# AN HISTORICAL ADDRESS

Delivered before the Dutchess County Medical Society at its Centennial Meeting, at Vassar Institute January 10th, 1906

WITH A RECORD OF THE

# MEDICAL PROFESSION OF DUTCHESS COUNTY

from 1740 to 1906

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# PREFACE.

Late in November, 1905, Dr. Tuthill, the Chairman of the Committee on the Centennial Celebration of the Dutchess County Medical Society, asked me to read the historical paper at the centennial meeting. In my search for information of the early days of the society, I was surprised to find so much that was interesting about the doctors who practiced here before the Revolutionary I had been told by the older physicians as far back as 1872War. that there were no doctors here before the Revolution, and the reason given was that Ulster County was settled so much earlier, and was so much more thickly populated, that the doctors there cared for the people of Dutchess. But I found that there were doctors here, and though facts that have been buried a hundred years have to be dug out at the expense of time and labor, I have gathered together these records, from files of old newspapers, local histories and family records, by tramping through cemeteries, church yards and family burying grounds, often located on hillsides far from the highways. Dr. John Goodsir's oft repeated saying "Let us have God's truth in everything "should apply imperatively to a writer of biography. My information has been taken from the sources mentioned, and though it is proverbial "That nothing lies like a epitaph," it is the best that could be found at this time, and is substantially correct. The data of many living members of the profession are absent because they did not answer letters of inquiry Many young men enter the Hudson River State Hossent them. pital, and the hospital at Matteawan, stay for a few months, and They have taken no active part in the professional life move on. of the county, and I have taken no special pains to secure facts concerning them.

The society kindly voted its thanks for the paper and ordered it printed by the society, for distribution among the members. I have thought it better to add to the address the record, and to have it printed myself for circulation among those who care to have a copy at the cost of the printing. Whether for usefulness or not, I feel that at least the names of those who labored to relieve suffering humanity so early in our county's history should be saved from total oblivion.

# AN ADDRESS

On the History of the Medical Society of Dutchess County, delivered at its Centennial Meeting at Poughkeepsie, January 10th, 1906, by Guy Carleton Bayley.

On March 23rd, 1797, the Legislature passed a law to regulate the practice of physic and surgery in this state, which in substance required that every person practicing medicine should file a copy of his diploma, or license to practice, with the clerk of the county in which he lived. If he had no diploma he had to take a responsible person who knew him personally, before a judge of a court of record to vouch for his respectability, and to the fact that he had practiced medicine in his present place of residence for at least two years previous. On his showing this, the judge gave him a license to practice. I have here two of these licenses which have historical interest, and are worth examining. They were issued to Cyrenus Crosby, of the Town of Amenia, by Gilbert Livingston, Master in Chancery, March 23rd, 1797. The second to Isaac DeLavergne, of the Town of Washington, by Jacob C. Bloom, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, issued December 8th, 1797. If a man could do neither of these two things, he had to stop practicing, under certain penalties. This law was good, but whose duty was it to enforce it? And through what channel could it be done? It proved ineffective, and the law passed April 4th, 1806, entitled "An Act to incorporate Medical Societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this State," was a natural result. This made the medical men of each county in an association legally constituted, the judges of the fitness of those desirous of engaging in practice, the censors of the morals and character of its own members, and also enabling and constraining this body to enforce the laws of the state against illegal practicioners. It is interesting to note here that there had been voluntary associations and societies of doctors before this, not only in the large cities of New York,

Philadelphia and Boston, but as seen by the following advertisement, the doctors in the country towns associated themselves together in societies to discuss medical affairs. This notice is in the New York Packet and the American Advertiser, published at Fishkill, and dated May 22nd, 1783: "This is to notify the members of the First Medical Society in the thirteen United States of America since their Independence. That a meeting will be holden at the house of Dr. Phineas Smith in Sharon on the second Tuesday of June next, at 10 o'clock A. M., certified per. Oliver Fuller, Clerk." This meeting was to be at Sharon, but the notice was given at Fishkill. The lines between New York and Connecticut were at that time very illy-defined, and Sharon may well have been considered in New York State. In any event the doctors of Dutchess were expected to take notice and respond to the call.

Up to the passage of the act of 1797 the practice of medicine had been in a chaotic state. Many of those calling themselves doctors had no qualifications whatever. The possession of some popular treatise on the treatment of simple ailments, a knowledge of the use of simples, often gained by intercourse with the Indians, were their only credentials. There were a few adventurous spirits from Europe, who had qualified themselves for practice at one of the great schools; a few Americans who went to the universities in the old countries and gained their diplomas. More who went to England, or Edinburgh, and took a single course of lectures, but the great number, after serving an apprenticeship with a doctor, without further advantages, launched their craft, spread their sails to the breeze, full fledged doctors. As the country became more thickly populated, and as collections of cabins grew into towns and villages, this confusion and uncertainty as to a doctor's standing and qualifications became intolerable, till the people, led by the better educated of the doctors, demanded order and higher standards, and these laws resulted.

In the Poughkeepsie Journal of August 12th, 1806, appeared the following notice:

The Physicians of Dutchess having omitted to organize themselves into a society according to an act passed at the last session of the Legislature, they are requested to meet at Cunningham's Hotel, Poughkeepsie, on Saturday, the 20th of September, at 3

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o'clock P. M. It is necessary that as large a number convene as possible.

In the same paper on August 26th there appeared the following communication—(It is verbose, and the sentences are badly constructed, but we get the writer's meaning):

For the Journal.

#### To the Physicians of Dutchess County :

A distinguished writer has remarked "That enjoying a state of health we want little else." A position which every man's progress through life can illustrate very clearly. But we do not trust to an exception and a recovery from disease, only to a strong and regular organization of our frame. Ill health will approach—it may advance with an insidious step, or it may assail with violence : aud having commenced its attack, more than common skill may be necessary to For this purpose, in nursery language, you must call in resist it. It is of consequence, then, that he with whom a sick the physcian. person is to be intrusted should be fitted to answer the purpose for which he is sent, coming on an errand, too, on which perhaps, is suspended the happiness of a family and of a community : — What Horace, with exuberant praise, asserts of the muse, is emphatically appropriate to the well-educated and skillful physcian—Dignum Virum Vetat Mori.

There can be no question that the practice of medicine involves the best interests of society; nor, can any one deny that they are also shamefully neglected. To remedy this evil, in some measure, a law was passed at the last session of the legislature, authorizing the physcians of the several counties to unite into societies, which should have the power of regulating a number of things appertaining to their profession. With a spirit that reflects lustre on the medical character, societies of this kind have been formed in most of the counties of this state. In Dutchess, from apathy, indolence, or ignorance that a new law relating to the practice of physic and surgery was in existence, no society has been formed. Still it is not too late to fulfill the intention of the act, a provision having been made for those counties which should omit to avail themselves of its privileges. In reference to this provision is the notice to physicians in last week's

paper. It may be observed that this notice ought to be attended to-because the law,-which regulates the practice of physic and surgery at present, will expire on the first of next month, after which time until the forming of a society according to the late law the practice will be absolutely at loose ends, or at no ends at all, unless the rotten limbs of the profession—the fag ends of it—may be called one of the ends of our science. To be serious, after the first of September, until the evil here spoken of be guarded against, any man may exalt himself in our county into a guardian of health, without examination or license. It is within the writers knowledge, that three persons have appeared with the intention of settling down as doctors, on the strength of a belief that the present law was abrogated. It follows from these observations, that not only a sense of duty which actuates physicians, considered as members of the community, but that of interest should induce those of our county of Dutchess to form a corporate and medical association which may embrace their district. And the motive of interest is strengthened by another consideration. The wording of the provision in the law regulating the practice of physic which I have mentioned makes it necessary to convene a majority of the physcians of the county to institute a society where they have omitted to meet on the first Tuesday of July. It runs thus: "And be it further enacted, that if the physicians and surgeons of any county or counties of this state shall not meet and organize themselves at such times and places as is required by this act, it shall be lawful for them to meet at such other time as a majority of them shall think proper, and their proceedings shall be as valid as if their meeting had been at the time provided for in this act." Here it is plain that a majority of the physicians of the county is necessary now even in the initiatory steps to organize themselves into a society. Nor is the case without difficulty. In the first place it cannot be ascertained at once what number of physcians constitutes a majority : and in the next it seems quite improbable that a majority will assemble at the time appointed, or at any other time. A sufficient number of physicians can convene however if they please. Let me ask them, then, with the utmost earnestness by all means to endeavor to come to town on the 20th of September, so as to have as many collected as possible. The solicitude which marks this request is not magnifying trifles in

matters of moment; for I am pleading at the bar of the faculty to effect what I deem a most important end. I have in view the happiness of mankind, and the satisfaction and comfort of my fellowpracticioners in the discharge of the duties of their profession.

A PHYSICIAN.

N. B.—Measures are taking to obtain a list of all the practicioners of medicine in the county. If it be procured, comparing it with the number of physicians who may meet on the 20th of next month, it can be ascertained whether there be a majority as pointed out in the law.

Poughkeepsie, August 25th, 1806.

Agreeable to public notice a meeting of the Physicians of Dutchess County was held at Cunningham's Hotel, September 20th, 1806, viz:

Doctors Benjamin DeLavergne of Washington.

William Lathrop of Washington. Ezekiel H. Gurnsey of Stanford. James Thorn of Fishkill (New Hackensack). John Pinckney of Fishkill. David Delavan of Pawling. John Chamberlain of Poughkeepsie. Amasa Buckman of Stanford. Richard Bartlett of Stanford. Thomas Quinlan of Clinton. John M. Smith of Amenia. Joseph Rogers of Fishkill (Wappingers). Charles Waldo of Poughkeepsie. Abraham Halsey of Fishkill. James Downs of Clinton. George W. Cook of Clinton. David Tomlinson of Rhinebeck. James Scovel of Pawling. Baltus Livingston Van Kleeck of Poughkeepsie. Caled Child of Poughkeepsie. \*Cyrus Berry of Clinton. Uri Judd of North East.

Doctors Bartow White of Fishkill. Ebenezer Cary of Beekman. William Ely of Clinton. John Thomas of Poughkeepsie. William Wheeler of Rhinebeck. James Livingston Van Kleeck of Poughkeepsie. Thomas Saffen of Beekman.

*Resolved*, That these present do form themselves into a society pursuant "to an act to incorporate medical societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of physic and surgery in this state, passed the 4th of April, 1806."

Whereupon the following were chosen officers of the society: President, Samuel Bard, M. D.; Vice-President, Benjamin De-Lavergne; Treasurer, Robert Noxon; Secretary, James L. Van Kleeck, M. D.

BENJAMIN DELAVERGNE, Chairman.

ABRAHAM HALSEY, Secretary.

The society being organized, Dr. DeLavergne in the chair, the following were elected censors: Ebenezer Cary of Beekman, John Thomas of Poughkeepsie, William Lathrop, M. D., of Washington, Daniel Tomlinson of Rhinebeck, Abraham Halsey of Fishkill. Dr. William Wheeler was appointed delegate to the State Society. Drs. Thomas, White, Saffen, Ely and J. L. Van Kleeck were appointed a committee to draft a code of by-laws. When we consider that the state of the roads was such that traveling was largely done on horseback, the distance traveled, and the time taken, this was a goodly meeting of representative men, well conducted, of admirable results. We may note four things, Dr. Samuel Bard of Hyde Park, the President elect, was not present; Dr. Cyrus Berry, though present and taking part in this and other meetings up to May 11th, 1807, without objection, on that date applied for admission and was rejected, no reason being given. Also that there were but three of the ten officers elected who had the degree of doctor of medicine, and that must have been a large proportion for any meeting of medical men in those days. And again that Dr.

Wheeler, the delegate to the State Society, was at the organization of that body, in 1807, appointed a censor, an honor for old Dutchess.

I have been so very fortunate as to find Dr. Bard's inaugural address. As it is not printed among any collections of his writings, and gives a very good idea of his style in writing, and of the great interest he had in medical education, it has a special interest for us to-day.

Address—Delivered before the Medical Society of Dutchess County at their Anniversary Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the present month (Nov., 1806), by Doctor Samuel Bard, President of the Society.

#### Gentlemen :

At all times and in all countries, the healing art has been considered of the first importance to the happiness of mankind; and accordingly, the means of instruction in it, and the regulation of its practice, have ever been thought objects worthy the attention of most civilized nations and of the wisest governments. In the first, great progress has been made, and the theory and practice of medicine, upon the most solid principles, and the most extensive and philosophic plan, are in the present day not only taught in all the learned nations of Europe, but in this comparatively new country learned institutions for teaching all the various branches of science, which are connected with, and necessary to the most thorough knowledge of our profession have been founded, and brought to a degree of perfection, which already vies with the most ancient. But to regulate the practice of medicine so as to avoid the fatal blunders of ignorance, and to prevent the frauds of deception, has been found a more difficult task; and notwithstanding the extensive powers which have been conferred on colleges and other medical institutions; and the penalties with which ignorance and quackery have been threatened, we daily see every city and almost every village in almost all countries, deluged with advertisements and nostroms, and the money, the health, and the lives of the people sacrificed to the most open and bare-faced imposture. In the institution under which we now meet, the Legislature of this state has

made a new attempt, and upon a plan, I believe, more extensive than has hitherto been thought of in any country; she has committed the care of guarding the honor of the healing art, of promoting its real usefulness, and of protecting our fellow citizens from the dangers of ignorance and of imposture, to the profession at large. Where confidence is reposed fidelity is a debt; and I sincerely hope that in the zeal and disinterestedness of the practicioners of medicine throughout the state, the Legislature may find reason to applaud the wisdom of her design. All human institutions are defective, and time and experience are necessary to bring them to any tolerable degree of perfection, from this conviction, the Medical Society of the state, which is formed of delegates from that of every county, and which meets at the seat of government, has been instituted, that the Legislature may, from time to time, receive the necessary information for correcting and perfecting its plan. From this, therefor, we are ultimately to receive many of the laws and regulations by which we are to be governed, and for this reason the fewer laws and regulations which are entered into by the county societies the better, especially in the beginning, that we may not contravene each other and that uniformity of conduct may be preserved, which is essential to success in any extensive design; for it is very plain to see, that if this institution the physicians and surgeons throughout the state, are not actuated by one uniform, liberal and disinterested spirit, but oppose one another with jealous and contradictory designs, the whole will soon crumble into nothing. To incorporate the professors of an art so extensively diffused as that of medicine, so as to give uniformity to their plans and operations, is a delicate trust, and we must not expect but what the Legislature will contemplate our conduct with some degree of diffidence. If, therefore, we find her listening to our proposals with caution, and slowly granting the privileges we may think necessary to the completion of her own design, we must be prepared to wait with patience, until we can convince her of the liberality, utility, and disinterestedness of our intentions. It is evident from the use to which the Legislature has appropriated the annual contributions of the county societies, that she has had in view not only to legislate for the practice, but to promote the knowledge of medicine; the necessity and usefulness of this part of the plan is apparent, and

the sooner we make a beginning the better, but altho' I heartily subscribe to the collection of books; I think that the more they are read, the more general will be the conviction, that a good medical education altho' it may be commenced, can never be properly finished in the country, where opportunities for the study of many of the most useful branches of our profession are not to be obtained, where many rare and important diseases seldom occur, where few young men can see a capital operation in surgery, and where none can attend the dissection of a whole body. One great advantage therefor which I hope to see flow from this institution is the encouragement of our public medical schools by a practice which has not hitherto prevailed so generally as from its usefulness and great importance it unquestionably ought; I mean that of sending young men at least to finish their medical education at New York, where a botanic garden, a chemical laboratory, an anatomical theatre, a well regulated hospital, and learned professors, offer them every means of improvement; and will do more in one season to promote their knowledge, and to give them just, liberal and extensive views of their profession than many years spent in the country. I am confident that in this decided preference which I have given to the opportunities afforded by a medical education at a well regulated and amply furnished school which we possess in New York, I meet the hearty concurrence of every medical man of liberal mind in this or any other county of the state. They too well know the difficulties they have to contend with in instructing their pupils, too justly appreciate the excellent opportunities of our public seminary and too conscientiously feel their duty, to hesitate in a matter so apparent and so important. I know too the difficulties and obstacles which obstruct their wishes, the reluctance, and in too many instances the impossibilities of parents supplying the necessary expenses, and too frequently the impatience and confidence of young men. But would it not be a less evil, that those who either will not or cannot afford the necessary expenses of time and money to obtain a good medical education, should turn their thoughts to some other profession, than that the health and lives of our fellow citizens should be committed to the care of such as are confessedly unqualified for so delicate and important a task. I have nothing further, gentlemen, to add at present, but to thank you for the honor you

have done me in appointing me your president to recommend to you a unanimity, zeal, and public spirit in the conduct of this institution, and to promise you my hearty concurrence and faithful exertions in carrying into effect such useful regulations as you may think proper to adopt.

SAMUEL BARD.

November 11th, 1806.

At the meeting in which Dr. Berry was refused fellowship, the law against illegal practitioners was first put in motion, information being laid against a \*James Cavel for illegal practice. In this, the first, as well as in all future cases of proposed discipline and enforcement of the rules, we find that there are members doubting the power of the society to do anything in the way of discipline. This question of power is never raised outside, or by the defendant, but always by a member, and in most instances it has been over ruled. It is a curious manifestation of the desire to be in the opposition which crops up so continually among men in all On January 22nd, 1808, a seal and a form for conditions in life. a diploma were adopted. It is very much to be regretted that all traces of this seal have been lost. In 1873, when I was secretary I instituted a search among the families of former secretaries, but could find no trace of it. The society then authorized the secretary to procure a new seal, and one was obtained of an uninteresting, conventional design, which had no special significance. Now in this centennial year I find several impressions of the old seal, which is most characteristic and original, and I shall, after this paper is read, move that the society on this anniversary meeting have the old seal reproduced from the impressions here shown, and that it be the official seal of the society for the future.

The seal as shown has a profile of Dr. John Bard, the father of our first president, who lived both in New York and Dutchess Counties, the inscription "Coun<sup>y</sup> N York. John Bard M. D. Med<sup>y</sup> S<sup>y</sup> Dut<sup>ss</sup>," and the billet of wood (I tried hard to make it out, the staff of Aesculapius), with a serpent rising up, is all very good. An inaccuracy (it was a common fault in those times) is shown in

<sup>\*</sup>James Cavel was admitted to membership in 1819.

placing M. D. after John Bard's name. He had no degree; his preliminary and professional education were both very scant, though he made the most of his opportunities, and by perseverance and natural ability rose superior to the difficulties that prevented his obtaining a college education. Let us by all means have the old seal as it was.

