

HELPED DEFEND FORT SUMTER

F. J. Oakes Sure He Fired
the First Union Gun.

CELEBRATES THE ANNIVERSARY

Was Corporal of Guard Where Sur-
render was Demanded and Fired
First Gun in Defense of
Fort.

Francis J. Oakes, of 23 Ash street,
Flushing, the head of the Oakes
Manufacturing Company, of Long Is-
land City, and one of the garrison of
Fort Sumter, Wednesday, celebrated
at his home the anniversary of the
defense of that fort.

Mr. Oakes showed his friends the
medal presented nearly fifty years
ago by the Chamber of Commerce of
New York to the men who marched
out of Fort Sumter and also an au-
thentic roll of the men who were in
the fort. His name is inscribed there
as a corporal in Company E, which
was under the command of Capt.
Doubleday.

On the night of April 10, 1862, Mr.
Oakes was corporal of the guard. As
such he was in charge of the guard
house, and when on that night about
10 o'clock a parleying party came to
demand the surrender of the fort these
men were placed in the guard
house under the charge of Mr. Oakes
while Major Anderson discussed the
proposition with his officers.

"Of course, I did not know the men
who were under my charge," said
Mr. Oakes, "but after Major Ander-
son had told them his final answer
I heard one of the men say, 'That
means that we will open fire,' to
which Major Anderson replied, 'Very
well, sir.' This incident was followed
by the departure of the rebels and
the hour was about midnight. As
corporal of the guard it was my duty
to relieve the guards stationed on
the ramparts, and I was engaged in
that duty at that hour when I saw
the first shot that was fired from Fort
Johnson.

"We opened fire in reply at 7
o'clock. Three guns were trained
upon the railroad iron battery at
Cummings Point. This action was
under the direction of Capt. Doubleday,
who was the senior in rank. Gun
No. 1 was under the command of
Sergeant Kearney; Gun No. 2 was
under my command, and Gun No. 3
was under the command of Corporal
Ellerbrook.

"When the order was given to fire
we all wanted to be first. These were
breach loading guns I have always
believed that my gun went first, al-
though of course that has been dis-
puted by the other gunners. I still
claim that I fired the first gun in de-
fense of the Union."

HAS THE FIRST SUMTER FLAG.

A Lowell Woman Says Flag Was
Brought Home by Her Brother.

Lowell, Mass., April 12.—The flag
which it is believed blew over Fort
Sumter when it was fired on by the
Confederates 50 years ago today is in
possession of Miss Eliza Cowley of
Lowell, Mass.

Miss Cowley says that the flag was
given to her brother, the late Chas.
Cowley, in Charleston, S. C., in the
civil war days, and has always been
in possession of the family. Her
brother, Charles Cowley, was Judge
Advocate on Admiral Dahlgren's
staff on the South Atlantic squadron
during the latter days of the civil
war.

Miss Cowley says that the flag was
shown at the meeting of the Port
Royal Association in Huntington Hall
several years ago. She says that her
brother always maintained that it
was the Fort Sumter flag in use when
Major Anderson was in command.

The Tramp Walked On.

A tramp in passing the valuable
timber tract on the property of Mr.
James Decker, in Sandyston town-
ship, N. J., one day last week, threw
a lighted match among the dry leaves
and a fire was started. Two men
happened to pass, fortunately, a few
minutes later and stamped out the
fire. Had these men failed to notice
the fire the valuable timber
would have been destroyed. The
tramp was seen to pass along the
road just before the fire was discov-
ered but later could not be found.

Do Ghosts Haunt Swamps?

