

The Board having investigated the matter of making repairs to Lafayette street decided that the property owners on that street would have to change their curb to the established grade contained in the last ordinance.

The street committee also reported that a double crosswalk had been placed on Main street midway between the post office and the Palmer House and the single walk in front of the Searing property taken up.

The committee on nozzle inspection reported progress.

Certificates of membership in R. A. Snyder Hose Co., were granted to Jacob Bruckner and Clyde Van Steenburg. In Laflin Hose Co., to Edward Webster and Homer Sickler.

Exemption certificates were granted to Jonas Myer, Christopher Stauhs, Harry R. Stewart and Edward P. McCormick, members of Laflin Hose Co., George Phillips and William James, of Laflin Hose Co., were expelled from the fire department.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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| John G. Palmer, salary,     | \$ 10.00 |
| Saugerties Gas Co.,         | 58.66    |
| Quick Bros. & Co., repairs, | 11.80    |

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| William Tracy, labor,      | 1.00   |
| James M. Styles, rent,     | 6.00   |
| T. J. Barritt, supplies,   | 7.50   |
| F. M. Murphy, labor,       | 36.76  |
| Chas. D. Capen, engineer,  | 40.00  |
| T. B. Cornwell, assessor,  | 36.00  |
| Henry Kipper, stone,       | 102.67 |
| A. Pultz, men and teams,   | 125.59 |
| On motion Board adjourned. |        |

2414. A GERMAN biologist says that the two sides of a face are never alike; in two cases out of five the eyes are out of line; one eye is stronger than the other in seven persons out of ten; and the right ear is generally higher than the left.

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2415. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. May 20, 1897. – Director's Proceedings.

Regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held Saturday evening, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1897 with all the directors but Mr. Rogers present: president Cantine presiding. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Street committee reported ballasting of Partition street finished, also that a sewer near Rowe's on Ulster avenue was in bad condition, also one at Butzel's, and another near Loerzel's on Clermont street in bad condition; also that a cesspool of Mr. Van Etten on Clermont street was broken and overflowing, and the Clerk was ordered to notify Mr. Van Etten to remove or rebuild the same large enough to contain the accumulation, and to cleanse the present cesspool forthwith to prevent a menace to public health. Street committee also reported fence at cemetery in progress of building.

Chief McCormick asked for some repairs and improvements to Empire Engine house on south side in the way of closet for rubber coats and village water put in and other needed repairs and changes, and on motion same was granted and ordered.

Crusher committee reported receipt of a catalogue of the parts and fixtures of the crusher which was ordered filed for reference.

Firemanic committee reported that the zinc, waste pipe and register had been placed in Fireman's Hall, and that the badges for fire officers had arrived.

On motion a warrant was ordered drawn to John Crowley for \$4.00 to cover damage to his property on account of overflow of water on Clermont street.

On motion F. T. Lewis, F. M. Murphey, John A. Snyder, J. Chas. Suderly and L. B. Howard were granted exemption certificates, and Chas. Wilbur confirmation certificates in Snyder Hose.

On motion the street committee were directed to repair the sewer in Lazarus' yard on Clermont street. The Village Treasurer presented his bond for approval, and on motion the same was approved and accepted by the board.

O. T. Simmons asked for a double crosswalk in front of Trinity church, now a single one, and the single crosswalk raised and made into a double on in front of his property on Barclay street, and on motion same was granted.

On motion a warrant was ordered drawn from Road Fund to B. M. Coon, treas. of the cemetery committee to cover the appropriation made to clean the old part.

On motion \$100 was ordered appropriated to the Fire Department in compliance with the law covering same.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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|                            | GENERAL FUND. |
| Saugerties Post, printing, | \$ 10.50      |

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| E. Hassinger, badges,                          | 5.25         |
| Saugerties Gas Co., gas,                       | 58.66        |
| J. G. Palmer, 4 months janitor,                | 32.00        |
| H. A. Hildebrandt, labor and supplies,         | 54.16        |
| E. Hassinger, appropriation to fire dept.,     | 100.00       |
| Martin Cantine Co., drinking fountains,        | 142.50       |
| J. Crowley, damages on account sewer,          | 4.00         |
| I. N. Griffith, watching,                      | 2.00         |
| J. O. Lowther, lamp posts,                     | 10.55        |
| Fabric Fire Hose Co., hose,                    | 325.50       |
| Fred. Myer, watching,                          | 4.00         |
| Milfred Crum, watching,                        | 2.00         |
| Jas. Crump, assessor,                          | 36.00        |
| Morris Plimly, watching,                       | 4.00         |
| Jas. Jewell, watching,                         | 2.00         |
| Saugerties Coal Co., coal,                     | 28.73        |
|  | ROAD FUND.   |
| A. A. Post, labor,                             | \$ 18.75     |
| B. M. Coon, account cemetery<br>appropriation, | 100.00       |
| H. Kipper, stone,                              | 207.45       |
| Wm. Doyle, 12 days,                            | 54.00        |
| Wm. Younker, 9 days,                           | 40.50        |
| James Lowther, 10 ½ days,                      | 15.75        |
| Thomas Tracey, 10 days,                        | 15.00        |
| Wm. Dixon, 9 ½ days,                           | 14.25        |
| W. Lowther, 7 ½ days,                          | 11.25        |
| A. Newkirk, 3 ½ days,                          | 5.25         |
| James Dillion, ¾ day,                          | 1.13         |
| M. Lawler, ¾ day,                              | 1.13         |
| A. Pultz, at crusher, 7 days,                  | 10.50        |
|  | HEALTH FUND. |
| S. W. Merclean, registering assigned           |              |
| Finger & Lewis,                                | \$ 5.00      |
| "    "    E. M. Wilbur,                        | 5.50         |
| "    "    Martin Cantine,                      | 14.25        |
| "    "    "    "                               | 8.75         |
| "    "    "                                    | 1.50         |

Adjourned, J. Dederick, Clerk.

2416. The largest painting in the world, exclusive of panoramas and cycloramas, is Paradise, by Tinteretto, in the grand salon of the Doge's palace in Venice, being eighty-four feet wide by thirty-four feet high.

2417. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. June 10, 1897. – Director's Proceedings.  
Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held Saturday evening, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1897, with all directors present; President Cantine presiding. The minutes of last meeting read and approved.  
Street committee reported Partition street as finished and Main street in progress also reported sewer at Loerzel's in progress of repair.

Mr. Coon, treasurer of the cemetery association, reported that the old portion of the cemetery had been cleaned up entirely and the cost had not exceeded the appropriation made by the directors, but asked for an additional \$25.00, to straighten up the old broken and displaced tombstones and clean the paths, which was on motion appropriated.

Mr. Coon further reported that owners of plots in the new part had in some cases, in cleaning up their burial plots, thrown the rubbish and refuse upon other plots, doing this probably without the knowledge that they were violating an existing ordinance prohibiting this and rendering themselves liable to a fine for so doing and in any way defacing the cemetery plots.

On motion it was ordered that the contract for crushed stone be increased from 2,000 to 3,000 tons under the options and conditions of the original contract.

Firemanic committee reported that on inspection of Empire Engine house he had found more needed than was anticipated and asked the entire board to inspect and decide its requirements; also recommend the inspection by the entire board and a representation of the tax payers of a nozzle test, all of which was agreed upon, and the board decided to meet on Friday evening at 7 p. m. on McCarthy street, with the officers of fire department, and invites the tax payers to meet with them to witness the nozzle test at that time.

On motion the following resolution was passed:

*Whereas*, At a special meeting held March 13, 1897, for the purpose of amending the village charter, certain amendments were agreed to by the Board of Directors, and said amendments have been fully passed by the Senate and Assembly, and signed by the Governor, and are now a law.

*Resolved*, That these amendments be accepted and engrossed upon the minutes of this Board.

AN ACT to amend chapter two hundred and sixty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled, "An act revising and amending an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of Ulster,' and the acts amendatory thereof, and to add additional sections thereto.

*The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

§ 40. The board of directors may construct and repair crosswalks upon the streets and avenues within the village. It shall have power by ordinance to authorize at the expense of the owners of the adjoining lands along the whole or any part or parts of the streets and avenues within the village. It shall also have power by ordinance to authorize and require the construction or repair of flagging, curbing, and guttering, or curbing and guttering only, at the expense of the owners of the adjoining lands, of the whole or any part or parts of the sidewalks of any avenue or street within the village. Except, however, that it shall not be authorized to require the flagging of sidewalks, unless the same is asked for in one or more petitions signed by the owner or owners of one-half of the lands adjoining that side of such street or avenue on which such flagging is sought to be made. The board of directors shall also have the power to compel the owner or occupant of any premises in said village to clear the snow, dirt or ice or any other material or substance off the sidewalks and from the gutters in front of such premises and upon default may cause such sidewalks and gutters to be cleared at the expense of the owners of the adjoining lands and assess the expense thereof upon the adjoining lands. The board of directors shall also have power to prescribe the width of tire used on wheels of wagons, carts or trucks used in said village upon which loads, baggage, freight, merchandise, stone or other materials are drawn or conveyed or carried through or upon the streets, avenues, roads, lanes or alleys within the bounds of the corporation, and compel the owners or users of such wagons, carts or trucks to use the width of tire prescribed by the board of directors, and to adopt and enforce all such ordinances and regulations as in their judgment shall be necessary to carry the powers hereby granted into force and effect.

§ 42. Whenever expenditures are made by the board of directors for constructing or repairing sidewalks, or flagging, or curbing, or guttering, of keeping the sidewalks or gutters cleared of ice, snow, or other accumulations thereon, which by this act are assessable upon the land affected or improved thereby, the board shall serve a notice of at least ten days upon the owner or occupant of such property stating that such expenditure has been made, its purpose and amount, and that at a specified time and place, it

will meet to make an assessment of the expenditure upon such land. The board of directors shall meet at the time and place specified. It shall hear and determine all objections that may be made to such assessment, including the amount thereof and shall assess upon the land the amount which it may deem just and reasonable, not exceeding the amount stated in the notice. If the amount so assessed be not paid within twenty days after such assessment, an action to recover the amount may be maintained by the village against the owner or occupant therefor or a special warrant may be issued by the board of trustees to the collector for the collection of such assessment, or the amount may be included in the next tax levy. Service of the notice required by this section must be personal, if the person to be served can be found in the village, otherwise the notice may be served personally or by mail by depositing a copy thereof in the post office of the village and addressed to such person at his last known place of residence. If a person to be served cannot with due diligence in the village where personal service is required or his last known place of residence cannot be ascertained, the county judge of the county of Ulster may, by order, direct the manner of such service and service shall be made accordingly. A service on one or two or more joint tenants, in common shall be sufficient notice to all for any purpose requiring a notice under this section. The provisions of the code of civil procedure relating to the service of a summons in an action in the supreme court, except as to publication, apply so far as practicable to the service of the notice under this section.

§ 2. Section forty-one of chapter two hundred and sixty-two of the laws of eighteen hundred and fifty-five, entitled "An act revising and amending an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of Ulster,' as amended by section five of chapter one hundred and seventy-four of the laws of eighteen hundred and seventy," is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§41. If a sidewalk is required to be constructed or repaired, or flagging, curbing and guttering or curbing and guttering only to be constructed or repaired, a notice specifying the manner and place and giving the grade and curb line and the kind and quality of material to be used, and the time within in which the board of directors shall require the work to be completed, shall, with a copy of the ordinance, be served upon the owner or occupant of such adjoining lands within ten days of the passage after the passage of such ordinance. Such service shall be made as follows: Upon the owner or occupant of such adjoining lands, by leaving the same with some member of the family of such owner or occupant of suitable age, and in case the adjoining land is unoccupied and the owner is a non-resident, such service may be made upon the resident agent, of such owner or by depositing the same in the post-office of the village of Saugerties, properly enclosed and sealed with postage prepaid and directed to such owner at his place of residence, and if such owner's name is unknown or his place of residence unknown, and there is no resident agent to the knowledge of the directors, such service may be made by affixing a copy of notice and resolution upon a conspicuous part of the lands. Affidavits of such service shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the village. If an owner shall not construct or repair the sidewalk, flagging, curbing and guttering as required by the notice and ordinance, the board of directors may cause the same to be so constructed or repaired and assess the expense thereof upon the adjoining land.

§ 3. The village of Saugerties shall not be liable for damages or injury to person or property alleged to have arisen or been sustained from, or in consequence of a defective or unsafe condition of any sidewalk, street, avenue, highway, lane, alley, crosswalk, grating, opening, bridge or culvert, drain or sewer in said village, until five days after actual notice in writing to the president, street commissioner or board of directors of said defective or unsafe condition. All claims against the village for any damage or injury shall without delay and within twenty days after the happening of such damage or injury, be presented by or in behalf of the claimant to the president or board of directors, in writing, signed by the claimant and duly verified by him or her describing the time when, and the particular location of the place where such injury occurred, and the cause, nature and extent of the injury, or damage and unless each claim is so presented, as aforesaid, within said twenty days, the claimant shall be forever barred and stopped from bringing or maintaining any action or proceedings against said village to recover for

such injury or damage. No action for any such damage or injury shall be maintained against the village in any event unless brought within one year from the happening of the same.

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

On motion the following ordinance was passed and ordered published in the minutes and posted according to law:

VILLAGE ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to protect the streets, avenues, and highways of the village of Saugerties, and to regulate the width of tire, on wagons, cars and trucks used thereon.

The Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties do ordain as follows:

SECTION ONE – From and after the first day of September, 1897, the width of tire on all wagons, carts or trucks, used upon any public street, avenue or highway, within the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties, shall be as follows:

(1) Upon all wagons, carts or trucks, carrying a load of two thousand, five hundred pounds, exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck, box, rack, plank, or other construction, upholding the load, the width of the tire shall not be less than four (4) inches.

(2) Upon all wagons, carts or trucks, carrying a load of six thousand pounds or more, exclusive of the weight of the wagon, cart or truck, box, rack, plank, or other construction upholding the load, the width of the tire shall not be less than three (3) inches.

SECTION TWO – If any persons traveling upon any street, avenue, or highway, within the corporate limits of the village of Saugerties, with a wagon, cart or truck, upon which it is claimed by any Director, Street Commissioner, or other person appointed by the Board of Directors, that the load upon said wagon, cart or truck, exceeds the weight authorized to be carried by Section One of this Ordinance the person claiming the load to be in excess of the weight authorized to be carried, on said wagon, cart or truck, shall at the time of making the aforesaid claim, inform the person in charge of the wagon, cart or truck, on the location of the scales upon which the wagon, cart or truck with its load shall be weighed and after unloading shall again be weighed, and the difference between the two weights shall be presumptive evidence of the weight of the load. Such scale shall be designated by resolution of the Board of Directors, at which the aforesaid weighing shall be done, with the right, from time to time, to designate other scales. And if any person, persons, corporation, company, or the person in charge of said wagon, cart or truck, shall fail, or neglect to have the weighting done as herein before provided, to ascertain the weight of the load, shall be presumptive evidence that the weight of the load is in excess of the weight authorized to be carried by the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION THREE - Any person, persons, corporation or company offending against the provisions hereof, shall forfeit and pay a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00), for each and every offense against the provision of this ordinance, or against any one of the provision hereof, to be recovered in an action with costs, by the "Directors of the Village of Saugerties," for the use of said village.

SECTION FOUR – This Ordinance shall take effect September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897.

The following bills were ordered paid:

ROAD FUND.

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| Daniel Lamb, supplies,                 | \$ 38.25 |
| A. A. Post, labor,                     | 65.40    |
| Finger & Lewis, lumber,                | 55.60    |
| H. Kipper, stone,                      | 412.30   |
| John W. Davis, stone,                  | 25.00    |
| D. Y. Smith, labor,                    | 22.75    |
| B. M. Coon, cemetery<br>appropriation, | 25.00    |
| Wm. Doyle, teams, 25 ¼ days,           | 113.12   |

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| Will Younker, team 14 ½ days,           | 65.25 |
| James Donahue, 18 days,                 | 27.00 |
| Fred Younker, 13 days,                  | 19.50 |
| Wm. Dixon, 13 ½ days,                   | 20.25 |
| John Gordon, 11 ½ days,                 | 17.25 |
| Thomas Tracey, 1 ½ days,                | 2.25  |
| Wm. Lowther, 6 ½ days,                  | 9.75  |
| Frank Latz, cutting stone,<br>1 ½ days, | 3.00  |
| Chas. Jones, 2 ½ days,                  | 3.75  |
| J. Dillon, ½ day                        | .75   |
| Ed. Myers, 5 ¾ days,                    | 8.63  |
| A. Pultz, 14 ½ days at crusher,         | 21.75 |
| A. Pultz, one months salary,            | 29.17 |

GENERAL FUND.