The first evidence of real public spirit was shown by the society in 1812, when a committee of three was appointed to publish such information as it may be able to obtain in regard to the nature and method of treatment of the prevailing epidemic. This is very laudible, but if they had only gratified the curiosity of future generations by telling what the epidemic was it would have been more satisfactory.

This epidemic was one of Cerebro-spinal Meningitis, or Spotted Fever. In a letter written by Captain Fonda, the grand-father of the present Cashier of the Merchants' Bank, to Dr. William Thomas, then in the army and stationed at Baton Rouge, he describes the scourge, and says that there had been forty deaths already from it in the town. Poughkeepsie at that time had less than three thousand inhabitants, and forty deaths was a high percentage of mortality.

It was at this meeting the deaths of Drs. William Lathrop and George W. Cook were announced, and it was resolved to wear crape on the left arm for twenty days in testimony of their regard for their deceased brethren, the first of the members to pass on. This custom was kept up, some times wearing the crape on the right arm, until 1836, when Dr. David Hosack, an honorary member, was the last so honored. On Nov. 10th, 1813, Dr. Bard resigned the presidency of the society, which he had held since it organization, and the thanks of the society were voted him for his services as president. His resignation was occasioned by his appointment to the presidency of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City. He was then in his 71st year. He seems to have been a father to, as well as president of, the society. The most distinguished medical man of his time in this country, the society was most fortunate in having such a one to lead in its councils at its birth. He was an eloquent speaker, an interesting, instructive writer, loved and respected by his associates, giving freely of his time and of his talents to this society, it is no wonder that it prospered under his leadership.

In the third generation there was another president with many of Dr. Bard's qualifications, whose service was longer, and whose reign, for he was a soverign in the best sense while he served—was more beneficent than that of the first. I speak of Dr. Lewis H. White, whose memory we all revere, and of whom I shall say more later.

From May 19th, 1815, up to the present time the society has suffered from a chronic trouble for which no treatment that has been proposed has proved even palliative; it seems to have reached its climacteric in 1841, when a lawyer was employed to consult with the doctors and to direct the treatment, even to the extent of prosecuting delinquents, though the treatment never was carried so far. The collection of dues has caused endless trouble, and this was largely occasioned by the law which then compelled each physician practicing in the county to pay the society one dollar each year, whether he was a member or not. This law could never be enforced and was repealed.

From 1808 to 1816 the society was given the privilege of nominating a student of medicine each year to attend one course of lectures free at both of the medical colleges in New York City. Seven young men were given and availed themselves of this opportunity. I give their names, with other information, in an appendix. On November 12th, 1816, the society made a new departure, and ordered that one hundred dollars be spent for instruments for the use of members of the society.

In 1817 two sets of amputating, and two sets of trephining instruments having been bought, it was ordered that one of each should be kept by the treasurer at Poughkeepsie, and one of each by Dr. Ricketson at Beekman, for the use of the members. Afterwards a set of obstetrical instruments was bought, and the nucleus of a library formed, but for reasons not stated this venture proved a failure, and the instruments and books were sold to individual members in 1826. In 1817 the first standard of prices for ordinary practice was adopted in great detail, even giving the price of medicines by the dose or larger quantity. The charges vary but little from the fees of the present time.

From 1836 to 1838 the society was greatly exercised by the question of granting a diploma to a Joal Devine. Feeling ran high;

with the slight knowledge we have it is impossible to judge of the merits of the case. The court intervened, a mandamus was issued requiring the society to show cause why a diploma should not be given. It was decided at last, at a meeting slimly attended, to grant the diploma.\*

The late Dr. Pine in an historical sketch read before the society in 1875, gives this unfortunate episode as the cause of the gradual loss of interest shown by the members from about this time, which culminated in 1845. Then after a meeting, where officers were elected, and new members admitted, and for no apparent reason, there was no further meeting till 1854. The society was passing through parlous times, and its life was only saved by an accident. At a meeting of the physicians of Dutchess County, held at Washington Hollow, October, 1854, there were present Drs. Hillis, Hughson, Thorn, Dodge, Hasbrouck, Losee, Pine, Harvey, Bell, Campbell, and Bockee. A motion was made to organize a new society, not connected with the Dutchess County Medical Society. Motion lost. Just think of it? If that motion had prevailed we should not be here to-day, there would be no centennial, and this honorable, useful organization would have passed into innocuous desuetude.

On motion it was resolved to re-organize the Dutchess County Medical Society, and Drs. Hughson, Pine, and Bockee, were appointed to revise the by-laws. On November 4th, 1854, a meeting of the society was held at Dr. Pine's office, in Mill Street, the president elected in 1845 Dr. Calvert Canfield in the chair. New members were elected, the by-laws revised, and the name of the society changed, and called "The Medical Society of Dutchess County." On August 9th, 1859, the next meeting was held, no

<sup>\*</sup>The yonng man applied for examination by the society for a license to practice. The examination was held and he was given a certificate which had to be signed by the President. This Dr. John Cooper, the President, refused to do, on account of the moral character of the applicant. The case was taken to the court, a mandamus to show cause was issued, the parties to appear at Utica. Lawyers were retained, and expense incurred. Dr. Varick was elected President and signed the certificate, and that part of the trouble was settled, but the bills were still to be paid, and it was this financial end of the affair which so nearly disrupted the society. Smith, in his History of Dutchess County, says that "The future course of the young man more than justified Dr. Cooper's action."

reason being given for the long interval. The only business of importance was the reception of Dr. Edward H. Parker as a member. There was a meeting in 1861, and then another break till 1866. In 1867 Dr. Lewis H. White was elected president of the society, and a new era of enlarged usefulness and increasing prosperity opened out for it. The meetings were regularly held, the annual in Poughkeepsie, the semi-annual in one of the country The numbers in attendance increased. The papers read villages. were carefully prepared and full of interest. The discussions were intelligent and instructive. This change was due to the earnest efforts of one man, whose sincerity of manner, his fatherly interest in the welfare and care of the individual interests of each member, caused him to be loved and universally respected. There were fourteen members present at the meeting when he was elected president, there were thirty two present at the meeting in 1877 when he refused a renomination, which he thought was for the best interest of the society. At one semi-annual meeting in Fishkill there were forty four members present, the largest number noted. It is truly said that blessed is the country that has no history, for history is largely the record of war and discord. And so with our society. From 1867 to 1877 the record is one of peace and prosperity. Important action was taken' in 1879 which had far-reaching results on the rank of the medical staff in the navy. The army medical staff had already received justice at the hands of the government, though it was only about 1810 that a medical man had any rank, and when rank was conferred Dr. William Thomas, of our society, who was then in the service, being given the rank of colonel, he received letters sent him in derision by the officers addressed to Colonel Thomas. The navy and army staffs had never been equalized, the navy remaining at a standstill. A grave injustice done an assistant surgeon, Dr. Charles L. Green, brought matters to a head. He was court martialed, and found guilty of treating with contempt his superior officer, in that he refused to report for duty a seaman who was on the sick list, and who in Dr. Green's opinion was unfit for duty. He was discharged from the navy. The society resolved that this was degrading to the profession, and that the attention of our Congressman, Ketcham, be called to the matter, and that he be urged to influence legislation

on the subject. Dr. De Witt Webb took the matter in charge for the society, and Mr. John O. Whitehouse having succeeded Mr. Ketcham in Congress, Dr. Webb urged the matter on his attention until in 1875, through Mr. Whitehouse's efforts a law was passed removing the disabilities of the surgeons in the navy, and giving them commensurate rank with those in the army. The thanks of the society were voted to Mr. Whitehouse for his successful efforts for the cause of equality and justice. The subject of medical education was also considered, and the efforts of the American Medical Association to raise the standards and make them uniform was urged upon the Legislature. On November 12th, 1872, the meeting was not held for a very unique reason. There was a distemper prevailing among the horses throughout the country which threw them all out of commission; the older members can well remember the inconvenience and confusion that resulted from business having to be attended to on foot. The State Society at its meeting in 1882 repealed the code of ethics of the American Medical Association. The delegates present were Drs. Tulhill and They were seated side by side when the vote was taken, Barnes. the former voting aye, the latter no. In 1883 the question of rescinding this action was to come up at the meeting of the State Society, and the delegates, Drs. Barnes and Hasbrouck (the latter protesting) were instructed to vote for the restoration of the old code by a vote of 18 to 9. At the annual meeting in 1884 the code question was the prominent issue, and the society was greatly agitated. Dr. Hasbrouck had served one year as president; by courtesy he should have been elected again. Every member of the society would gladly have voted for him, but the code question overshadowed all other considerations. Dr. Barnes was elected president, and Drs. Slack and Bayley delegates to the State Society, all being favorable to the restoration of the old code. From this time on the story of the society's life is too recent to be treated as history. The membership has increased largely, the meetings have been of interest and of use, and the current has flowed on with nothing larger than ordinary ripples to disturb the placidity of its surface. It may be noted that at a meeting held in the library of Vassar Brothers' Hospital, July 10th, 1901, a doctor practicing

homeopathy was present as a visitor at the meeting, establishing a precedent which has been followed largely since that time.

The work of a society is only the collective results of the labors of its members. Where the activities of such an association has made a record of its work valuable, a knowledge of the lives and personal attributes of its members will always add to the interest and help to an understanding of its history. To-day we cannot even mention the names of the 385 men and women who at some time during the last century have been members, but in this, as in every institution, there are some men, like the mountain peaks in a diversified landscape, whose lives stand out so prominently before us, have been so rounded out by activities, and high achievement, that we are forced to give them the praise and recognition which their good works merit. Of this class our first president is easily at the head.

#### SAMUEL BARD, M. D., L.L. D,

By far the most illustrious member of our society and its first president, was of French descent. He was born in Philadelphia, April 1st, 1742, and came with his father to New York in 1746. He attended an excellent preparatory school, and entering King's (now Columbia) College, he graduated when 19 years of age. In the same year he sailed for England, but the vessel was taken by the French, and he spent five months in France a prisoner on parole. On reaching London he entered Dr. Russell's office and pursued the study of medicine. In 1762 he went to Edinburg; here he received a medal in botany, and took his degree in 1765. In 1770 he returned to New York and engaged in general practice and lecturing on medicine, and in efforts to build a hospital. In 1791 this latter work was accomplished, and Dr. Bard was the first physician appointed to the New York Hospital. During the war he lived with his father at the latter's residence at Hyde Park. Afterwards, when President Washington was living in New York, Dr. Bard was his family physician. Dr. Bard did not have the surgical temperment; after his first surgical operation he fainted away, and his second and last was only accomplished after a sleepless night. In 1805 he took Dr. Hossick into partnership, and in the same year retired to his country place at Hyde Park. In 1813

he was elected President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York. The degree of L.L. D. was conferred soon after by Princeton. He died at Hyde Park, May 24th, 1821, surviving his wife less than twenty-four hours. They were buried in a common grave in the family yard.\* It is told of Dr. Bard that he regarded his talents and education as a sacred trust, held for the use of those who asked for their aid, and that after his retirement to the country he never refused the call of any one who sought his advice. A man of great talent, disciplined by education and experience, he was an ornament to our profession.

Dr. John Thomas, one of the founders of our society, and second only in prominence to the president, was born at Plymouth, Mass., April 1st., 1758. His father Dr. William Thomas was the surgeon of the troops which went from Plymouth in the French and Indian war, in the expedition against Louisburgh. He took a very zealous part in the disputes with the Mother-country that resulted After the first blow finally in the independence of her colonies. was struck at the battle of Lexington, 1775, he immediately joined himself and his four sons, viz.: Joshua, Joseph, John, and Nathaniel, to the first formed revolutionary corps. Joseph and John continued in the service throughout the war, Joseph as Captain of Artillery, and John on the Medical Staff. Dr. William Thomas, on joining the army was appointed Regimental Surgeon, and his son John, then seventeen years of age, accompanied his father, as surgeons They joined the Army at Cambridge in the spring of 1775. mate. Dr. John Thomas, on the resignation of his father in 1776, on account of ill health, was promoted to the rank of Regimental Surgeon. He was commissioned Surgeon of "Wesson's" 9th Mass. Regiment, January 1st, 1777, and was transferred to the 8th Mass. in 1783. He served on General Washington's staff, was often a guest at his table, and was with him all through the winter at Valley Soon after the conclusion of peace, Dr. Thomas settled in Forge. the town of Poughkeepsie where he remained in the reputable and successful practice of his profession until his death in 1819. He is buried in the Cemetery at Poughkeepsie. He was one of the original members of the society of the Cincinnati. Endowed with

<sup>\*</sup>The bodies of Dr. Bard and his wife were moved to St. James Church yard, Hyde Park.

considerable powers of mind and devoting himself to his official duties, Dr. Thomas overcame the difficulties and inexperience of his youth, and maintained a high professional respectability. In all his conduct he was honorable, just and benevolent; for wit and humor he was unrivaled. Such was the fecundity and disposition of his mind, that on all occasions he was furnished with an inexhaustible fund of anecdote and song, which made him a welcome guest in every place. There was considerable originality in the display of his talents, which with the courteousness of his manner, won the esteem of gentlemen of the highest rank; and on one occasion at the table of Washington, he excited an unusual degree of merriment and pleasantry. He is said to have made General Washington laugh the only time he was seen to do so at Valley Forge. There is an invitation to Dr. Thomas to dine with General Washington hanging framed on the wall of Washington's Headquarters at Newburgh.

#### DR. JOHN BARNES.

Dr. John Barnes was born on the Barnes farm, north east of the present city limits, December 11th, 1790. He was a man of feeble constitution, but he accomplished a prodigious amount of work. He accompanied the troops from this section to Long Island in the war of 1812. He was easily the leading surgeon of his time for this and the surrounding counties. This position attracted to him many students of medicine, and some of the leading physicians of the next generation laid the foundations of their success under his wise supervision. It is to be regretted that the facts necessary for a more extended notice are not available. He died at his home, No. 45 Market Street, August 29th, 1850, of dysentery. After his death his family were in straightened circumstances; bills were found on his books amounting to \$30,000 which were uncollectable. He is buried in the cemetery on the post road, just north of the city.

#### RICHARD A. VARICK, M. D.

Dr. Varick was born in New York City, April 24th, 1806. His preliminary education was liberal and thorough; he graduated at the Rutgers Medical College in New York City in 1827. The practice of his profession was begun with Dr. John Earnes, and at

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the latter's death Dr. Varick succeeded to the business. His taste led him to the practice of medicine rather than to surgery, and his skill and kindly manner led to his being largely sought in obstetric work. He was a scholarly man, of gracious presence, and gentle manner, commanding the confidence and respect of the whole community. He had a habit of picking up a book in the sick room and reading for fifteen or thirty minutes in an absorbed manner. A lady tells me that her child being very ill, she removed all the books from the room but a Bible; on his entering he picked up the Bible, and read for half an hour. He was one of the last of the old time doctors to ride in a chaise. He was a member of the Society of the Cincinnati. Dr. Varick died August 10th, 1871.

#### DR. WALTER HUGHSON.

While Dr. Barnes' sun was setting, a new planet was pushing above the horizon. Dr. Hughson joined this society in 1837. He was well educated, active, nervous, ambitious, wrapped up in his profession, devoted to his work. Born at Hughsonville, October 31st, 1816, he married a daughter of Dr. Cooper, and this, of course, brought him in close connection with the Cooper's father and son. There was a strong rivalry between Drs. Barnes and Cooper, and the families in which they practiced were zealous friends of their respective doctors. Dr. Hughson was a surgeon naturally, by education and from choice, and his success was far beyond that of any of his predecessors. North, south, east and west he went, far beyond the county lines, in consultation and for operations. His death from consumption, on December 9th, 1857, was all too early, and left a great gap in the profession here. Dr. John R. Cooper was young, full of life and fun; some of his frolics and escapades made the older people shake their heads, and doubt his earnestness. It was this state of affairs that brought Dr. Parker to Poughkeepsie. Mr. James Roosevelt asked his physician, Dr. Fordyce Barker, to recommend a competent man to fill a place vacant here, and Dr. Barker suggested Dr. Parker who came here in 1858.

#### LEWIS H. WHITE, M. D.

Dr. White was born at Somers, Westchester County, March 17th, 1807. His grandfather, father and himself had each two brothers

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besides themselves who were physicians. The doctor attended lectures at the New Haven Medical College, and afterward received an honorary degree from the Medical University of New York. For several years he practiced at Johnsville, removing to Fishkill, succeeding his uncle, Dr. Bartow White. He practiced medicine actively for fifty-eight years, dying September 24th, 1886. During the latter years of his life his time was taken largely up with consultations with his brother doctors, his opinion being sought and valued most highly. He was for eleven years president of this society, and what he did for its welfare and success is a matter of record, for which we feel deep gratitude, and give all praise. In all Dr. White's long and more than usually useful life he gave no offence, made no enemies. Every man who knew him was his friend, and was the better for his friendship. A good physician, a useful citizen, a blameless life, exerting an influence for all that is best, reaching out far beyond our apprehension, long after life is ended. We may thank God for such a life, and take courage.

# EDWARD HAZEN PARKER, M. D.

Edward Hazen Parker, son of Hon. Isaac and Sarah (Ainsworth) Parker, was born in the city of Boston, Mass., in 1823. Dr. Parker graduated from Dartmouth College in 1846, and received his medical degree from Jefferson Medical College in 1848. In the same year he was appointed Lecturer on Anatomy and Physiology at Bowdoin Medical College, and for the following nine years was editor of the "New Hampshire Medical Journal." In 1853 Dr. Parker was called to the chair of Physiology and Pathology in the New York Medical College, and associated himself in practice with Dr. Fordyce Barker in New York City. He at this time established the "New York Medical Monthly," which he continued to edit personally for many years with great ability and success. In 1854 he received the degree of A. M. from Trinity College. In 1858, as the result of overwork, Dr. Parker had serious trouble with his eyes, necessitating his removal from the city, and in the out-door life of a country practice to seek the recovery of his health. He came to Poughkeepsie, where, as a general practitioner and consultant, he practiced his profession for

nearly forty years. He was elected president of the New York State Medical Society in 1862, and in the same year, and in the succeeding one, went to the front as a volunteer surgeon in the service of New York State. The doctor was one of the trustees of, and visiting surgeons to, St. Barnabus Hospital from its opening until it was closed in 1877. In 1877 he was appointed visiting surgeon to Vassar Brothers' Hospital, and elected president of the medical board. Dr. Parker died November 10th, 1896. He was twice married, his first wife, Sarah (Heyderk), died in 1880, leaving three daughters and one son, Dr. Harry Parker, all of whom are living. In 1883 he married Jennie C. Wright, who, with one son, survives her husband. Dr. Parker was a physician of signal competency and skill, and as a surgeon he had few superiors. He was a man of very fine fibre, of unusual cultivation, and of high scholarly attainments. His classical education was sound and liberal, his sympathies most acute; he was also possessed of a fine poetical talent, which, in his busy life, was less frequently exercised than his friends could have desired. The poem, a single verse of which is given below, was composed by Dr. Parker in 1879. It applies most fittingly to his life, which was marked through the long years of his devotion to his work by a conspicuous purity of character, great unselfishness and self sacrifice.