No, Never. Its foolish to fear a
fancied evil, when there are real and
deadly perils to guard against in
swamps and marshes, bayous, and
lowlands. These are the malaria
ferms that cause ague, chills and
fever, weakness, aches in the bones
and muscles and may induce deadly
typhoid. But Electric Bitters de-
stroy and cast out these vicious
germs from the blood. "Three bot-
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system," wrote Wm. Fretwell, of
Lucama, N. C., "and I've had fine
health ever since." Use this safe, sure
remedy only, 50 cents at A. I. Druggists

A DOG UNEARTH'S STOLEN MONEY

A dog chasing a rabbit in the
woods in Hernando county, Fla., had
a large part in finding part of the
\$10,000 recently stolen from a regis-
tered mail pouch between Tampa and
Tarpon Springs on the night of March
23. Four thousand dollars were re-
covered by Postoffice Inspector Jones
and Deputy Sheriff Bell.

Bell heard that a boy named Cicero
Horace, fifteen years old, was spend-
ing large bills freely at Brooksville,
and he had the boy arrested. Horace
said that while hunting recently his
dog chased a rabbit into a hollow
pine log, that he thrust his hand into
the opening and drew out not only
the rabbit but a sack filled with
bills. Just then a negro came to
and made him give up half of the
money. Then the boy proceeded to
bury most of his half and to spend
the remainder.

He showed detectives where he had
buried \$4,000, and they dug it up.

WAS A HARD WINTER FOR DEER

A Very Deep Snow in the Adirondack Region.

DEER COULD NOT GET ABOUT

A Trapper Saw Thirty-five Dead
Deer Which Had Starved to
Death—Hardest Winter in
Many Years.

Utica, April 12.—According to Ben
Conkling, a trapper in Wilmurt, who
covers a broad expanse of territory in
Hamilton and Herkimer counties, the
deer in the Adirondacks fared very
badly during the winter now ending,
because of the deep and soft snows.

On one of his recent trips about
his line he saw 35 dead deer. Others
were so weak that they could make
little progress. On several oc-
casions deer trying to run away
jumped into brooks and were unable
to get out without the assistance of
the trapper. He cut trees at several
deer yards and the animals came up
to browse from the twigs while he
was standing by.

The deer starved to death because
they couldn't get to the undergrowth
when the deep snows overtook them.
There were no snow crusts this win-
ter strong enough to enable them to
get about. The snows have settled
thickly the last week or two, but it is
likely that the animals are in such
a weakened condition that many
more of them will die. The snow in
the woods is still deep enough to pre-
vent easy progress.

According to Conkling it was one
of the hardest winters on deer in re-
cent years.

BOARD OF EDUCATION, Junior Mechanics Present School Of- ficials with Handsome Flag.

At an adjourned regular meeting of
the Board of Education held at its of-
fice in the City Hall on Wednesday
night there were present President F.
R. Salmon, Dr. G. A. Hammond, C. E.
Holmes, W. N. Tuscano, Dr. C. N.
Skinner, Superintendent L. J. Roys
and Clerk L. C. Senger.

Messrs. H. Oliver Wine, Daniel S.
McPeeck and Wesley Drake, repre-
senting Delaware Council, No. 9,
Junior Order of United American
Mechanics, were received and pre-
sented to the Board a handsome all-
wool bunting flag, 8x12 feet. The
presentation speech on behalf of the
Council was made by Mr. Wine and
the gift was accepted by President
Salmon for the Board of Education.
The flag will be displayed on a pole
on the grounds of the new Hudson
street school building and will be a
valuable fixture to the school.

Women's Trade Union League.

The Women's Trade Union League
was incorporated Wednesday in New
York State with the approval of Su-
preme Court Justice Greenbaum. The
corporation now has power to hold
property, and purposes to advocate
or oppose legislation affecting women
wage earners.

Death of Aged Veteran.

George Baum, a veteran of the
Civil War, died on April 13th in his
home in Flatbush. He was born 75
years ago, in Hamptonburg, Orange
county, and went to New York City
when a boy. He had been a resident
of Flatbush for over 40 years. Mr.
Baum was one of the charter mem-
bers of the Flatbush Volunteer Fire-
men's Association. He leaves a wife,
seven children and five grandchildren.