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| Chas. Lusk, refunded tax,                | 3.82  |
| Nellie Elmendorf, notary fees,           | 5.00  |
| I. N. Griffith, watching,                | 4.00  |
| Fred Myer, watching,                     | 4.00  |
| Adams Bros., supplies,                   | .50   |
| Ulster Blue Stone Co., stone,            | 24.00 |
| N. Cunyes, labor,                        | 14.48 |
| John Maxwell, street lighting,           | 46.00 |
| Milfred Crum, watching,                  | 4.00  |
| Emerick Bros., supplies,                 | 2.08  |
| J. P. Russell, assessor,                 | 36.00 |
| Moses Plimly, watching,                  | 4.00  |
| On motion adjourned. J. Dederick, Clerk. |       |

2418. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. July 6, 1897. – OUR COMMON COUNCIL. – Regular meeting held Saturday Evening. – John H. Jones resigns as a Member of the Health Board – Martin M. Baker Appointed to Succeed Him.

The regular meeting of the Village Board of Directors was held Saturday evening. Present – Cantine, Cornwell, Myers, Quick, Lasher and Rogers. President Cantine presided. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The street committee reported repairs to Hill and Livingston streets completed. Sewer on McCarthy street cleaned and work on Main street progressing.

The street commissioner was instructed to make needed repairs to Valley street.

A double crosswalk was ordered laid at the German Lutheran Church, on Market street.

Firemanic committee reported progress on repairs at Laflin Hose Co.'s house.

The resignation of John J. Jones as a member of the Board of Health was received and accepted.

On motion, Martin M. Baker was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Board of Health, caused by Mr. Jones' resignation.

President Cantine read a letter from Stanley Vosburg, an extensive manufacturer at Shady, congratulating and commending the board for the passage of the wide tire ordinance.

On motion John Crowley was allowed three dollars for damages, resulting from a sewer overflow.

Henry Kipper was allowed \$25 for the chips accumulated at the crusher.

The following bills were ordered paid:

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| W. Doyle, labor, | 17.80 |
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| H. Kipper, stone,           | 224.50 |
| S. E. L. Co., light,        | 27.50  |
| A. Lackey, Board of Health, | 18.00  |
| J. H. Jones, " "            | 18.00  |
| S. L. Dawes,                | 50.00  |
| M. Bender,                  | 3.00   |
| H. Kranz,                   | 26.00  |
| Chas. Abeel,                | 26.00  |
| J. Maxwell,                 | 46.00  |
| A. Pultz,                   | 200.11 |

2419. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Nov. 21, 1898. – A Sing Sing Present.

John J. Lynch, one of the keepers at Sing Sing prison, has presented chief engineer Hassinger, of this village, with a very handsome hair watchchain, the handiwork of one of the prisoner's in Mr. Lynch's ward.

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2420. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 6, 1897. Four Years Old. – Dorothy King Celebrates Her Fourth Birthday Appropriately.

Dorothy, the little daughter of Mrs. M. E. King, entertained a number of her juvenile friends Thursday afternoon and evening in honor of her fourth birthday. The little folks enjoyed themselves finely and brought handsome tokens as their evidence of the friendship existing between them and their little host. The collation which was served was an elaborate one and was eagerly disposed of. The little ones who enjoyed the afternoon were:

Irving Teller, Gladys Van Steenburg, Freddie Lewis, Anna Lewis, Ellen Lewis, May Malone, Clarence Wilson, Alice Bates, John Carnright, Susie Beers, Otis Belch, John Davis, Cornelia Carnright, Florence Belch, Emily Belch, Walter Maxwell, Leslie Maxwell, Stewart Maxwell, Alice Hassinger, Kate Davis, Leilla Blackwell, Lyman Tepe; and the following senior friends: Mr. and Mrs. David Maxwell, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Belch, Florence Briscoe, Mrs. William Tepe, Miss Bertha Carnright, Miss Bessie Adams, Miss Anna Potts, Miss Anna Hotaling, Mr. Clyde Van Steenburg, Mr. St. Clair Smith.

2421. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 14, 1897. Jewett Discharged - By Judge Parker on Friday Afternoon at Kingston.

Frank A. Jewett, who was arrested by Office [*sic*] Ide, of Corinth, last Friday and taken to that place, was discharged from custody [*sic*] Friday afternoon by Judge Parker at Kingston. The story of his arrest and arraignment before Justice Cochran at Corinth, was told in Thursday's Post. Mr. Cochran was about to proceed to try Mr. Jewett, when Fred. J. Durgan, Jewett's counsel, secured a writ of certiorari of Judge Parker, which was returnable before him Friday afternoon. After hearing the facts in the case he discharged Mr. Jewett. No one appeared for Cochran or Lawler. Jewett will bring an action for \$5,000 damages against Lawler, the hotel-keeper, and also against Cochran, the justice for the same amount for illegal arrest and false imprisonment. Fred. J. Durgan is Jewett's lawyer.

2422. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 30, 1898. – To Select the Chief.

Chief Engineer Ernest Hassinger has called a meeting of the committee for selecting officers for the fire department of 1899 in Snyder Hose Co. rooms, on Monday evening, Jan. 9.

2423. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 10, 1897. – AN OLD ULSTER FAMILY. – The De Witts the Greatest County Has Produced. – An interesting article in the Current Number of Munsey's Magazine by the Hon. William C. De Witt of Brooklyn.

In the September number of Munsey's Magazine an article entitled "Molding the New Metropolis," from the pen of the Hon. William C. DeWitt of Brooklyn, gives a concise account of the main features of the Greater New York charter which was drawn by Mr. DeWitt. In connection with this article there is the department, "In the Public Eye," an excellent portrait of Mr. De Witt and a brief by appreciative notice of his work. The main point made, is that "blood will tell." "It is something more than a coincidence," says the writer of the sketch, "that the man whose share in framing a charter for the Greater New York was greater than that of any of his fellow workers should have come of charter making stock." He then goes on to make the points that the first American DeWitt, was a relative of John De Witt, the greatest grand pensionary of the Netherlands, whose statesmanship perfected the constitutional government of Holland: that Mr. De Witt's great grandfather, Col. Charles De Witt, was a member of the committee that drafted the first constitution of New York state; that De Witt Clinton, of the same stock, contributed largely to the first and best charter of New York city, and that Mr. De Witt's mother was a sister of Jacob W. Miller, attorney general of New Jersey and United States senator from that state for 12 years during the time of Webster and Calhoun. William C. De Witt is a brother of the Dr. John De Witt of this village and is of the Ulster county family of De Witts who first settled along the Greenkill at De Witt's mill more than two centuries ago, the estate still being in the possession of the family. The grandfather, John C. De Witt, when the estate of Col. Charles De Witt was divided took the southerly portion of it, and for many years resided in the old stone house where Cornelius I. Lefever now lives. Two of his sons, Aaron Burr and William Cantine, [DeWitt] became physicians and settled here. The subject of Munsey's sketch is a son of the last named. Three generations of the DeWitt family have represented this district in Congress and half a dozen generations have represented Ulster county districts in the state legislature, scarcely a generation having existed in two centuries without at least one of the name representing Ulster county for one or more terms at Albany. Members of the family who have removed from this county have been no less distinguished in politics, business, law and the church. Of all the old Ulster county families the DeWitt family has perhaps the most prominent record abroad as well as at home, and a volume could be written on the subject.

2424. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 10, 1897. – GLOBE TROTTER IN TOWN. – G. M. Schilling Who Will Undertake to Walk Around the World. – A Scribe Interviews Him and Learns He Must Walk the Distance Required in Four Years or Forfeit the Sum of \$2,500.

Saugerties was visited by a globe trotter Monday afternoon. Sometime during the spring of this year our village was honored by a visit from R. Pitcher Woodward and his donkey who were traveling on a wager to the Pacific coast. But our visitor of Monday, G. M. Schilling must walk around the world in four years.

Mr. Schilling is making the walk on a wager put up by four prominent sporting men and the terms of the wager compels him to walk around the world in four years, and return with five thousand dollars.

He must not beg, but must pay his way as he travels along.

Mr. Schilling has but one arm, the other having been severed from the body by a belt when he was a mere lad. He left Steven Brodle's place on the Bowery, New York city, last Tuesday amid the strains of a brass band had has taken his time. He reached our village about five o'clock. He is accompanied by his dog King II.

At every place he visits he secures the seal of either the village or town clerk.

While a POST commentator was strolling up Partition street during Monday afternoon he noticed a crowd gathered in front of Town Clerk Kleeber's office and quickened his pace, in order to ascertain what was up.

Inside he found a gentleman clad in a green sweater, the front of which contained the words, "Around the world," and on his cap the words, "champion walker."

He wore red corduroy knickerbockers and his shoes were covered with dust, evincing the fact that he must have been walking. The scribe interviewed the globe trotter and learned that he had started

without a penny and that he eked out his expenses by selling a pamphlet [*sic*] containing the story of his life at ten cents.

His object in visiting the town clerk's office was to secure the official's seal and signature. He showed the scribe a book containing the seals of different cities and states he had passed through.

He is journeying toward San Francisco, whence he will go to Hong Kong, China, and then through Asia and Europe. He expects to land in New York city in August 1901.

Last year he walked 8,900 miles in nine months and twenty-eight days. He also walked to San Francisco on a wager and after completing the walk in the specified time returned to find the club that had started him out had disbanded.

After a long wait at the town clerk's office, Mr. Kleeber did not arrive and Mr. Schilling started for village clerk Dederick's office and secured a seal of the village. He then departed for Hudson, which he expected to reach sometime during the night. Schilling claims he can walk further at night than during the day in this weather.

If he is successful in completing the walk in the four years, he will receive the sum of \$2,500.

2425. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 14, 1897. – Four Horses Killed. – And a Man Badly Hurt by the Construction Train.

Friday evening about seven o'clock while James Maculroy, a teamster, living near Saxton, was wending his way homeward from the Malden docks and was about to cross the tracks near the Malden station, the construction train, south bound, came upon him suddenly and struck his horses, four in number, killing them instantly and hurling him from the wagon into the ditch near by.

He was picked up and carried to Groat's store where he was found considerably bruised. Maculroy had stopped at Groat's store near the station and purchased a barrel of flour and after getting it on the wagon started to cross. He had four horses and as the leaders were crossing the down track, he saw the train approach. Knowing he could not get across safely, Maculroy began backing the horses off the track, when the train crashed upon them as told above.

Later he was taken home and his injuries dressed by Dr. Charles De Witt, of Quarryville. His injuries are said to be of a serious nature.

2426. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 10, 1897. - Odd Fellows at Rondout.

Thursday evening the members of Ulster Lodge of Odd Fellows, accompanied by several members of Confidence Lodge, headed by the Glasco Cornet Band, marched to the steam boat dock and boarded the steamer Haber for Rondout, which they reached at a few minutes past nine o'clock. They were met by the members of the United German Lodge of Odd Fellows, of Rondout, and a line was formed and the procession proceeded to the lodge rooms, where two candidates were initiated into the mysteries of the third degree. At the conclusion of the degree work, a banquet was served at Mannechor Hall, and after spending an enjoyable time feasting, our Odd Fellows returned home in the wee small hours of the morn. [*sic*]

2427. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Sept. 27, 1897. - The Democratic Primaries.

The Democratic primaries to choose delegates to the County and Assembly District conventions, were held in the several election districts of this town on Saturday evening. The first three districts assembled at the court room, Russell Block, and chose R. D. Potts chairman, and Martin Sexton secretary. The following delegates were chosen: To the county, Henry A. Ohley. To the Assembly, Frank Russell, Ezra Carnright, Denis McLaughlin.

Fourth district – Glasco – Martin Snyder was chosen to the County convention and George B. Snyder to the Assembly.

Fifth district – Becker's – Daniel J. Burke was chosen to the County convention and Lawrence Kenny to the Assembly.

Sixth district – Kauffman's – Russell Cook to the County convention and Michael J. Rourke to the Assembly.

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2428. Volunteer Firemen's Home, Hudson, N. Y. [illustration]

2429. The following Statement will inform our brother Firemen and friends regarding those admitted and now enjoying the benefits of the Home.

| No. | Name | Age | Member of | Located at | Admitted | Remarks |
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1. William H. Hudson, 76, Engine Co., No. 5, Hudson, June 15, 1895, transferred to Poughkeepsie Hospital January 10, 1896, died March 16, 1896.
2. James Cripps, 73, Hercules H. & L. # 2, Hudson, July 17, 1895, dismissed.
3. John H. Luke, 57, U. S. Hose Co. No. 25, New York, August 1, 1895.
4. Austin Reed, 49, A. W. Hunter Steamer No. 4, Schenectady, August 8, 1895.
5. Benjamin Langley, 70, Empire Engine No. 2, Saugerties, August 12, 1895.
6. John Keating, 62, Hose No. 1 and Engine No. 2, New York Fire Dept., August 13, 1895.
7. Peter McGee, 63, Engine Co. No. 4, Catskill, August 17, 1895.
8. Herman Pflieger, 72, M. T. Brennan Hose No. 60, New York Fire Dept., August 17, 1895.
9. Devine H. Cole, 77, Engine Cos. No. 4 and 5, New York Fire Dept., August 17, 1895.
10. Thomas Hallam, 67, Southwark Engine No. 38, New York Fire Dept., September 12, 1895
11. Bernard Donohue, 64, Union Engine No. 5, Brooklyn, W. D., September 10, 1895.
12. Thomas J. Belcher, 64, Hose Co. 21, New York Fire Dept., September 12, 1895, died January 18, 1896.
13. George W. Soper, 63, Red Jacket No. 10, Brooklyn, E. D., September 14, 1896.
14. Francis A. Corliss, 75, Washington Volunteers, Troy, September 16, 1895.
15. Oliver S. Henderson, 67, Phoenix Hose No 1, Poughkeepsie, September 19, 1895.
16. James B. Hunt, 67, Hose No. 11 and Eng. No. 25, New York Fire Dept., September 27, 1895.
17. Charles H. Rogerr, [sic] 60, Brooklyn Eng. Co., Co. No. 17, Brooklyn, W. D., October 12, 1895.
18. John J. Lynch, 53, H. & L. Co. No. 5, Haverstraw, September 18, 1895, died January 18, 1896.
19. John F. Spaulding, 39, Edmunds No. 1, Hudson, December 5, 1895.
20. William Wencel, 67, Hydraulic Engine Co., Buffalo, December 18, 1895.
21. Isaac Woodruff, 78, H. & L. Co. No. 10, New York Fire Dept., January 14, 1896.
22. Robt. H. White, 61, Engine No. 8 & Eagle No. 2, Hudson, January 29, 1896, died April 5, 1896.
23. Thomas Crane, 70, Engine Co. No. 40, New York Fire Dept., January 29, 1896.
24. John J. Drowne, 76, Phoenix Engine No. 1, Plattsburgh, February 18, 1896.
25. Wm. E. Doty, 63, Hose No. 13, & Engine No. 17, New York Fire Dept., March 12, 1896.
26. John Heins, 62, Engine No. 34, New York Fire Dept., March 12, 1896.
27. John H. Houseman, 78, Engine No. 36, New York Fire Dept., March 14, 1896.
28. George E. Cross, 51, A. W. Hunter No. 4, Schenectady, March 18, 1896.
29. George Neill, 59, Independence Hose Co., No. 3, New York Fire Dept., April 14, 1896.
30. James Lewis, 50, Washington Engine So., Engine No. 7 & Engine No. 46, New York Fire Dept., April 20, 1896.
31. Wm. H. Stameford, 74, Hose No 32 & Hose No. 39, New York Fire Dept., March 10, 1896.
32. Gerald Tyrell, 65, Engine Co. No. 2, New York Fire Dept., March 10, 1896.
33. Wm. H. Pook, 65, Engine Co. No. 8, New York Fire Dept., April 14, 1896.

2430. Thomas Honohan of Frankfort, Secretary, F. A. S. N. Y. [illustration]

2431. John F. Schlosses of Fishkill, President, F. A. S. N. Y. [illustration]

2432. George H. Scott, of Coxsackie, Treasurer, F. A. S. N. Y. [illustration]

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2433. Ex-Chief Harry Howard, First Contributor to Firemen's Home Fund. [illustration]

2434. John W. Waydell, of New York, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2435. Henry D. Brewster of Weedsport, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2436. Ticket – Compliments of Entertainment Committee and Fort-Orange Council, No. 697

Albany Council, No. 1560; Trojan Council, No. 86; Hudson Valley Council No. 1713; Wyoma Council, No.

844. Watervleit [sic] Council, No. 1267; Rensselaer Council, No. 1213; Schenectady Council, No. 983.

2437. George W. Anderson, of New York, President. [illustration]

2438. Hon. Roswell P. Flower, Trustee. [illustration]

2439. Col. Charles S. Rogers of Hudson, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2440. Mrs. Smart – "Oh, Henry, do throw away that cigar. It is something awful. (after a pause) Do you know that Mrs. Barlow saves money for her husband by buying his cigars?"