> " Life's race well run; Life's work all done; Life's victory won; Now cometh rest."

#### EDWIN BARNES, M. D.

Dr. Barnes was born in Troy, July 28th, 1824, though his family had lived in this county for generations. Before completing his course at the Albany Medical College, he in 1864 entered the army as a medical cadet, and his degree was given him while in the service. In 1866 he began practice in Pleasant Plains, where he continued until his death, January 22nd, 1904. He had been active in the councils of this society, and was on the consulting staff of Vassar Brothers' Hospital. Dr. Barnes' life has so recently mingled with our own, that it seems superfluous for me to take up your time with its details. The long years in which he went in

and out among his people were filled with works of useful activity, comforting beneficence, bringing good cheer, hope, restored health and vigor. He was an active, useful, successful country practitioner in the best sense of the word. This generation will pass away before Dr. Edwin Barnes' name will cease to be a household word among those whom he served.

And now that we have reviewed the work of the society through these years long past, followed its history through good times and bad times, through prosperity and through adversity, seen it thrive under the leadership of a great metropolitan practitioner, and teacher of medicine, as well as under an unpretentious country doctor, who brought with him enthusiasm, earnestness of purpose, and a friendly interest in all its members. We have followed it as it languished almost to the point of extinction with both city and country presidents, we have all too briefly sketched the principal facts in the lives of its most prominent members, and if we have only done this to pass away the time, to entertain ourselves for a few moments, and then think no more of it all,—then this is time and effort wasted and of no account. This great anniversary should bring with it serious thought. Are we using to the fullest advantage the opportunities now offered to us? The character of the work to be done by the organization has changed from necessity. The passing of a hundred years must alter the relations of a profession, as active and progressive as ours has been, both to the state and to the community in which it is practiced. We as a society no longer admit candidates to practice; we do not censor the morals, or the standing of the members of our profession. (Perhaps there is less need of it.) To-day we stand for the advancement of our profession in our unity, in the benefit derived from our meetings, the work reported, the theories advanced, the consensus of opinions formed as the result of intelligent discussion, and interchange of thought. As an association we are still censors in a larger view; taking account and conserving the best interests, and advancing the well being of the community of which we form a part. In all its sanitary interests and relations anticipating evils that threaten, and striving to abate those already here. This is a higher, broader, a more unselfish work than that done in the earlier history of the society, and it is worth doing well. One thing

stands clearly through all this history, and if we have a proper interest in the welfare of this association we should consider it and profit by the lesson for the society's sake, and that is-that to make a strong, useful organization, one that will have influence in the community, and be of use to ourselves and to others, we must be united with a fixed purpose to advance in every way the profession to which we owe our allegiance, and so much beside. It makes but little difference whether any one or two of us are absent from a meeting, but if at any meeting every one of the eighty members should be present, what an inspiration that of itself would be, how that would incite us to a more active painstaking preparation of the papers to be read, and for the discussion of the topics proposed for debate. And this year, which as our centennial is so much to us in this county, is made infinitely more to us, and to all the state, by the action of the whole medical profession within its borders, for this year sees us for the first time in twenty-four years a united profession by the unanimous action of all its members. Old sores healed, old discords silenced, (we trust forever.) While we have helped in this great union, could we not well be a little more united here? A doctor can afford less than any other man to flock by himself; he grows self-centered, narrow-minded, and stands still professionally, and is of less use to those who turn to him in the hour of their need. We of all men must meet together; exchange views, discuss questions of importance, and profit by it. There are none of us so clever that he cannot learn something, and none so dull that he has not something useful to impart.

On this, the first meeting of a new century, shall we not think of these things, and if we find it worth while, take a new departure. Let us attend the meetings, and with united effort strive to make them successful. On this occasion the closing words of our first president, given in his inaugural address, are just as fitting as they were at that meeting in 1806. "Let me recommend to you unanimity, zeal, and public spirit in the conduct of this institution." If we heed that admonition we will have done our full duty in making the society all that it should be to each and all of us.

# A RECORD OF THE

# Medical Profession of Dutchess County

# 1740-1906.

#### By GUY CARLETON BAYLEY, POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y. 1906

#### HISTORICAL SKETCH.

The first evidence of a doctor practicing in Dutchess County is found in the Assessor's book for 1740, in the County Clerk's It reads, "The doctor of Rhinebeck" (giving the amount office. assessed). These assessors did not keep their books with a view to enlightening future searchers of the past, but only to designate a certain individual for the purpose of assessment, and this designation of "The doctor" would be sufficient if there was but one doctor, as there was here. Then, as the affair developes, the doctor had a hard name to spell; they make four efforts to accomplish this, and we can only judge by the evidence which of the spellings is correct. In 1748 the assessment is made against "Doctor Guselbruht" for five pounds one shilling. In 1750 it is "Doctor Guselbright." In 1754 it is "Doctor Keselbrught." In 1755 it is "Doctor Kisolbright." As during the years 1740 to 1755 there is no other doctor mentioned in Rhinebeck Precinct, and but one other (Dr. Nicholas De La Vergne) in the whole county, we may well believe that "The doctor of Rhinebeck" and "Doctor Kesolbright" are the same. The two letters given below bear directly on this subject, and also tend to show that there was a doctor at Rhinebeck before there was one at Kingston, which proves the opposite of the theory which has so often been advanced that there were doctors in Ulster County long before there were any in Dutchess County, because Ulster had the larger population at that time.

Kingston ye 5th march 1741/2

LOVING SON

I wrote to you before that your Sister Hannah was the Same day you went, taken with Spitting of blood, and black Stuff like Corroded blood and fevourish, and is so weeke with it that wee have two Girles Every night to sit up by her, She Spitts no more blood but is very week your mother is better but still very week has no Stomach to her victuals If Philip more has Recorded a deed which he had of Capt. Barent van Benthuysen Send or bring me a Copy of it. the River will be passable here soon with a Cannoe Yesterday the Rondout Creek was open from the Dock to the midle of the Rivr, alida went home last wednesday.

> Remain with our Love yr affet father GIL: LIVINGSTON

To Henry Livingston Esqr Clarke of the peace of Dutchess County att Mr Yelvertons

Kingston ye 7th. march 1741/2

LOVING SON

I wrote you that yr Sister Hannah was taken ill the same day you left this place and She groes dayly weeker and Cant hold it Long unles it please God to give a Change William Cool Came over Just by Lowerance hendrick this morning who is to Returne with the docter to morrow morning. and I believe that one Can goe over at van wagenen with a cannoe. I want a Copy of a deed from Barent Benthuysen to philip more if it is Recorded. I Remain yor Loving father

GIL: LIVINGSTON

P. S. Your mother is still very week

To Henry Livingston Esqr at Poghkeepsinck.

Here it is shown, that waiting for the ice to go out of the river, these letters were sent over the river in a canoe by a messenger to Rhinebeck who would bring the doctor back with him to

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see the sick girl. In the records of the Reformed Church of Kingston, there is a baptism of a child of Godfried Geisselbracht and wife, Feb. 7th, 1742, and in the record of the Reformed Church of Rhinebeck there is a record of the baptism of a child of the same parents, Sept. 11th, 1743. The last mention that we can find of this doctor in Rhinebeck is in 1755, and about 1760 we find there was "A German, G. Gyselbricht, Surgeon and Practitioner in Physic" in New York City. It would seem reasonable to suppose that he left Rhinebeck for New York between those dates.

It is unfortunate that this is all we can find relating to this most interesting personage, the forerunner of the goodly army now to be found practicing in every town and hamlet throughout the county. Rhinebeck was settled by the Palatines, and the name would show he was one of them. The rest is conjecture.

The second physician whom we find to have been practicing in the county was Dr. Cornelius Osborne of Poughkeepsie, and fortunately we can give of him quite a full and accurate account. There was a Francis Filkins living in Poughkeepsie in those days, and he is known and made celebrated by an account book which he kept, and which has been preserved for our enlightenment. In this book is found the following memorandum : "1745, September 1st. Dr. Cornelius Rasbun agreed with me for twenty shillings per year to doctor my family. He has due one pound." In the assessor's book for 1757 we find Dr. Cornelius Osborne assessed for one pound one shilling at Poughkeepsie. Now we know that this Dr. Osborne was born in England, July 13th, 1723, that he practiced at Poughkeepsie up to the Revolutionary War, that he joined the American Army as a surgeon, and served in the war, and died about one-half mile above Fishkill, at Osborne Hill, on August 23rd, 1782. He left three sons, all doctors, and all dying bachelors They were James, born August 13th, 1748; at the homestead. Peter, born March 4th, 1759; Thomas, born July 27th, 1764. There was a daughter who had a son, Dr. Cornelius Remson. He was born at Newton, L. I., February 14th, 1789. He came to Fishkill, September 7th, 1804, studied medicine with his uncles, and with Dr. Bartow White, he was licensed to practice by the society in 1810, and served as a surgeon in the army during the

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War of 1812. Dr. Remsen practiced medicine at Wappingers Falls and lived there until his death, December 4, 1883.

Another doctor of whom we are fortunate in having quite a detailed account was Dr. William Moore, who was assessed for land in the Middle Precinct, now the Town of Beekman, as early as 1735, although he was not a resident of the county at that time. Dr. Moore was born at Antrim, Ireland, February 12th, 1705, and received his medical education before emigrating. He married Mary Palmer of Stonington, Conn., June 4th, 1729, and was in Union Vale in 1745, but had real estate in Westchester County, where he spent part of the time. He must have settled at his home in Union Vale about 1746. His wife joined the Society of Friends before coming to this county, and he became an active member also, and a noted preacher of the society. He tells us that while he was practicing his professions here (for he preached, practiced law and medicine), after 1745 the roads through Dutchess County were only trails through the woods, marked by blazed trees, impassible for wagons all traveling being on horseback, with wolves and Indians constantly about. Dr. Moore was killed in the woods, his horse returning home without him, while he was making a professional visit on November 25th, 1752. His son, Allan Moore, built the mill which has named the post-office Moore's Mills.

In 1741 there lived in the "Gore," a strip of land between the Great and Little Nine Partners, now called Shekomeko, a "Christian Henry Rauch," a Moravian missionary, teacher and physician. He did not call himself doctor, but he treated the sick for miles around acceptably.

# DR. NICHOLAS DE LA VERGNE.

Dr. Nicholas De La Vergne was born in France in 1703, and tradition says came to this country in 1720 on a French man of war, as a surgeon. He is first found in this county at the Oblong, where he owned a large tract of land. In 1747 he was on his farm, which now forms part of Mr. Okleigh Thorne's place, in the Town of Washington, and in the Supervisors' books for that year he is allowed one pound, one shilling for pasturing twelve horses and serving the assessors. He was a man of affairs, a Justice of the Peace, and a Probate Judge. He speculated in land and practiced his profession and was a man of substance, being assessed in 1748 for thirteen pounds, ten shillings, a large sum for those days. He was known throughout the county as the French doctor, and a dam which he built is known as the French doctor's dam to this day. He died in 1783. Dr. Benjamin De La Vergne was his son.

#### DR. THEODORUS VAN WYCK.

Dr. Theodorus Van Wyck was born at Johnsville (now Wicopee) in 1730. He may have commenced practice about 1752, certainly the earliest doctor in Fishkill. He was a delegate to the Second Provincial Congress in 1775 from New York, where he had been compelled to move on account of his outspoken patriotism. He was elected to the Third Congress in 1776 from Fishkill, and was a member of the committee of Safety during the Revolution. He served in the Second Dutchess Regiment, and afterwards in the Sixth. Dr. Van Wyck practiced medicine actively, and had a fine temper of his own. He died in 1797 and is buried in Rombout Cemetery.

These four were the first physicians practicing in the county. The names of the physicians who followed them are given alphabetically.

#### RECORD.

- Acheson, John Howard. Born Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, August 1st, 1875; graduated Buffalo, 1900; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1900; Hancock, N. Y., 1905.
- Ackert, William S. Born Rhinebeck, December 18th, 1865; graduated Albany, 1891; Rensselaer, 1892–1900; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1901.
- Adams, Elijah. Born February 15th, 1754; army surgeon during the Revolution; died Pine Plains, April 14th, 1837; buried Vedder Church, Gallatin.
- Adams, Frank W. Born Brookfield, Mass., February 14th, 1840; graduated A. B., Amherst, 1862; M. D., Harvard, 1869; Fishkill-on Hudson, 1871-74; Society, 1873; Royalston, Mass., 1906.

Adams, John. Amenia Precinct, 1765.

- Allaborn, Ezra W. Born April 18th, 1820; died Upper Red Hook, December 11th, 1853.
- Allen, Mary E. Graduated Woman's Medical College, Pennsylvania, 1876; Vassar College; Society, 1882.
- Allen, Stephen. Society, 1814.
- Allerton, Cornelius. Born Amenia, July 23rd,1779. Son of Dr. Reuben Allerton. He received a good education, and studied medicine at New Haven, beginning practice at Amenia in 1803. He was a successful physician, and esteemed by all for his charity and kindness of heart. He died at Pine Plains, April 26th, 1855.
- Allerton, Cornelius. Born Pine Plains, May 19th, 1819. A son of Dr. Cornelius Allerton. He was a man of good natural abilities, but erratic and indolent. He died suddenly at Dover Plains, January 15th, 1867.
- Allerton, Reuben. Born Canterbury, Conn., December 25th, 1753. He was unusually well educated for those times, and studied medicine with Dr. Fitch of New Haven, and surgery with Dr. Spaulding of Norwich. He moved to Amenia, and entering the army as a surgeon he was present at the battle of Saratoga and the surrender of Burgoyne. He was in Col. Hopkins' Regiment, 1777. Died Amenia, October 13th, 1808.
- Allison, Henry E. Born Concord, N. H., December 1st, 1851; graduated A. B. Dartmouth, 1875; M. D. Dartmouth, 1878; Superintendent Asylum for Insane Criminals at Auburn, N. Y., July 1st, 1889; Superintendent Matteawan State Hospital, 1882; Society 1893. A man whose honesty of purpose and force of character was so plainly marked in every line of his face as to give him great influence over the unfortunates committed to his care. Eminent in his specialty. Author of many monographs on insanity. Died November 12th, 1904.
- Andrews, Nelson. Born about 1803; Hyde Park and Society, 1835. A peculiar character, penurious, accumulating a large property. Never married. Died 44 Academy Street, Poughkeepsie, July 27th, 1873.

Andrews, Robert Wesley. Born Rochdale, N. Y., September 9th, 1869; graduated Albany, 1898; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1898; active service as Assistant Surgeon U. S. A. in the Philippines, 1899–1902; Poughkeepsie, 1902.

Andrews, Warren B. Society, 1904; H. R. S. H.

- Andrus, Charles Hawley. Born October 13th, 1823; graduated,
  P. & S., 1845; preceptor, Dr. E. R. Grant; Poughkeepsie, 1845; Society, 1854; Assistant Surgeon 128th
  N. Y. V. I., 1862; Medical Inspector, 1864; died Metuchen, N. J., August 13th, 1905.
- Annan, Daniel D. Born Fishkill, June 11th, 1792; Surgeon in war of 1812; Society, 1821; died Matteawan, November 23d, 1834.
- Anthony, Theodore V. W. Born Fishkill, May 31st, 1801; Society, 1825; member of State Legislature, 1834; died Glenham, April 15th, 1868.
- Armstrong, George G. Born Portsmouth, Va., September 8th, 1869; graduated New York University, 1891; Matteawan S. H., 1894; Buffalo S. H., 1906.
- Atwater, John P. Born Carlisle, Pa., 1813; graduated Yale, 1834; Poughkeepsie, 1870; never in active practice; died May 23d, 1897.
- Atwood, Charles E. Graduated Bellevue, 1883; H. R. S. H., 1884-8; Society, 1887; Bloomingdale, 1906.
- Atwood, John W. Born Marion, N. Y., September 14th, 1862: graduated Jefferson, 1888; Marion, 1888–96; Fishkill-on-Hudson and Society, 1905.
- Baker, Benjamin N. Born Montgomery County, Pa., October 2d, 1833; graduated Pennsylvania Medical College, 1857; Surgeon U. S. A., 1862-3; Rhinebeck, 1868; Society, 1878.
- Baker, Claudius. LaGrange and Washington Hollow, 1844.
- Baldwin, Lester Cass. Born Jewett, N. Y., December 14th, 1850; New York University, 1879; Tivoli, 1879.
- Bamford, Thomas E. Born New York City, November 11th, 1867; graduated N. Y. University, 1889; H. R. S. H., 1893-1904; Society, 1894.

