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#### The Military Convention.

Never has a more respectable gathering of the citizens of this District assembled, than on Saturday last, to attend the Military Convention. It was called irrespective of party, and all classes and sects were represented. The enrolling officers appointed can receive their authorization papers by calling at this office.

#### Personal.

The funeral of R. F. WILLIAMS, Esq., formerly associate editor of the Hudson *Gazette*, took place in this city on Thursday last. He died suddenly at St. Louis on the 9th inst. For a few years past he had held the position of Auditor in the Quartermaster's department at that place. Only two weeks previous to his decease, Mr. Williams communicated the intelligence of Henry Clark's death to his parents in this city, little thinking he so soon

#### DEATH OF ANOTHER SON OF ALDERMAN MILLER.—

We are deeply pained to learn that GEORGE MILLER, son of our esteemed townsman, Alderman SAMUEL MILLER, died at Vicksburgh, on the 15th inst., of typhoid fever. Our paper has already mentioned the death of another son of the Alderman in the cavalry, who fell bravely fighting the enemy at Tarboro, North Carolina. Now comes the painful intelligence of the death of GEORGE. He passed through all the battles and sieges of GRANT'S campaign, while men were falling thick around him, without a scratch; encountered Death at the mouth of the cannon and the muzzle of the rifle, only to fall a victim at last, upon a sick bed in a hospital. These two sons of Alderman MILLER were exceedingly worthy young men and excellent soldiers, brave and fearless in the discharge of their duties. Multitudes of warm friends will sincerely sympathise with Mr. and Mrs. MILLER in this double affliction—this great sacrifice that they have been called to make as a consequence of the most wicked rebellion that ever stained the crimson pages of history.

The remains of GEORGE MILLER have been enclosed in a metallic coffin and will be brought here for interment. The mother of these two young men, who have thus fallen, is now at the West, and is supposed to be ignorant of the fate of her sons.—May Heaven comfort her in the deep affliction she is called

#### The Late R. F. Williams.

On the 10th inst., business was suspended at the Headquarters of the Quartermaster's Department, and the remains of the deceased was escorted to the Depot by all the Clerks, numbering about one hundred and fifty, and placed in charge of the Express Company with due solemnity. The following proceedings were previously held:

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*Resolved*, That in our intercourse with him, we ever found him a high-minded, honorable gentleman—earnest and straightforward in his adherence to what he deemed right and just.

*Resolved*, That in the conscientious and pains-taking discharge of his responsible duties, he fully deserved the confidence reposed in him by the heads of the Quartermaster's Department at this place.

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Mrs. Elihu Gifford, 6 bottles shrub and raspberry vinegar; a friend, dried fruit; Mrs. R. Van Rensselaer, jelly and wine; Mrs. Abram Peet, jelly; Mrs. Winslow, 7 cans of currants, tea and 17 handkerchiefs; Mrs. Jane Bryant, dried fruit and currant; Mrs. Townsend, 6 bottles of wine; Mrs. H. P. Skinner, jelly; Mrs. Munson, do.; Mrs. Van DeBogart, dried fruit and farina; Mrs. Demarest, jelly; Mrs. Lambert, dried fruit; "Mrs. Moon," cornstarch, farina, saleratus, ginger, cinamon, pepper sauce, nutmegs, cocoa and mustard; Mrs. Bradbury, wine and jelly; Rev. Mr. Schell, Churchtown, dried fruit; Miss Schuyler, cornstarch; Mrs. Fairfield, 8 bottles of shrub; Mrs. Robert Monell, currant jam; Mrs. Sylvanus Heath, stationary and dried fruit; Mrs. Bacon, jelly; Mrs. J. Gaul, Jr., granulated sugar; Mrs. Lucius Moore, jelly; Mrs. Cyrus Macy, do., corn starch and currant syrup; Mrs. Beebe, 1 bottle currant wine.

