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List of Trial Jurors

Drawn to serve at the Schoharie Co. Court, and Court of Sessions to be held at the Court House, Schoharie, on the first Monday of June next.

David Crowe, farmer, Summit.	Daniel Westfall, merchant, Cobleskill.
Oscar Mickle, farmer, Jefferson.	Roswell Freere, farmer, Conesville.
John Dristle, merchant, Carlisle.	Hiram H. Dart, farmer, Jefferson.
Henry Samone, farmer, Seward.	John McKelof, farmer, Gilboa.
John Reynolds, farmer, Fulton.	Joseph E. Mace, farmer, Broome.
Abram Warner, farmer, Seward.	Hiram Eckerson, farmer, Fulton.
Thomas Colby, farmer, Gilboa.	Jacob H. Patrick, farmer, Howe's Cave.
David C. Hix, farmer, Jefferson.	James W. Gridley, farmer, Middleburgh.
Alexander Simmons, farmer, Sharon.	Cornelius Lathan, farmer, Jefferson.
David L. Rider, mechanic, Summit.	Nelson P. Samons, farmer, Sharon.
Rufus Kniskern, farmer, Blenheim.	Garrett W. Matice, farmer, Fulton.
Barnabas Samone, farmer, Seward.	Edward Getter, farmer, Fulton.
Thomas Chichester, farmer, Gilboa.	William DeMott, farmer, Esperance.
David S. Becker, farmer, Schoharie.	James Decker, farmer, Huntersland.
James Waterbury, farmer, Schoharie.	William D. Borthwick, farmer, Broome.
Alexander Staley, farmer, Sharon.	John Young, farmer, Wright.
Newell Becker, mechanic, Sharon.	Geo. Dodge, merchant, Middleburgh.
Charles Dopp, Hotel Keeper, Sloansville.	Alonzo Zimmer, farmer, Middleburgh.

WM. B. MURPHY, Scho. Co. Clerk.

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Vicinity Excerpts

- An attempt was made to break into the Freight Office at the depot last Friday night. – Cobleskill *Herald*.
- David Hitchcock, a former resident of Conesville, Scho-co., committed suicide in San Francisco, Cal., April 10th, 1881 – He was in a strange land, out of money, and no work. He left a note in one of his pockets stating that he did the deed himself.
- A few days ago we were asked to give an opinion upon the new version of the Bible now being published. Our answer was then, and is now, that in our opinion it's a consummate swindle, and a humbug upon the community. Even the Lord's prayer taught to infant lips from time immemorial, has suffered from the ravages of money-makers, who are simply engaged in a project to make money and gull the people. The old Bible has been good enough for our fathers, and has stood the test of ages. Talk about "translation" – it's a fraud. – Middleburgh *Gazette*.