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mailed by Ely Bros., 56 Warren
Street, New York.

Being an old maid is almost as bad
as being a married woman. The old
maids have the best of the bargain.

WILL OF WILLIAM A LAWRENCE Filed for Probate at Surrogate's Of- fice on Monday last.

The following is the will of Will-
iam A. Lawrence, one of the best
known men in Orange county, Presi-
dent of Horse and Good Roads Asso-
ciation of Orange county and close
personal friend of the late E. H.
Harriman. The will was filed for pro-
bate Monday. It disposes of an estate
variously estimated to aggregate
from \$150,000 to \$350,000.

The will was made Jan. 20, 1898,
and names Theodore F. Lawrence, son
of the testator, and Lewis J. Stage, of
Warwick, executors.

It gives to Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence,
wife of the testator, for and during
her life-time the sum of \$2,000 annu-
ally to be paid \$1,000 semi-annually.

To the brother of the testator,
Richard B. Lawrence, of Warwick,
the sum of \$20,000 is left, any ad-
vancements made during the life-
time of testator to be deducted from
the bequest. In the event of the
brother's death prior to the death of
the testator the money was to be di-
vided, two shares to Clara M. Law-
rence, three shares each to Alice M.,
Charles F. and Grace M. Lawrence,
two shares to Edward F. Lawrence
and Jessie M. Stage.

The sum of \$1,000 to be invest-
ed and the income used for support and
maintenance, was left to the Metho-
dist Church of Chester. The sum of
\$5,000 was left to the Methodist Epis-
copal Hospital in Brooklyn to endow
a bed in a public ward.

The sum of \$1,000 was left to Har-
ry L. Murray, son of James S. Mur-
ray. The executors are directed to erect
a mausoleum on the testator's lot in
Warwick cemetery within one and a
half years after his decease to cost
not less than \$6,000.

To the Warwick Cemetery Associa-
tion the sum of \$5,000 was bequeath-
ed to be invested and the income ap-
plied to the care of the plot and
the mausoleum of the testator.

All the rest, residue and remain-
der of the property was left to the son
of the testator, Theodore F. Lawrence.

THE VETERAN TROUT ANGLER.

Of Sullivan County, Charles S. Starr,
Aged Eighty.

The many friends of ex-Treasurer
of Sullivan county, Charles S. Starr,
will read with interest the following
from the New York Herald of April
14th:

Charles S. Starr, the veteran trout
angler, at the age of 80 will celebrate
as he has done for nearly three quar-
ters of a century, the open season for
trout fishing in Sullivan county,
which officially begins Monday, April
17. The legal opening day, however,
is April 16, but as that falls on Sun-
day, the penal code, which prohibits
fishing or hunting on Sunday, makes
the season one day later. To a rep-
resentative of the Herald Mr. Starr
said:

"It is imperative to be the first
man to whip the stream daily and in
order to do so it necessitates being on
the ground at daybreak. The fact that
I am getting old does not seriously
interfere with my favorite sport. It is
true, of course, that I can not mount
a barbed wire fence or dodge an en-
raged bull quite as easily as I once
could, but if any man brings home
more trout than I do on Monday I
want to see the fish and shake the
sportsman's hand."

Easter Supper at Montague.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the
Montague M. E. Church held an
Easter supper in the parlors of the
church on Thursday evening, which
was well attended. A number of peo-
ple were present from Milford. These
visitors were warmly welcomed and
they helped materially toward the
financial success. An apron sale was
also held from which a neat sum was
realized.

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fuse to work right. Then you need
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GRAND LODGE ELKS' REUNION

Will be Held at Atlantic City
in July Next.

WISH TO HONOR THE FAIR SEX

A Proposition for National Organi-
zation of Women Auxiliaries
Will be Launched at the
Reunion.