*Ladies of Austerlitz*—Mrs. Pratt, jelly; Mrs. Moorehouse, do.; Mrs. Benner, do.; Mrs. Clark, do.; quantity of dried fruit.

*Dr. J. C. DuBois Society*—1 lb. mixed tea, 6 papers corn starch, 6 do farina, 6 do Cocoa, 1 lb. arrow root, 2 bottles extract lemon, 5 do shrub, 2 jars blackberry do, 2 papers patent barley, 4 pieces surgeons sponges, 5 cakes of castile soap, 6 pairs slippers.

Most of the above articles were sent to-day to the 128th Regiment, together with 23 pairs drawers, 47 shirts and 49 handkerchiefs and 30 towels.  
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Hudson, Aug. 18th, 1863.

#### **Military Convention in Hudson.**

A Military Convention, composed of Delegates from the towns in the First Assembly District of this County, will be held at the Columbia House, in this City, on Saturday next, 22d inst., at 12 o'clock, m., for the purpose of perfecting measures to organize a Regiment of National Guard under the Militia Act of the State. The importance of this movement will be appreciated at a glance by every real patriot, and it is believed full delegations will be in attendance.

Under this Act, each Assembly District in the State is required to raise at least one Regiment, which is armed and equipped by the State, and wholly under the control of the Governor, who is constitutionally the "Commander-in-Chief of the Militia forces." Many Counties have already perfected their Militia organizations, and are now fully drilled and in readiness to answer the call of the Governor to repel invasion, subdue insurrection, or perform any other lawful duties required. Columbia County should not, and we feel assured will not be behind in her militia organization.

#### **Military Convention.**

##### **N. Y. S. NATIONAL GUARD.**

At a Convention of delegates of the several Towns and Wards comprising the First Assembly District of the County of Columbia, held at the Columbia House, in the City of Hudson, on Saturday, the 22d day of August, 1863—

On motion, Mayor JACOB TEN BROECK was called to the Chair. David F. Littell, of Clermont, Warren D. Tripp, of Ancram, Jacob N. Stall, of Gallatin, and Zachariah P. Smith, of Livingston, were chosen Vice Presidents, and M. P. Williams, of Hudson, Secretary. Large delegations were present from nearly every town in the District.

On motion, R. E. ANDREWS, Esq., stated the object of the Convention.

He said it had been convened to take action in forming a Regiment of "National Guard" under the State Militia Act of 1862-63. On no previous occasion had the people been called together to consider a subject of more public importance; and it spoke well for the patriotism of the District that so large representations were present from the farming towns at this busy season, and the brief notice that had been given. The Act of 1862, in which some important amendments were made in 1863, provides that a Regiment of National Guard shall be raised in each Assembly District, to be armed and uniformed by the State. The Adjutant General issued an order for the formation of these Regiments last June, but other important military operations had engrossed the attention of the people to such an extent, that this order had been temporarily lost sight of. It now became necessary to give it prompt attention. Other Counties had already moved in the matter, and in many the organizations had been completed. It was unnecessary, he said, to urge upon that intelligent audience the necessity of an efficient militia organization, especially in times like these. He

referred to the defenceless condition of Pennsylvania when her soil was recently invaded, and to New York City during the late disgraceful riots, and cited them as pungent reasons for effecting a perfect organization in this State with the least possible delay. He said the Convention had been called to recommend a suitable person to act as Regimental Recruiting Officer, who would be Colonel of the Regiment when raised; and also to recommend one person in each town, and two in the City of Hudson, to act as Company Recruiting Officers. The minimum number for a Company was 32, the maximum number 100. The minimum number of Companies for a Regiment was 6, and the maximum 10.

Mr. Andrews was frequently interrupted in his remarks by hearty applause, which clearly showed that the audience had a heart in the work, and were determined to complete it.

On motion, sub-committees of three from each town, and six from the City of Hudson, were appointed to recommend a Colonel, and one Recruiting Officer for their respective locality.