Mr. Smart (grimly) "I thought as much. This is a cigar that Barlow gave me."

2441. George W. Irish, of Cazenovia, Secretary. [illustration]

2442. Elias P. Mann, of Troy, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2443. John B. Hagerty, of Plattsburgh, Treasurer. [illustration]

2444. The Finch (politely) – I hope you don't object to smoke, madam?

Miss Swallow- Oh not at all, sir. You see I was brought up in a chimney – Judge.

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2445. Hon. A. B. Steele, of Herkimer, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2446. Judge Jos. E. Eggleston, of Cortland, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2447. Byron P. Drowne, Manager of Home. [illustration]

2448. Well how does it seem to be engaged to such a wealthy girl?

Fine, fine! Every time I kiss her I feel as if I were taking the coupon off a Government bond. – Life.

2449. John Croak, of Port Richmond, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2450. Hon. John Courtney, of Brooklyn, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2451. Hon. George W. Aldridge. [illustration]

2452. Why Not Circulate It Publicly?

*From the Philadelphia Times.* – There is a prominent lady in Philadelphia who has written for private circulation a little social tract in which she takes the view that very little mischief would happen in the world that does happen if men would stay home evenings with their wives. Intemperance, crime, divorce and even political corruption she attributes to this cause.

2453. James A. Taggart, of Buffalo, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2454. Charles J. Lenahan, of Utica, Trustee of Home. [illustration]

2455. John H. Green, President Weber Hose Co., No. 3, Rondout, N. Y. [illustration]

2456. Richard Croker, Ex-Tammany Hall Leader. [illustration]

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2457. Saugerties Post, Sept. 2nd, 1897. [hand dated] - REPUBLICAN CLUB ORGANIZES – A Large Attended Meeting on Wednesday. – Officers Elected.

There was a large attendance at the meeting at the Mannerchor rooms Wednesday evening for the purpose of organizing a permanent Republican club in this town.

The object of the organization is to keep alive Republican principles in the community and to encourage honesty at the polls be it at the caucus or ballot box.

The following were elected officers. Hon. Robert A. Snyder, president; Edward Burhans, secretary, and the following vice-presidents:

John E. Lasher, James T. Maxwell, Wellington Porter, Egbert Whitaker, T. J. Barritt, George W. Washburn, Peter Cantine, George E. Carnright, Theodore B. Cornwell, Benjamin M. Coon, Henry L. Finger, P. M. Gillespy, Jacob Van Gelder, Uriah Van Etten, Wm. E. Van Buskirk, H. D. Laflin, Eugene Barritt, William H. Maxwell, Jeremiah Finger, Augustus Norris, Edward Jernegan, Richard S. Gibson, Myron Bedell, Warren Kemble, Samuel Truesdale, Edward Hoff, Bert R. Whitaker, William Paradise, Benjamin Fellows, William H. Hommel, John Hotaling, George W. Martin, James Merchant, Tomas Belch, Tunis Post, Thomas C. Hallenbeck, William E. Wolven, John S. Post, Lewis Winans, E. L. Quick, Albert Rowe, Chauncy Swart, J. K. Merritt, George A. Davidson, Dr. Van Aken, James Slater, John Simmons, Henry Felter, Philander S. Wickham, Tompkins Hommel, Edward Burhans, Morris Schoenfeld, W. Holden, Jacob Carn, H. M. Hover, Edward Myer, Benj. Emerick, David Hommel, Watson Maxwell, Jeremiah Teetsel, Abram Newkirk, William Burhans, William Mould, Charles Myers, William Snyder, William Swart, John Layman, William S. Longendyke, Charles Brink, Sheldon Teetsel, Albert Freese, Frank Van Deusen, Matthew Dederick, Edward Bach.

2458. Sept, 16, 1897. LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. [hand dated]

*To the Editor of the Post:*

SIR: - You published our names among those given in your issue of September 2<sup>nd</sup> as Vice-Presidents of a so-called Republican Club, at a meeting held September 1<sup>st</sup>. We desire to say that this meeting was called without the approval of the Republican Committee of the town and was attended, as we are informed, by less than twelve persons. That none of the persons whose names are hereto signed attended said meeting. We do not desire to put ourselves in opposition to the regular republican organization of this party and having been appointed Vice Presidents without our knowledge or consent, do hereby withdraw our names,

Dated Sept. 3d, 1897.

Jacob Carn, P. Cantine, Edward Bach, Sr., Theo. B. Cornwell, Uriah Van Etten, Geo. W. Martin, John E. Lasher, Henry Felter, E. L. Quick, Albert Rowe, C. M. Swart, Lewis Weinand, Benj. M. Coon, Jeremiah Teetsel, W. E. Wolven, Thomas E. Slater, H. D. Laflin, Matthew Dederick, M. H. Wygant, W. E. Van Buskirk, Warren Kemble, J. M. Layman, Geo. E. Carnright, John S. Post, John Simmons, Tompkins Hommel, W. H. Swart, Dr. Van Aken, Charles Brink, Tunis M. Post, A. Newkirk, Charles Myer, S. E. Teetsel, Albert R. Freese.

2459. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 12, 1897. – Jewett Gets a Writ. – His Lawyer Fred J. Durgan Secures One from Judge Parker.

On Friday last an officer named Ide of Corinth, Saratoga county, this state, came to this village and arrested Frank A. Jewett, upon a warrant issued by one B. S. Cochran, a justice of the peace in the above county, charging Jewett with a violation of section 382 of the penal code, in defrauding a hotel keeper, which alleged offense was committed in 1894, in the village of Corinth. Mr. Jewett was taken to Corinth by the officer on the 1:41 train on the West Shore Road, accompanied by Fred J. Durgan, whom he had retained as his counsel in the matter. The party arrived at Corinth in the Adirondack mountains about

midnight and Mr. Jewett was immediately arraigned before Judge Cochran. Lawler, the complainant in the case was represented by Mr. Richards, a Saratoga lawyer.

Mr. Jewett pleaded not guilty and Mr. Durgan made an action for the discharge of the prisoner on the grounds that the information on which the warrant was issued, did not state any crime, and that the alleged offense was barred by the statute of limitations by the mode of criminal procedure. The court promptly denied that motion and held Jewett in the sum of \$300 bail in default of which he is still in the custody of the justice at Corinth.

Saturday afternoon Lawyer Durgan appeared before Judge Parker at Kingston and made a petition to the Supreme Court, setting out the above facts, whereupon Judge Parker granted a writ of certiorari, to inquire in the cause of detention of Mr. Jewett, which writ is returnable to-morrow before Judge Parker at the supreme court chambers in Kingston at two o'clock in the afternoon. Judge Parker also commanded the justice to stay all further proceedings and not to try Mr. Jewett on Tuesday, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, as the justice had intended doing.

Office David E. Abeel went to Corinth Monday and served the writ on the justice, and also the district attorney of Saratoga county. The district attorney remarked when served with the writ, that the justice had bitten off more than he could chew.

2460. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 8, 1897. - Visited Stuyvesant.

The Glasco Cornet Band and a number of invited guests paid Mr. James Williamson a visit at his residence at Stuyvesant, on Tuesday. The steamer Henry A. Haber conveyed the party, and a most enjoyable time was had. Upon their arrival at Stuyvesant, the party was met by Mr. Williamson, and after paying a visit at Mr. Williamson's residence, where refreshments were served, the guests were conducted by him to the principal hotel, where an elaborate repast was awaiting them. The band, attired in their handsome new uniforms, which were a present from Mr. Williamson, made a fine appearance, and rendered choice selections. Those who accompanied the band from this village, were: Ernest Hassinger, Henry A. Ohley, Charles Swart, William Merchant and George Peters.

2461. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 19, 1897. - PORTER AND ABEEL RETURN. – After a Sixteen Day's Visit in the Adirondacks. – Both Boys Report an Enjoyable Time, and During Their Stay see the President and His Party – Warmly Welcomed.

As the steamer Herman Livingston steamed into the creek Wednesday evening, two passengers were aboard, who for the past few weeks have been the subjects of much discussion. The two were Wakely Porter and Raymond Abeel, who left their homes on Monday afternoon, August 2d, without informing any one of their departure or place of destination.

They caused their parents considerable anxiety for a number of days, and finally on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, Officer Charles Abeel received a letter and also a photograph of his son, stating he was having a good time, but would have enjoyed himself much better had he his father's consent.

Both Porter and Abeel received warm welcomes upon their arrival at their homes, and their many friends gathered about them and with hearty handshakes were anxious to learn about their adventures. The story of their sudden disappearance came about in a peculiar way. Young Porter and his father were riding to Glasco on Monday morning, Aug. 2d, Wakely doing the driving. Suddenly when near the Ostrander place Wakely said to his father that he thought he ought to have a vacation. His father replied that he had one every day.

Wakely said he ought to have on like other fellows did. Mr. Porter said "all right, take one then," and immediately Wakely dropped the lines and walked back to this village and went to the Saugerties Savings bank, and drew from that institution two hundred and fifty five dollars, his entire savings. Going down street he accosted Clifford Abeel and asked him if he didn't want to take a trip with him, saying "I'll stand the expense." Abeel refused to go and then John Schoonmaker was asked and he also refused. Porter then met Ray Abeel and upon a promise to buy him a bicycle, he accepted the offer and

the pair went to R. E. Young's and Porter purchase a Hartford bicycle for Abeel, paying \$40 for it. He also purchased him a bicycle suit.

Abeel and Porter then took the steamboat Livingston in the afternoon for Hudson where they remained over night.

A POST reporter in conversation with one of the boys learned that the next morning they rode to Albany where they were seen by several Saugerties people and in the afternoon they took a train for Saratoga. At midnight they boarded another train for Platttsburg and then went to Port Henry where they spent several days, fishing and enjoying themselves otherwise. Some of their catches were sent to their parents in this village.

From Port Henry they went to Ausable Chasm and then to Mount Marcy. They had also planned to visit Canada. They claim as they were about to cross the Canadian border they were intercepted by custom officials who wanted to know if they had any diamonds. Both of the boys wore pretty rings and duty was demanded on them. The boys refused to pay the tax and retraced their steps homeward.

According to their stories they have had a big time and enjoyed themselves hugely the sixteen days of their trip.

During their sojourn to the Adirondack regions they saw President McKinley, Vice President Hobart and Governor Black.

2462. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 19, 1897. – CORRESPONDENCE.

The following petition was presented to our village board of directors at their last meeting, held Saturday night, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>.

*To the Honorable Board of Directors:*

GENTLEMEN - We, the undersigned, do hereby petition your honorable board to defer the enforcement of the wide tire act to take effect Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1897, until March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898. We congratulate the board of directors and express our appreciation for the wide tire act and believe that the same will be ultimately a benefit. For the following reasons we petition the honorable board to defer the enforcement of said act until March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898. The act limits the compulsion of the wide tire to the corporation limits and not to the town. We believe that many quarrymen, teamsters and farmers living outside the corporation limits are utterly unable at present by reason of their limited means and income to comply with the act within the specified time. All repairs and change in their heavy draught wagons are done during the winter for their next season's work. We are further persuaded that to defer the enforcement of the wide tire act until March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898, would enable them to be the better prepared for the change than at present. We believe the enforcement of the act on Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> will divert much business from this village during the autumn and fall to Kingston, Glasco and Malden, and thereby disturb the merchants, business men and our steamboat service.

We further petition your honorable board that between the interim of Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1897 and March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898, that such action as shall be necessary be taken to have the wide tire act extend to the whole town.

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| James T. Maxwell,        | Myer & Carnright |
| E. Sweeney & Son,        | Belch & Keenan   |
| J. K. Merritt,           | J. H. Hardenburg |
| Wesley Shultis,          | C. Blackwell     |
| Moses Schoenfeld & Sons, | C. E. Rightmyer  |
| Adam B. Lasher,          | A. W. Bowman     |
| Smith Elmendorf,         | John D. Fratsher |
| Albert Carnright,        | John W. Shultis  |
| H. Schutz,               | Isaac Lazarus    |
| Edward Moran,            | H. D. Laflin     |
| Wm. Manning,             | Robert A. Snyder |

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| James Merchant,       | Saugerties Steamb't Co. |
| Jeremiah Finger,      | Watson Crow             |
| Myron Bedell,         | J. H. Reed              |
| Van Buskirk Bros.,    | C. F. Suderly & Sons    |
| James Russell,        | Eugene Barritt          |
| M. F. Waterbury,      | Clinton Van Buskirk     |
| Emerick Bros.,        | Albert Preston          |
| Samuel Cohen,         | J. L. Butzel Son        |
| Wellington Porter,    | Reed & Reed             |
| S. J. Adams,          | Wm. Mould               |
| G. Dederick,          | G. W. Palmer            |
| Wm. E. Kipp,          | Warren Kemble           |
| F. T. Russell,        | J. W. Davis             |
| Frank W. Loerzel,     | Thos. Spellman          |
| Louis Tacke,          | S. Truesdale            |
| Frank J. Rowe,        | Chas. B. Cox            |
| F. D. Wygant,         | H. L. Finger            |
| E. Jernegan,          | J. T. A. Jewett         |
| Frank T. Yerger,      | Daniel Lamb             |
| L. D. Decker,         | Alfred Roosa            |
| Henry A. Ohley,       | Finger & Lewis          |
| Eckert & Snyder,      | F. M. Murphy            |
| T. J. Barrett,        | Adams Company           |
| R. B. Overbagh,       | L. Depuy Davis          |
| The Saugerties Coal & | E. L. Cooper            |
| Lumber Co.,           | James Teller            |
| John C. Davis & Co.,  | E. M. Wilbur            |
| Alexander Mammini,    | Jacob Hardenburg        |
| J. G. Finger,         | Seamon Bros.            |

The above was doubtless the strongest and most representative petition every presented to any board of our village directors and its ignorance is regarded by the petitioners as disrespectful and unwarranted. The statement before the board by one teamster who had purchased the wide tires that he should sue the village for damages unless the act was enforced must be regarded with allowance as the above party brings a limited quantity of stone to the village. Inquiry illicit from the village stone dealers substantiates the above. The same party now who has made a trial of the wide tire declares that enforcement of the act at present as most difficult to comply with. The petition was presented in good faith and not as an initiative step to abolish the wide tire act as reported but to enable a large proportion of quarrymen and teamsters a sufficient time to make the change without burden and distress to themselves and families, and also allow the village stone dealers the same advantage to purchase stone as outside [sic] dealers. The business of the village beyond a question of doubt will feel the loss of trade for some time to come. Jas. T. Maxwell.

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2463. Obituary.

Justin F. Price, Past Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum, State of New York and Representative to the Supreme Council, died at Tannersville, N. Y. on Friday afternoon August 20<sup>th</sup>, in the fifty-third year of his age.

The death of Brother Price was a great shock to his intimate friends and close acquaintances, as he was about the last man one would think was in any danger of being carried away in such short period of

time. Although he had been complaining for a month or two previous to his death of not feeling very well and of being threatened with nervous prostration – in fact his general appearance indicated that there was something wrong in his physical condition – yet there was no one that had the least idea that he was in any way seriously affected. He was attending to business up to within about ten days of his death, and took the trip to Tannersville more with the thought of getting a few days rest than with the belief that he was actually in need of recuperation. Upon arriving at Tannersville, he was found to be in a highly feverish condition, which was later diagnosed both as intermittent and remittent fever, with a tendency to typhoid, and while the fever was being checked, necessarily at the expense of his vitality, he was attacked by a stroke of apoplexy from which he was unable to rally and died a few hours thereafter. The late Justin F. Price was a familiar figure in Royal Arcanum circles in this State, and during his time could conscientiously boast of being personally known to more members of the Order in this jurisdiction than any other person. He was possessed to an unusual degree of the happy faculty of making friends, and wherever he went he was afterwards remembered for his genial ways and gentlemanly deportment. Always unassuming, he yet carried a presence that clearly indicated him as a man of ability.