- Bard, John. Born Burlington, N. J., February 20th, 1716; died Hyde Park, N. Y., April 1st, 1799; buried St. James' Church Yard.
- Bardin, E. R. Poughkeepsie, 15 Liberty Street, 1866.
- Baright, Herbert Edwin. Born Augusta, Mich., June 3rd, 1868; graduated University Michigan, 1893; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1894-7; Clifton Springs, 1900; New York City, 1906.
- Barnes, Edwin. See Historical Address.
- Barnes, Enos. Clinton and Society, 1815.
- Barnes, John. See Historical Address.
- Barnes, John Henry. Born Poughkeepsie, March 22nd, 1818. Son of Dr. John Barnes. Office in Garden Street, 1852. Died New York City, February 8th, 1880.
- Barnes, Peter. Born Poughkeepsie, October 8th, 1808. A half brother of Dr. John Barnes; graduated P. and S., 1835; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1835; died December 5th, 1870.
- Barnum, Henry Weston. Born Bridgeville, N. Y., January 19th. 1859; Jefferson, 1890; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1890.
- Bartlett, John F. Pine Plains, 1813–1820.
- Bartlett, Richard. Stanford and Society, 1806; Pine Plains about 1850.
- Barton, Leonard. Born Stanford, N. Y., 1769; Society, 1829; died, 1841. A man of more than usual intelligence.
- Barton, Lewis. Born, 1724; practiced in the Town of Stanford, 1770–1801; died, 1813. Father of Dr. Leonard Barton.
- Barton, Thomas Jefferson. Born Valatia, N. Y., 1830; graduated Albany, 1855; Madalin, 1856; Society, 1878; died Tivoli, September 13th, 1903. A well read man; a writer of verses; served in Civil War.
- Basch, Samuel H. Graduated Albany, 1903; Rhinebeck and Society, 1904.
- Bates, H. Elliott. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1892.
- Bates, John. Born November 26th, 1812; Lower Red Hook, succeeding Dr. Benedict; Society, 1841; died June 8th, 1877.

- Bates, Xyris T. Born Lebanon Springs, August 11th, 1839; graduated A. B., Yale, 1862; M. D., Albany, 1867; Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, 1871; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1890; died Poughkeepsie, January, 2nd, 1899.
- Bayard, A. Herbert. Born Leeds, N. Y., October 11th, 1867; graduated Albany, 1889; Society, 1890; Cornwall-on-Hudson, 1900-6.
- Bayley, Guy Carleton. Born Eden Hill, Poughkeepsie, October 16th, 1850; grandson of Dr. Guy Carleton Bayley and great-grandson of Dr. Richard Bayley, of New York City; student of Dr. H. B. Sands; graduate P. and S., 1872; Poughkeepsie, 1872; physician St. Barnabas Hospital and Orphan House; Assistant Surgeon Woman's Hospital, New York City; Surgeon-in-Chief Vassar Brothers' Hospital; Society, 1873.
- Baxter, William. Born Delhi, N. Y., 1805; graduated A. B., Union College; M. D., P. and S., 1831; practiced New York City and Wappingers Falls; died July 3d, 1875.
- Beadle, Edward L. Born Pleasant Valley, N. Y., July 12th, 1807; graduated P. and S., 1829; Society, 1829; practiced Hyde Park, 1834, New York City, 1859; retired, his wife inheriting a large property; Poughkeepsie, 1862; died April 5th, 1882; Vice-President College P. and S.; trustee of many public and charitable institutions; also held many civil offices. A man of high character, very popular, and greatly respected.

Beardsley. Southern Precinct, 1767.

- Beckwith, George S. Born Litchfield, Conn., 1841; graduated Yale; practiced Ballston, N. Y., Pine Plains, 1868; died about 1890.
- Beers, Isaac—Society, 1823.
- Beers, Villeroy. Born, 1789; Society, 1817; died Poughkeepsie, February 28th, 1846.
- Belden, Samuel. Supposed to have settled at Pleasant Valley about 1770. Moved to New York City in 1815, where he died June 4th, 1830, at an advanced age.

- Belding, Silas T. Born Town of Washington, January 6th, 1795. Practiced at Poughkeepsie and Dover, where he died, Januuary 2nd, 1859.
- Bell, William P. Born Gettysburg, Penn., February 25th, 1822; Fishkill Landing, 1850; Society, 1854; died December 4th, 1869.
- Benedict, Abijah G. Born Salem, N. Y., 1790; student of Dr. James Downs of Pleasant Valley; licensed by Dutchess County Society, 1815; Society, 1816; member of the State Legislature, 1835-6; Lower Red Hook, 1816; died October 3rd, 1862.
- Benedict, Abijah G. Born, 1833; P. and S., 1855; Assistant Surgeon 125th N. Y. V. I.; discharged November 18th, 1862; died Red Hook, April 15th, 1873.
- Bennett, James A. Graduate New York University, 1860; Plattsburg, N. Y., 1898; Poughkeepsie 1899.
- Berry, Charles H. Born Mahopac, N. Y., 1842; graduated University Michigan, 1868; Dover Plains, 1868; Society, 1869.
- Berry, Cyrus. Society, 1806; Pleasant Valley after Dr. Ely.
- Bird, J. Sterling. Born Winchester, Conn., August 29th, 1836; graduated P. and S., 1863; Hyde Park, 1865; Society, 1866; died April 3d, 1900.
- Bird, W. Langdon. Born Middletown, Conn., 1867; New York University, 1893; Matteawan S. H.; Society, 1894.
- Blanchard, Walter I. Dartmouth, 1884; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1884; Mt. Vernon, N. H., 1900.
- Blass, Samuel. Society, 1824.
- Bliss, William A. Born Nassau, May 5th, 1841; graduated Albany, 1866; practiced Brooklyn till 1892, when he retired and lived at Spy Hill, Matteawan.
- Bockee, Jacob. Born North East, 1814; graduated Union M. A., 1836; M. D. University Pennsylvania; Society, 1840; in the drug business in Poughkeepsie and Chicago; Brigade Surgeon of Volunteers, 1862; in charge of the Marine

Hospital, New Orleans, 1866; died November 26th, 1885. A scholarly man of retiring disposition.

- Bolton, Edward Clay. Born April 25th, 1818; in the drug business in New Orleans and Poughkeepsie; Society, 1867; died October 19th, 1892.
- Borst, Nelson. Born Cobleskill, N. Y., January 8th, 1857 graduated P. and S., 1889; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1890.
- Bottsford, Charles. Born Connecticut; Wappingers Falls, 1840– 1861, about; Society, 1842; died in Connecticut of consumption.
- Boyce, J. Newton. Born Pine Plains, August 11th, 1873; graduated P. and S., 1895; Contract Surgeon U. S. A., 1900-02; Society, 1898; Stanfordville, 1902.
- Broner. Rombout Patent, 1768.
- Brown, Lewis Henry. Born Amrath, South Wales, September 25th, 1860; Guy's Hospital, London, England, 1887; New York City, 1901; Pine Plains and Society, 1905.
- Brown, Paul Richard. Born New York City, 1847; graduated Berkshire, 1867; Salt Point and Society, 1867; Philipsburg, Pa., 1906.
- Brown, Samuel Herman. Born New York City, August 4th, 1860; A. B. St. Stevens, 1881; M. D. Wurzburg, 1885; son of Dr. S. H. Brown; Madalin, 1885; Tivoli, 1899.
- Brush, Nehemiah. Born August 20th, 1787; died September 3rd, 1843; buried at New Hackensack.
- Bucknum, Amasa. Born England, 1768; graduated Oxford University; Society, 1806; Stanford; in 1854 he was attacked with gangrene of the foot; he amputated the toes himself; died June 15th, 1856, and is buried at the Bear Market. A man of unusual attainments, very stout, fond of a joke, and of cheerful disposition.
- Buffington, Charles E. Graduated Albany, 1874; Troy, 1892; Pawling and Society, 1894.
- Bull, John L. North East; prominent before 1820.
- Bull, Manning. Amenia, 1783.

- Bunce, Philip D. Born Hartford, Conn., August 6th, 1864; graduated A. B. Yale, 1888; P. and S. M. D., 1891; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1894; Hartford, Conn., 1906.
- Burns, Edward M. Born Bulls Head, N. Y., May 19th, 1871; graduated Cornell, A. B., M. D.; P. and S., 1894; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1895.
- Bush, William. Madalin. Successor of Dr. Mixture. A surgeon in the army in 1863, where he lost his life.
- Cady. Rombout Patent, 1759.
- Calkins. At the Oblong before 1750.
- Card, Edson, Jr. Born Stanford, N. Y., January 14th, 1856; P. and S., 1882; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1882; Mahopac, 1884–1905; White Plains, 1906.
- Card, John Alling. Born Poughkeepsie, May 20th, 1876; graduated N. Y. University, 1898; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1898.
- Carhart, Edward W. Born Clinton Hollow, September 23rd, 1856; graduated Albany, 1878; Society, 1878; Milton, 1883; Pine Hill, 1900; Brooklyn, 1893–1906.
- Campbell, Cornelius Nare. Born July 7th, 1825, at Amenia; student of Dr. Eastman of Dover Plains; graduated N. Y. University, 1849; Pawling, 1850; Society, 1854; Stanford to 1862; Surgeon 150th Regiment; Medical Inspector 20th Corps, 1865; Poughkeepsie, 1865; died of pneumonia, December 21st, 1888. A happy, careless, kindhearted, busy, even tempered man, keeping no accounts, and never worrying over business troubles.
- Canfield, Calvert. Born, 1793; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1817; died August 11th, 1860.
- Carey, George. Graduated Bowdin, A. M., 1860; M. D. P. and S., 1866; Madalin, 1889; died at Haulton, Me., November 29th, 1899.
- Carrington, Henry A. Graduated Harvard, 1848; Hyde Park and Society, 1859; Bristol, Conn., 1900.
- Carroll, Robert J. Born Ohio, 1843; graduated Jefferson, 1867; Red Hook, 1876; Society, 1878.

- Carter, Norris M. Born Wilna, N. Y., June 4th, 1838; graduated Albany, 1859; Assistant Surgeon N. Y. S. V., 1862; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1866; Brooklyn, 1880; died August 11th, 1893.
- Carter, William. Poughkeepsie, 1866.
- Cary, Ebenezer. Born at Providence, R. I., February 22nd, 1745. He is said to have been educated at Brown University. He was a taxpayer in Beekman in 1767, and probably settled there about that time; his house, which he built is still standing at Gardner's Hollow. During the Revolutionary War he served as Adjutant of the Fifth Regiment, Dutchess County Militia, 1775–1779, the regiment garrisoning the forts in the Highland, and taking part in the battle of White Plains. He was a member of Beekman Precinct Committee, 1776–78. In civil life he served as a member of the State Legislature at the fourth and eighth sessions, 1780–1 and 1784–5. He was prominent in his profession and active in the affairs of the community where he lived. He died at Beekman, May 10th, 1815.
- Cary, Egbert. Born Beekman, April 12th, 1789; a son of Dr. Ebenezer Cary. He studied medicine with his father and attended lectures at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and was licensed to practice by the Dutchess County Medical Society in 1810. In 1812 he was commissioned Surgeon's Mate of the Fourth Regiment, New York State Cavalry, and in 1818 Surgeon of the same. He served in civil offices in his town, and in 1827 as a member of the State Legislature. Dr. Cary died May 1st, 1862, and is buried in the Rural Cemetery at Poughkeepsie.
- Case, Ephraim. Clinton Corners; died 1876.
- Cavanaugh, William J. Born Bath, N. Y., June 4th, 1874; graduated Albany, 1899; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1902.
- Chaffee, Jerome Stewart. Born Amenia, N. Y.; A. B., Yale;
  M. D., University Pennsylvania, 1897; U. S. A. Medical School, Washington; Amenia Union and Society, 1898; in active service in the U. S. Army and Navy; Sharon, Conn., 1903.

- Chamberlain, John. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1806; died Millerton, 1873.
- Chamberlain, William Young. Born 1815; North East, 1850; died August 26th, 1863.
- Chapman, George B. Born Dover, May 20th, 1849; graduated Medical Department, Yale, 1875; Amenia Union and Society, 1876–88, when he retired on account of ill health.
- Chase, Benjamin. Amenia, 1765.

Chase, Solomon. Amenia, 1767.

Chichester, Isaac. Society, 1817.

- Child, Caleb. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1806.
- Childs, Henry F. Born 1811; graduated Fairfield Medical College 1835; Washington and Society, 1835; died Lithgow, January 1st, 1867. A very short, homely man, with a peculiar individuality; never married; buried at Lithgow, but the body was removed.

Church, John. Society, 1825.

- Churchill, J. H. Graduated Harvard, 1867; Pawling, 1890.
- Clark, Allen. Born 1808; died Stone Church, July 21st, 1882.
- Clark, Frederick, T. Born Granville, Mass., March 27th, 1874; graduated Albany, 1896; H. R. S. H., 1897–1900; Society, 1898.
- Clark, Philo Winchell. Born Millerton, December 18th, 1831; graduated P. and S., 1867; died Millerton, of pneumonia, November 23rd, 1880.
- Clark, Theodore F. H. R. S. H. and Society, 1900.
- Clark, Walter M. Born Belleville, N. Y., July 10th, 1875; graduated Albany, 1896; Matteawan S. H., 1897; Society, 1902.
- Clarkson, Frederick Vermeule. Born New York City; graduated P. and S., 1852; North East, 1865; died Asbury Park, N. J., February 9th, 1902.

Cleary, George. Tivoli.

Cleveland, Joseph Manning. Born Newbury, Mass., 1824; graduated A. B. Princeton, 1846; M. D., P. and S., 1850; H. R. S. H. as Medical Superintendent, 1867-93; Society, 1873. A man of large executive ability and power of organization. At the Hudson River State Hospital the designing of the buildings, the planning of the grounds and his successful administration of the great trust at its inception, constitute a monument to his ability and fidelity.

- Codding, George H. Born Egremont, Mass., August 1st, 1857; graduated P. and S., 1881; Amenia and Society, 1882.
- Coit, Benjamin. Wappingers Falls two years, about 1845, when he removed to California.
- Cole, Charles Edwin. Born Pine Plains, January 29th, 1850; graduated Bellevue, 1872; Jackson Corners, 1872; Pine Plains, 1876-84; died July 23rd, 1884.
- Cole, Peter S. Born February 2nd, 1812; Pine Plains from 1844-68; died at Jackson Corners, November 4th, 1870.
- Coleman. Rhinebeck, 1768.
- Collins, George Milton. Born Fishkill about 1814; University Pennsylvania, 1838–9; died about 1841, aged 27.
- Conklin, Ebenezer H. Amenia Union, 1820; removed to Michigan, 1832.
- Conklin, William James. Born Cornwall, N. Y., January 28th, 1846; son of Dr. Peter Elting Conklin; graduated University New York, 1870; Fishkill village and Society, 1870.
- Cook, Albert Hermon. Born Napanee, Ontario, Canada; graduated Trinity Medical College, Toronto, 1900; Dover Plains and Society, 1904.
- Cook, George W. Clinton and Society, 1806.
- Cook, James S. Born March 17th, 1788; Clinton and Society, 1811; died July 23rd, 1859, at Verbank. Deranged for several years before his death from an injury to his head.
- Cook, Samuel. Poughkeepsie, 1767.
- Cookingham, Harris L. Born Hyde Park, N. Y., 1850; graduated Albany, 1871; Staatsburg and Society, 1872; Red Hook, 1873.

- Cooper, Ananias. The doctors Cooper were all descendants of John Cooper, of Olney, Buckinghampshire, England, who came to America in the ship Hopewell, in 1635, and settled at Lynn, Mass. We first find Dr. Ananias at Bridge Hampton, L. I., in 1755. In 1757 he lived in the Cooper House, on the west side of the Post Road, one mile above Rhinebeck. In 1759 he charged the county ten shillings for doctoring a soldier, the first charge made by a doctor against the county for professional work done. This soldier must have been in the French and Indian War. He was a member of Assembly, 1779–80. He died April 4th, 1797. He had a son, Dr. Charles De Kay Cooper, of Albany.
- Cooper, Jeremiah. Fishkill, 1759. A brother of Ananias Cooper, and probably the father of Dr. John Cooper.
- Cooper, John. Born Fishkill, June 6th, 1786. Student of Dr. Bartow White; graduated P. and S. about 1808. He practiced in Poughkeepsie until the war of 1812, when he entered the service as surgeon, and was stationed at Fort Dearborn until the close of the war, when he returned to Poughkeepsie and remained in active practice until his death, which was in 1863. He was a man of strong character, high principles, and of positive convictions. A contemporary of Dr. John Barnes; they were rivals in business. Dr. Barnes, giving undivided attention to his work, had the advantage. Dr. Cooper had a strain of sporting blood, which led him to keep a stable of thoroughbred horses, which he ran on the old Dutchess track, at East Poughkeepsie, with considerable success in winnings, though they proved an expensive amusement.
- Cooper, John Reed. Born Poughkeepsie, January 25th, 1828; son of Dr. John Cooper. He studied medicine with his father, and attended lectures at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in the years 1848-50. He practiced one year at Wappingers Falls with Dr. Van Duser, when he moved to Poughkeepsie and continued there until his death. In 1861 Dr. Cooper was appointed Surgeon of the Fifth New York Cavalry; he

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served fourteen months, when he resigned. During their last illness, Drs. Hughson, the elder Cooper, and Varick threw their influence in Dr. Cooper's favor; this, with his positive manner and strong character, gave him a commanding position in the profession, and for years he did a large proportion of the surgery in the county. In his practice he trusted to his practical experience, and had no use for theories, and but little for books. He died April 8th, 1887, and is buried at Greenwood.

- Cornelius, La Willa Mott. Born Lafayetteville, N. Y., October 10th, 1858; graduated Bellevue, 1891; Staatsburg and Society, 1894; New York City, 1896; Brooklyn, 1906.
- Cornell, Isaac M. Born Defreestville, N. Y., April 26th, 1851; student of Dr. S. S. Green of La Grangeville; graduated University New York, 1877; New Hamburgh, Wappingers and Society, 1878.
- Corning, J. Leonard. Graduate University of Wurzburg, 1878; H. H. S. H., 1878-82.
- Cortelyou, Laurance V. Born Brooklyn, 1846; graduated A. M., Yale; M. D., Bellevue, 1864; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1873-88; died August 5th, 1896. A man of very eccentric conduct; never practiced actively.
- Cotter, John H. Born pleasant Valley, April 6th, 1851; graduated Albany, 1878; Mount Ross to 1880; Jackson Corners to 1894; Society, 1893, and Poughkeepsie.
- Cotter, John H., Jr. Graduated Albany, 1894; Jackson Corners and Society, 1895; Pine Plains, 1899-05.
- Couch, John W. Amenia and Society, 1821; buried at Brattleboro, Vt.
- Coutant, George Everitt. Born Plattekill, N. Y., September 13th, 1856; graduated Bellevue, 1879; Poughkeepsie, 1879; Society, 1880; New York City, 1904.
- Courtney, J. Elvin. Born Little Plymouth, Va., September 15th, 1860; Matteawan S. H. and Society, 1891; graduated Virginia Medical College, 1883; H. R. S. H., 1898; Denver, Col., 1906.