Atlantic City owes much to the in-
terest and enthusiasm of the fair sex
for its many attractions, and it is
very proper therefore that Atlantic
City should launch the proposition for
a national organization of the ener-
getic women's auxiliaries of the Elks.
If this idea gains a foothold at the
July re-union here the resort will feel
that it has helped the cause of Elk-
dom and paid a deserved tribute to
the good works of the order's ener-
getic auxiliaries.

There will be prizes also for the
lodge contingent making the best ap-
pearance in the competitive drill,
drilling to count 50 per cent., and the
number of men in line. There will be
participating 25 per cent. each. There
will be three prizes also for best
bands, and cash awards for the three
lodges having the largest number of
men in line. There will be prizes
also for the three lodges with the
most attractive uniforms, and cash
encouragement for the two lodges
traveling the greatest distance to the
Atlantic City re-union. Atlantic City
will offer rewards also for the most
attractive floats and the most beau-
tiful banner.

To encourage decoration and illu-
mination on the part of citizens At-
lantic City Lodge will offer prizes al-
so for the best decorated and most
brilliantly illuminated buildings. It
is sufficient to say right now that the
avenues and the far famous Board-
walk will be masses of bunting in
daytime and literally ablaze with
electricity after nightfall.

Preparations for the housing of
the thousands coming from every
Elk town in the country for the re-
union, are going forward steadily.
Hotel proprietors has discounted the
tourist agencies responsible for so
much discomfort and dissatisfaction
at past conventions, and are making
their bookings altogether through
the thoroughly equipped hotel bureaus
established by Atlantic City Lodge
under the competent direction of
Harvey K. Eaton, acting Secretary of
the Reunion Executive Committee.

Through this agency, lodges, dele-
gations and individual representatives
may make their reservation for ex-
actly the kind of accommodations
they want with the certainty that
they will get exactly what they con-
tract for and that there will be no
graping overcharges.

Judging from early "signs" the
contest for Grand Exalted Ruler will
be one of the closest and most excit-
ing for years. Up to this time Port-
land, Oregon, holds the lead in the
fight for the 1912 reunion.

The Pipes of Pan.

I hear the pipes of Pan blow soft,
Along the hazy summer fields,
And where the children wander o'er
Where golden grain its treasure
yields;
Down by the lazy, thin-veined
brook
Where cattle seek a quiet nook.

The pipes of Pan blow soft and low,
Down by the creeping river's edge,
And near the ivy-crimsoned row
That clings along the rock-bound
ledge;
Where water lilies gently sway
And breezes o'er their beauty
play.

The pipes of Pan blow clear and
shrill
Where tall pines drop their bris-
ling cones
Among the birch trees on the hill
I seem to hear their piercing tones;
And where the hillside upward
swells,
And meadow-lilies ring their
bells.

The pipes of Pan blow clear and
loud,
Where shrill winds shriek among
the trees;
Where thunder rolls from darkened
cloud
And rain beats on the quiet leas,
And hides its fury on the waves,
Pan blows from out the ocean
caves.

The pipes of Pan blow clear today,
As when in vales of distant Greece
Among the reeds on holiday
The satyrs sang, in coats of fleece,
And if we listen, we shall hear
The pipes of Pan blow softly
here.

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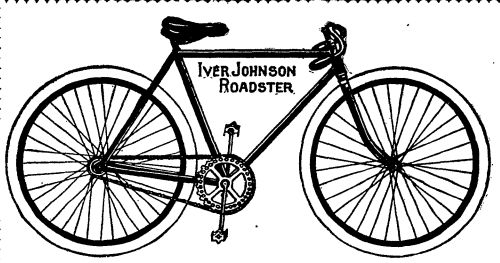
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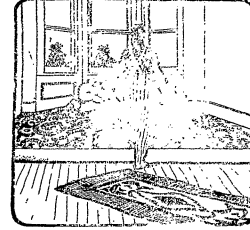
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