Local Department

CHURCHES

- M. E. CHURCH. – Charlotteville – Rev. A. M. Gay, pastor. Services every Sabbath at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Class meeting at the close of morning service. Prayer meeting Thursday evenings, at 7:30. Seats free. Strangers always welcome.
 - FREE METHODIST CHURCH. – Rev. R. M. Snyder pastor. Services every Sabbath at 10:30 and 7:30 p. m.
 - BAPTIST CHURCH. – Rev. I. Powers, pastor. Preaching every Sabbath morning at 10:30 a. m. Sabbath school immediately after close of meeting. Prayer meeting Wednesday evenings at the church.
 - M. E. CHURCH – Summit – Alternately Sabbath mornings, Summit and Westkill Hollow at 10:30 a. m. Morseville at 2:30 p. m. Prayer meetings at Summit and Westkill Hollow every Thursday evening; at Morseville each Wednesday evening.
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- Johnson Barger is building a new barn.
- Wm. Hastings, of South Jefferson has gone to Iowa.
- Business on the A. & S. R. R. is on the increase.
- Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sperbeck visited Sharon Springs last week.
- M. & N. VanPatten run out four new platform wagons Saturday.
- Carlisle has a man who can't work because the mosquitoes are so bad!
- Young Doctor Odell, of Summit, is teaching school at Lutheranville.
- L. M. Stevens' velocipede seems to be the centre of attraction nearly every evening.
- M. Boyling, the gentlemanly young teacher at South Worcester, gave us a call Saturday.
- We understand Mr. D. G. Spencer, of Schenevus, has gone, or will go soon, to Denver, Col., on a visit.
- Rev. Joseph Hartwell, of Binghamton, has been visiting his brothers and sisters in this place, of late.
- Dr. Geo. Barner and wife attended Free Methodist quarterly meeting at Barnerville, Friday and Saturday.
- Enos M. Stevens is improving the appearance of his place by setting out a hedge in the front yard and other evergreens elsewhere.
- Much excitement at Davenport last week. Law suits, fights, etc. A big time and a new stock of O'Connor's "Twilight Musings."
- 25 motto, floral, gilt edge and fine mixed cards for 12cts – prize with every sixth order. Conover Printing House, Esperance, N. Y.
- L. Y. Van Hoosen lost his cow last week. It is hard for a poor man to lose his only cow, and Mr. Van Hoosen has much sympathy in his loss.
- Simeon Deyo, who was at one time proprietor of the hotel at Mineral Spa., this county, is now keeping the Hotel European, at Binghamton.
- The few persons who raise hops in this vicinity, say they are looking ordinarily well, and the prospects are now favorable for a good crop.
- James Robinson, of Summit, takes an occasional drive down this way when his boarders desire to take the morning air. A pleasant ride we think.
- Jerome All, of Summit, purchased a very handsome carriage of M. & N. Van Patten last week. Good work is telling for the Van Patten boys.
- The Catholic church at Cobleskill is being re-modeled into a dwelling house. The society not being able to pay the indebtedness on the edifice.
- M. & N. Van Patten turned out a very nice platform wagon to Herbert Vaughn, of Jefferson, last Saturday. Good work and advertising always tells.
- Mr. Eugene Hix, of Eminence, threw a stone while driving his cows from pasture, accidently striking one of them on the head, resulting in death to the "unlucky critter."
- W. H. Andrew, M. D., of Milford, Conn.; and a former student at this place, was in town Saturday. He gave us a very pleasant call and left a dollar for the PHOENIX.
- Look over the "ads" in the PHOENIX and see who has good goods to sell at a bargain. People can save money by keeping close watch of our "ads." for a bargain.
- The widow of the late D. G. Bedford, of Cobleskill, has just received \$2,011 from the Empire Order of Mutual Aid. Why cannot we have a Lodge organized in this section?

- Ladies when you visit Worcester, call and see the stylish Pattern Hats and Bonnets, *just received*, where you see the sign of Big Poke Bonnett, corner of Maine and Depot streets.
- There will be a tent meeting held at Worcester June 10th and 12th inclusive and will probably continue some longer. The meeting will be under the auspices of the Free Methodist society.
- In our last issue we stated there would be a poultry show at Cobleskill the same as last Saturday. It was a mistake. It should have read the annual meeting of the Poultry Association etc.
- Never speak anything against your town. Do what you can to aid your laborers, mechanics, merchants, doctors, ministers and printers. Help build up your churches and schools. Help every enterprise of merit. Discourage everything that tends to drive away capital or labor. Stand by your town at all times and under all circumstances, and you will see it prosper.