- Cox, John R. Society, 1820.
- Cramer, William. Born Poughkeepsie, June 1st, 1860; graduated
  A. B., Rutgers, 1879; M D., P. and S., 1883; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1883; physician to Orphan Home.
  A modest, reticent man of studious habit. Died April 4th, 1899.
- Cronk, James M. Born Suydam, N. Y., 1867; graduated Albany, 1898; Hyde Park and Society, 1898.
- Crook, Charles. "Lately married at Poughkeepsie, Dr. Charles Crook to the amiable Miss Polly Marsh of that place;" November 7th, 1786. "The house, instruments, &c., of the late Dr. Charles Crook, to be sold at auction, the house in Poughkeepsie near the English Church;" November 4th, 1788. It is regretable that no further information can be had of this representative of one of the oldest and most respectable of the county families. Their burial plot, on the west side of the Post Road, midway between Taller's Hill and the village, is a scene of desecration and desolation.
- Crosby, Cyrenus. Born April 22nd, 1762; practiced Amenia Union about 1806; Society, 1813; died Amenia, December 22nd, 1832.
- Crosby, Thomas L. Society, 1817; removed to Putnam County.
- Cruse, Thomas K. Born Baltimore, March 3rd, 1849; graduated
  A. M., College City of New York, 1868; M. D., Bellevue, 1870; one year in London, Paris, and Berlin; Wappingers Falls, 1875; Society, 1876.
- Cuck, Daniel. Born August 1st, 1777; Upper Red Hook; died November 1st, 1829.
- Curtes, Charles P. Graduated Bellevue, 1873; Brinckerhoffville and Society, 1873; Fishkill, 1879-85.
- Daly, Richard Randolph. Born Senaca Falls, July 7th, 1866; graduated Physicians and Surgeons, 1888; Matteawan and Society, 1894; Binghamton, 1906.
- Daniels. Southern Precinct, 1767.

Davis, Jacob H. Born 1795 at Pine Plains; student of Drs. Guernsey and Wilber; Mount Ross, 1821; Pine Plains and Society, 1834; died 1857 or '61.

Dayton, Daniel. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1806.

- De Lamater, Abraham. Born 1771; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1807; died Rhinebeck, February 16th, 1841.
- Delano. Amenia, 1788.
- Delavan, David. Pawling and Society, 1806; Dover Plains previous to 1824.
- De La Vergne, Benjamin. Born August 18th, 1742, on his father's farm in the Town of Washington. He studied medicine with his father, and was practicing when the war of the Revolution called him to take an active part. On October 7th, 1775, he was commissioned Captain of the Seventh Company of the Sixth Regiment of Dutchess County Troops, and was soon after given a Majority. He served seven years in the army, and in 1776 was a delegate to the third Provincial Congress in New York City. He was a forceful enterprising man, a leader among his fellows, taking an active part in all the affairs of life, a successful business man, as well as a prominent physician. Dr. De La Vergne was the presiding officer of the meeting at which the Dutchess County Medical Society was organized, elected its first Vice-President, and its second President. He died June 25th, 1830, and is buried at Washington Hollow.
- De La Vergne, Isaac. Born Town of Washington August 11th, 1771; a son of Dr. Benjamin De La Vergne. His license to practice was issued by Jacob C. Bloom, Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, December 8th, 1797. He was of a quiet, retiring disposition, and did not take an active part in affairs, or even in his profession. He died November 1st, 1822, and lies buried with his father at Washington Hollow.

De La Vergne, Nicholas. See page No. 32.

Denny, James. Born Clinton about 1790; practiced at Pine Plains.

- Denny, James Jr. Born October 30th, 1824; practiced at Milan and died there March 3d, 1905.
- Denny, Peter. Born June 9th, 1818. Brother of James, Jr. Died February 18th, 1888.
- Devine, Joel. Born Pleasant Valley, 1810; licensed Dutchess County Medical Society, 1841; practiced Poughkeepsie, 1841-4; Pleasant Valley, 1844-8. Shot a neighbor in a dispute over a line fence. At his trial his father testified: "He is my youngest son, and has never been controlled, but has always had his own way and done as he pleased." Result: A man of uncontrolled temper, intemperate, of bad professional reputation, a murderer and suicide. He cut his throat in jail while waiting for a second trial, November 26th, 1848.
- Dexter, Herman H. Fishkill, 1861.
- Deyo, Elvy. Born New Paltz, 1815; Poughkeepsie; having a drug store, 137 Main Street; died April 29th, 1879.
- Dingman, John Henry. Born, 1876; graduated Albany, 1901; Stuyvesant Falls; Tivoli, 1902; Madalin and Society, 1903.
- Dobson, Waltham H. Born Amherst, Nova Scotia, August 27th, 1858; graduated New York University, 1881; Moorfield Hospital, London, two years; France and Germany, one year; Poughkeepsie, 1890; Society, 1894; Opth. and Aural Surgeon, Vassar Brothers' Hospital; Opth. Surgeon, H. R. S. H.
- Dodge, Daniel L. Society, 1817; Hyde Park, 1861.
- Dodge, Jeremiah. Society, 1806.
- Dodge, John. Society, 1808.
- Dodge, Samuel. Born, 1820; graduated Albany, 1847; Washington and Society, 1854; preceptor, Dr. John Dodge, Poughkeepsie, succeeding Dr. Hillis, 1861, at 334 Mill Street; died Poughkeepsie, June 29th, 1863.
- Dorland, Elias T. Born East Hamburgh, N. Y., April 12th, 1830; La Grangeville, 1854–66; died Buffalo, N. Y., 1902.

- Doughty, John H. Born La Grangeville, 1832; graduated A. B., Williams College, 1858; M. D., Michigan University, 1863; entered army as an Assistant Surgeon, resigning in 1865 as Medical Director; Society, 1890; Matteawan, 1866; died January 28th, 1905.
- Doughty, Phoebe V. V. Matteawan and Society, 1904. Daughter of Dr. J. H. Doughty.
- Doughty, Thomas J. Born May 5th, 1865; graduated University Michigan, 1896; Matteawan and Society, 1897; died August 2nd, 1898; son of Dr. J. H. Doughty.
- Dowe, Harry P. New York University, 1886; Pawling, 1899.
- Downs, James. Clinton and Society, 1806; Pleasant Valley with and after Dr. Ely.
- Du Bois, Henry K. graduated Bellevue, 1870; Bangall, 1884.
- Dumond, John D. W. Bellevue, 1886; Millerton, 1892; Kingston, 1898.
- Duncan, Richard F. Graduated Albany, 1887; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1889; Providence, R. I., 1900.
- Dunning, Philo. Society, 1819.
- Dwan, John M. Born August 25th, 1833, in Orange County; graduated Albany, 1861; Pleasant Valley, 1861; died March 26th, 1884.
- Eastman, John R. Pawling and Society, 1836.
- Ebstein, Ludwig. Born Germany, 1818; graduated University of Berlin; Poughkeepsie, 1850; Surgeon N. Y. S. V., 1863; Society, 1859; returned to Germany, 1867, and died at Breslau, March 17th, 1886.
- Eddy, Casper W. Rhinebeck and Society, 1817.
- Elliot, John G. Graduated Buffalo, 1897; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1900-2. Dead.
- Ely, William. Clinton and Society, 1806. Had at one time a large practice, but he became a drunkard, neglected his work, and died in the alms house.

- English, James R. Born Elizabeth, N. J., August 8th, 1865; graduated P. and S., 1890; Fishkill and Society, 1894; Newark, N. J., 1895.
- Ensign, Lee. Graduated P. and S., 1844; Clinton and Society, 1841.
- Esselstyne, Richard. Society, 1820. In the cemetery of Stone Church, just north of Rhinebeck, there is a well-kept lot and a stone with this inscription: "Friends of the late Dr. Richard Esselstyne, feeling that some insignia commemorative of his worth and services is justly due to him, have placed this stone and epitaph over his grave. Born in 1795, he died February 12th, 1868, in his 73rd year. Of him it may be truly said, he was a Christian and philanthropist, and professionally self-sacrificing in the extreme; for neither inclemency of weather nor calls at unseasonable hours, or even the certainty of services illy repaid, ever deterred him from performing his duty to his fellow-man; and thus he left to the world, at least, this proof of his love for his Creator."
- Evans, John. Society, 1830.
- Everett, Elmon. North East, and Society, 1821.
- Everett, Thomas J. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1832.
- Farewell, Gertrude. Graduated Woman's Medical College, New York City, 1878; Vassar College, 1891.
- Ferdinand. Rombout, 1765.
- Fink, Austin T. Born Westchester County, November 16th, 1843; graduated New York University, 1869; Freedom Plains, 1869; Society, 1870.
- Flemming, Mark L. Born Townsburg, N. J., June 12th, 1880; graduated Cornell, 1901; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1904.
- Fletcher, Charles L. Born Milton, Vt., 1851; graduated Vermont University, 1873; South Dover, 1881; Society, 1883; Wing's Station, 1906.
- Fletcher, Frederick. Society 1835.

- Foreman, James H. Born Kent, N. Y., April 19th, 1852; graduated University N. Y., 1877; Hopewell, 1877; Society, 1878; moved to New York City.
- Fowler, Benjamin Maltby. Born Northford, Conn., January 2nd, 1821; studied with Dr. L. W. Stanton, 1842, and with Dr. N. B. Ives in New Haven; graduated Yale, 1845; practiced first at Durham, Conn., and removed to Poughkeepsie, 1856. He was a man of buoyant temprament and winning personality, and was fast building up a large and successful practice at the time of his death, which occurred all too early, on September, 8th, 1858.
- Fowler, Peter D. Society, 1817.
- Fowler, Theodore. Society, 1834; died 1872.
- Frisby, Joseph. Born 1787; Society, 1813; died Rhinebeck, August 11th, 1814.
- Gains, Josiah. There is in the Fisher Library at Vassar Brothers' Hospital a small book entitled "Arostittis Compleat and Experienced Midwife, London, n, d, 10th Edition." On the fly leaf is written, "Josiah Gains Man Midwife. His Book 1755. Man Midwife at Poughkeepsie." And here we have our first specialist, though it does not appear that he claimed the title of doctor.
- Gerow, Elizabeth H. Born Plattekill, N. Y.; graduated University Michigan, 1875; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1875.
- Gilbert, Wheeler. Born 1791; Beekman and Society, 1811; a Member of the Legislature and a County Judge; died June 10th, 1847.
- Gill, Charles Robert Jr. Graduated A. B, Princeton, 1881; M.
  D., P. and S., 1884; Assistant Surgeon U. S. A., Manilla, Philippine Islands; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1903; Porto Rico, 1904.
- Gill, Robert Thomas. Born Camelot, July 6th, 1821; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1854; died July 1st, 1873; he took a more active interest in his farm than in his profession; graduated A. B., Yale, 1842; M. D., Jefferson, 1846.

Goodell, J. F. Millbrook.

- Grant, Edmund F. Licentiate of the Sullivan County Society; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1837; at "Eden Hill;" lost with steamship Artic in 1853.
- Grant, James Preston. Born New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, October 31st, 1872; graduated McGill, 1895; L. R. C. P., 1900;
  M. R. C. S., London; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1902.
- Grey. Society, 1859.
- Green, Leonard Carpenter. Born March 26th, 1827; graduated P. and S., 1848; died Monterey, California, July 30th, 1852.
- Greensword, Matthias P. Born Porta Rico, 1825; Society, 1866; became unethical in his practice and his name was dropped from the roll; died June 12th, 1899.
- Green, Stephen S. Born Starksboro, Vt., January 9th, 1839; graduated New York University, 1864; Assistant Surgeon U. S. N., 1864; LaGrangeville and Society, 1867; Buffalo, 1875.
- Guernsey, Calvin P. Born 1811, Clinton; died December 3d, 1855.
- Guernsey, Desault. Born Milan, June 13th, 1830; student of Dr Willard Parker; graduated P. and S., 1850; Assistant Physician at Quarentine. In 1862 Surgeon N. Y. S. V. His horse fell on him at Port Hudson, necessitating his resignation; Amenia and Society, 1866; Vice-President New York State Medical Association at the time of his death, December 9th, 1885.
- Guernsey, Ezekiel H. Born Amenia, April 12th, 1775; Stanford and Society, 1806; Doctors Calvin P. and Peter B. were his sons; died September 17th, 1853.
- Guernsey, Peter Bennett. Born February 7th, 1804; Clinton and Society, 1826; licensed by the State Society, 1831; New York City forty years; died November 26th, 1873.
- Gribbon, Henry Alexander. Born Passaic, N J., January 24th, 1877; graduated University and Bell, 1899; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1902,
- Gyselbright, Godfried. See page No. 29.

- Haidlauf, Joseph. Born Hohenzollern, Germany, June 19th, 1825; graduated Wurzburg, 1860; New York University, 1882; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1882; died October 28th, 1894.
- Haight, Charles. Born June 15th, 1806, in Town of Washington; Society 1828; practiced Four Corners till 1845; died Poughkeepsie, September 26th, 1891.
- Hall, Asahel. Born April 6th, 1792; Society 1829; practiced Fishkill and Matteawan about 1836; died Poughkeepsie, July 25th, 1877.
- Hall, Joseph. Practiced at the Clove about 1823; from Westchester County.
- Halsey, Abraham. Fishkill and Society, 1806.
- Hammond, Thomas, Jr. New York University, 1845; Dover, 1845–85; Millerton and Society, 1888.
- Hammond, Thomas. Surgeon in war of 1812; Dover and Society, 1821-69; died Port Huron, Mich., May, 1880.
- Hanes, Edward L. Born Chenango Forks, June 2nd, 1871; graduated Albany, 1899; H R. S. H., 1903.
- Harkness, James Rev. Born Roxburyshire, Scotland, March 3rd, 1803; graduated University Edinburgh. A Presbyterian minister at Fishkill Landing, who practiced medicine among his congregation; died July, 1878.
- Harley, Mary. Graduated W. M. College, New York, 1892; Vassar College, 1904.
- Harris, Isham G. Born Paris, Texas, February 23rd, 1867; graduated New York University, 1890; H. R. S. H., 1891; Society, 1893.
- Hart, Henry A. Born New Britain, Conn., 1828; graduated P. and S., 1854; Millerton, 1874.
- Harvey, Albert B. Born Middlesex County, Massachusetts, March 2nd, 1817; graduated Woodstock, Vt., about 1842; practiced Shrewsbury, Vt., 1842; Poughkeepsie, 1844; Society, 1854; Physician St. Barnabas Hospital; an earnest, kindly man, of simple, unassuming life; died July 5th, 1882.

- Harvey, Clarence. Born Manchester, N. H., October 2nd, 1849; graduated New York University, 1880; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1881; a nephew of Dr. A. Harvey; died December 26th, 1883.
- Hasbrouck, Alfred. Born Gardner, N. Y., July 17th, 1820; graduate A. B., Yale, 1844; student of Dr. J. Barnes; graduated M. D., P. and S., 1848. Dr. Hasbrouck was tall, and in the later years of his long life his figure was remarkable for its erectness. He was quiet and unassuming in his ways and possessed a generous nature, which was ever open to the appeals of the needy and distressed. He felt strongly and clung to his convictions with tenacity and was firm in upholding what he believed was right. Dr. Hasbrouck was an attending physician at St. Barnabas Hospital until its close, and afterwards of Vassar Brothers' Hospital; died May 9th, 1903.
- Hasbrouck, Stephen. Born April 24th, 1794; A. B., Union College, 1815; student of Dr. B. White; M. D., P. and S., 1817; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1820-23; New York City to 1864; Jersey City, where he died December 28th, 1881. Decided in his convictions, temperate in his habits, upright in all his ways, he commanded respect among all who knew him. He was a scholar of more than ordinary attainments, and took an active editorial part in the "Christian Intelligencer."
- Haskins, Asahel. Amenia, 1804.
- Hastings, William J. Born February 5th, 1843; Pleasant Valley; died June 1st, 1875.
- Haviland, George T. Tivoli and Society, 1887.
- Hayt, Ralph Augustus. Born Fishkill, N. Y., November 11th, 1877; graduated P. and S., 1900; Fishkill and Society, 1902.
- Hazeltine, Hermon E. Matteawan S. H., 1904, and U. S. A.
- Heaton, Adna. Born New Haven, Conn., May 22nd, 1762; student of Dr. Perry; Amenia, 1784; removed to Plattekill, 1800; died April 24th, 1827. A minister of the Society of Friends and a successful practitioner.

- Hennessy, Frank A. Graduated Albany, 1896; Society and New Hackensack, 1898.
- Henry, Sidney. Mabbettsville.
- Herrick, Walter. Born Milan, 1820; graduated Berkshire, 1849; Pine Plains, 1850; Milanville about 1866; Society, 1879. "A nice old gentleman."
- Hicks, Robert L. Society, 1817. On June 2nd, 1819, Dr. Hicks moved to just below the Poughkeepsie Hotel on Main Street.
- Hillis, James Grove. Born October 4th, 1825; U. S. M. Academy, West Point. On Gen. Scott's Staff during the Mexican War. Received two medals for personal bravery. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1854. A proud, high strung, well educated man, of generous impulses, but unable to resist temptation. His untimely death followed one of his absences from home; died January 19th, 1861.
- Hillman, John. Society, 1819.
- Hoag, Arthur F. Born North East, November 11th, 1856; graduated P. and S., 1879; Amenia and Society, 1879; Millerton.
- Hoespells, Hendrick. Oblong, 1793.
- Hoff, Alexander H. Society, 1845.
- Holbrook, Mellen R. Born New Hampshire, February 7th, 1824; graduated Woodstock, 1850; Poughkeepsie, 1861; Society, 1866.
- Holden, Edwin. Union Vale and Society, 1833-61.
- Hooker, William. Society, 1822; Dover about 1830.
- Hopkins, Frank Tucker. Born Northampton, Mass., September 8th, 1857; graduated P. and S., 1885; Fishkill on-Hudson, 1889; Socitey, 1890; New York City, 1893.
- Hopkins, William H. Born Carmel, N. Y., 1814; Yale, 1837; Society, 1839; Sprout Creek, purchasing the place and practice of Dr. Sleight; died Hyde Park, May 22nd, 1890.
- Hosack, David. Born New York City, August 31st, 1769; graduated A. B. Princeton, 1789; student of Dr. Richard Bayley; Medical College, Philadelphia, 1791; Edinburgh,

1794; Union College, L. L. D.; F. R. S., London; F. R. S., Edinburgh; Society, Hon., Hyde Park; died New York City, December 22nd, 1835.

