

PEEKSKILL, FISHKILL,

MATTEAWAN AND COLD SPRING,

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POINTS OF INTEREST.

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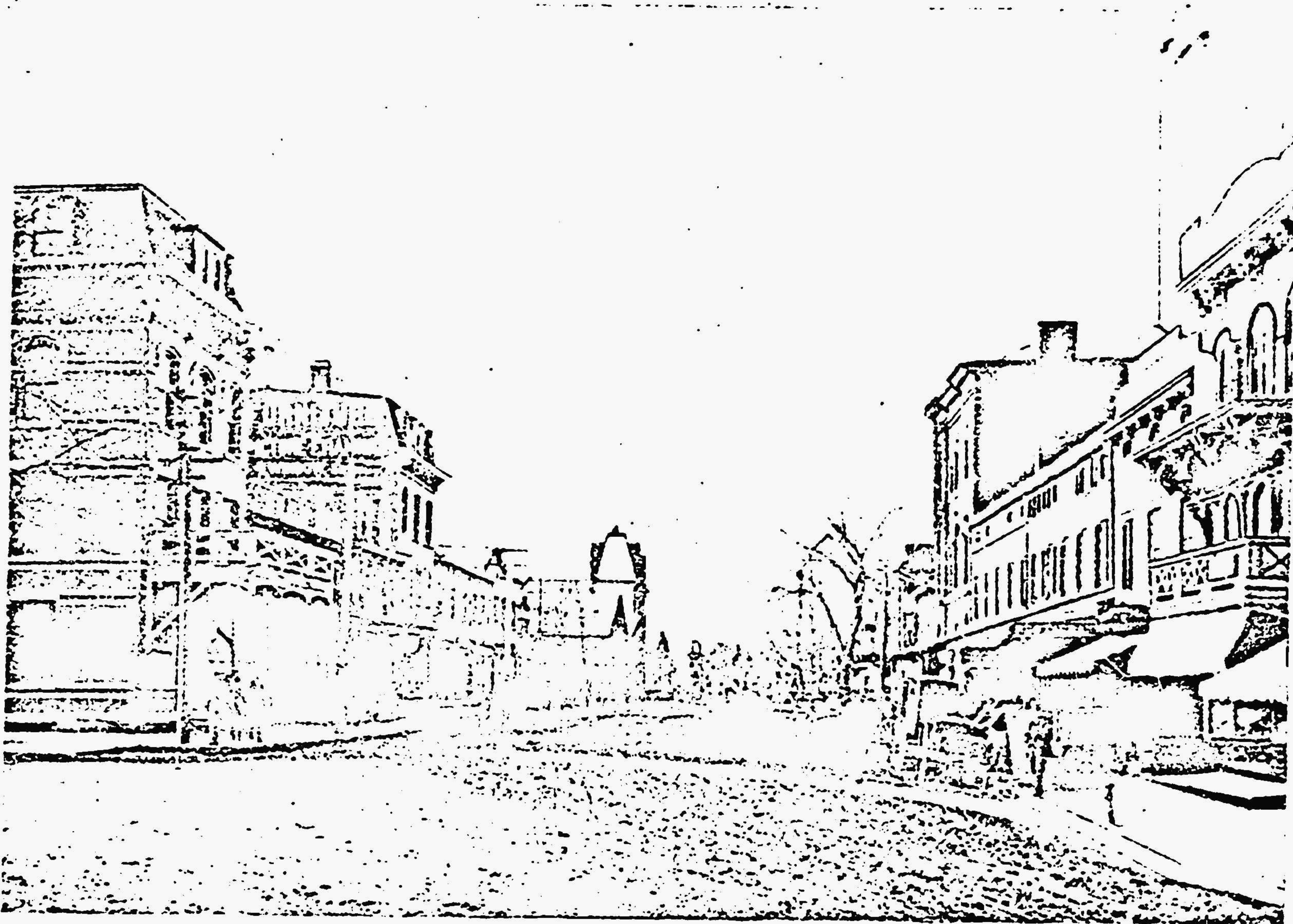
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The Board of Water Commissioners are : Ardenus R. Free, president; F. M. Dain, Treasurer; James H. Haight, Secretary; Edward F. Hill and Isaac Yocom. Orrin J. Loder is the Superintendent.

The Peekskill Water Works were completed in 1875. The pumping station is situated on the Peekskill Hollow creek, fed principally by mountain lakes and springs. The reservoir is located at a height of three hundred and sixty-five feet above tidewater. The pumping is done by the surplus water acting on turbine wheels. An auxiliary steam engine is attached to the plant for use during periods of



SOUTH STREET, LOOKING WEST.

low water. The water passes into the mains to the village by gravity. The pressure on the mains varies from one hundred to one hundred and sixty pounds, according to altitude. This gives sufficient force for excellent fire protection. During the year a duplicate steam-pumping plant will be erected. This will guarantee an adequate supply of water for many years to come.

### THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Peekskill has a most efficient Fire Department, consisting of four uniformed Hose Companies and one Hook and Ladder Company. Each company is limited to a membership of eighty.

The oldest organization is Columbian Engine Company No. 1, dating from June 8, 1826. William B. Birdsall was its first foreman. Its present officers are : Samuel J. Turner, foreman ; Oscar V. Barger, secretary, and James F. Martin, treasurer.

Courtland Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 dates from May 29, 1833. A. J. Light is foreman ; Joseph M. Fox, secretary, and E. Everett Young, treasurer.