

good rings in their noses; and the fence viewers shall determine the sufficiency of the said yokes and rings if any dispute should arise concerning the same." Obviously the fence viewers were responsible for more than looking at fences!

Brief articles about the *Ellenville Post Office*, *Ellenville Churches*, *Pioneer Engine Company No. 1* and *Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company #1*, which together were the *Fire Company*, and the *Wawarsing Leather Company* are followed by "Uncle Nathan's Farm," an eight-page poem by Isaac B. Heroy. (Perhaps this 1853 poem, frequently quoted by Katharine Terwilliger in her fascinating illustrated talks, may be printed in a future issue of this magazine.)

Two more sketches, one on the *Ellenville Glass Works*, and the second lengthier coverage of the *Ellenville Reformed Church*, finish the text of the booklet.

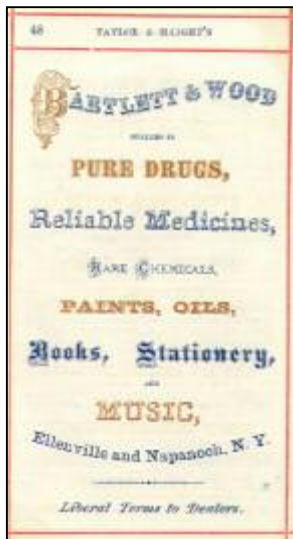
Eighteen pages of advertisements include Alfred Neafie's Insurance Office; Dr. W.F. Scoresby; U.E. Terwilliger, General Insurance Agent; Isaac Corbin, Wholesale and Retail Druggist; and, John McElhone, Banker, who advertised "a liberal interest paid on deposits." Last month's column, "The Changing Face of Ellenville Banking," included a statement (page 16, second paragraph), "Historical tradition claims that John McElhone conducted a private bank in Ellenville before 1860, but no documentary evidence exists to either prove or disprove the story." The McElhone ad proves the existence of the private bank, but doesn't prove that it existed before 1860. Incidentally, McElhone is not listed in the *Annual's* own list of Banking Associations.

Very few copies of the 1869 *Taylor & Haight's Calendar Annual* are known to be in existence. The copy used for this column was the property of Katharine T. Terwilliger and has its own story.

It originally belonged to KT's great-grandfather and later came to be in the possession of his granddaughter, Nora Clark (Mrs. Eugene Clark). Eugene Clark's third wife found it in the Clark residence and promised that she would give it to KT. Unfortunately, she died before doing so, but her third husband (Charles F. Kaiser) remembered the promise and presented the booklet to KT, bringing it full circle. The inside

of the somewhat tattered cover bears the signature "J.C. Terwilliger" for Jonathan C. Terwilliger, born in 1819, who was a successful contractor and builder, president of the village for one term, and chief of the first *Ellenville Fire Department*.

Those who would like to read some of the *Annual's* "sketches" are invited to do so at the *Ellenville Public Library & Museum* where it is available on microfilm in the *Library*. Remember that not all information is historically accurate, but it's interesting. And if, by chance, you find a copy, treasure it! It is a rare item, indeed.



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