- Howland, George T. Born New York City, 1853; graduated Bellevue, 1886; Athens, N. Y., 1886; Poughkeepsie, 1895-8; Washington, D. C., 1890.
- Hoyt, Daniel James. Born Galway, N. Y., January 29th, 1872;
  A. B. Union University, 1899; M. D., University Vermont, 1902; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1903.
- Hoyt, Edwin S. Born Pleasant Plains, N. Y., April 5th, 1845; graduated Albany, 1874; Society, 1875; Schultzville, 1899.
- Hubbard. Amenia, 1860; removed to Brewsters.
- Hughson, Benjamin. Born Hughsonville, January 2nd, 1799; Fishkill and Society, 1822; died February 9th, 1856.
- Hughson, Walter. See Address.
- Hurlbert, P. R. Born 1781; Poughkeepsie to 1855; died Troy, N. Y., April 4th, 1855.
- Hull, William Bird. Born Pine Plains, June 26th, 1852; graduated P. and S., 1874; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1874; retired, 1880.
- Hunting, Edward. Was married May 20th, 1790. Dr. Bartow White bought his home and practice at Fishkill in 1805.
- Hunting, Isaac M. Graduated University Pennsylvania, 1841; Stanford and Society, 1871; died 1893.
- Huntington, George. Born East Hampton, April 9th, 1850; son of Dr. George Lee Huntington, and grandson of Dr. Abel Huntington; graduated P. and S., 1871; practiced East Hampton to 1874: LaGrange and Society, 1874. Dr. Huntington first described a peculiar form of hereditary chorea, which is known as "Huntington's Chorea." Hopewell Junction, 1906.
- Hurd, Curtis J. Millerton and Society, 1823; moved to Manlius, N. Y., 1837; dying there.

- Hurd, Darwin E. Son of Dr. Curtis J.; North East, 1833; Millerton.
- Hurd, George F. Born 1808; graduated Pittsfield, 1829; Pleasant Valley, 1831-41; Society, 1833; Fayetteville, 1841-54; died Rochester, December 1st, 1854.
- Hurd, Milo. North East and Society, 1816.
- Husted, Frank A. Born La Fayetteville, N. Y., May 3rd, 1876; graduated Albany, 1892; Wassaic and Amsterdam, 1898.
- Hustis, Cornelius. New York University, 1865; Matteawan and Society, 1875-83; died a wanderer.
- Hyde, Clinton J. Born Brooklyn, Conn., September 25th, 1880; graduated Bellevue, 1903; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1904.
- Ingersoll, Stephen M. Society, 1819.
- Ivie, Charles William. Graduated A. B. St. Stevens, 1880; A.M. Columbia University; M. D., P. and S., 1898; HydePark and Society, 1900.
- Johnson, George Quincy. Born Hillsdale, December 5th, 1859; graduated P. and S., 1882; Pine Plains, 1885–95; Society, 1893; Ardsley, 1906.
- Jones, Luther C. Graduated P. and S., 1889; Matteawan, 1889– 93; died 1900.
- Judd, Stoddard. Born Sharon, Conn., May 23rd,1797; Stanford, Dutchess County, 1798; Union Vale and Society, 1819; LaGrange previous to and after 1832; Member of Legislature, 1836; 1850 at Waushaba, Wis. A nephew of Dr. Uri Judd.
- Judd, Uri. Born Waterbury, Conn., 1775. Grandson of Dr. Benjamin Judd, a noted doctor of Connecticut; North East and Society, 1806; Milo, Yates County, 1831; Penn Yan, N. Y., 1850. A very prominent man professionally.
- Julian, John M. Born Hoboken, April 25th, 1854; son of Dr. John M. Julian; graduate L. I. C. Hospital, 1880; Moore's Mills, 1880-92; Society, 1885; Pleasant Valley, 1906.
- Junghans, Ludwig Herbert. Born Baden, 1835. Graduated Munich, Warsburg, 1856; Poughkeepsie about 1880–87.

- Kellogg, Abner Otis. Born Colchester, Conn., April 24th, 1820; graduated Berkshire, 1844; P. and S., Canada, 1849; H.
  R. S. H., 1871-84; Society, 1873; died Kentland, Ind., September 21, 1888. A large, heavy man, loving his ease and his books. A student of Shakespeare, whom he quoted aptly and dramatically in his papers, which were scholarly and instructive and always most acceptable to the Society.
- Kellogg, Theodore H. Born South Carolina, May, 1841; graduated Bellevue, 1865; Norwich University, Vermont, A. B., 1862, and A. M.; served in 7th R. I. Cavalry in Civil War; studied four years in Europe; H. R. S. H., 1888-91; Society, 1891; Flushing, 1892; Medical Superintendent Willard, 1892-5; private hospital, Riverdale, 1897-1906.
- Kieb, Raymond F. C. Born Lowville, August 24th, 1881; Cornell University, A. B., 1902; M. D., 1904; Matteawan S. H.
- Kierstead, Hans. Born Kingston, N. Y., 1743; July; Rhinebeck, 1769; died September 29th, 1811.
- Kimball, Grace N. Graduated W. M. C. of New York City, 1892; Poughkeepsie, 1899; Society, 1900.
- Kindred, John J. Born Southampton County, Virginia, July, 1864; Univ. Hospital College, Louisville, Ky., 1889; H.
  R. S. H., 1890–1; Society, 1891; River Crest Sanitarium, Astoria, N. Y., 1906.
- Kinkead, John. Born Lexington, Ky., December 30th, 1848; graduated Bellevue, 1872; New York City to 1879; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1879; retired 1890; Opthal. and aural surgeon Vassar Brothers' Hospital.
- Kipp, Isaac. Born 1733; Rhinebeck, 1760; died January 11th, 1815.
- Kittredge, Charles M. Born Mt. Vernon, N. H., 1838; graduated A. B. Amherst, 1862; M. D., Harvard, 1867; Line Officer 1862-5 in Civil War; Hyde Park; Fishkill-on-Hudson, 1870; Society, 1875; died August 19th, 1896.

- Knapp, David A. Born New Fairfield, Conn., June 13th, 1820;
  student of Dr. Ezra P. Bennett, of Danbury, Conn.; graduated New York University, 1845; North Clove, 1846;
  Society, 1866. Son of Dr. Isaac Knapp.
- Knickerbacker, Philip H. Born 1804; student of Dr. Broadhead, of Clermont; Upper Red Hook and Society, 1828; died April 9th, 1864.
- La Grange, John H. Albany, 1871; Glenham and Society, 1882 to 1894.
- Lamb, Joseph T. Born New York City, July 9th, 1834; graduated Bellevue, 1867; New York City and Hudson till 1880; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1880; retired, 1888.
- Lamb, Robert B. Born Jamestown, N. Y., August 1st, 1869; graduated Albany, 1891; Matteawan S. H. and Society, 1893; Medical Superintendent Matteawan S. H., 1906.
- La Monte, Austin. Born Charlotteville, N. Y., 1837; graduated Un. Mich., 1861; Hyde Park and Society, 1861-76; Carmel, 1906.
- Landon, Walter R. Born 1790; died Rhinebeck June 11th, 1855.
- Langdon, Charles Henry. Born New York City, May 22nd, 1853; P. and S., 1874; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1876–1905; died November 15th, 1905.
- Lathrop, William. Born 1760; Washington about 1785; Society, 1806; died April 18th, 1812. A well educated, successful physician, with the degree of M. D.
- Lape, Frederick Thomas. Born Athens, N. Y., December 21st, 1873; graduated P. and S., Baltimore, 1896; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1898; died Athens, September 4th, 1905.
- Latson, John Rodney. Born Rhinebeck, 1838; graduated Castleton, Vt.; Acting Assistant Surgeon U. S. N.; died 1900.
- Laughran, Elbert DuBois. Born April 16th, 1880, at Kingston, N. Y.; son of Dr. E. H. Laughran; graduated P. and S., 1902; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1904.
- Leach, George W. Graduated P. and S., 1833; A. M., Hon. Wesleyan, 1846; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1833.
- Leonard, Alpheus. Amenia Union about 1806; died 1829.

- Le Roy, Irving Deyo. Born Highland, N. Y., April 18th, 1859; graduated Albany, 1883; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1884.
- Lewis, James M. Graduated University Buffalo, 1880; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1888.
- Lewis, Jonathan, "The Tory." Practiced at Pine Plains before the Revolution. He had to move to Nova Scotia till the end of the war. On returning his life was made so unhappy for him by his patriotic neighbors, that he hung himself in the attic of his house, the Dibble-Booth house, in 1783.
- L'Hommedieu, Elias. Society, 1816.
- Linsly, William B. Born New York City, 1840. Son of Dr. Jared Linsly. Graduated P. and S., 1864. During the Civil War was assistant surgeon for 18 months; Pawling, 1880; Society, 1882; died June 10th, 1890.
- Loomis, Robert. LaGrange and Society, 1831.
- Losee, Edwin Knickerbocker. Born Upper Red Hook, May 16th, 1863; graduated A. B. Rutgers, 1885; M. D., P. and S., 1888; Upper Red Hook, 1890.
- Losee, Elmore. Born Saratoga County, May 23rd, 1821; graduated Castleton, 1846; Red Hook, 1850; Bangall, 1852; Society, 1854; died September 2nd, 1904.
- Losee, Harvey. Born Upper Red Hook, March 30th, 1867; graduated New York University, 1878; Upper Red Hook, 1902-4.
- Losee, John E. Born Washington, September 18th, 1826; graduated Albany, 1852; Red Hook, 1853; Society, 1878; died December 20th, 1900.
- MacKenzie, David Hugh. Born Nova Scotia, April 24th, 1860; graduated New York University, 1889; Mabbettsville and Society, 1899; Millbrook.
- MacNichol, B. W. Graduated Jefferson, Pa., 1884; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1884; Westchester County, 1899; died June 22nd, 1900.
- Maney, James. Licensed by the State Society, 1809; Fishkill and Society, 1809.

- Mann, Frederick J. Born Utica, N. Y., October 13th, 1870; graduated Buffalo University, 1893; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1896; Poughkeepsie, 1899.
- Marill, Joaquim. Born Havana, Cuba, December 21st, 1841. Assistant Surgeon Volunteer Infantry, 1861. Taken prisoner at Bull Run; in Libby prison till 1864. Discharged from service, 1865. Spanish army in Cuba, 1866-70. Highland till 1874; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1875.
- Marks, Louis Henry. Born Auburn, N. Y., September 17th, 1872; graduated Trinity, Toronto, 1896; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1902.
- Marriot, Jonathan. Society, 1820.
- Marschesseault, W. Wilfred. Graduated Harvard, 1888; Matteawan, 1902.
- Marvin, Jonathan D. Society, 1808.
- Masters. Amenia, 1794.
- Mathews, Adelbert C. Born Little France, N. Y., July 12th, 1875; graduated Baltimore, 1903; H. R. S. H., 1905.
- McCambridge, Charles J. Born Kingston, September 25th, 1875; graduated Queens, Canada, 1898; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1900.
- McClaury, Abram. Born Kortright, N. Y., February 4th, 1821; Cairo till 1876; Pleasant Valley; died January 13th, 1897.
- McFarland, Warren C. Born Brooklyn, N. Y., November 6th, 1865; graduated Yale, 1887; Matteawan and Society, 1893.
- McGrath, E. C. Poughkeepsie; office 126 Main Street, 1861.
- McLellan, Charles H. P. Born Gorham, Me., June, 1803; died April 2nd, 1862. A gentleman and a scholar. Retired and opened a school for girls, which was successful.

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Mead, Isaac Newton. Born Amenia, September 13th, 1840; graduated P. and S., 1866; a student of Dr. L. P. Wood of Millerton. Entered the army in 1862 as a private; promoted to be Assistant Surgeon and mustered out in 1865; Society, 1867; Amenia, 1869.

- Mellen, Samuel F. Born Pietermariztburg, Natal, South Africa; graduated New York University, 1884; H. R. S. H., 1900; Society, 1901.
- Merritt, Frank D. Born Camden, N. J., February 18th, 1870; graduated P. and S., 1893; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1895; Lame Deer, Montana, 1900; Auburn, Wash., 1906.
- Metcalf, Raymond F. H. R. S. H. and Society, 1900.
- Miller, George Norton. Born Rhinebeck, September 27th, 1857; graduated A. B., Harvard, 1879; M. D., Harvard, 1882; Vienna and Heidelburg, 1882-4; Rhinebeck; never practiced.
- Miller, Matthias B. Amenia, 1780–93.
- Miller, Walter B. Graduated Albany, 1882; Millerton, 1900.
- Mills, John D. Born Dover, N. J., December 6th, 1811; Poughkeepsie, 1884; Society 1889; died Pleasant Valley, December 26th, 1893.
- Mitchell, Frederick De Vine. Born Millbrook, June 22nd, 1859; graduated Bellevue, 1880; Pawling, 1899.
- Mixture. Madalin, succeeded by Dr. William Bush.
- Moith, Julius Edgar. Born Fishkill Landing, September 22nd, 1855; graduated P. and S., 1879; Matteawan and Society, 1879.
- Mosher, Eliza Maria. University Michigan, 1875; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1875; Brooklyn 1906.
- Murdock, George W. P. and S., 1867; Assistant Surgeon U. S. V., 1865; Cold Spring, Putnam County; Society 1894.
- Murphy, Franklyn N. Born Williamsburgh, N. Y., June 14th, 1876; graduated L. I. C. Hospital 1899; Staatsburg and Society, 1902.
- Myer, Elizabeth R. G. W. M. C., New York City, 1877; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1890; Turner, N. Y., 1905.
- Nairn, B. Ross. Buffalo, 1895; H. R. S. H., 1902-4.
- Nelson, Jay O. Graduated P. and S., 1890; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1895; Chicago, 1900.

- Nelson, Theophelus. Born October 17th, 1798; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1823. A partner of Dr. Platt of Rhinebeck, and the surgeon of that section. Died April 4th, 1872.
- Nelson, Thomas J. Society, 1821; removed from the county about 1825.
- Newcomb, John E. Society, 1830.
- Newcomb, Zaccheus. Born July 22nd, 1767; Pleasant Valley; died August 30th, 1831.
- Nicholson, Clarkson A. Born South East, Putnam County, December 29th, 1821; graduated University New York, 1847; Beekman, 1847; Society, 1859. He had the advantage of a tall and commanding figure, and his manner inspired confidence in his professional ability. Died Sylvan Lake, January 14th, 1886.
- Northrop, Mortimer C. Graduated New York Medical College, 1857; North East previous to 1864; South Dover and Society, 1867; Pleasant Valley, 1902.
- Noxon, Robert. Born Poughkeepsie, July 31st, 1750; student of Dr. Robert Thorn; lived at 83 Market street, Poughkeepsie and Society, 1806.
- O'Byrne, William J. Born Savanah, Ga., 1845; graduated St. John's University, A. M., 1868; M. D., Bellevue, 1870; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1873; Mott Haven, 1878; physician St. John's University, Asylum for deaf mutes and St. Joseph's Hospital.
- O'Rielly, Miles J. Albany, 1874; Fishkill-on-Hudson, 1900.
- Orton, Henry Tudor. Born Woodbury, Conn., August 17th, 1782; A son of Dr. Samuel Orton; Hart's Village and Society, 1828. He spent a long and useful life in the practice of his profession. In his later years he was remarkable for his custom of always making his calls on horseback, a custom which at one time was universal from necessity, but which long before his death had given place to driving by all the doctors except himself. Summer and winter, rain and shine, Dr. Orton could be seen any day jogging along the country roads on his trotting horse, with his saddle

bags filled with medicine any time up to 1864. He had a wide circuit to ride, and attended to business faithfully. He was greatly beloved and respected. He died in 1864, leaving a considerable fortune, and is buried by the side of his father in Woodbury Cemetery, Conn.

- Osborne, Cornelius. See page 31.
- Osborne, James. See page 31.
- Osborne, Peter. See page 31.
- Osborne, Thomas. See page 31.
- Pain, Barnabas. Born Canterbury, Conn., 1738; practiced in Amenia as early as 1767, and died there June 6th, 1822. He was a man of peculiar and decided views.
- Pain, Ichabod B. Born Amenia, 1790; licensed by the State Society, 1812. The Doctors Paine and Payne are all descendants of the Rev. Solomon Pain of Canterbury, Conn. He died August 1st, 1819. Society, 1817.
- Pain, Ichabod Sparrow. Born Canterbury, Conn., September 11th, 1736. The seventh son and ninth child in a family of fifteen. Crum Elbow, 1759; died at or near Amenia before 1774.
- Palmer, Floyd. Born Hamden, N. Y., June 11th, 1873; graduated Un. and Bellevue, 1899; Matteawan S. H., 1903; Glens Falls, N. Y., 1906.
- Parker, Edward Hazen. See address.
- Parker, Flavius. Born Mexico, N. Y., February 3rd, 1867; graduated Albany, 1893; M. S. H., 1900; New York City, 1902.
- Parker, Harry F. Born August 24th, 1860; Poughkeepsie; graduated Jefferson, 1883; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1883; Montclair, N. J., 1906.
- Parsons, Frederick W. Born Buffalo, November 13th, 1875; graduated Buffalo, 1901; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1904.
- Parsons, Ralph W. Born New York City, October 1st, 1867; graduated P. and S., 1890; H. R. S. H., 1890-3.