The Committees unanimously reported the name of EGBERT SILVERNAIL, of Gallatin, for Colonel.

On motion, the Chair appointed a committee of three, consisting of Sherman Van Ness, Reuben Van DeBogert, and Capt. Richard Decker, to wait upon Colonel Silvernail, and inform him of the action of the Convention. Col. Silvernail appeared and accepted the position assigned to him, with very appropriate and well-timed remarks. The announcement was received with boisterous applause.

The sub-committees further reported the following as Company Recruiting Officers, and the reports were accepted:

<i>Ancram</i> .....	Grovner B. Rossman.
<i>Claverack</i> .....	George Jacobia.
<i>Clermont</i> .....	Wm. L. Fraleigh.
<i>Copake</i> .....	Hiram Ham.
<i>Gallatin</i> .....	Jacob N. Stall.
<i>Germanatown</i> .....	Robert Potts.
<i>Greenport</i> .....	Mervin Best.
<i>Hudson, 1st &amp; 2d Wards</i> .....	Edwin M. Coventry.
<i>    3d &amp; 4th</i> .....	Myron Van Deusen.
<i>Livingston</i> .....	Edwin Bachman.
<i>Toghtkano</i> .....	Nathan S. Post.

On motion, Myron Van Deusen was authorized by the Convention to proceed to Albany, and procure from the State authorities permits for the recruiting officers to perform the duties assigned them.

On motion—

*Resolved*, That the proceedings of this Convention be signed by the officers, and published in all the County newspapers, and a copy forwarded to the Governor of the State.

On motion, the Chair appointed ROBERT E. ANDREWS, M. PARKER WILLIAMS, and JAMES STORM, a Committee to call future meetings of the District when it may be deemed necessary for the furtherance of the objects of this Convention.

Adjourned.

JACOB TEN BROECK, *President*.

DAVID F. LITTELL, WARREN D. TRIPP, JACOB N. STALL, ZACHARIAH P. SMITH, }	<i>Vice Presidents.</i>
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M. P. WILLIAMS, *Secretary*.

#### Democratic District Conventions.

Calls are published this week for the Democratic District Conventions, to select delegates to the State Convention. The First District will meet at Glenco Mills on Friday, September 4th, and the Second at Chatham Four Corners, Saturday, September 5th.

We cannot too strongly urge upon the Democratic and conservative electors of the County the importance of the approaching campaign, and the necessity of taking early and active measures for its prosecution. Our opponents, made desperate by repeated defeats at the ballot box, and arrogant by the brief power they hold and the treasury they control, will spare no exertion nor shrink from any act to stifle the voice of the people and mould the elections to suit their aims.

Let your primary meetings in every town be fully attended, and send your most reliable men as delegates to represent you in general Conven

you. remember that the voice of New York next fall will have a potent effect on the destiny of the Nation. If the magnitude of the questions involved in the coming election are rightly appreciated and acted upon by the conservative masses, the chicanery, secret organizations, false issues, and plundered wealth of the radicals will be powerless for evil.

**First Assembly District Convention.**

The Democratic electors of the several towns and wards comprising the First Assembly District of the County of Columbia, and all citizens "in favor of the restoration of the Union and the re-establishment of the Constitution," are requested to send delegates to a Convention to be held at the Hotel of JOHN I. WALDORPH, at GLENCO MILLS.

**On Friday, September 4th,**

at 12 o'clock, m., for the purpose of electing a delegate to the State Convention to be held at Albany on the 9th day of September, 1863, and to transact such other business as may come before the Convention.

ROBERT E. ANDREWS,  
M. PARKER WILLIAMS,  
JAMES STORM,  
M. HOFFMAN PHILIP,  
JAMES A. FARELL,

*District Committee.*

Dated Hudson, Aug. 19, 1863.