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- Martin VanWie wears a big smile, it is a 7½ pound boy.
- Charlotteville supports two “Half-breed’s” to one “Stalwart.”
- Wm. Fox, of Lutheranville, has recently lost a cow and a colt.
- H. Frasier & Son are the sole agents for the indispensable corset. Price 50 cents.
- The Milford “News” under the management of N. C. Hart is very much improved.
- New lot of clothing, shoes, glassware and crockery, etc., just received at S. Lape’s. Come and see.
- D. L. Ryder has finished his job of painting at Mary A. Lincoln’s, and is now employed at Wm. Mitchel’s, near Titus Lake.
- Don’t expose yourself to sun and rain when you can buy a carriage top for \$15, of A. Ferguson Cobleskill. N. B. A better grade for \$20 and \$25.
- IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS. – Special inducements are offered you by the Burlington Route. It will pay you to read their advertisement to be found elsewhere in this issue.
- Room 30X60 full of clothing – men’s, youths’ and boys’. Remember up stairs at H. Frasier & Son’s, Richmondville. Their first floor is crowded with dry goods and groceries, boots, shoes, &c.; a full stock and low prices.
- A few nights since, a disorderly person threw a stone through a window while passing Ira Toles’ house. We hear that since then, a young chap at Lutheranville has had a vision, and concluded he had better leave for some more congenial clime.
- We are informed from reliable authority that the surgeons at the City Hospital in Albany, operated upon Luke Colliton’s arm last Wednesday. We understand that a small piece of the bone was sawed out of the arm where it had been broken, and that it can now be healed without amputation.
- If you *will* dabble in politics buy your wife a washer, that she may keep your clothes respectably clean. The original BUCKNELL WASHER, formerly sold by Morris & Hicks, are now sold by Geo. H. Warner of Charlotteville, N. Y., and A. G. Stilson of Cobleskill, N. Y. PRICE REDUCED FROM \$12 TO \$8. Any new parts furnished, or repairs made on old washers of this patent, by applying to G. H. Warner near Charlotteville, N. Y.
- A few days ago, Bennet Reed, of Mackeys Corners had a mare and colt stolen. The property was found in the hands of an innocent purchaser, Titus De LaMater, farmer living near Norton Hill, Greene Co. One John Marshall, suspected of being the thief, was duly caught and arrested, and at the examination held last Friday was identified by Mr. De LaMater as the person, of whom he purchased the mare and colt. Marshall was held to await the action of the Grand Jury, and as he could furnish no bail he was placed in the limbo for safe keeping. – *Gilboa Monitor*.

Local Correspondence.

Correspondence solicited from all the neighboring towns. Communications received later than Monday of each week will not be inserted.

East Worcester.

- The grass looks quite promising.
- C. Gustin is our Horse Farrier.
- Mrs. D. Powers has been assisting Mrs. C. A. White, our new milliner.
- Mrs. D. W. Thurber is convalescent.

- A second attempt to remove the Post office has failed as yet, and public feeling is growing strong.
- A floral concert is announced to be held in the M. E. Church on the 19th of June.

Warnerville.

- The Gypsies are again encamped on their old grounds.
- One of our young men has given up spouting Shakespear, and has gone to writing poetry.
- Amos Hadsell has another addition to his family, – a girl.
- P. M. Shafer is yet hard at work, filling orders for cattle.
- The latest excitement on Main Street is dog fighting. Bet \$10 on Spunger.
- After a long illness, Miss Fanny Marckley died on the 28th ult.

Howe's Cave.

- Tunis Swart has returned from New Jersey.
- The next Ladies' Society will be held at the residence of James Hayse, Thursday evening.
- Conrad Rickard is visiting friends at Washington.
- Miss Jennie Swart is visiting friends at Oneonta.
- A gentleman from Schenectady, lost a valuable horse, while in town last Wednesday.
- Died. – Infant child, of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Westcott.
- Frank Casper, Blanche Tygart and Mrs. Eckerson are delegates to the County Sunday School Convention.

Hyndsville.

- Quarterly meeting in the M. E. Church in this village last Sabbath.
- Richard Wingard purchased a fine Beatty Organ last week. Organs instead of spinning wheels now-a-days.
- Mrs. Elmira Whipple is dangerously ill.
- Jacob Lawyer purchased a Canadian horse at Worcester last week.
- Mrs. Winegard has moved in her new house. G. VanValkenburgh is improving the looks of her fine residence, by giving it a coat of paint.
- Grass is looking finely and a fair prospect of an abundance of fruit.

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Cobleskill.