Of his career and work for the Order he was pardonably proud. Starting in at 32 years of age as a charter member of Brooklyn Council, No. 72, which was instituted on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1878, he at once took an active interest in its affairs and was elected to a subordinate office for the following year, from which he was promoted to the Regency and occupied that station during the year 1880, receiving the honors of Past Regent at the end of the term. He was afterwards elected Collector of the council, and served as such from January, 1883 until May, 1893, a period of over ten years. It was the experience gained in that position that enabled him in after years to take hold of the books of a council and discern almost at a glance, whether its financial officers were conducting things in a proper manner or otherwise. It is said of him that he never missed a meeting of the council during all that time unless he was out of town. His record as a member of the Grand Council began with his introduction therein as a Representative of Brooklyn Council at the session of 1881, and thereafter he was never absent from the annual meetings of that body. He served as a member of various committees and in minor offices during several years, until at the session held in Rochester, April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 1892, he was elected to the office of Grand Vice Regent, in 1894. The following year, at the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Council held in Buffalo on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, he was unanimously elected Grand Regent, unanimously re-elected as such at Brooklyn in 1894, and again unanimously re-elected, to serve for a third term, at Syracuse in 1895. The career of the late Bro. Price as Grand Regent is of so comparatively recent a date that it is well known at the present time, and needs not lengthy recounting here. He succeeded Frank D. Westcott in the office, who had conclusively demonstrated that visitations of the Grand Regent to councils through the jurisdiction were directly productive of beneficial results, and taking up the work where his predecessor had left off he devoted almost his every night to visiting councils in his official capacity. During his three terms it is certain that he was present at one time or another at a regular meeting of every R. A. Council in this State, no matter how outlying the district in which some of them are located. He was deservedly popular all through his administrations, and bore the honors of office with becoming modesty, but withal with a proper regard for the dignity of the position he held. He was elected as Representative to the Supreme Council at the session of the Grand Council held at Watertown in 1896 and attended the meetings of the Supreme Council held at Savannah, Ga., in that year, and at Boston in May of the present year, serving on several temporary committees at both occasions with entire credit to himself.

Justin F. Price was born in New York City in June, 1843, receiving his early education in the public schools of that city, and later graduating from the Mt. Washington Collegiate Institute. After leaving school he was associated in business with an uncle for some twenty years, and then became superintendent of N. W. Butler's manufactory in Brooklyn for a period of ten years. He married when quite young and had two sons and one daughter, all of whom he had the satisfaction of seeing happily married in turn. Both

of his sons became members of R. A., although one died in early manhood. Bro. Price's private life was in keeping with his general character, and he was a devoted husband and father.

The funeral services of the remains of Bro. Price were held at his late residence, 593a Macon Street, Brooklyn, on Monday evening, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Long before the hour set for the services to begin the entire house was filled with sorrowing friends, and all who arrived after 8 o'clock were obliged to be contented to remain on the sidewalk. The Rev. Otto F. Bartholow, Pastor of the Fleet Street M. E. Church, and formerly Chaplain of the Fort Greene Council, conducted the services, beginning by reading from the Scriptures "I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live," etc. The prayer that followed was a lengthy supplication to the Almighty and next the sermon expatiated extendedly on the good qualities of the deceased, dwelling particularly on his love for and active work in fraternal organizations, which exemplified a great charity, using the term in its broadest sense. The committal service was next read, and the benediction followed in conclusion.

A passageway was cleared for the numerous friends to take a last look at the familiar face of the deceased, and it was some time before all had paused by the casket a moment to bid their friend, brother and companion in life a final farewell. The floral offerings were many and extremely beautiful, handsome set pieces being sent by Brooklyn Council, No. 72, R. A., the Royal Arcanum Aid Society of Kings Co., The R. A. Outing Club and Valiant Encampment, Knights of St. John and Malta. Among the prominent officials of the R. A. noticed in the throng were Supreme Vice Regent W. H. Apgar, Supreme Secretary W. O. Robson, L. W. Caulfield of the Supreme Council, Sup. Rep. A. H. Kilpatrick, Grand Regent James A. Riordon, Grand Orator W. A. Griffiths, M. D., Grand Treasurer Frank D. Westcott, Grand Warden, J.B. Hackett, Past Grand Regents, Curtis B. Peck and Edwin Kempton, Sup. Alternates, W. F. McConnell and P. H. Cannon, and hosts of Deputy Grand Regents, Regents and Past Regents from councils in Brooklyn and New York.

The interment took place the following morning in Greenwood Cemetery, a large circle of friends accompanying the sorrowing family to the grave. The pallbearers were Thomas W. Kelley, John T. Ryan, Wm. T. Holland, Curtis H. Peck, Frank D. Westcott, Edwin F. Codet and J. E. Baker. As the burial service and all had been read the previous evening, there were no further ceremonies at the cemetery, and the last on earth of Justin F. Price was committed to a final resting place with sadness and regret.

Samaritan Council, No. 1359

Resolutions of regret at the death of Past Grand Regent J. F. Price, and of sympathy with his family, were passed in many councils of this State since his demise but it is doubtful if any were more appropriate and expressive than the following, which were adopted at a regular meeting of this council, held on Tuesday evening, August 24<sup>th</sup>:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Regent of the Universe in His inscrutable wisdom to remove from among us, by death, brother Justin Fordham Price, Past Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum of the State of New York, who was known and beloved by us as a genial gentleman in society, a conservative counsellor in the order, a faithful friend to Samaritan Council, and a man whose life and labors have indubitably left the world better than he found it; be it

*Resolved*, That we, the members of Samaritan Council, 1359, proffer our condolences and extend our sympathies to the widow and family of our departed friend in the hour of their bereavement; looking for consolation to the thought that Brother Price's inspiring presence and cheering voice will always remain a bright memory with us, guiding us onward in the paths of Virtue, Mercy and Charity to join him at last in that blissful eternity where his spirit now dwells.

"Forever with the Lord: Amen! so let it be! Life from the dead is in that word; 'Tis immortality.

And be it further

*Resolved*, That our charter be draped in mourning for sixty days; that these resolutions be spread in full on the records of Samaritan Council; and that a copy thereof be transmitted to Brother Price's family, signed by the Regent and attested by the Secretary. [illustration]

2464. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 25, 1897. – Deaths and Funerals. – Those Who Have Joined the Great Majority and Gone Home.

Justin F. Price, of Brooklyn, died at Tannersville on Friday night, from apoplexy, induced by an attack of brain fever, from which he had been suffering for some days, but which it was thought had spent its force, and that he was on the high road to recovery. This will be sad news to the many friends of Mr. Price in Saugerties, and he had them here by the dozen, for in addition to the members of the Royal Arcanum whose acquaintance he had formed officially during the past few years he was also related here and had social acquaintances innumerable.

Justin F. Price was three times elected grand regent of the Royal Arcanum of the state, and under his talented administration he brought the order up to 4,000 men.

2465. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 11, 1897. - Royal Arcanum Elect Officers.

Saugerties Council of Royal Arcanum held their regular meeting on Friday evening and elected the following officers: Regent: C. W. Quick; Vice Regent, Elisha Paradies; Past Regent, Ernest Hassinger; Orator, J. W. Reinhard; Secretary, H. A. Ohley; Treasurer, Edson Finger; Chaplain, W. E. Van Buskirk; Guide, Charles E. Abeel; Warden, E. P. Simmons; Sentry, Charles Clum, Trustee, Byron Hallenbeck; Representative, J. W. Reinhard; Proxy Representative, Ernest Hassinger. The officers elect will be publicly installed in Maxwell Opera house some time in January when it is expected Grand Regent Rierdon, of New York and other Arcanum notables will be present.

2466. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 11, 1897. – A Victory for the Union Citizen's Party.

The Union Citizens Party has won a victory for the plain, common people, against the Board of Directors, who wished to disenfranchise them and make them pay a tax in order to vote.

Every man who votes next Tuesday can attribute the fact that he votes without the payment of a poll tax, or a tax on his vote, through the efforts of the Union Citizens Party.

They have won a signal victory in favor of the poor and plain people against the Board of Directors who have tried to-day, before Judge Chester at Albany, but failed to shut out these citizens from an equal voice in the village government.

2467. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 1, 1897.

At the regular session of Thomas Wildey Encampment, No. 39, I. O. O. F., held Friday evening, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Charles H. Vedder, Chief Patriarch; James Smith, Jr., High Priest; James H. Hommel, Senior Warden; Robt. Webber, Scribe; Henry A. Ohley, Treasurer; Stephen F. Barker, Junior Warden; Ernest Myer, John Lang and Ernest Hassinger, Trustees; Ernest Myer, Representative to the Grand Encampment; James Smith Jr., Proxy Representative.

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2468. The Arcanumite, PO Box 2145, New York, September, 1897. – A Tribute to Our Friend – Justin F. Price, Past Grand Regent, Royal Arcanum, State of New York.

“When the sun goes below the horizon, he is not set – the heavens flow for a full hour after his departure and when a great and good man sets, the sky of this world is luminous long after he is out of sight. Such a man cannot die out of the world; when he goes, he leaves behind much of himself.”

This beautiful sentiment, uttered by one of Brooklyn's most eloquent orators and divines, expresses far better that I could the thought now uppermost in my mind.

On Friday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at Tannersville, N. Y., surrounded by his family, and a few intimate friends, there passed over the silent river one of God's noblemen. A few days later at Brooklyn, N. Y., all that was mortal of our beloved companion and friend Brother Justin F. Price, was committed to mother Earth.

Hundreds of hearts in this and neighboring cities are aching now. The void will never be filled. Time will soothe the pain and heal the wound, but that reaching out for something that never comes, will last with many until their life work is done.

Those who knew Justin F. Price only as a brother, and by his grand record in the Royal Arcanum, will feel his loss keenly. Such workers as he are few – very few. Those who have been fortunate enough to know him as a friend, will never meet his equal.

To those his sudden taking off in the full vigor of manhood seems unbearable. At first the shock deadened the pain. Now they know that never more will come for them the kindly smile; never again will they feel the gently pressure of the hand; the voice full of sweetest sympathy is still forever. Gentle as a woman, with a heart responsive to the slightest call, he was still a manly and courageous man. What comfort can his friends whisper to each other? The tongue refuses to utter words which do not express the sense of loss. The feeling of loneliness is over all.

Why, oh why, above all others should he be taken, whose daily life was helping others to bear up proudly in this great struggle for existence in which we are all engaged? Only God can tell how many he has aided by his brave words of cheer, into how many hearts he put courage to fight the battle of life anew.

The brave, staunch heart of our lost friend never flinched at misfortune; the words he uttered to the sorrowful, the thought he placed in the hearts of the discouraged, the strength he called into action by his stirring words, will ever be remembered. The lips that spoke them are still – are cold in death. The noble spirit that rose to comfort the afflicted friend, who could carry the burden no longer, is gone to the God that gave it. The words themselves will not die; they are treasured in our hearts, and their influence will be felt in the years to come.

Brave words – good deeds – the influence of a life spent for the good and welfare of others, never-never dies. The body may be laid away, lost to sight, but the voice which is stilled will never die. It will ring in the hearts of the friends that are left, until they too shall be gathered to the Father.

“The good men do lives after them richer than gold. More enduring than marble or bronze is the memory of him who has lived for his fellow-man.”

To-day our hearts are grieved; we refuse to be comforted. But as the keener feeling of loss subsides, or is dulled by the passage of time, we too shall exclaim

“Oh Death ! where is thy sting?

Oh Grave ! where is thy victory?”

When the day shall come, and each heart in the solitude of its chamber hearing again the well-known voice, uttering its words of caution, of encouragement, of hope, we shall be glad that our beloved friend was spared the pain of a long, lingering illness, and shall think of him as one who truly loved his fellow-man.

Many a time was he subjected to trials calling for superhuman self-control, and seldom was he found wanting. Instances without number could be related of the generous spirit displayed towards those who deserved it least, of his patience under insult and injustice, of his quickness to atone for any momentary unguarded flash. Kindness was the fruit, courtesy the flower, of Justin F. Price's character. While absolutely free from personal vanity or pride of intellect, no man could be more dignified on occasions.

Accustomed by long experience to have his most cherished convictions resisted and assailed, he met all opponents with a chivalrous courtesy, as well as with a dauntless courage, that instantly won respect, and often ended by winning them over to his views.

“The work men do, is not their test alone. The love they win is far the better chart.”

In the years to come, when sweet charity is stemming the tide of suffering in the world, if Truth be not dumb, she will say, “This blessed work is an echo from Justin F. Price's life on earth.” In the years to come, when friendship is building high her altars of self-sacrifice in the name of Virtue and Mercy, if

Truth be not dumb, she will say, "This beautiful service is going on as a perpetual memorial to Justin F. Price's life on earth."

Surely that master spirit of English literature must have had in mind just such a man as Bro. Price when he penned the lines:

"He only, in a general honest thought  
And common good to all, made one of us.  
His life was gentle; and the elements –  
So mixed in him, that nature might stand up.  
And say to all the world – He was a Man."

John T. Ryan.

2469. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 26, 1897. – THE COXSACKIE RACES – Harry Keeney and Benjamin Merritt Captured Prizes – Merritt Surprises His Friends by winning the One Mile Novice and Keeney Wins the One Mile Handicap.

Saugerties riders captured two beautiful prizes at the third annual meet of the Cocksackie Bicycle Club, held in that village Wednesday afternoon. For some time the event has been awaited by our local racers who have been getting themselves in a prime condition, and it was freely discussed that our boys would bring back some of the prizes.

John Adams, Archie Smith, Benjamin Merritt and Harry Keeney were the entries from this village and the manner in which they rode in the different events was pleasing to their friends in attendance.

An explosion would have been no greater surprise, than when Benjamin Merritt won the one mile novice race with comparative ease, and his friends carried him from the track on their shoulders with hearty cheers and yells.

Archie Smith had the misfortune to break his rim and was thrown from his wheel, but escaped injury, while riding in the final heat of the novice mile.

The track was in a horrible condition, large mud holes being prominent everywhere, and it was impossible to make fast time. It was in one of these holes that Smith ran into and broke his wheel, and in nearly every heat and race, some rider or wheel was hurt and injured badly

In the novice, 2:40, class and quarter mile open races there was several bad spills.

Adams, Smith and Merritt were entered in the mile novice race which was run in heats as the other races were. In the first heat, Merritt and Adams were among the riders, Merritt set the pace and held it throughout the heat, winning with ease in 2.48. Adams finished third, enabling him to qualify for the final.

Smith road in the second heat, and finished third, qualifying for the final.

In the final heat of the novice, Merritt, after holding the pace from the start, made a magnificent spurt on the last quarter, and drew away from his competitors, and won with a big lead.

In the quarter mile open, Harry Keeney rode fourth in the first heat, and qualified for the final. Ladue, and other fast ones being in the race.

Merritt again surprised is friends by his fine riding in the first heat of the 2:40 class, in which he crossed the tape second. Just as he was crossing the mark, his front wheel struck the rear wheel of Schuyler, the winner of the heat, and threw him to the ground, but he was not hurt. In the final of the 2:40 class, a number of riders caught Merritt in a pocket, and he was unable to finish better than fourth. Otherwise he would have captured the race.

Harry Keeney won the mile handicap from the 110 yard mark with ease. He remained in the rear for the first half when he suddenly spurted, and securing a big lead, he was never headed, and came across the tape a winner, beating Ladue, Oakes and other best men in 2:19 4-5. He was carried from the track on the shoulders of his friends, who loudly cheered him.

Keeney also rode an exhibition half mile, paced by the tribune triplet team composed of Smith, Adams and Sweet, in the fast time of 1:05 2-5, breaking the track record of 1:08. Should the track have been in good condition, he would have done it in 1:02.

Keeney secured a thirty dollar gold watch as the prize in the one mile handicap, and Merritt secured a beautiful gold medal as the price in the novice race.

Following is the summary of the races:

One mile novice – Won by Benjamin Merritt, of this village; G. M. Kilvin, Valatie, second; T. D. Mower, Athens, third. Time 3:19 2-5.

Quarter mile open – Won by E. F. Collin, Athens; W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring, second; A. J. H. Swett, Lansingburg, third. Time 33 1-5.

One mile 2:40 class – Won by A. F. Mochire, Albany, E. A. Oakes, Housatonic, second; B. Schmidt, Albany, third. Time 3:06 1-5.

One mile open – Won by W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring; E. A. Oakes, Housatonic, second; B. Schmidt, Albany, third. Time 2:34 1-5.

One mile handicap – Won by Harry Keeney, of this village, (110 yds.); B. Schmidt, Albany, (60 yds,) second; C. Snyder, Mayfield, (100 yds) third. Time 2:19 4-5.

Half mile open – Won by A. J. Swett, Lansingburg; W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring, second; A. F. Mochrie, Albany, third. Time 1:14.

2470. War correspondents were employed as far back as the time of Edward II. Scribes, specially commissioned, were sent up with the English army which invaded Scotland at that time. But, incredible as it may sound, not one of the London newspapers was specially represented at the battle of Waterloo.

2471. The seal worn by the Pope and used by him on official documents to which the signature is attached, has on it the engraving of a fish, with the cipher of the wearer. Since the thirteenth century every Pope has worn a ring of this character, and it is shattered with a hammer when the wearer dies to prevent its use on a forged document.

2472. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 2, 1897. - FIRE DEPARTMENT INSPECTION - Tuesday Morning Sept. 14 Selected as the Day. – In Front of Firemen's Hall – To be Followed by a Parade – Horse Trot in the Afternoon – Hooks Ball at Night.