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- Payne, John Chester. Born Amenia, April 3rd, 1819; graduated Berkshire, 1748; Amenia and Society, 1854; Poughkeepsie, 1858. Dr. Payne was ship's surgeon on the "Dreadnaught" under Captain Samuels for several voyages, and visited the hospitals of London and Paris while waiting between trips. He was a man of gentle manner, kindhearted, and had an inexhaustible fund of anecdote which made him popular with young and old. Physician to St. Barnabas and Vassar Brothers' Hospitals. Died April 10th, 1899.
- Pearce, George Stark. Born Pawling, N. Y., October 28th, 1872.
  Son of Dr. Henry Pearce. Pawling, 1895; Dover Plains, 1902; graduated P. and S., 1895.
- Pearce, Henry. Born Pawling, N. Y., March 1st, 1833; graduated University Michigan, 1857; Assistant Surgeon 150th Regiment, N. Y. S. V. While on the march to Lookout Mountain his horse fell on him, crushing his left leg, necessitating its amputation above the knee. Continued practice at Pawling until his death, December 30th, 1905.
- Pearsall, Gilbert. Pleasant Valley, 1861.
- Pearson. Fishkill Landing for four years with Dr. Bull. Moved west.
- Pease, Caroline S. Woman's Medical College, Pa., 1887; H. R. S. H., 1890-4; Troy, 1889.
- Peck, Edgar F. Stanford and Society, 1830.
- Peck, George. Born Town of Milan, April 8th, 1813; practiced and died in Town of Stanford, October 13th, 1873. (I believe that Edgar F. and George were the same person.)
- Peck, William R. Born Sharon, Ct., April 29th, 1810; Society, 1833 and Hyde Park; died Bowling Green, O., April, 1867.
- Per Lee, John L. Amenia and Society, 1819. Became feeble minded in middle life, and was taken to the western part of the state by relatives.
- Perry, John. Born 1770; Pine Plains and Society, 1824; died April 22nd, 1852, at Perry's Corners.

- Peterson, Frederick. Born Faribault, Minn., March 1st, 1859; graduated Un. Buffalo, 1879; Dr. Phil. Un. Niagara; H. R. S. H., 1884-8; Society, 1886; New York City in many positions of honor in his specialty, 1906.
- Phillips, Paul A. Born Orangeburg, S. C., May 20th, 1869; graduated Bellevue, 1891; H. R. S. H., 1894-6.
- Phinney, Lorenzo N. Born Sugar Hill, N. Y., January 1st, 1841; graduated Geneva, 1866; Assistant Surgeon, 193d Regiment, N. Y. S. V.; Canandaigua, 1880; Norwalk, Ct., 1901; Wappingers Falls, 1902.
- Phinney, Sturgis. Born March 26th, 1789; died November 13th, 1841; in the drug business many years in Poughkeepsie, about 265 Main Street.
- Pilgrim, Charles W. Born Monroe, N. Y., March 27th, 1855; graduated Bellevue, 1880; studied in Munich and Vienna, 1885; 1890, Superintendent of Willard S. H.; 1893, Superintendent of H. R. S. H.; Society 1893.
- Pine, Per Lee. Born 269 Mill Street, Poughkeepsie, March 14th, 1809. His preceptor was Dr. Delafield of New York City, and he graduated from P. and S., 1834. After two years spent in study in London and Paris he began the practice of medicine in Poughkeepsie, where he remained until his death. An unfortumate circumstance occurring soon after his return from Europe cast a shadow over his professional life. A cousin of Dr. Pine's was on trial for murder and Dr. Pine testified that there was insanity in his family, and that he realized this in his own case. Dr. Pine was a modest, unassuming, christian gentleman, conscientious in the discharge of every duty, singularly free from the vices and infirmaties which some times detract from the most brilliant minds. He brought into the practice of his profession an intelligence, zeal, industry and perseverance worthy of the largest measure of success, which was denied him. Despising the small arts, and tricks, too often resorted to, to gain popularity, and curry favor with the rich, his work was among the poor, giving them the best he had, never shirking the call of duty, or humanity. He was known among his associates for his

integrity, ability and courtesy. Dr. Pine never owned a horse, or drove from choice, but made visits six miles from home on foot. He died in the house in which he was born, of pneumonia, May 13th, 1882.

- Pingry, James O. Born Fishkill, July 21st, 1843; graduated University New York, A. B., 1862; M. D., P. and S. 1868; Mabbettsville and Society, 1871; Millbrook.
- Pinckney, John. Low Point and Society, 1806.
- Platt, Eliphalet. Born June 6th, 1797; Rhinebeck and Society, 1818; M. D. Hon. State Board of Regents, 1848; died May 16th, 1868. A prominent member of the profession, and in civil life; a scholar, reading his Bible regularly in the Greek text up to the last week of his life.
- Plumb, Ovid. Washington and Society, 1822.
- Porteous, James G. Bern Moriah N. Y., January 3d, 1839;
  M. D. Harvard, 1865; Surgeon in the Civil War; Luzerne,
  N. Y., fifteen years; Poughkeepsie, 1880; Society, 1882;
  died suddedly July 11th, 1895.
- Poucher, James Wilson. Born Claverack, N. Y., July 24th, 1859; Albany, 1879; Modena; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1887; Surgical Staff, Vassar Brothers' Hospital.
- Prentiss, Curtis. Society, 1829.
- Preston, James F. Graduated, L. I. C. H., 1875; Millerton, 1870–80; removed to Minneapolis.
- Powell, Horace Rennie. Born February 16th, 1860 at Coeymans, N. Y.; graduated Albany, 1882; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1883.
- Prichard, Churchill A. Born December 5th, 1862, at Aylmer, Ontario, Canada; graduated Bellevue, 1890; Tivoli and Society, 1891.
- Proal, William H. Born 1821; Wappingers Falls, 1847; Channingville and Society, 1854; died July 16th, 1858.
- Pultz, Lee. Born Stanfordville; graduated Albany, 1895; Milan, 1899; Atlantic City, N. J., 1905.

- Pultz, Monroe Traver. Born Rhinebeck, July 17th, 1843; graduated P. and S., 1868; Stanfordville, 1868; Society, 1871.
  Found dead in his bedroom under the most distressing circumstances, September 9th, 1902.
- Putnam, Emma. Graduated W. M. C., Philadelphia, 1883; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1894.
- Quinlan, Thomas. Clinton and Society, 1806.
- Quitman, William F. Born 1787. Stone Church. Died December 4th, 1834.
- Radcliff, Peter Augustus. Born Rhinebeck, 1807; Society 1830; died July 7th, 1831.
- Ranker. Washington; following Dr. Ensign.
- Rauch, Christian Henry. See page 32.
- Raymond, Josiah. Society, 1813.
- Reed. North East, 1825.
- Remsen, Cornelius. Fishkill and Society, 1828. See page 31.
- Reynolds, Israel. License to practice issued by Judge Isaac Bloom, 1797; Pine Plains, 1795; died March 28, 1824.
- Ricketson, Shadrack. Born 1768; New York City, 1806, where he wrote a book entitled "Means of Preserving Health and Preventing Disease," published in New York City, September 1st, 1806; Society, 1815. A member of the Society of Friends. He never married. Died Beekman, March 3rd, 1839.
- Ring, Lewis. Born 1785; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1810; died Hyde Park, August 30th, 1867.
- Roberts. North East, Spencers Corners, 1861.
- Roberts. Amenia Union; student of Dr. E. H. Conklin; died 1842.
- Roberts, Charles Frederick. Born Lebanon, August 5th, 1860; graduated P. and S., 1883; Dover Plains, 1902; Society, 1903.
- Robertson, Samuel. Born Windham, N. Y.; Millerton, 1830-46; Society and North East, 1850; Canisteo, N.Y., 1881.

- Rockwell, Lyman E. Born Stockbridge, N. Y., January 12th, 1846; graduated New York University, 1873; Amenia and Society, 1873.
- Rogers, Joseph. Born Connecticut, October 31st, 1776; Fishkill and Society, 1806; died March 16th, 1814.
- Roof, Francis H. Born Cooperstown, N. Y., 1842; graduated P. and S., 1863; Assistant Surgeon N. Y. S. V., 1865; Rhinebeck, 1876.
- Roos, John Philip B. Born Germany, January 28th, 1754; died Red Hook, January 22nd, 1814. A Palatinate.
- Roosevelt, Isaac. Born New York City, April 21st, 1790; graduated A. B. Princeton, 1808; M. D., P. and S., 1812; pupil of Dr. David Hosack, Hyde Park, 1820; died October 23rd, 1863. Though well educated in his profession and fond of its literature, its practice was distasteful to him, and being removed from the necessity of practice, he never engaged in it, choosing rural enjoyments and agricultural pursuits. He was of a delicate constitution, with refined tastes, a gentleman of the old school.
- Royce, Roderick. Came from Monticello, N. Y., about 1833; practiced at Fishkill Landing some years and returned.
- Rumsey, James Sykes. Born July 9th, 1800; educated in France; Fishkill Landing, 1846, until his death, November 1st, 1872.
- Russell, Selwyn A. Born Jay, N. Y., February 12th, 1851; graduated Albany, 1877; studied in London, 1883; Vienna, 1884; practiced Albany, 1888; Attending Physician St. Peter's Hospital; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1892; died January 10th, 1906.
- Russell, William Logi. Born Chatham, N. B., Canada, July 24th, 1863; graduated New York University, 1885; Poughkeepsie, 1904; Medical Inspector of Institutions for the Insane of New York State.
- Sackett, James. On November 24th, 1791, advertisement of claims against the estate of, late of Fredericktown, Dutchess County.

- Sadlier, James Edgar. Born Waldon, N. Y., March 28th, 1865; graduated Albany, 1887; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1889; Medical Staff of Vassar Brothers' Hospital.
- Saffen, Thomas. Born February 22nd, 1768; Beekman and Society, 1806; died July 21st, 1810.
- Satterlee, Clarence. Born 1850; graduated P. and S., 1871; died New Hamburgh, November 4th, 1891. Never practiced in the county.
- Sears, Keith. Born Searsburg, N. Y., January 6th, 1876; graduated Cornell, 1903; M. S. H.
- Schenck, John P. Born Matteawan, February 2nd, 1798; graduated P. and S., 1819; Society, 1820; died September 7th, 1872.
- Schenck, John P., Jr. Born Matteawan, February 13th, 1843; graduated P. and S., 1864; in army as Assistant Surgeon one year; Matteawan, 1864; Society, 1866; died December 14th, 1886.
- Schenck, Peter D. Born 1793; pupil of Dr. Bartow White; Fishkill and Society, 1817; died Wappingers Falls, April 29th, 1837.
- Schofield, Peter. Pawling and Society, 1810.
- Scott, Jesse M. W. Born Albany, November 21st, 1872; graduated Albany, 1896; Matteawan S. H., 1896; Society, 1902.
- Scovel, James. Pawling and Society, 1806.
- Scratchley, Francis E. Born New Oeleans, La., July 13th, 1858; graduated New York University, 1881; H. R. S. H., 1889– 90.
- Seger, Charles E. Born April 8th, 1842; graduated Albany, 1863; Stockbridge, 9 years; Albany, 9 years; New Hackensack, 1885; Society, 1891; died December 10th, 1896.
- Shears. Amenia, 1862; removed to Sharon, Ct.
- Sheedy, Daniel M. Born Norwalk, Conn.; graduated New York University, 1888; Poughkeepsie, 1888; Society, 1889.
- Sheppard, John M. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1892.

- Sherrill, Hunting. Born April 3d, 1783; licensed State Society, 1809; Clinton and Society, 1809; Hyde Park. Author of "A Review of the Diseases of Dutchess County from 1809–1825," published 1826. Also "An Essay on Epidemics as they Appeared in Dutchess County," 1809–1825, published 1832. Died New York City, January 16th, 1866.
- Shook, Uriah. Born February 15th, 1816; died Red Hook, July 27th, 1842.
- Skiff, Charles H. Pine Plains, 1834-7; moved to Spencertown, Columbia County.
- Slack, Henry. Born Albany, June 10th, 1826; A. M., Yale, 1848; M. D., Albany, 1851; two years in Paris; nine years in New York City; Fishkill Landing, 1865; Society, 1873; Died December 10th, 1886.
- Sleight, Henry. Beekman and Society, 1810.
- Sleight, Robert A. Sprout Creek and Society, 1816.
- Slocum, Clarence J. Born Richmond, R. I., 1873; graduated Albany, 1897; H. R. S. H., 1897–1900; Society, 1900; Pleasantville, N. Y., 1906.
- Smith, Alexander H. Society, 1835; Hyde Park, 1861; died February 2nd, 1864.
- Smith, Edwards Montrose. Born Poughkeepsie, January 19th, 1860; graduated P. and S., 1882; Poughkeepsie, 1882; Society, 1883; Bridgeport, Conn., 1906.
- Smith, John Homer. Beekman and Society, 1841-61.
- Smith, John W. Amenia and Society, 1806.
- Smith, Strowbridge. Born March 13th, 1825; graduated New York Medical College, 1851; Surgeon Civil War, 1863; Wappingers Falls and Society, 1874; died June 9th, 1876.
- Snyder, Peter. Born 1772; died North East, near the Slate Quarry, 1826. Said to have been a good doctor. He had an apple brandy distillery near his house and he patronized it liberally. He abjured all religion, and that he might not be buried in a church yard, set apart an acre of ground on his farm for his burial place. There is no evidence of a grave, and the place is desolate.

Sowle, Jonathan. Licensed by State Society, 1812; Society, 1813.

- Sprague. Beekman, 1768.
- Spratling, Edgar J. Born Apelikai, Ala., 1871; Matteawan and Society, 1895; private practice Opeliki, 1898.

Stackhouse, Oswald D. H. R. S. H. and Society, 1899.

- Stanton, Luke W. Born Huntington, Mass., 1806; M. D., Bowdoin; Pine Plains with Dr. Davis, afterward at Amenia; Society, 1867. He was a man of more than usual ability and prominence, and many students were attracted to his office. He visited Europe, and kept abreast of the times professionally. Died Amenia, February 5th, 1869.
- Starr, David L. Licentiate of the Massachusetts Medical Society; Society, 1833.
- Steane, Levi. Poughkeepsie, 1861.
- Stevens. Stanford, 1861; very poor.
- Stevenson, William George. Born Cambridge, N. Y., 1843; son of Dr. William Stevenson; graduated P. and S., 1865; Poughkeepsie, 1873; Society, 1874. Of an active inquiring mind without the discipline of a classical education. High tempered, but generous. Died July 31st, 1890.
- Stewart. North East, 1814–16.
- Stillman, D. E. Graduated Vermont Medical College, 1851; Pine Plains, 1862-76; Society, 1871; died Baltimore about 1900.
- Stillman, Sidney. Born Litchfield, Conn., 1814; student of Dr.
  Benj. Welch of Norfolk; graduated Berkshere, 1837;
  North East, 1846; Millerton, 1883; Society, 1867.
- Strahan, J. O. Born Granby, N. Y., May 10th, 1872; graduated Syracuse, 1896; H. R. S. H., 1896–1900; Society, 1897.
- Sutherland, Douglass Rudd. Born Bangall, November 9th, 1850; graduated P. and S., 1874; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1874; died Morris, Minn., April 24th, 1896; buried at Litchfield, Minn. A kind hearted, straightforward man, and a good physician.

- Sutton, George Lemuel. Born Louisville, N. Y.; graduated Castleton, 1858; P. and S., 1859; Army as Assistant Surgeon, 1862; Ret. 1865 as Lieut.-Col. Brevet; East Fishkill and Society, 1866; died Louisville, September 6th, 1888.
- Sutton, Leslie A. Born Louisville, N. Y., June 10th, 1866; a nephew of Dr. G. L. Sutton; graduated New York University, 1889; East Fishkill and Society, 1889; Brewster, N. Y., 1905.
- Taber, James Russell. Born Milton, N. Y., December 18th, 1851; graduated P. and S., 1874; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1874; Brooklyn, 1896.
- Tallman, Edward White. Born Town of Washington, 1822; licensed by Society, 1844; LaGrange, 1844. Convicted of malpractice. Utterly disreputable. Committed to H. R. S. H., 1906.
- Tanner, William H. Born Amenia, September 12th, 1836; graduated New York University, 1860; Assistant Surgeon N. Y. S. V., 1861; Surgeon, 1865; never active in civil practice.
- Tappen, Enoch Sawyer. Society, 1811.
- Tappen, Peter. Born July 3rd, 1748; Poughkeepsie, 1772; living on north side of Main Street between Catharine and Crannell. Very active during the Revolutionary War; one of the committee on correspondence; a First Lieutenant of D. Co., Dutchess Co. Mil., 1775; died September 3rd, 1792.
- Tappen, Peter C. Born April 13th, 1790; son of Dr. Peter Tappen; had a school on the north side of Main Street between Academy and Hamilton; died July 9th, 1836.
- Tapping, Elisha C. Born 1789; Society, 1828; house southeast corner Mill and Washington Streets; died September 6th, 1849.
- Tetamore, Frank Le Ray W. Born Hudson, N. Y., August 28th, 1851; graduated L. I. H. College, 1882; Matteawan, 1896; U. S. Army as acting Assistant Surgeon; was drowned at Manilla, P. I., February 10th, 1904.

- Thatcher, Charles A. Society, 1835; removed from state previous to 1861.
- Thelburg, Elizabeth B. Graduated Womans' Medical College, New York City, 1884; Physics at Vassar College, 1889; Society, 1895.

Thomas, John. See address.

- Thomas, William. Born Plymouth, Mass., 1786. He came to Poughkeepsie to study medicine with his uncle, Dr. John Thomas, about 1804. He was licensed to practice by the Society in 1808. Dr. Thomas entered the army about 1810 as a surgeon, and served through the war, resigning about 1816. After the close of the war, the troops with which he was serving were ordered from Baton Rouge to Buffalo, and were marched on foot that distance, proceeding along the coast to New York, and from there via. the Post Road through Poughkeepsie. Died December 18th, 1860.
- Thompson, Charles Henry. Born Freehold, N. J., August 23d, 1843; graduated A. B. Rutgers, 1864; M. D., P. and S., 1868; Fishkill and Society, 1868; Belmar, N. J., 1906.
- Thompson, Von Beverhout. Born Montgomery County, Md., February 3d, 1848; graduated Col. Un., Washington, 1867; New York City; Summer home at Poughkeepsie.
- Thorn, Benjamin S. Born November 9th, 1814; Brother of Dr. J. S. Thorn, Milan; died March 5th, 1877.
- Thorn, James. Born New Hackensack, N. Y., June 21st, 1763; Society, 1806. As a commentary on the changes in social customs, it may be noted that at Dr. Thorn's funeral the best families were represented, and the bearers were leading men socially and professionally. They were so drunk that the burial was delayed two hours for them to sober up sufficiently to be able to carry the body from the house. Died New Hackensack, June 26th, 1816.
- Thorn, John S. Born Milan, August 14th, 1821; graduated Castleton, Vt., 1843; practiced Bangall, Stanfordville and Millbrook; Society, 1854; died November 11th, 1879.