- Joseph Knox is on the sick list.
- Morgan Rockerfellow has erected a hop house.
- Road Commissioner Frasier has the streets in good condition.
- Lewis Hess of the Pho. fame has moved in his new house.
- Miss Catherine Stewart, of Jefferson, is visiting at Reuben Harder's.
- Doc. Welch goes to London next month. A world's convention of Doctors meet there.
- Wm. Best has his hay barn completed and is receiving large quantities of hay ready for the press.
- Len. Harder is gathering in the eggs at the rate of one hundred dozen per day. He limes them.
- Vanvoris & Harder send off one car load of stone a day. They ship them to Fulton and Montgomery counties.

Esperance.

- School will close about July 1st, for the two months summer vacation.
- Lumber is being drawn from West Galway to re-build the dam.
- Miss Fannie Bartlette, of Amsterdam, is visiting at Rev. Wm. J. Blaine's.
- The recent rains have materially aided the Professor's mustache.
- The M. E. Aid Society met at the residence of W. J. McDuffie Wednesday evening.
- Mr. Joseph E. Brittan is going to New York in July to study Homeopathy.
- Miss Sarah Quackenbush, of Guilderland, is visiting at Mr. John Quackenbush's.
- We intended to say, in our last letter, that the school was progressing finely and not finally.
- Mr. and Mrs. Jesse A. Tubbs left Friday for a visit to friends at Rochester, and in Onondaga county.
- James Hare left Thursday evening, for Sharon Spa. to superintend the construction of some cottages.

- James J. Hare, who has been spending the winter in Florida, has returned to enjoy the summer in the north.
- Esperance, who has had the champion base-ball club in the county for several years, will not organize a nine this season.
- W. A. Sternbergh, formerly of the Mammoth Variety Store, of this place, has a lucrative position at Richfield Springs.
- Miss Susie Ware, who has been boarding here for the past year or two, returned Wednesday, to her home at Shelburne Falls, Mass.
- Mr. Edward M. Fethers, a promising young man of this place, left for Sharon Spa. Monday, to accept the position of hotel clerk in the Fethers House.
- Will the Middleburgh correspondent please inform us if it is any worse for a person who does not belong to a temperance organization to drink the amount of cider that he wants, than it is for a member to drink one glass on the sly?
- Mr. Joseph L. Tracy expects to start for Janesville, Wis., 15th inst., to attend the Western School of Telegraphy, and after completing his course, to accept a position farther west. Joe is a very promising young man, and will doubtless, become very proficient as a "lightning slinger," as he has already devoted a considerable time to the study.

Richmondville.

- Our side walks are being repaired.
- I. A. Felter supports a new turnout.
- Joseph Tanner, of Brooklyn, is spending a few days in this place.
- Frank Robbins, of Worcester is the guest of Demetrus Vandusen.
- Miss [*sic*] Frank Townsend, of Albany, is visiting friends in this vicinity.
- The Good Templars will give an ice cream festival soon.
- E. V. Whorton had stolen from his house one day last week \$160, cash.
- Mrs. R. R. Sands, of Gloversville, is visiting at her father's – Adam Weller.
- Elsworth Palmiteer has been at Catskill for a week packing and shipping herring.
- Messrs. Curtis & Wayland, contractors, have added a gravel train to their work.
- Business is very lively in this place, and our village presents a very picturesque appearance.
- A new stone walk has been placed in front of the Baptist church. Also in front of Mrs. DeGraff's residence on R. R. Avenue.
- Two more car loads of Italians arrived last week. A large tent has been pitched for their accommodation near this village.
- Rev. L. Jones, County Dept., I. O. of G. T., has designated Seward Valley as the place to hold the next county Temperance Convention, which occurs sometime in June.
- Several accidents last week – George Fonday and Mr. Atkins were badly bruised about the head and shoulders by a run-a-way horse in Sullivan's rock cut; John Whitbeck had two fingers smashed by a falling stone; Eugene Boughton was struck on the hip by a falling derrick, and now is hobbling about with a cane; Henry Rogers received an ugly cut on the hand, two inches in length; Peter Nellis received a severe wound with a chisel; Peter Becker, living near here, broke his arm; Peter Lawyer Esq., fell from the steps of LaMonte & Loveland's store and was slightly injured.