There'll be a hot time in this old town on Tuesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>.

In the morning at nine o'clock the annual inspection of the village fire department will occur in front of Firemen's Hall.

This will be followed immediately by a parade of all the fire companies in the following order:

Chief Engineer, Wm. V. McCormick, and assistants, Ernest Hassinger and Martin Cantine.

Citizens Band.

R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, Alfred Saam, Foreman.

Exempt Firemen's Association, W. S. Manning, Foreman.

Empire Band, of Flatbush.

Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, T. F. O'Dea, Foreman.

H. D. Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, W. J. Gordon, Foreman.

The line of march will be:

Lafayette to John street, to Main to Partition, to McCarthy, to East Bridge, to Underwood, to Valley, to Barclay, to Bert, countermarch on Barclay to Church, to Hill, to McCarthy, to Partition, to Jane, to West Bridge, to Main, to Second, to Livingston, to Market, to Main, to Partition, to Fireman's Hall and dismiss.

In the afternoon at two o'clock at the Driving Park, the opening meeting of the tri-county racing circuit will be held. There will be two races, the 2:50 and the 2:28 classes.

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In the evening, Washington Hook & Ladder Co. will hold their fifth annual ball, at St. Mary's Hall. Prof. Frank Martin's orchestra will render the music, and the fire laddies will entertain their friends in transcendent style.

Every indication points to the entire day's programme being a complete success, and every merchant and resident along the line of march should honor our fire fighters by decorating their places.

The volunteer firemen are deserving of the highest praise that can be bestowed and it is hoped our citizens will cheerfully lend their assistance in making the inspection and parade a success.

2473. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Sept. 25, 1897. – Last Night's Caucus.

The most hotly contested caucus ever held in the town of Saugerties, occurred last night. It resulted in victory for the "Corner." It is safe to say that the victory cost not less than \$3,000. The corner flooded the town with money, and money won again. It is interesting, however, to recall that the opposition to the "Corner" in 1895 polled 19 votes at the caucus, 245 in 1896 and 434 last night. A little over 90 votes would have changed the result, and if the corner had not voted the Italians at Glasco, they would have been defeated.

It seems to us that one thing has been demonstrated, that about one half of the Republican voters of the town are opposed to the Corner rule in politics.

It is the beginning of the end.

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2474. [6 tickets spread across the top of the two pages.]

1) Grosses – Schauturnen mit Concert – des New Yorker Turnveriens – zum – Resten der freien deutschen Schule – in der Warren Strasse – am Freitag, den 26, October, 1860 – in Harmonie-Garten No. 139-145 Essex St- Eintritt 25 cents – Anfang 8 uhr Abends. [red]

2) First Annual Ball – of the – American Cornet Band – at the Phoenix Hotel – Monday Evening Dec. 31, 1866 – Admit to Dancing. [red]

3) For Benefit of Library Association – Pantomime and Art Studies – at Maxwell Hall on – Thursday Ev'ng Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1874 – by the Ladies of Saugerties – G. B. Bartlett, Esq., Manager – Admission 50 Cents. [red]

4) A Social Ball to be held at Michael Moore's Hotel in Unionville, Wednesday Evening, July the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1873 for the benefit of Barney Harris. Managers: Michael Moore, Wm. Rourke, James Car --- [ticket torn], John Rourke, Michael Moran, Thomas Simmons, Thomas Lawless, Henry Russell, Robert Kelly, John Coughlin, Joseph Kinny, James Jesup, John Flannigan, John McCale, Thos. Daley. Good music. Tickets \$1. [red, bent]

5) Benefit Ball – A Ball for the Benefit of Samuel Gilmore - will be held at the Hotel of L. Loerzel, in Saugerties, on Saturday Evening February 3d, 1872. Managers T. Bradley, A. Keeler, T. McCormick, P. Rinkle, T. Rourke, Jas. Crowley. Good Music will be furnished. Tickets \$1 [white]

6) Second Annual - of Laflin Hose Co. No. 2, - At Firemen's Hall Saugerties - On Friday Evening March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1876. Tickets 75 cents. Music by Samuelson's Full Band of Five Pieces [red] [illustrations]

The Royal Arcanum handbook, consisting of the cover and 19 pages spread over two pages of the scrapbook.

2475. Cover, deep red, - Saugerties Council 1365, Royal Arcanum.

2476. Page 1 of Royal Arcanum handbook. Saugerties Council No. 1365 Royal Arcanum. Instituted April 25, 1891, Meets at Whitaker Building, 184 Main Street, Saugerties, N. Y. Meeting Second and Fourth Fridays of each month, at 8 p. m.

2477. Page 2 and 3 of Royal Arcanum handbook. The Royal Arcanum –  
ITS OBJECTS

Ernest Hassinger's Scrapbook

Fraternal Union.

Aid to members and those dependent upon them.

To educate its members and assist the widows, orphans and dependents, of deceased members.

Relief of sick and distressed members.

Payment of death benefit of \$3,000.

To unite fraternally all white men of sound bodily health and good moral character, who are socially acceptable, and, between twenty-one and fifty-five years of age.

WHY IT SUCCEEDS

It was founded for a benevolent purpose.

It has never deviated from that purpose.

Its business policy is both conservative and progressive, and the expense of management very low.

It is extremely careful in the selection of new members.

It promptly fulfills all fraternal and financial obligations as fast as the mature.

WHAT IT PROVIDES

All the social enjoyments and advantages of a Grand Fraternity.

All the financial protection of a powerful life insurance corporation, without unnecessary accumulation of capital.

Sympathy and aid to the members while living, and when dead to his bereaved family.

2478. Page 4 and 5 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – The Table of Assessments for \$3000 is as follows:

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| 21 and 22 | \$1.00 |
| 22 " 23   | 1.04   |
| 23 " 24   | 1.08   |
| 24 " 25   | 1.12   |
| 25 " 26   | 1.16   |
| 26 " 27   | 1.20   |
| 27 " 28   | 1.24   |
| 28 " 29   | 1.28   |
| 29 " 30   | 1.32   |
| 30 " 31   | 1.38   |
| 31 " 32   | 1.44   |
| 32 " 33   | 1.50   |
| 33 " 34   | 1.56   |
| 34 " 35   | 1.62   |
| 35 " 36   | 1.68   |
| 36 " 37   | 1.74   |
| 37 " 38   | 1.80   |
| 38 " 39   | 1.86   |
| 39 " 40   | 1.96   |

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|         |        |
|---------|--------|
| 40 " 41 | \$2.06 |
| 41 " 42 | 2.16   |
| 42 " 43 | 2.26   |
| 43 " 44 | 2.36   |
| 44 " 45 | 2.46   |
| 45 " 46 | 2.58   |
| 46 " 47 | 2.70   |
| 47 " 48 | 2.82   |

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|----|---|----|------|
| 48 | " | 49 | 2.96 |
| 49 | " | 50 | 3.10 |
| 50 | " | 51 | 3.26 |
| 51 | " | 52 | 3.42 |
| 52 | " | 53 | 3.60 |
| 53 | " | 54 | 3.80 |
| 54 | " | 55 | 4.00 |

A Benefit Certificate for \$1,500 costs just one-half of the above rates.  
The rate of assessment at time of initiation remains unchanged during membership.

2479. Page 6 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Saugerties Council.  
Instituted April 24, 1891, with 12 charter members, has in six years attained a membership of over 50.  
The Council has no Sick Fund, but six months after admission, guarantees the payment of dues and assessments to any member who through sickness or disability, is unable to meet his obligations.  
THE INITIATION has no unpleasant or undignified features whatever; it is indeed, an elevating and ennobling ceremony, to which any gentleman may submit with pleasure and profit.

COST OF ADMISSION

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Proposition Fee payable with application -----            | \$ 5.00 |
| Medical examination payable at examination.....           | 3.00    |
| Benefit Certificate payable at initiation.....            | 2.00    |
| One Quarter's Dues in advance, payable at initiation..... | 1.00    |

And one assessment according to age of applicant.

2480. Page 7 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Regular Meetings.

|                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 1897                |           |
| September....       | 10.....21 |
| October.....        | 8.....22  |
| November.....       | 12.....26 |
| December.....       | 10.....24 |
| 1898                |           |
| January.....        | 7.....21  |
| February.....       | 11.....25 |
| March.....          | 11.....25 |
| April.....          | 8.....22  |
| May.....            | 13.....27 |
| June.....           | 10.....24 |
| July.....           | 8.....22  |
| August.....         | 12.....26 |
| September....       | 9.....23  |
| October.....        | 14.....28 |
| November...11.....  | 25        |
| December.....9..... | 23        |

2481. Page 8 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – What it Has Done.

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Organized at Boston, Mass., June 20, 1877, with members | 9               |
| Membership, Dec. 31, 1896                               | 190,261         |
| Membership, July 13, 1897                               | 194,163         |
| Councils, 1,763, Grand Councils,                        | 22              |
| Benefits paid in 1896                                   | \$ 5,002,674.18 |
| Benefits paid to July 31, 1897                          | \$41,684,121.08 |
| Assessment No. 1 realized                               | \$3,004.68      |
| Assessment No. 245, laid June 1, 1897, realized over    | \$318,000.00    |
| Ave. assessm't per member in '96                        | \$1.65          |

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|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| No. of assessments in 20 years       | 245     |
| Highest number in any one year       | 16      |
| Average age of members, years        | 40      |
| Death-rate in 1896, per 1,000        | 9.45    |
| Ex. to benefits paid in 1896         | 2 ¼%    |
| Expense per member, 1896             | \$ 0.56 |
| Expense per capita, '96, per \$1,000 | \$ 0.19 |
| Net increase in members 1896         | 16,201  |
| Initiated in 1896                    | 22,031  |
| Per cent increase, 1896              | 9.30    |

\$3,000 Death Benefit at a cost of less than 8¢ per day, at average age.

\$1,500 Death Benefit at a cost of less than 4¢ per day, at average age.

2482. Page 9 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Cost in 1896 with 16 Assessments.

|                               |        |       |
|-------------------------------|--------|-------|
| Between the ages of 21 and 22 | \$1.00 | 16.00 |
| " " 22 " 23                   | 1.04   | 16.64 |
| " " 23 " 24                   | 1.08   | 17.28 |
| " " 24 " 25                   | 1.12   | 17.92 |
| " " 25 " 26                   | 1.16   | 18.56 |
| " " 26 " 27                   | 1.20   | 19.20 |
| " " 27 " 28                   | 1.24   | 19.84 |
| " " 28 " 29                   | 1.28   | 20.48 |
| " " 29 " 30                   | 1.32   | 21.12 |
| " " 30 " 31                   | 1.38   | 22.08 |
| " " 31 " 32                   | 1.44   | 23.04 |
| " " 32 " 33                   | 1.50   | 24.00 |
| " " 33 " 34                   | 1.56   | 24.96 |
| " " 34 " 35                   | 1.62   | 25.92 |
| " " 35 " 36                   | 1.68   | 26.88 |
| " " 36 " 37                   | 1.74   | 27.84 |
| " " 37 " 38                   | 1.80   | 28.80 |
| " " 38 " 39                   | 1.86   | 29.76 |
| " " 39 " 40                   | 1.96   | 31.36 |
| " " 40 " 41                   | 2.06   | 32.96 |
| " " 41 " 42                   | 2.16   | 34.56 |
| " " 42 " 43                   | 2.26   | 36.16 |
| " " 43 " 44                   | 2.36   | 37.76 |
| " " 44 " 45                   | 2.46   | 39.36 |
| " " 45 " 46                   | 2.58   | 41.28 |
| " " 46 " 47                   | 2.70   | 43.20 |
| " " 47 " 48                   | 2.82   | 45.12 |
| " " 48 " 49                   | 2.96   | 47.36 |
| " " 49 " 50                   | 3.10   | 49.60 |
| " " 50 " 51                   | 3.26   | 52.16 |
| " " 51 " 52                   | 3.42   | 54.72 |
| " " 52 " 53                   | 3.60   | 57.60 |
| " " 53 " 54                   | 3.80   | 60.80 |
| " " 54 " 55                   | 4.00   | 64.00 |

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2483. Page 10 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Charter Members.

1. David W. Maxwell, 2. David W. Hommel, 3. Edgar P. Simmons, 4. John A. Snyder, 5. Homer Russell (deceased), 6. S. Lyman Dawes, 7. Charles Clum, 8. Wm. S. Myer, 9. Elisha C. Paradise, 10. Peter Canner, 11. Rufus Carle, 12. Thos. B. Belch.

Past Regents: 1. Edgar P. Simmons, 2. Jacob H. Decker, 3. Charles Clum, 4. Edson Finger, 5. Wm. E. Van Buskirk, 6. H. A. Ohley, 7. Jos W. Reinhard.

2484. Page 11 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Officers for 1897.

*Representative to Grand Council,*  
Henry A. Ohley.

*Alt. Representative to Grand Council,*  
Jos. W. Reinhard.

*Regent,* Ernest Hassinger

*Vice-Regent,* C. W. Quick

*Orator,* Wm. E. Van Buskirk

*Past Regent,* Jos. W. Reinhard

*Secretary,* H. A. Ohley

*Collector,* D. W. Maxwell

*Treasurer,* Edson Finger

*Chaplain,* B. Hallenbeck

*Warden,* J. T. Washburn, Jr.

*Sentry,* L. B. Howard

*Trustees:*

Edson Finger

John T. Washburn, Jr.

Rufus Carle

*Medical Examiner*

Dr. S. L. Dawes

2485. Page 12, 13 and 14 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Members.

1. David W. Maxwell, 2. David W. Hommel, 3. Edgar P. Simmons, 4. John A. Snyder, 5. Homer Russell (deceased), 6. S. Lyman Dawes, 7. Charles Clum, 8. Wm. S. Myer, 9. Elisha C. Paradise, 10. Peter Canner, 11. Rufus Carle, 12. Thos. B. Belch, 13. Emory J. Kelly, 14. Geo. P. Myer, 15. Jacob H. France, 16. Edward L. Seaman, 17. Edson Finger, 18. Henry A. Ohley, 19. J. W. Tompkins, 20. Wm. E. Van Buskirk, 21. Horace Carle, 22. Jos. W. Reinhard. [page 13] 23. J. Henry Schneider, 24. Adolph Voerg, 25. Lewis S. Hommel, 26. John C. Davis, 27. Ernest Hassinger, 28. Christian Hornung, 29. C. W. Quick, 30. John Lang, 31. Bennet Rose, 32. Alexander Snyder, 33. Byron Hallenbeck, 34. Wm. A. Chapman, 35. Chas. P. Smith, 36. Frank Ecker, 37. Chas. E. Abeel, 38. Leonard B. Howard, 39. Fred N. Moulton, 40. Ira Fiero, 41. John T. Washburn, Jr., 42. Wm. B. Burhans, 43. Foster B. Morss, 44. August Poleschner, 45. Wm. H. Helm, 46. Wm. H. Rifenburg, 47. Harry E. Paradise. [page 14 lined page numbered 48 to 63 for more members, blank.]

2486. Page 15 of Royal Arcanum handbook.

In Memoriam – Homer Russell, Feb. 22, 1897.

2487. Page 16 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – How Death Benefits are Paid.

The Council prepares proofs of death, which are passed upon by the Supreme Secretary, Vice-Regent and Regent. A draft, signed by the Supreme Regent and Secretary, and accepted by the Supreme Treasurer, is delivered to beneficiary, who surrenders receipted benefit certificate.

Assessments are called regularly on the first of each month, and a member has thirty days from date of notice in which to pay; if not paid within that time he stands suspended, and must be reinstated by a new medical examination and ballot.

A member totally disabled can, by giving written notice, have his dues and assessments paid from the funds of his Council, during the period of total disability.

2488. Page 17 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – An Appeal.

Many are the anxious hours a wife and mother experiences in looking into the future and considering what she would do with herself and little ones if the main support of the family was taken away, leaving them without means to face a cold and unfriendly world. The husband and father, though kind, does not give enough thought to the subject, and day after day passes away without anything being done in the way of providing for even a small inheritance for his loved ones. Would it not be wise for the wife to persuade her husband to get his life insurance at once? Then she would have less dread of possibly dark days to come in the assurance that there would be something substantial to fall back upon. A little trimming here or there by husband and wife in weekly expenses would be all sufficient to carry a \$3,000 benefit in the Royal Arcanum.