- Thorn, Robert. Poughkeepsie. In 1795 the first charge for treating prisoners at the jail in this county was made by Dr. Thorn. He was prominent socially and professionally.
- Thorn, Stephen. Born 1737; died October 16th, 1795. Dr. Thorn's charge book is still in existence, and shows very clearly the condition of the practice of medicine at that period. He did but three things, a puke, a purge, and a bleed, and the charge for each was two shillings. His medical library consisted of but one book, published at Montpelier in 1660, and a very curious book it is. He built the red brick house at New Hackensack on the farm adjoining the church on the north, now owned by Dr. Bayley, in 1772.
- Tibbles, W. O. North East, 1865–67.
- Tice, Leon. Born Brooklyn, N. Y., November 13th, 1864; graduated L. I. C. Hospital, 1885; Rhinebeck and Society, 1895; died October 19th, 1899.
- Tiemann, Paul Ernest. Born New York City, April 30th, 1860; graduated A. B. 1881; M. D., P. and S., 1884; H. R. S. H., 1889-90; New York City.
- Tobias. Crum Elbow, 1758.
- Todd, Ostrander D. Society, 1834.
- Tomlinson, David. Born 1772; Rhinebeck and Society, 1806; Member of Assembly, 1819; died New York City, April 25th, 1841; buried Rhinebeck.
- Traver, Isaac H. Born August 2nd, 1814; graduated P. and S., 1836; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1837; died June 8th, 1892.
- Treadway, Alfred. Born Colchester, Conn., September 1st, 1781; educated at Plainfield Academy; studied with Dr. Lathrop, settled at South Dover till 1810; in 1811 at Hart's Village, succeeding Dr. Lathrop, and having Dr. Orton as assistant. He was an excellent business man, slender, tall, with a bright, pleasant face, and courteous manners, and interesting in conversation. Died April 26th, 1826.

- Tripp, Charles H. Born Town of Washington, December 25th, 1855; graduated Bellevue, 1881; Washington and Society, 1882; Clinton Corners, 1884.
- Tripp, Delmar C. Born Ithaca, N. Y., July 6th, 1848; graduated Bellevue, 1875; Beekmanville, 1885; Society, 1886; succeeding Dr. Nicholson.
- Trivett, Elias C. Born England, March 24th, 1790; licensed Society, 1814; State Society, 1836; Society, 1828. Had drug store 288 Main Street. Died April 12th, 1866.
- Tuthill, Robert K. Born Newburgh, N. Y., January 18th, 1835; graduated New York Medical College, 1860; commenced practice in Poughkeepsie, where he has continued since, excepting his army service, which began in 1861 as an Assistant Surgeon, ending in 1865 as Surgeon-in-Chief of Division; Att. Surgeon at St. Barnabas Hospital, 1870–87; on the surgical staff of Vassar Brothers' Hospital from its opening, 1887; Society, 1866.
- Underhill, Anthony. Born Westchester County, November 12th, 1818; son of Dr. Joshua B. Underhill; graduated Bowdoin,1845; New Hackensack, 1845; Society, 1869; died September 4th, 1889.
- Upton, George. Born Valatia, Columbia County, April 26th, 1811; graduated Jefferson, 1833; LaGrange and Society, 1834-61; served in Civil War; died January 10th, 1878.
- Upton, Hiram. Society, 1826.
- Vail, Ira J. Society, 1817.
- Van Derburgh, Federal Beekman. Born May 11th, 1788; Beekman and Society, 1810; removed, 1812; died January 23rd, 1868.
- Vanderhoff, Thomas P. Born 1805; died Rhinebeck, December 3rd, 1838.
- Van Duser, Amos Edward. Born 1835; graduated P. and S., 1859; Assistant Surgeon Civil War; Medical Staff of St. Barnabas Hospital; lost his business from neglect, and died July 19th, 1892.

- Van Duser, Nathaniel M. Born Cornwall, N. Y., 1820; graduated P. and S., 1852; Hughsonville, 1854; Society, 1859; Wappingers Falls, 1873. A man of excellent parts; retired, 1885.
- Van Etten, Cornelius S. Born Pike County, Pennsylvania, September 13th, 1846; graduated University Pennsylvania, 1873; Rhinebeck, 1876; Society, 1905.
- Van Kleeck, Baltus Livingston. Born 1774. Son of Dr. Lawrence Van Kleeck, a physician of New York City, who moved to Poughkeepsie, where he died before 1783. Dr. Van Kleeck, after practicing in Poughkeepsie for some years, removed to Newburgh, where he was a busy and honored practitioner until his death, May 9th, 1843.
- Van Kleeck James Livingston. Brother of Baltus; an M. D.; died Poughkeepsie, 1816. The brothers joined the Society 1806.
- Van Vliet, Isaac Fisk. Born 1822; graduated P. and S., 1844; Rhinebeck and Society, 1866; died February 23rd, 1876.
- Van Wagner, George H. Born Lloyd, N. Y., July 1st, 1851; graduated Albany, 1881; Schoharie, 1881-6; Wappingers Falls and Society, 1887.
- Van Wyck, David Barnes. Born LaGrange, April 24th, 1852; graduated Bellevue, 1889; LaGrangeville, Manchester Bridge; Society, 1890.
- Van Wyck, Edmund. Born New Hamburgh, 1850; student of Dr. N. M. Van Dusen; graduated P. and S., 1873; New Hamburgh and Society, 1875; Wappingers Falls, 1876; died February 23rd, 1885.
- Van Wyck, Richard C. Born East Fishkill, December 30th, 1843; graduated P. and S., 1867; practiced in Denver, in Virginia and Hopewell Junction and joined the Society 1883. Thrown from his carriage in his door yard and killed January 28th, 1896.

Van Wyck, Theodorus. See page 33.

Varick, Richard A. See address.

Vermilyea, John R. Born October 17th, 1796; Fishkill and Society, 1830-61; died June 7th, 1871.

- Vermilyea, Valentine Mott. Born LaGrange, 1818; graduated P. and S., 1844; Fishkill Landing, 1844-54; Newark, Ill.; died Sandwich, Ill., May 7th, 1906.
- Vigeant, Joseph E. Born Lee, Mass., 1872; graduated Albany, 1896; Red Hook and Society, 1904.
- von Tiling, Johannes H. M. A. Born Dillmarshaf, Russia, August 16/28, 1875; graduated Bonn, 1901; Poughkeepsie, 1904; Society, 1905.
- Waldo, Charles. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1806.
- Waldo, Louis T. Born Berkshire, N. Y., August 18th, 1874; graduated University Buffalo, 1898; H. R. S. H. and Society, 1900–1.
- Ward, David Boyd. Born Pleasant Valley, N. Y., March 13th, 1853; A. B. Hamilton College, 1873; student of Dr. E. H. Parker; graduated P. & S., 1876; Wheeling, W. V., till 1879; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1879; Medical Staff of Vassar Brothers' Hospital and St. Barnabas Hospital.
- Ward, Jonathan. Born 1780; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1807; his office was at No. 266 Main Street; died typhoid fever, September 13th, 1813.
- Warner, Jacob. Pine Plains about 1805.
- Watson, W. S. Graduated Bellevue, 1870; Fishkill-on-Hudson, 1900; Pelham Manor, 1905.
- Watt, James. Graduated University Maryland, 1863; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1867; Union Bridge, Md., 1900.
- Watts. Tivoli.
- Weaver, Frederick B. Born Galatinville, N. Y., 1875; graduated Albany, 1898; Hyde Park and Society, 1901.
- Webb, DeWitt. Born Clinton, N. Y., December 19th 1838; graduated P. and S., 1863; Clinton and Society, 1866; Poughkeepsie in the drug business at 339 Main Street; Member of Assembly, 1887-8; St. Augustine, Fla., 1906.
- Webster, Helen W. Born, 1837; graduated Woman's Medical College, Boston; Vassar College and Society, 1875; died New Bedford, Mass., July 19th, 1904. A woman of unusual professional ability and good common sense.

- Wellman, George Marvin. Born Springfield, Mass., February 24th, 1837; graduated Amherst A. B., 1861; M. D. Georgetown, N. C., 1868; Dover Plains, 1869; Society, 1871; died January 13th, 1902.
- Wetmore, George Whitfield. At Smithfield, 1840; City P. O., 1861; removed to Red Hook and Winsted, where he died, aged 60.
- Wheeler, Gamelial. Born January 20th, 1786; Rhinebeck and Society, 1828; Upper Red Hook; died March 20th, 1859.
- Wheeler, William. Born August 12th, 1753; Rhinebeck and Society, 1806; Upper Red Hook; died April 14th, 1810.
- White, Lewis H. See address.
- White, Bartow. Born Yorktown, Westchester County, N. Y., November 7th, 1776. A student of his father, Dr. Ebenezer White. He commenced the practice of his profession at Fishkill, succeeding Dr. Edward Hunting in 1800. Dr. White was not only an active, useful practitioner of medicine for forty-five years, but also a leader in all the useful activities of the community in which he lived so long. His pleasant manner and skillful treatment gave him great reputation, and his circuit, made entirely on horseback, extended for ten miles in each direction. His success also brought many students to his office, some of whom attained high rank in their profession. Among them were Dr. Cornelius De Pew and Stephen Rapalje, Surgeons in the Navy, and Dr. John Cooper and Isaac Van Voorhis, who served in the army. Others were scattered through various parts of the In 1824 Dr. White was chosen to represent this disstate. trict in Congress, and in 1840 he was a Presidential Elector. He received the honorary degree of M. D. from the Regents of the University in 1845. He was a strictly temperate man, of mild manners, making and keeping many valuable friends, who cheered and brightened his last days, which were passed amid an unusually happy environment. died December 12th, 1862.

- White, Henry D. Born Brooklyn, N. Y., February 8th, 1866;
  great grandson of Dr. Ebenezer White, grandson of Dr.
  Bartow White; graduated P. & S., 1887; Hopewell Junction, 1896; Society, 1897.
- White, Howell. Born Fishkill, N. Y., 1856; student of Dr. OliverWhite; graduated Bellevue, 1879; son of Dr. L. H..White; Fishkill, 1879; Society, 1880.
- Whitewell, William Scollay. Graduated Harvard, 1872; Fishkillon-Hudson, 1901.
- Wiegand, Frank J. Born September 10th, 1879, at South Natick, Mass.; graduated L. I. H. College, 1900; M. S. H., 1900; Society, 1904; Brooklyn, 1906.
- Wilber, Benjamin S. Born July 22nd, 1795; student of Dr. Uri Judd; Pine Plains and Society, 1822; died June 26th, 1871.
- Wilber, Henry Clay. Born Pine Plains, 1845; graduated Bellevue, 1867; Society, 1871; son of Dr. B. S. Wilber.
- Wilcox, Jeremiah. Amenia, 1784.
- Williams, A. A. O. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1866.
- Williams, Edward H. Born Decarah, Iowa. M. S. H., 1896-7; New York City, 1906.
- Williams, George H. Born Johnstown, N. Williams, 30th, 1860;
  L. R. C. P. Edenburgh, 1883; M. S., London, 1884;
  M. D. Yale, 1890; Fishkill, 1894; Society, 1895.
- Williams, William S. Society, 1817.
- Williamson, Phebe Thorne. Born Millbrook, N. Y.; daughter of Dr. J. S. Thorne; graduated Woman's Medical College, New York City, 1878; Millbrook and Society, 1878; Poughkeepsie.
- Wilson, Francis E. Born Roxbury, N. Y., December 22nd, 1857; graduated Jefferson, Pa., 1882; Pleasant Valley and Society, 1884; Brooklyn, 1889; Member of Congress.
- Wilson, Henry C. Born Derby, Vt., 1837; M. D., University Vermont, 1863; Acting Assistant Surgeon, Civil War; Matteawan, 1867.

- Wilson, John Powell. Born Hobart, N. Y., January 27th, 1845; graduated P. and S., 1870; Stanford, 1871; Pleasant Valley to 1879; Society, 1872; Poughkeepsie, 1906.
- Wilson, John S. Born Stuyvesant, N. Y., January 10th, 1865; graduated P. and S., 1887; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1888; Physician to Orphans' Home.
- Wilson, Thomas J. Society, 1821.
- Wimpleberg, Samuel. Born Poughkeepsie, March 27th, 1861; graduated Jefferson, 1883; Poughkeepsie and Society, 1884; resigned.
- Wood, Louis C. Born New York City, July 24th, 1856; graduated Bellevue, 1881; Wappingers Falls and Society, 1886; Poughkeepsie, 1899.
- Wooley, Milton. Pleasant Valley, 1861.
- Wortman, Dennis. Born Brooklyn, February 21st, 1796; East Fishkill and Society, 1817; died May 3rd, 1864.
- Wright, Amaziah. Poughkeepsie and Society, 1809.
- Wright, Charles C. Clinton, 1861.
- Wright, Joel Williston. Born Sullivan, N. H., July 30th, 1840; graduated A. M., Trinity, 1885; M. D., P. and S., 1866;
  Poughkeepsie and Society, 1866; New York City, 1867;
  Prof. Surg. New York University, 1879-89; Prof. Emer. Lake Plane 6.
- Wright, W. C: Berne yack, N. Y., January 18th, 1862; graduated Jefferson, 1884; Matteawan and Society, 1885; Buffalo, 1906.
- Wyman, R. Society, 1833.
- Young. Amenia, 1765.
- Young, John. Born Port Glenone, Ireland, April 16th, 1822; America, 1826; graduated P. and S., 1844; New York City to 1867; Fishkill; died September 2nd, 1893.

#### ADDENDA.

Cooke, James T. Verbank; died July 23rd, 1758; aged 71.

Fowler, Peter D. Born January 7th, 1790; died June 15th, 1836.

Fowler, Theodore, Born July 3rd, 1812; died March 19th, 1872. Halsey, Abraham. Born January 7th, 1764; died March 7th,

1822. Henry N. Sleght 39

# PRESIDENTS OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Bard, Samuel .	•	•	•		1806–1813
De La Vergne, Benjamin	•	•	•		1813-1814
Thomas, John .	•	•	•	•	1814-1816
Downs, James .	•	•		•	1816-1817
Judd, Uri		•	•		1817-1818
Sherrill, Hunting	•	•	•	•	1818–1819
Tomlinson, David	•	•	•	•	1819-1820
White, Bartow .	•	•	•		1820-1821
Cooper, John .	•	-	•	•	1821–1822
Dodge, John .	•	•	•	•	1822–1823
Ricketson, Shadrack		•	•	•	1823–1824
Sherrill, Hunting.	•	•	•	•	1824–1825
Sleight, Henry D.	•	•	•	•	1825–1826
Gilbert, Wheeler .	•	•	•	•	1826–1827
Dodge, David L.	•	•	•	•	1827–1828
Barnes, John .	•	•	•	•	1828–1829
Judd, Stoddard .	•	•	•	•	1829–1830
Benedict, Abijah G.	•	•	•	• .	<b>1830–</b> 183 <b>3</b>
Platt, Eliphalit	•.	•	•	•	1833–1834
Barnes, John	•	•	•	•	1834–1835
Judd, Stoddard	•	•	•	•	1835–1836
Thomas, William	•	•	•	•	1836–1838
Cooper, John .	•	•	•	•	1838–1839
Varick, Richard A.	•	•	•	•	1839–1840
Benedict, Abijah G.	•	•	•	•	1840–1843
Andrews, Nelson .	•	•	•	•	1843–1844
Leech, George W.	•		•	•	1844–1845
Canfield, Calvert .	•	•	•	•	1845–1859
Cooper, John R.,	•	•	•	•	1859–1861
Varick, Richard A.	•	•	•	•	1861–1867
White, Lewis H.	•	•	•	•	1867–1877
Beadle, Edward L.	•	•	•	•	1877–1879
Guernsey, Desault	•	•	•	•	1879–1881
Pine, Per Lee .	-	•	•	. 18	381 ob. 1882

Hasbrouck, Alfred	•	•	•	•	1883–1884
Barnes, Edwin .	•	•	•	•	1884–1886
Huntington, George	•	•	•	•	1886–1888
Tuthill, Robert K.	•	•	•		1888–1891
Wilber, Henry C.	•	•		•	1891–1893
Doughty, John H.	•	•	•	•	1893–1895
Coutant, George E.	•	•		•	1895–1896
Bird, J. Sterling .	•	•	•	•	1896–1898
Van Wagner, George H.		•	•		1898–1900
Bayley, Guy Carleton	•	•	•	•	1900–1902
Sadlier, James E.	•		•	•	1902–1904
Cookingham, Harris L.	•	•	•	•	1904–1906

### LICENTIATES OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY.

### 1808.

Jourdan, Abraham, Clermont.	Cooper, John, Fishkill.		
Ring, Lewis, Rhinebeck.	Wheeler, Gameliel, Rhinebeck.		
Bancroft, Rolandus, Newtown,	Sleight, Henry D.,		
Conn.	Thomas, William, Poughkeepsie.		
Barras, George, Fishkill.	Wilson, Stephen.		

Sleight, Robert.

# 1809.

Allen, Stephen. Rapelje, Stephen. Burnett, Joshua I. Cooke, James. Cary, Egbert. Schofield, Peter.

### 1813.

Day, Fisher. Hall, Larry G. Tapping, Elisha C. Howland, David. Eustace, Samuel.

## 1814.

Barnes, Enos.	Egglestine, John.		
Trivett, Elias, Poughkeepsie.	Church, John.		
Davis, Jacob H.	Berry, Abraham.		
Judd, Stoddard.	Cavil, James.		

Hughson, Benjamin.

#### 1820.

Pells, James.

Gilbert, Asher.

Slater, James.

### 1822.

Osborn, Jedediah H.

Newcomb, Andrew H.

# 1823.

Nelson, Theophilus.

### 1824.

Perry, John, Amenia.

Bloss, Samuel. Reed, Roswell P. 1826.

Maison, Edgar.

Vanderhoff, Thomas P.

1832.

Holden, Edward.

# 1833.

Stringham, Henry S.

### 1834.

Wing, Bennett.

1835.

Jenkins, James S.

Witherwax, John M., P. and S., 1848; ob. Davenport Iowa, 1869.

# 1836.

Dexter, Harmon H.

1839.

Smith, John Homer.

1840.

De Vine, Joel.

1841.

Jarvis, Milton B.

1844.

Tallman, Edward White.

1843.

Dodge, John.

Huffcut, Obed.

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