

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH Is 'Most Here. If still in Doubt Where to Go Consult Our Summer Resorts.

EXTRA. Tips from My Great-Great Grandfather William Strutz

1. Reporters goof: His name was StRutz (not Stutz as below)
2. Typesetters goof: His murder was July 2, not June 2, 1894
3. Family members often spin or "sanitize" details
4. There may be coverage beyond local papers (e.g. AP story)



WILLIAM STRUTZ, THE VICTIM.

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THE SYRACUSE DAILY JOURNAL, MONDAY, JUNE 2, 1894.

TWO SHOTS

Murder and Suicide on Pearl-st. This Morning.

WHISKEY AND JEALOUSY THE CAUSE

Henry Vogler Shoots William Strutz.

THEN TAKES OWN LIFE

Both Men Were Carpenters—They Had Long Been Friends, But Became Enemies—Story of the Murder.

There was a murder and a suicide on Pearl-st. this morning. Henry Vogler shot and instantly killed William Strutz, and then sent a bullet crashing into his own brain. The hour was 7:45. The scene of the affair was at the junction of Pearl-st. and East Bekden-ave. The Delaware & Hudson coal yard is located there, facing the hay-market. On the Pearl-st. side there is a high board fence, the property of the coal company. A branch of the West Shore track runs along Pearl-st., leaving a space of about fifteen feet between it and the high board fence. The roadway is on the east side of the track, and on that side of the street there are houses and several saloons. Philip Goettle, the contractor, recently drew some timber to the space between the track and the board fence, and near the corner. Here at the time of the tragedy Charles Goettle of 300 DeWitt-st., Charles Bell of 801 McBride-st., and Fred Watley of 117 Beecher-st., all carpenters, were working preparing the timbers for a house soon to be built. Strutz, who was a carpenter by trade, was acquainted with the three men at work. About 7 o'clock he came along and took a seat on the end of a 4x8

learned the trade of a carpenter. His last work, so far as can be learned, was for Contractor William Sherlock.

Louis Vogler says that his father left home for work at 5:40 last night. He had slept nearly all day, as was his custom. When he left the house, Louis says, he was in an unusually good mood and joked with Mrs. Vogler and the children about a ride his son Willie had made on a bicycle to Liverpool and back during the day. Then he kissed the little children good night, and good bye to Mrs. Vogler and Louis and, taking his dinner pail, went away. Louis was about the house until nearly midnight when he went to work at the Bier, his mother having prepared a meal for him at 11:30. Louis' hours are from 12 midnight until 12 noon, and he knew nothing of the affair until sent for this morning. Louis says that both his father and Strutz were heavy drinkers, and he ascribes the tragedy to whisky and jealousy on the part of his father.

The body of Vogler was moved from the hospital to Traugott's undertaking rooms. The funeral of Vogler will be held at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

DROWNED AT FAYETTEVILLE.

The Little Village is Startled by Two Cal-

TO-MORROW

Skaneateles Water Will be Turned Into the City Mains.

THREE O'CLOCK THE HOUR

All Syracuse is Invited to Be at the Cafe House.

MAYOR AMOS WILL FIRE 100 GUNS

Ex-Mayor Kirk, Who Was an Early Mover for Pure Water, Will Have a Hand on the Wheel—The Story of How the Water Was Obtained.

Valley was capable of furnishing a sufficient quantity of water for any great length of time proposed; Skaneateles lake, including the area of the lake, of 70 square miles; Oneida lake of 1,327 square miles, and the watershed of Seneca river above Baldwinville was found sufficient. It was apparent, therefore, that of all the alleged practicable sources of supply, only Salmon river, Skaneateles lake, Oneida lake, Onondaga creek at Cardiff coupled with the Tully lakes, Lake Ontario and Seneca river, were capable of furnishing an ample supply of water for a period of fifty years. The report of the commission said, speaking of the quality of water: "To the ordinary observer, Skaneateles lake would appear more desirable for domestic purposes than any other source. It is a body of water fifteen miles long and about a mile wide, with an area of twelve and three-quarters square miles. It is very deep throughout, its shores are abrupt, free from vegetable growth at the water's edge, and the lake is not connected with swamps or marshes. The water is supplied from springs in the lake or on the adjacent hillsides. It is

5. The Genealogical Proof Standard: Do an exhaustive search
6. Keep Notes (sources, name variations, facts, conflicts)
7. Names are often misspelled or misread. Search key words.
8. Search not just for names but for initials and abbreviations  
- e.g. Joseph William Smith may be Jos., Joseph W. or J. W.
9. There may be mentions of the deceased years after death.  
- Obituaries, probate and real estate items are the most common
10. Newspapers and microfilm deteriorate and have limited lifespans

Some common OCR misreads

- i is interchangeable with l, less so f, t, 1  
- ll, il or li become U, H or J; it's becomes ill
- n becomes u, r, a or vice versa  
- n becomes h; h and b are interchangeable; so are ui and m
- s becomes a, z, \*, »; S becomes 8 or 3
- G becomes O or C or less often, D  
- g becomes s or j, c becomes e
- E is interchangeable with B or K
- P is interchangeable with F, R or D
- W and Y become V or VI, M and N or /N
- cl becomes d and vice versa

SUICIDE FOLLOWS MURDER.

Henry Vogler Kills William Strutz and Himself at Syracuse.

(By Associated Press.)  
SYRACUSE, N. Y., July 2.—Henry Vogler, employed as a night watchman in Greenway's brewery, living at 418 Pearl street, shot and almost instantly killed William Strutz, a carpenter, of 104 John street, shortly before 8 o'clock this morning. He then turned the revolver on himself and put a bullet into his right temple. He died in St. Joseph's Hospital at 9:50 o'clock. The cause of the act was jealousy. Strutz had boarded in Vogler's house some years ago, and the men were then firm friends. After he left his house Vogler became suspicious of Strutz's attentions towards his wife. The men quarrelled about a year ago and have not spoken to each other since. Both men leave widows and families. Strutz's widow, who lives at 113 Seward street, has not lived with her husband for about two years. It is said that her husband's attentions to Mrs. Vogler caused the separation.

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