2489. Page 18 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Scales of Height and Weight.

| Height    | Minimum Limit (lbs) | Normal Average (lbs) | Maximum Limit (lbs) |
|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 5 feet    | 102                 | 120                  | 150                 |
| 5 " 1 in. | 105 ½               | 124                  | 155                 |
| 5" 2 in.  | 109                 | 128                  | 160                 |
| 5" 3 in.  | 112                 | 132                  | 165                 |
| 5" 4 in.  | 116                 | 136                  | 170                 |
| 5" 5 in.  | 119                 | 140                  | 175                 |
| 5" 6 in.  | 122                 | 144                  | 180                 |
| 5" 7 in.  | 127 ½               | 150                  | 187 ½               |
| 5" 8 in.  | 133                 | 156                  | 195                 |
| 5" 9 in.  | 138                 | 162                  | 202 ¼               |
| 5" 10 in. | 143                 | 168                  | 210                 |
| 5" 11 in. | 148                 | 174                  | 217 ¼               |
| 6"        | 153                 | 180                  | 225                 |

2490. Pages 19 through 23 of Royal Arcanum handbook. – Memorandum. [pages are blank]

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2491. Page 24 of Royal Arcanum handbook. Identification card. Spaces for Name, Residence, Village and State. Member of Saugerties Council 1365, Royal Arcanum. In case of accident or sickness away from home, please notify [blank line] or Henry A. Ohley, Secretary, Saugerties, NY.

2492. Evening of – Select Readings at Maxwell's Hall March 16, 1892. Sec..., Row..., Seat..., Retain this Check. [ticket, pink] [illustration]

2493. Saugerties Post, Aug. 23d, 1897. [hand dated] – Three Prisoners Escape – Bars in the County Jail Severed by a Saw.

At about 2 o'clock Sunday morning says the Kingston Leader, John Boylan, William Lasher, Charles Sullivan and James Reynolds, four prisoners, escaped from the county jail. The escape was accomplished by sawing the iron bars of a window in the corridor of the second floor, and the descent to the ground a distance of about 25 feet, was made by means of blankets tied together. It was a bold and skillful piece of work. Reynolds returned to the jail soon after he got away, and an alarm was at once sent out. The details of the escape are as follows:

At 1:15 o'clock, Policeman Van Buren brought Eugene Hargraves, a drunken man, to the jail and at the time none of the prisoners, numbering sixteen had escaped. Not more than an hour after, Jailer Robert F. Smith was aroused by the ringing of the bell at the front door of the Court House, and he was simply astounded when he found Reynolds whom he believed to be safely locked up, at the door with his young sister and brother. Reynolds at once told Jailer Smith of the escape and an investigation was made to find out how many prisoners got away. When an inventory was made, Boylan, Lasher and Sullivan were missing. The window at the west end of the corridor on the second floor of the jail is guarded by a double row of iron bars, one and a quarter inches thick, and outside of the bars is an iron lattice fastened to the stone wall by iron clamps.

Four of the thick iron bars at the top of the window were sawed through and taken out, leaving a space big enough for a man to crawl through, and one of the clamps that held the lattice was also sawed, so that the lattice swung down, but to prevent it from falling to the ground and making a noise, it was tied to the bars with a piece of cloth. Hanging from the window were several blankets torn in two and tied lengthwise to reach the ground, down which the escape was made. The window sill is about four feet above the floor, and the place where the bars were removed is about four feet from the sill. The prisoners swung themselves up to the sill and then pulled themselves up to the hole in the bars.

2494. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897. [hand dated]

John Henkle, one of our most prominent German citizens, died at his residence this morning on Elm street, after a long and lingering illness. Mr. Henkle was a man greatly respected by all who knew him. He was upright and honorable in all his dealing and was unusually intelligent, having been finely educated in early life. He was born in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, in the year 1833, and came to this country about the year 1853 and has lived in Saugerties ever since that time. He was a trusted employe of the late firm of Laflin, Smith and Boies, and for a number of years was employed in the powder mills at Fish Creek, in this town, where he kept the accounts for the workmen employed there. In later life he devoted his time to gardening in which he continued up to the time of his death. The funeral will take place from his late residence on Elm street Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and it will be under the auspices of Ulster Lodge, No. 59, I. O. O. F.

2495. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 21, 1897. – The Catskill Cycle Races. – George Reith and William Ladue Captured the Prizes.

In the second annual meet of the Catskill Bicycle Club held on Friday afternoon was attended by a very few people. The races were of a loafing character and brought forth hisses from the contingent in the grand stand, especially in the 2:40 class race, which the judges compelled the racers to ride over. George Reith, the speedy rider of the Harlem Wheelmen, won all the open and handicap events, while Ladue the Hudson River Valley crack captured second prize in all the open and handicap races. Harry Kenney, of this village rode exceedingly well considering the fast company he had, finishing in the bunch with Ladue, Reith and Esselystyn in each race. The Tribune triplet team of this village, composed of Herbert Van Buskirk, John O. Sweet and Clarence H. French rode an exhibition hall [*sic*] half mile in 1:02 3-5. Ladue rode an exhibition half mile paced by Reith and Miller in one minute flat. The following is the summary.

One mile novice – Theodore Every, Athens, first; Ward Robbins, Catskill, second; G. A. Mulvaney, Brooklyn, third. Time 2:58.

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Quarter mile open – George Reith, New York, first; Edward Coffin, Athens, second; A. E. Miller, Mont Ross, third. Time 34 1 2 seconds.

2:40 class – Charles L. Timmerman, Cairo, first; E. B. Horton, Craigville, second; George Langewecker, Schenectady, third. Time 2:46.

One mile open – George Reith, New York, first; W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring, second; A. M. Miller, Mont Ross, third. Time 2:24.

Half Mile Greene County Championship – Edward Coffin, Athens, first; C. L. Timmerman, Cairo, second; T. J. Every, Athens, third. Time 1:21.

One mile handicap – George Reith, New York, (scratch) first; W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring (20 yds) second; H. C. Esselstyn, Rhinebeck (50 yds) third. Time 2:10.

Half mile open – George Reith, New York, first; W. A. Ladue, Cold Spring, second; W. S. Losee, Brooklyn, third. Time 1:07.

Two mile open – George Reith, New York, first; W. A. Ladue, Cold Smith, second, Edward Coffin, Athens, third. Time 5:08 1 2.

2496. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 4, 1898. – The Maennerchor Elect Officers. At a regular monthly meeting of the Saugerties Maenner Quartette held in their rooms in the Savings Bank building, Monday evening, Jan 3d, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Theodore Kistner, President; Henry Schneider, Vice President; Charles Quase, Secretary; John Lang, Treasurer; George K. Peters, Color Sergeant; Herman Gleisner, Maitre de Plaisiere.

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2497. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 30, 1897. – Firemanic Matters. – Items of Interest Pertaining to the Fire Fighters.

The Driving Park, erstwhile known as the Fair Ground, at Schenectady, was the objective point of several thousand people who gathered to witness the annual prize contests and drills of the firemen Thursday. The hose race had 20 entries, and it was well into the afternoon before it was decided. Each team contesting was required to run 200 yards with a hose cart and hose to hydrant, coupling thereto, then laying 100 yards of hose. The W. W. Bears Hose company of North Adams, Mass., proved to be the winner of first prize, \$300, doing the trick in 42½ seconds; the Torrent Hose company, of Ithaca, captured second prize, of \$200.00, in 43¾ seconds, and the F. B. Peck Hose company, of Waterford, securing third prize of \$100 by running in 43½ seconds.

Fast time was out of the question, owing to a heavy wind on the stretch. In the meantime the prize drills were in progress on the baseball diamond, the judges of which were Lieutenant James M. Andrews, of the Thirty-sixth Separate company, and Justice F. F. Eisenmenger. Six companies competed, and the prize went to the famous Durkes' of Fort Edward, who made the remarkable percentage of .95. The Baldwin hook and ladder company of Addison came next, with .83, and the Fountain hose of Binghamton followed closely, with .81. Some very difficult manœuvres were correctly executed by the contestants in a manner that won unstinted applause.

The hand engine contest brought forth eight teams of 40 men each, and here a dark horse turned up a winner, the D. Nevins hose company of Victory Mills throwing the stream a distance of 192 feet, 7 inches. This is the first time this company has ever competed in a contest, and they made use of an antiquated engine built in 1851, but the superior brawn of the men triumphed. William H. Kennedy is the chief, and William Harvey foreman. A Saratoga county company walked off with second prize, also, the General Schuyler, of Schuylerville, throwing a stream of 169 feet 3 inches, while the J. J. Grays, of Cambridge, took third money, with a throw of 160 feet 3 inches.

2498. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 24, 1897. – SHERIFF OFFERS A REWARD. – Sheriff Schantz Offers \$100 for their Capture. – Description of the Escaped Men and Story of Reynolds Who Returned to the Jail – Bed Quilts and Sheets Used to Escape.

Owing to a lack of space in Monday's "Post," we were unable to give a description of the prisoners who escaped from the Kingston jail Sunday morning, which is as follows:

John Boylan, supposed to be the principal in the jail delivery, is the man who burglarized the house of John W. Searing in Kingston, on July 5, and was held to await the action of the Grand Jury. He was captured in New York on July 5, with a quantity of the stolen articles on his person. He is from 27 to 30 years old, 5 feet 7 inches in height; weighs about 170 pounds; stocky build; smooth, reddish face, short, dark reddish brown hair; wore black clothes, sack coat, black derby hat and comparatively new shoes, No. 6.

William Lasher is under indictment for burglary on May 12, for breaking into the house of B. Taylor Harris, and stealing a quantity of valuable jewelry. He is about 22 years old, 5 feet 10 inches in height; weight about 150 pounds; of slim build; mustache of few weeks' growth; dark brown hair, wore a drab suit of clothes, brown derby hat and tan shoes.

Charles Sullivan, the third missing prisoner, was brought to jail on Friday under sentence of 30 days by Police Justice Coon, for having stolen a bicycle from William Vedder. He first sold the bicycle to Vedder, and then stole it while Vedder was in a saloon. He is about 25 years old, with small black mustache; dark hair; dark clothes; wears spectacles. He says he is an expert stenographer, and claims to have been a reporter for the *New York World*.

It is believed that Boylan was the man who planned the escape, for a fine saw, mounted in a rude handle, which was whittled out of a piece of board, was discovered in his bed. It is probably that other prisoners were not let into the secret, and only those got out who discovered Boylan's game. The sawing was cleverly done, grease or soap being used with the saw to prevent any noise. The bars were sawed at an angle so they could be pulled out from the sockets more easily, and all the details were carefully attended to, as if an expert had been at work.

News of the jail delivery was telephoned to all neighboring points, and Sheriff Schantz, who came up from Highland, offered a reward of \$100 each for the capture of Boylan and Lasher. The police were put on the scent and Detective Sergeant Cahill, of Kingston, was dispatched to New York with photographs of Boylan, whose picture adorns Chief Hood's gallery of celebrities at the City Hall.

Reynolds, the prisoner who returned to the jail after the escape told Jailer Smith that he followed Boylan, Lasher and Sullivan down the wall and that all of them went out of the jail yard into Crown street. From there they skulked through Green and St. James streets to Clinton avenue and down that street to the West Shore round house, where he left his companions and went to his home on Greenkill avenue. There he was persuaded to return to the jail, which he did in company with his brother and sister. Reynolds is serving a sentence of sixty days for assaulting Clinton Baldick near the Hotel Roos on July 24, and there was no special reason for his escaping, his term being about half completed. His story is not believed by all who heard it, for he was not on particularly good terms with Boylan, who was regarded as the slickest man in jail. Reynolds may have gone straight to his mother's house after getting out without having been with the more distinguished prisoners at all. He says that he first suspected that something was up when he saw Boylan taking the blankets up stairs. He also says that he saw a suspicious communication between Boylan and Lasher during the evening. He was the last one to leave and he says he determined to go, too, when he saw Sullivan's shoes in the window, the bicycle snatcher having gone out head first.

Jailer Smith went through the cells to find who were gone. Greatly to his relief, he found that "Joe" Becker, charged with murdering Farmer William Gardner in his cornfield at Plattekill Valley on June 19, Thomas Kelly, who shot William Hommel at Unionville in the town of Saugerties on June 3, and William Crosby, awaiting indictment for stealing a watch from Charles Fout last March and wanted for other offenses, safe in their cells, although Crosby was dressed and seemed to be ready to make a journey,

too. It is altogether likely that others would have escaped if Reynolds had not so promptly returned, for the way was open for them.

There have been other recent attempts to break jail. In the latter part of May, one Clarence Connelly, who served a term for stealing coal in Rondout, introduced some saws in to the jail. Lasher informed Jailer Smith of this and three saws were found in a room occupied by John Keenan and Eugene Carle, both of whom are now in the state prison at Dannemora, one for stealing a watch and the other for burglary at Butzel's store at Saugerties.

A bar in the window of the cell was partly sawed. By giving this information Lasher ingratiated himself with the officers at the jail, who were inclined to trust him. Possibly the saw used by Boylan to make the final break was one of those sent in by Connelly, which was bought at Johnson's hardware store in Kingston.

Lasher's parents, who live at Saugerties, have seen him at times. The last visit was on Sunday, August 15, when his mother brought him a basket of cakes and other dainties to help out with the prison fare. Lasher has always protested his innocence of the Harris burglary. He was one of the party of four who crossed the river from Tivoli to Saugerties on the night of Captain Mulligan's murder.

The prisoners are allowed the freedom corridors. Although the cells along the upper corridor, from which the escape was made are not now occupied, the prisoners are permitted to go upstairs during the warm weather, for their cells are very uncomfortable. Boylan lately showed a great desire to sit up stairs and read; and, while enjoying the courtesies of the jail he sawed the bars. The bars could not have been sawed on Saturday night with the little saw found in Boylan's bed. The work must have required two or three nights, blackened soap being used to conceal the uncompleted work.

2499. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Aug. 24, 1897. - Bust of Washington Unearthed.

While excavating in the rear of the old Court House, at Kingston, for the new extension that is being built a workman unearthed a 10 by 12 inch bust of George Washington, carved out of sandstone, the same kind of stone used in the old Court House. The building was erected in 1818, at which time the bust was probably cut.

2500. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Jan. 4, 1899. - The Town Board.

At the regular meeting of the Town Board held this afternoon Justice of the Peace Henry A. Ohley took his seat for the first time as a member of the Board. The Board is composed of the following personnel; Edmund M. Wilbur, Supervisor; Lewis H. Kleeber, Town clerk; and Benj. M. Coon, Jesse Fiero, Cyrus Fuller and Henry A. Ohley, Justices of the Peace.

2501. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 14, 1897. - THE INSPECTION AND PARADE. - Saugerties all Aglow With Enthusiasm. The Fire Department Make a Fine Showing and Their Parade Witnessed by a Large Crowd Who Applauded the Boys.

Saugerties is proud of her fire department, and well might she be, for no place along the river can boast of a finer appearing body of men than those who compose our village fire department.

This morning the annual inspection and parade of the fire department occurred and the whole place was aglow with enthusiasm.

The day was a beautiful one, the aurora being bright and shining and the breeze that was stirring made the march a pleasant one.

The stars and stripes floated every where and there was an exuberant supply of bunting all along the line of march. The streets were thronged with people and as the companies passed by they were the cynosure of all eyes.

The companies paraded as follows:

Chief Engineer, Wm. V. McCormick, First Assistant, Ernest Hassinger; Second Assistant, Martin Cantine. Saugerties Citizens Band.

R. A. Snyder Hose Co. No. 1, Alfred Saam, Foreman.  
Exempt Firemen's Association, W. S. Manning, Foreman.  
Empire Band, of Heath.  
Washington Hook & Ladder Co. No 1, T. F. O'Dea, Foreman.  
H. D. Laffin Hose Co. No. 2, W. J. Gordon, Foreman.  
Board of Directors in Carriages.  
Minnehaha Steamer, Charles Capen, Engineer.

The line of march was formed on Partition street in front of Firemen's Hall and continued to Lafayette to John, to Main to Partition, to McCarthy, to East Bridge, to Underwood, to Valley, to Barclay, to Bert, countermarch on Barclay to Church, to Hill, to McCarthy, to Partition, to Jane, to West Bridge, to Main, to Second, to Livingston, to Market, to Main, to Partition, to Fireman's Hall and dismissed.

SPARKS FROM THE PARADES.

R. A. Snyder Hose Co. in their handsome fawn colored uniforms, drawing their beautiful silver mounted parade carriage, marched with perfect deportment and made a fine appearance.  
The veterans, the Exempt Firemen attired in their new green uniforms, drew the old Empire Hand Engine and won a warm place in the hearts of the people for their service in the past.  
Washington Hook & Ladder Co. turned out a large number of men. Their blue uniforms and white helmets caught the people's eye, who said; "They're all right."  
Laffin Hose Co. the crack-a-jack prize drill company performed their intricate evolutions with precision and grace as they marched along. Their cadet gray uniforms are very pretty.  
Ex-Chief William V. Burhans worked the tiller on Washington Hook & Ladder Co.  
The inspection and parade will be a yearly affair hereafter.