**Second Assembly District Convention.**

The Democratic electors of the several towns comprising the Second Assembly District of the County of Columbia, and all citizens "in favor of the restoration of the Union and the re-establishment of the Constitution," are requested to send delegates to a Convention to be held at the Hotel of A. HOES, in CHATHAM FOUR CORNERS.

**On Saturday, September 5th,**

at 12 o'clock, m., for the purpose of electing a delegate to the State Convention to be held at Albany on the 9th day of September, 1863, and to transact such other business as may come before the Convention.

DANIEL D. BARNES,  
WM. G. MANDEVILLE,  
JACOB P. MILLER,  
PHILIP W. MULL,  
HORATIO N. WRIGHT,

*District Committee.*

Dated Kinderhook, Aug. 18, 1863.

### The Enrollment in Taghkanic.

THE ENROLLMENT IN TAGHKANIC.—In Taghkanic, suspicion was felt that the enrollment of that town for the draft had not been fairly executed, and N. S. Post, Esq., was delegated by the citizens to procure a copy of the enrollment list from the Povost Marshal at Poughkeepsie, with whom it had been deposited.

Upon examination, it was found that *forty-four* names liable to draft had been omitted from the roll, and of this number *five-sixths* are *Republicans*. Taghkanic last fall cast 838 votes, of which 248 were Democratic, and only 85 Republican—making a difference of three to one in favor of Democrats. With this fact in view, it is not surprising that the discovery gave rise to considerable speculation, and created some excitement in the town. The matter will be investigated.—*Hudson Gazette*.

The assertion that "forty four names liable to draft" in the town of Taghkanic, had been "omitted from the roll" is utterly untrue.

Post, it seems, went to Poughkeepsie and made a copy of the Enrollment of his town, comprising the *first class* alone, and then came back to Taghkanic with an immense "mare's nest." The people of his town were summoned together, and the Enrolling officer, Christopher Miller, Esq., one of the most esteemed and upright citizens of Columbia County, denounced in the strongest manner. Mr. Miller's friends at once called upon Mr. Whiting B. Sheldon and Mr. Samuel L. Myers, two prominent and influential Democrats of the town, and with them proceeded to Poughkeepsie on Tuesday last. They made a thorough examination of the Enrollment, and found *every man* of Post's *forty four* on the list, but in the second class, (which Post had omitted to copy,) except seven. Of these seven, five are now admitted by all to be over 45 years of age and one under 20. The other was believed by Mr. Miller from the best information he could obtain to be also under 20, but as his "friends" claimed him to be liable to draft he has since been added. It is proper, perhaps, to state that the second class numbered sixty, sixteen more than Post claimed to have been omitted by the Enrolling Officer. For the correctness of this statement we have the word of the above named gentlemen, which nobody will presume to question.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1863.

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### The Draft Completed.

The process of drafting in this district was begun at Poughkeepsie on Monday of last week and completed on Friday. The proceedings were uninterrupted. No disturbances occurred. The names were published as fast as drawn, and the utmost good nature prevailed.

We give a full list of conscripts from this County in another part of our paper to-day. Those who have not yet received official notice of their election have the privilege of enlisting, in which case they are entitled to the State bounty. The examination of such conscripts as believe themselves physically exempt was to commence at Poughkeepsie yesterday morning at 9 o'clock.

Strenuous exertions have been and are being made in the city and in some parts of the County to raise money for an indiscriminate exemption of all drafted men. We are sorry to say that some of the proceedings having

this object in view have been in no wise creditable to the loyalty or manhood of those concerned.

The Common Council, in response to an appeal from the Firemen of the city, have adopted a series of resolutions which are to be highly commended. They provide for the raising of a fund, not to exempt men from duty, but to aid them in discharging it. The sum of \$6000 is authorized to be borrowed for this purpose, and the families of drafted men are to be secured against want. This is "that more excellent way" which every true patriot will approve. The action of the Council is not with exclusive reference to Firemen, but to all drafted citizens.