2502. Thunder can be heard nine miles away.

About twenty new books are published daily in Great Britain.

Nearly 60,000 acres have been reclaimed in Ireland during the past year from bog and marsh lands.

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2503. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. – Princess Rosebud Caste. [sic] – Names of the Characters in the Pretty Operetta.

The bright and catchy little operetta "Princess Rosebud," which will be given at the Opera House Friday and Saturday evenings will be a musical treat. Everyone should attend and enjoy a fine entertainment. The entire cast is:

Princess Rosebud, Ida M. Burnett; Prince Curly, Howard P. Crum; Fairy Whitewand, Florence Germond; Prince Penderous, J. W. Frankel; Princess Zephrolove, Maude Griffis; King Graball, Chas Sickles; Queen Sarah, Katie Burnett; Madame Gruffenough, Mrs. B. Van Loan; Patrick Gruffenough, Harry Lewis; Hedzoff, Lynn Gates; policemen, Clifford Abeel, John Carnright; Herr Biff Kangaroo, Everett Christian; Goldgauze, Essie Lazarus, Silverwings, Marion Gates; Pages, Harry Teetsell, Blaine Maxwell.

FAIRIES – Albert Decker, Grace Wright, Minnie Harris, Emma Yonker, Ella Baldwin, Annie Cornwell, Agnes Reinhard, Ellen Wright, Emma Burnett, Lena Ball, Francis Burnett, Eva Peters, Annie Knaust, Essie Hill, Annie Ennis, Mamie Peck, Grace Tuttle, Minnie Lazarus, Etta Baldwin, Alice Ames, Evelyn Whitaker, Josephine Hill, Effie Genthner, Kate Burhans, Winfred Gillespy.

WOOD NYMPHS – Grace Smith, Minnie Tyson, Theodora Gates, Maud Vottee, Laura Field, Grace Brooks, Verna Griffis, Carrie Kleeber.

LILLIPUTIAN ARMY – Frank Abeel, Milton Hill, Frank Hildebrandt, Eddie Buckmann, Lewis Kleeber, Willie Shultis, D. Hildebrandt, Jasen Plimly, Robert Ball, Lewis Cooke, Stephen Pultz, Norman Aimes.

TOTS - William Baldwin, Helen Wright, Alice Hassinger, Katie Shultis, Nina Baldwin, Dora Wolfe, Katie Shultis, Jennie Griffis, Jessie Gleason, Roy Burnett, Minnie Griffis, Jennie McCabe, Frank Ronk, Inez

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Carwright [sic], Annie Maxwell, Alice Ronk, Margaret Reinhardt, Maud Carnwright, Jennie Ball, Emma Gleason.

TABLEAUX – Bertha Carnright, Katie Hallenbeck, Ethel Gray, Lelah Hasselman, Anna Ball, Mamie Dumery, Olive Decker, Della Canner, Mamie Reinhardt.

Pianist, Edward Hoff.

2504. Merry Christmas. [white - round shape with blue bird, possibly a dove, looks like a gift tag] [illustration]

2505. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. - GOOD HORSE RACING. – The opening of the Tri-County racing circuit, (Ulster, Columbia and Greene), was held at the Driving Park, in this village, Tuesday afternoon, under very propitious conditions, and a large crowd was in attendance. There were two races, the 2:50 and the 2:28 classes, and as the horses were very evenly matched, good racing and exciting finishes were the result.

The dust on the track was very heavy and blew in great clouds as each of the heats were trotted, but that did not deter the horses from making fast time.

In the 2:28 class there were five horses entered; Decker Boy, Little Chub, Prince Ike, Wellington and Pan Fly Prince. Ike was the pole horse and never lost it throughout trace, winning in three straight heats.

Decker Boy and Little Chub made a hard fight for the second place, but Decker Boy finally won.

In the 2:50 class there were seven entries: Rex, Start, Gyp, Nellie Hammond, Burley B., Casco and Whyland. The first heat was won by Start, who after receiving the word go, was never headed and came under the wire first. The second heat seemed almost won by Start, but going off her foot on the last turn, it gave the pole to Nellie Hammond, who won easily.

The next two heats were won by Nellie Hammond, Start making her hustle to do so.

The Empire Band, of Heath, was present and during the races rendered several selections in a very creditable manner under the able leadership of Howard Burhans, enlivening the occasion and adding much to the delectation of the crowd.

The judges were Fred Sturges and Henry C. Fiero, of Madalin, and Geo. B. Styles, of Kingston, was timer.

Following is the summary:

2:28 CLASS

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Prince Ike (Harp)     | 1 1 1  |
| Decker Boy, (DeGraff) | 2 2 2  |
| Little Chub, (Barlow) | 3 3 3  |
| Wellington, (Tubbs)   | 4 dis. |
| Pan Fly, (Burhans)    | 6 dis. |

Time 2:27, 2:25 ½, 2:28 ½.

2:50 CLASS

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Nellie Hammond, (Reynolds) | 3 1 1 1 |
| Rex, (Lewis)               | 2 3 2 2 |
| Start, (Chamberlain)       | 1 2 3 3 |
| Casco, (Deane)             | 6 4 4 4 |
| Burley B, (Ross)           | 4 5 5 6 |
| Whyland (Simpson)          | 6 dis.  |
| Gyp, (Willis,              | 7 dis.  |

Time 2:37, 2:32, 2:32 ½, 2:34 ¼.

2506. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. – A Fine Affair. – Washington H. & L. Company's Ball Tuesday evening.

One of the finest dances ever held in this village was the sixth annual ball given by Washington Hook & Ladder Co., at St. Mary's Hall Tuesday evening. The hall was crowded with devotees of the terpsichorean art, and many out of town people were in attendance. The grand march in which there were twenty four couples, was led by Mayor Martin Cantine and Miss Katherine Sahler, Ex-Surrogate Peter Cantine, Mrs. George H. French, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Gale, Jr., Joseph B. Sheffield and Miss Agnes L. Sheffield, also participating. The hall was decorated with the stars and stripes and directly over the stage a large photograph of George Washington was suspended. The prettiest of Saugerties maidens and young men were in attendance, and they tripped the light fantastic while Prof. Martin's orchestra discoursed excellent music. The Hooks ably managed the affair and it was a social and financial success.

2507. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. – Ingrowing Toenails Removed – Charles Whittaker, the dispensing chemist at Yerger's Hotel, has of late suffered considerable from ingrowing toe nails on both of his feet, which has necessitated him taking a respite from his duties. This morning Dr. S. Lyman Dawes performed an operation on Mr. Whittaker's feet and removed the troublesome nails which is a great relief to "Nixie."

2508. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. – The New Paper. Charles H. Vedder, of the Post's composing department has accepted the position on the "Saugerties Telegraph," James T. Maxwell's paper. Edward Jernegan, ex-editor of the same paper, and it is said Lawyer Durgan will have charge of the editorial department.

2509. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. – Sept. [date cut away] - Steamer Catskill Sunk. The wooden, side wheeler steamer Catskill, a Hudson River night boat, owned by the Catskill Steamboat Co., was sunk in collision with the iron excursion steamer St. Johns in the North River, opposite West Fifty-eighth street, a few minutes after seven o'clock Wednesday evening. The St. Johns' iron prow struck the Catskill on her starboard side, near her bow, making an enormous hole in her, and she went down in about seven minutes. Captain Joel Cooper, of the Catskill, says all his passengers and crew were saved, and it is fair to presume they were. Tugboats were alongside the sinking steamer almost immediately and it was due to the heroic efforts of their captains that all on board the Catskill were not drowned. Pilot Turner of the Catskill blames the pilot of the St. Johns for the collision. He was going up the river and the St. Johns was coming down. He gave two whistles, conveying to the pilot of the St. Johns that he had the right of way and would pass her on the starboard hand. The pilot of the St. Johns answered with one whistle, contradicting his signal, and attempted to cross the Catskill's bow. The result was that the St. Johns ran into the Catskill, striking her with such force that she was doomed. According to his story, he was the first to signal his intended course, and so according to the law of the River, gained the right of way. The St. Johns, he says, ignored this signal and attempted to force the right of way, taking a course that made a collision inevitable. Pilot Turner says that even though clearly in the right, he attempted to avert the catastrophe [*sic*] by ordering his engines reversed. The Catskill, he says, was actually backing when struck.

2510. There are three times as many muscles in the tail of a cat as there are in the human hands and wrists. The fastest flowing river in the world is the Sutley in British India. Its descent is 12,000 in 180 miles. It is estimated that since the beginning of the historical era 13,000,000 persons have perished in earthquakes.

2511. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 15, 1897. - To our Patrons and Friends.

The TELEGRAPH has changed hands. With this issue it passes from an ownership and proprietorship of nearly thirty-four years to an entirely new management.

The plant was purchased January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1856, and from that time until the present – excepting a partnership consisting of the first seven years – it has been uninterruptedly conducted by us.

During all these years we have striven to give its readers the news in a succinct, clean and edifying form; to make its pages fit to come before every member of the home, the wives, daughters and children as well as the business heads of the family; to assist in upholding and upbuilding the moral and best material interests of the community, and to keep free from all personal, political and partisan disputes. How well we have succeeded along these lines must be left to the charitable judgment of those who we have endeavored faithfully and conscientiously to serve.

We heartily thank each and every patron and friend who has in any way contributed toward the support of THE TELEGRAPH in the past.

As to the new management, we bespeak for it the patronage it will doubtless merit and deserve. We wish it every success. Geo. W. Elting.

2512. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 21, 1897. - Wide Tires.

The TELEGRAPH is not making war on wide tires, but we think that the wide tires should be adopted in a reasonable and sensible way, so as not to injure anyone, but to benefit all. It is a matter that requires no argument to know that a severe winter is approaching, and that times in this town have been far from prosperous. Who is there who cannot see that it is a fearful burden to impose upon these teamsters to compel them to take from their wives and children \$40, to buy wide tires on only 60 days notice. Let any man who doubts this talk with these men, who are affected by it, and see what they think. No amount of talking can disturb the fact that Harris, of Malden, the deadly enemy to labor, cut the price of stone two cents on the day, this ordinance went into effect, and when the injunction was obtained raised it back again.

Harris denies it, but it is true, and we can prove that he himself said so.

This shows the animus of the whole matter. The stone dealers of this village pay out \$150,000 per year to quarrymen, a great part of which is spent in this village.

Which is for the best interests of Saugerties? \$150,000 in money to be spent in our stores, or the disreputable idlers on the corner? Let us have good roads, but do it right.

2513. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Dec. 27, 1897. – Odd Fellows Election.

At the regular meeting of Confidence Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., held Monday evening Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Bryon Teetsel, Noble Grand; Franklin Fuller, Vice Grand; Norman Cunyes, Recording Secretary; William E. Wolven, Financial Secretary; James H. Carew, Treasurer; Morris M. Schoenfeld, Trustee for three years.

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2514. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 16, 1897. – ANOTHER GOOD DAY'S SPORT.

The second and final day's racing of the Tri-County circuit, at the Driving Park in this village Wednesday afternoon was a first class day's sport. The attendance was fairly good and the close finishes to several of the heats was very exciting.

Dyspepsia Pills, the gamey little sorrel mare of Dr. Deane, of Catskill, had to "get there" in order to beat Fred Rose bay mare, Lucille.

Dyspepsia Pills, Soudan and Lucille were the starters in the free for all race and it was a pretty race, the contest being between Dyspepsia Pills and Lucille, Soudan breaking considerably. The first heat was won by Lucille easily. The second, third and fourth heats were won by Dyspepsia Pills, Lucille making the sorrel mare stretch herself to do it, and the time was below the mark.

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There were only three horses entered in the 2:35 class race. Nellie Hammond, who won the 2:50 class race Tuesday, Wellington and Victic.

Nellie Hammond won the race in three straight heats, and her clean gaited manner of traveling, won her many admirers. Wellington was second and Victic third.

Fictic [*sic*] is owned by J. G. Finger, of this village, and has lots of speed, but he could not be kept down, running nearly the whole mile in each heat. In the first heat his owner drove him and he was unable to handle him.

In the second heat, Philip Proper got in the sulky, but was glad to get out when the heat was finished. In the last heat Elmer Fuller, of Rondout drove him after changing his bit, and finally conquered him. With a good man behind Victic, he can make 'em all take the dust.

The judges were: N. D. Winans, of Hudson, and D. H. Fiero, of Coxsackie. Harry Fiero, of Madalin, acted as clerk of the course, and George B. Styles, of Kingston was timer.

Following is the summary:

FREE FOR ALL CLASS.

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Dyspepsia Pills (Deane) | 2 1 1 1 |
| Lucille, (Ross)         | 1 2 2 2 |
| Soudan, (Brodhead)      | 3 3 3 3 |

Time, 2:20, 2:20, 2: 18 1-2, 2:19 1-2.

2:35 CLASS.

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Nellie Hammond, (Reynolds) | 1 1 1 |
| Wellington, (Tubbs)        | 2 2 2 |
| Victic, (Finger)           | 3 3 3 |

Time: 2:40, 2:34, 2: 34.

2515. First Annual of Laflin Hose Company No. 2, at the Phoenix Hotel, Thursday Even'g Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1863. Admit to Dancing. [ticket, pink] [illustration]

2516. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1897. – Coming Events Cast Their Shadows Before.

A grave situation confronts the Republican party of the Town of Saugerties, a situation which admits of no delay but one that requires immediate and positive action. It has been demonstrated by long years of political experience that when one man or a few men have by the force of corrupt and demoralizing influences of party machinery usurped the rightful power of the many and arrogated to themselves the entire control of a great party, then that party loses for the time being its representative character and becomes as venial and corrupt as the self constituted rulers who composed it.

The few men disregarding all principles of justice, oblivious to every moral obligation, strive only to promote their own interest at the expense of the party, as even a vampire thrives by sucking the blood of its victim until life is extinct.

This class of men turn as naturally to office holding or in other words to existing without honest toil as a confirmed drunkard does to his glass of rum. It was once said of a man of the description that when in the course of time he died no more suitable epitaph could be placed upon his tomb that that "This was the only place he never coveted." It might be well to soberly and dispassionately ask the question. What benefit is this class of men to a community. They produce nothing. They do no toil. They exist only upon the labor of others and yet they do no act, however lost to sense of decency, or shame except in the name of all that is good and true. The viler the contemplated action, the loftier the grounds and motives upon which it is based until at last the better elements of a party throw off the bonds and shakles [*sic*] of this slavery and in the force and strength of right and justice take back to themselves the power which is rightfully theirs.

For years past, the Republican party of the Town of Saugerties has been dominated and controlled by a political coterie known as the "Corner Gang" and the men who have dared to assert their manhood,

who have had the courage of their convictions and who have had the audacity to oppose them have been punished for it as certainly and as inevitably as they offended.

What mattered it to them whether some man might have cast his first vote for Lincoln and had been loyal to his party ever since through victory and defeat. They cared naught for that. They believed that the true test of party devotion and loyalty was that every Republican citizen of the Town should imitate the worship of the Mohammedans. That he should prostrate himself upon the dust of the highway and as rays of the rising sun fell upon the Davis building piously exclaim "there is no political god but Platt and Senator Davis is his prophet."

The time has come when the Republicans of this Town will no longer bow submissively to the "Corner." What has been the political record of Senator Davis, the leader of the "Corner," since the County of Ulster has been so highly honored by his elevation to the Senate of the State of New York? A record of broken promises, of unfaithful pledges and a groveling submission to the party machine as revolting as it is disgusting.

What Senator was there in the Legislative Halls of Albany more blatant against the confirmation of unworthy men than the Senator of Ulster, and who was there that exhibited such servile and indecent haste to vote for them as did the Senator from Ulster.

On some day prior to Sept. 24 will be held the Republican caucuses for delegates to the County Convention and when those caucuses are held let every Republican who loves the welfare of his party rally to defeat once and for all time the Corner Gang.

The members of the "Corner" say that it is an attempt to disunite the Republican party in this Town. It has always been supported that the Republican party consisted of all the Republican electors of the Town and it is painful to now understand that the Republican party is composed of Senator Davis, and agile James and a few others.

The campaign will be contested hotly. The corner cannot win by following the precedent of the wandering minstrels of olden times and interest the public by songs and dances and the strange and curious antics of performing bears.

Funny stories, however well told, cannot win this time.

2517. The Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1897.

A vote against the "Corner" is a vote for better government and better citizenship.

2518. Bossism in it Most Odious Form.

There never was a time in the palmiest [*sic*] days of Boss Tweed when the great metropolis of New York was in the clutches of this political pirate, that the situation there was any worse than it is to day in the Town and Village of Saugerties under the control of the no less disreputable corner gang.

If Tweed levied contributions upon vice and made a competence out of the pittances of mendicants, the Corner has never failed to turn down a man for every or any position that he might aspire to unless he had stamped on his person the royal insignia of the Gang. Just what that mark is, is not definitely known, but it might well be a representation of a dark lantern and a murderous dirk.

The time has come for the people to rise in their might and confident of the justice of the cause relegate the "Corner" to the political obscurity they had so well deserved.

But the Corner do no seek the seclusion of the tomb they say as Boss Tweed said before "what are you going to do about it." We control this town. We own the voters of this village body and soul and we will vote them as we please. They arrogantly demand to know what right have the citizens of Saugerties to cast a ballot without first consulting them. The same old policy of intimidation is being pursued. Their henchmen and the fawning sychophants that surround them are engaged to the same old effort to threaten all manner of dire things that will happen to any man who dares to vote against them. We believe in the manhood of our voters. We believe in the courage and strength of the people. – We believe that they will throw down the gauntlet to this gang of political buccaneers and nail their colors to the mast and when the votes are counted the Corner will feel just as Boss Tweed felt when the

people of the City of New York ousted him from his evil and corrupt throne and finally sent him into irretrievable disgrace.

What are they going to do about it? Just wait gentlemen of the corner and you will see what the people are going to do about it.

2519. They say that Richard Croker discovered on the eve of the Lexow Investigation, that his health would be benefited by a sojourn in Europe. How many of our local statesman would like a Lexow Investigation. How would the "Gang" enjoy the prospect of having a decent body of citizens investigate their control of municipal affairs. Would the waters of Carlsbad be conducive to their well being?

2520. Abraham Lincoln once spoke of a government "by the people, of the people and for the people." A government by Mr. Davis, Christopher C. James and a few others hardly presents a case within Mr. Lincoln's meaning.

2521. The TELEGRAPH is in favor of good roads. We believe in making our country and village roads as good as they can be made but we do not believe in advancing the political ends of a few at the expense of the many. We do not believe in building up a Chinese wall around the village of Saugerties to shut off our country trade; for the best interest of this village demand that our merchants shall be prosperous and to further that end it is not advisable to drive away trade from their store.

2522. There is a feeling in this village that the Board of Directors are the servants of the people and that the people are not the servants of the Board. It seems to be the prevalent opinion that when 80 of the most representative business men of this village asked the Board not to enforce the Wide Tire Ordinance until March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898, that such a request was entitled to some consideration at their hands. The fact that it received none is the most stringent comment that can be made upon this body of "Public Servants."

2523. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Oct. 1, 1897. — JOHN D. FRATSHER NOMINATED. — For County Clerk at the Republican Convention. — Other Nominations Made by the Republicans — Senator Charles Davis Nominates Fratsher — Zadoc P. Boice for Sheriff.

The Republican County Convention was held in the Court House, at Kingston Thursday, and our townsman, supervisor John D. Fratsher, was chosen the nominee for County Clerk.

The convention was called to order by chairman S. B. Sharpe at half past twelve o'clock, and he named C. N. De Witt, of Hurley, chairman. Philip Elting was chosen, secretary. Captain W. S. Van Keuren, Martin Cantine, D. N. Matthews, P. Cortright, W. B. Snyder, Cornelius Terwillger and Nathan Van Wagonen were appointed to name a County Central Committee. Henry E. Wieber and Mr. Benton were named as a committee on credentials. After the Assembly rules had been adopted a recess was taken until half past two o'clock, when the convention reassembled.

Zadoc P. Boice, of Shokan was nominated for Sheriff by D. N. Matthews of the same place. W. B. Snyder, of Rosendale nominated A. DeWitt Relyea of the same place. A ballot was taken and Boice received 64 votes to 9 for Relyea. Boice was declared nominated. A real hot time began then and several speeches were made by C. C. James, G. B. D. Hasbrouck and several others. Then Senator Charles Davis of this village, in a very appropriate speech presented the name of our townsman John D. Fratsher for the nomination of County Clerk. Lawyer A. D. Lent, of Highland, presented the name of Irving Deyo, of the same place and John Thompson, of Kingston presented the name of the present incumbent George S. Sleight. Considerable more speechmaking was indulged in by ex-Assemblyman W. S. Van Keuren, G. J. Smith, Mr. Benton and many others. After their flow of oratory had ceased a ballot was taken and Fratsher received 45 votes, Deyo 19, Sleight, 9. Fratsher was declared the nominee, and introduced to the convention. The office of Superintendent of the Poor must be a good thing as four candidates [*sic*]

applied for it. They were John Gerow, of Plattekill; Abram Sammons, of Rosendale; Robert S. Jones, of Hardenburg; and the present Superintendent John H. Davis of Rochester. C. C. James made a brilliant speech for Sammons, which turned the convention and Sammons received 34 votes while Gerow and Davis received 15 each. Mr. James introduced Sammons to the convention. Resolutions commending President McKinley, Governor Black and the Raines' Law were adopted.

Charles A. Coutant, of Esopus, was nominated for Coroner on the third ballot, Dr. Jacob J. Wolfe, of Kingston, Daniel W. Benton, of Esopus and Jacob Van Wagenen of Rosendale were also after the nomination. After the County committee had been named the convention adjourned *sine die*.

2524. Taking the average depth of the ocean to be three miles, there would be a layer of salt 230 feet deep if the water should evaporate.

In Germany one man in 213 goes to college; in Scotland, one in 510, in the United States, one in 2,000 and in England, one in 5,000.

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2525. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 20, 1897. – Wide Tire Ordinance. - Two Thirds of the Wide Tire Ordinance in Violation of the Constitution of the United States and of the State of New York. – So Held by Judge Chase Saturday – A Portion of the Ordinance Sustained.

The action of James T. Maxwell vs The Directors of the Village of Saugerties was on Saturday for argument before Judge Chase at Special Term at Kingston.

It was a motion to continue the temporary injunction granted by Judge Fursman of Troy restraining the Board of Directors of the village of Saugerties from enforcing the wide tire Ordinance, passed by the Board of Directors of this village on June 5<sup>th</sup>, last.

The argument began at 11 o'clock and the plaintiff Mr. Maxwell, was represented by his attorney F. J. Durgan, of the village, Hon. David B. Hill of Albany, and Hon. D. B. G. Hasbrouck of Kingston, as Counsel. The defendant was represented by Hon. Peter Cantine and Hon. Charles Davis, of Saugerties.

At 11 o'clock Mr. Durgan opened the case for the plaintiff and moved to amend the summons and complaint in the action by striking out the names of all the defendants but the words "Directors of the village of Saugerties. This was most vigorously opposed by Mr. Cantine, and a long argument ensued at the close of which Mr. Durgan's motion was granted, and the papers stood amended. [no close quotation mark.]

Mr. Durgan then read an additional affidavit of Mr. Maxwell. Mr. Davis at one point objected to a portion of it on the ground that his copy was not like the one which was being read. It appeared that the carbon paper in the typewriter had slipped down and the last two lines omitted from the copy, causing the discrepancy complained of by Mr. Davis.

Mr. Hasbrouck then said "Well let Mr. Davis go on, if he wants to take advantage of the machine which can not protect itself."

The case was then continued by plaintiff's Attorney who read more affidavits showing that wide tires could not be used on the mountain roads.

Mr. Davis followed for the defendants and read the answer and voluminous affidavits from various persons. Among them was one from B. Taylor Harris who said the ordinance was a good thing. It will be remembered that the plaintiff's contention in the case was among others that the passage of the Ordinance was greatly beneficial to Mr. Harris and the he cut the price of stone two cents on the day it went into effect and then as soon as the injunction was granted, raised it back to its former price. It is much like the story of the postmaster, who when asked by Harrison during his administration how the people up his way liked the appointments for postmaster, replied that "The fellows who got the offices were mighty well satisfied."

Another affidavit was read made by Mr. David E. Abeel, the officer appointed under the ordinance, who is to get 10 percent of the penalty or \$10 for each violation. He, like Harris, thought the ordinance was a

good thing and ought to be helped along. The unanimity which Harris and Abeel exhibited on that point was wholly unexpected.

When Mr. Davis had finished reading his affidavits it was past one o'clock and court adjourned one hour for dinner.

Senator Hill said the Ordinance was unreasonable. That the time allowed for the teamsters to put on wide tires was too short as the majority of them were in poor circumstances.

That a tire of the width prescribed by the ordinance could not be used on the wagons drawing stone from the mountains; that under the agreement made between the original owners of the stone tramway and the Directors of the village, the village had no right to tear up the stone road. That the provisions of the Ordinance compelling teamsters to have their wagons weighed were in violation of the Constitution of the United States and the State of New York in that in a criminal action no one could be compelled to give evidence against himself and that the portion relating to a refusal to have the load weighed was also void and unconstitutional, and that the whole Ordinance was so interwoven with invalid provisions that none of it could be sustained.

On the whole, it was one of the ablest arguments ever heard in the City of Kingston.

Mr. Cantine followed for the defendant and argued that the Ordinance was Constitutional and valid.

The case was closed at five o'clock. Judge Chase thereupon decided that the provisions of the Ordinance in so far as they compelled the teamsters to have their load weighed was in violation of the Constitution of the United States and that of the State of New York and also those sections relating to the refusal to have the load weighed being presumptive evidence was also unconstitutional and void, and that the one provision in relation to the weight of the load was valid as he believed it could be separated from those which were void and unconstitutional.

He therefore continued the injunction restraining the directors from interfering with any loads of stone and from compelling the teamsters to have their loads weighed, and also restrained the Directors from suing for the refusal to have the loads weighed and dissolved the injunction as to the rest.

2526. Saugerties Post, Saugerties, NY. Sept. 20, 1897. – THE INJUNCTION DISSOLVED. – Judge Chase Renders the Above Decision Saturday Afternoon. – The Argument Made by Ex-Governor David B. Hill Did Not Have Any Effect on the Judge – The Clause in Reference to the Teamsters Weighing, Declared Void. The argument of the temporary injunction, restraining the Village Board of Directors from enforcing the wide tire ordinance, granted to James T. Maxwell, the stone dealer, by Judge Fursman, at Troy, Sept. 2d, came up for hearing before Judge Chase, of Catskill, at a special term of court in Kingston, on Saturday morning.

Notwithstanding the fact that the United States, the State of New York and our village was represented in counsel for Mr. Maxwell, their combined eloquent efforts were without avail, for at the conclusion of the arguments, Judge Chase dissolved the injunction, except the portion relating to the weighing of loads.

Ex-Surrogate Peter Cantine and Senator Charles Davis represented the village, and United States Senator David B. Hill, of Albany, Deputy State Attorney General, G. D. B. Hasbrouck, of Kingston and Fred Durgan appeared for Maxwell.

Maxwell in his complaint alleged that he had large contracts in Philadelphia and New Jersey and that the wagons hauling the stone to his dock were equipped with narrow tires and it was impossible for the teamsters to use the wide tires, and that if the village ordinance was enforced it would vitiate the validity of his contracts.

Corporation Counsel Cantine replied by stating that on Friday afternoon he was notified at three o'clock that a motion would be made to strike out the names of the Directors in the complaint and substitute the name of the corporation of the village of Saugerties as defendants, and also that a motion to make the injunction a permanent one or discontinue it, would be made.

Lawyer Hasbrouck stated that when the action was commenced they believed the Directors were the corporate name, but investigation proved it to be correct, and asked to amend the complaint by striking out the name of the Directors and substitution the corporation name of the village. Mr. Hasbrouck read an affidavit made by Lawyer Durgan, in which it said that he did not know what the corporate name was at the time the action was commenced, as he was in a hurry to begin it.

Mr. Cantine said he thought it rather strange that the mistake had not been discovered until Friday afternoon, and that it did not seem possible a mistake had been made at all. He objected to the complaint being amended, unless it was agreed that it be amended only as far as the name of the defendant was concerned.

Judge Chase granted a leave to amend the complaint stating that the action must be brought against the corporation.

An affidavit of James T. Maxwell was read by Lawyer Durgan, and Senator Davis Immediately said it did not correspond with the one that had been served on him.

Durgan replied that both copies were made on a typewriter and that it was probably the fault of the machine. Counselor Cantine called the court's attention to the words of the affidavit which stated it was impossible to use wide tires outside the village.

Mr. Durgan stated it meant "practically impossible" as the wide tires were unable to get around easily on the mountain roads.

Senator Davis read a batch of affidavits from several teamsters. Also that the tram road in the village belongs to the village, and that the narrow tires have wrought havoc with the roads, making large holes in them. Also that Maxwell had advised the teamsters to disregard the ordinance. Court then adjourned until two o'clock.

Court reconvened at two o'clock, and Ex-Governor David B. Hill began the argument for Mr. Maxwell. His talk lasted over an hour, and he said in substance that the teamsters preferred using narrow tires, and that the village, according to a contract, was to maintain the tram road in the village. He also declared the ordinance unconstitutional, claiming that the clause allowing any one authorized by the Board of Directors, to stop a teamster and compel him to weigh his load if it is believed his load exceeds the weight prescribed in the ordinance, and unless he does so, it is sufficient evidence that his load is about the weight.

Senator Hill said according to that a man would convict himself.

Corporation Counsel Cantine spoke in the interest of the village for an hour in an able manner.

At the conclusion of the argument Judge Chase vacated the injunction, except as to the provision requiring teamsters to have their loads weighed.

The village will now enforce the ordinance and all offenders will be prosecuted.

2527. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties. Sept. 21, 1897. – Hungry and They Want More.

The following conversation between a boy and his fond parent was overheard on the street.

Boy – Say Pa, what is the Corner Gang?

Parent – They are a number of men who make their living by holding office and getting other people to keep them there.

Boy – Don't they do any work, Pa?

Parent – No, my son, one of them has been in office 20 years.

Boy – How much money has he made out of it, Pa?

Parent – He has made over \$36,000 in those 20 years.

Boy – That is more than most of the farmers in Saugerties have made during that period, isn't it, Pa?

Parent – Yes, my son, they have hard work to pay the interest on their mortgages.

Boy – Who has paid this man all this money, Pa?

Parent – The voters and taxpayers have paid it to him.

Boy – Could they afford to do it, Pa?

Parent – No; a great many of them work hard from 7 o'clock in the morning until night for only a dollar a day and some receive less than that.

Boy – But he must be ashamed to do nothing but hold office and live on other people who work so hard and receive so little for it.

Parent – No, my boy, he is not ashamed. He laughs about it.

Boy – But what makes the people do it – pay out money all the time and get nothing back for it.

Parent – Because these men tell them that it is a good thing for them. That it is better to give than to receive. They tell the people that they don't care for the money but they are working for the people's interest all the time.

Boy – And do they fool the people that way all the time?

Parent – They have fooled them that way for a long time my son.

Boy – What do they tell the people about the caucus next Friday night, Pa?

Parent – They tell them that if Charley Davis and Columbus James don't carry the caucus, the country will all go to the bad. They say they can fool the people by promising a good many of the offices, and they say they can buy a good many more, and that they can scare the rest by threats.

Boy – If Mr. Davis should be beaten, Pa, will the sun shine just the same the next day? Will the country all go to pieces?

Parent – No, my son, the sun will shine just the same as it has many thousand years, my son.

Boy – I should think that the men who work so hard for them and don't get anything, would get tired of it, don't they?

Parent – No, my son, when they get tired that way, they tell them funny stories.

Boy – How long will they fool the people this way, Pa?

Parent – They can't fool them much longer, my boy. Not after next Friday night.

Next Friday night the people will show the Corner that money can't buy this caucus. That they are tired of broken promises. That 100 men can't all hold the same office. That offensive bill stickers and subsidized hirelings can't intimidate. That in short, quite a number of the "Gang" will have to go to work.

2528. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties. Sept. 21, 1897. – Editorial Notes.

The men whose trousers have grown thin in the seats in the service of the Corner, now spend their time in riding about the country trying to get men who eke out a livelihood by honest toil to rally to the support of those gentlemen of the Corner to whom honest toil and honest labor is but an empty dream. Are you one of them?

It costs money to hire carriages and ride around the town for the purpose of inducing

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men to support the Corner. Is there anyone who believes the Corner is doing it for their health? They are doing it for what there is in it.

Later on we shall publish the amount of moneys paid to the Corner by this town and county for the past twenty years. It will be a revelation to the people.

We are not opposing Mr. Fratsher personally but only as part and parcel of the corner. Water cannot rise about its level. Until he cuts loose from the band of political cut throats who clutch this town and village by the throat, he can not expect the support of those citizens who wish to tear off the fungus growth, that has fastened itself on our community.

2529. Saugerties Daily Telegraph, Saugerties. Sept. 20, 1897. - The Daily Telegraph.

The DAILY TELEGRAPH makes its initial bow to the public of the Town of Saugerties with this, its first issue.

It may be fitting at this time to state the position that this paper will assume towards public questions of the day.