A CENTURY OF CLOTHING MANUFACTURE

1984 marks the 100th anniversary of the construction of the Pine or "Lion" collar and shirt factory, located on Second Avenue between 120th and 121st Streets, now owned by Standard Manufacturing Company. This huge brick factory was erected in 1884 by James Pine of Lansingburgh, to house his rapidly expanding collar and shirt business.

Pine began in the collar manufacturing business in 1863 in the Gurley Building in Troy, in the firm of Cole, Dyer and Pine. During his partnership with Myron Hamblin, the firm of Pine and Hamblin first used the "Lion" trademark, and opened offices in New York City and Boston. In 1890 his firm merged with four Troy collar companies to form the United Shirt & Collar Company. The present building was enlarged in the 1880's and 1890's with the construction of new wings and the addition of two more stories; it now occupies nearly half a city block.

In 1922 the company was reorganized as the Lion Shirt & Collar Co., Inc. and five years later the building was sold to M. Nir- enburg Co. of New York City, who manufactured "Lion of Troy" shirts here for a number of years. In 1970 the factory was purchased by Standard Manufacturing Company, manufacturers and wholesalers of outerwear.

Standard has been located in the City since 1924 when it was founded as a collar manufacturing business on River Street by George H. Arakelian, grandfather of current President of the firm, Geo. H. Arakelian 2nd. Outerwear produced by Standard is marketed under the "Sportsmaster" label and is also sold under the labels of major chain and department stores. The retail factory outlet was opened in the north end of the Lansingburgh factory in 1982.

While converting the interior to modern work space and offices, Standard Manufacturing Company had preserved the exterior of the old factory building. To commemorate the centen-
LANSINGBURGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER & ANNUAL REPORT: 1983-4

This Newsletter is an official publication of the Lansingburgh Historical Society, 2114th St., P.O. Box 219, Lansingburgh, Rensselaer County, New York 12182. The Society was founded in 1965 and has a permanent charter from the Regents of the State of New York. Officers and Trustees for the past season were:

President: Byron D. Moak  
Vice-President: Warren F. Broderick  
Secretary: Kathleen Tivnan  
Treasurer: Richard Zeller  
Historian: Frances D. Broderick  
Corresponding Secretary: Harriet Finnegan

Trustees: the officers listed above; also Alan Ellett, Agnest Ernest, Agnes Hoffman (deceased), Helena English, Barbara Carlo, Lois Norton, Maurice Corbin & Rita Darfler.

The Society's headquarters is open by appointment, by calling 235-5868, 235-7647, 235-4041 or 235-4099.

PROGRAMS

The monthly programs for 1983-4 were:

Sept.: Rev. Thos. K. Phelan, "Folk Art"  
Oct.: Carl Grimm, "Train Ride Across Europe and Asia"  
Nov.: Geoffrey Stein, "Fire Apparatus Collection of the N.Y. State Museum"  
Dec.: Christmas Party & Auction  
Jan.: Warren Broderick, "Rensselaer County Cemeteries"  
Feb.: Richard Smith, "Hudson Mohawk Urban Cultural Park"  
March: Robert Mulligan, "Shaker Herb Industr"  
April: Dr. Edward Vandercars, "Cohoes"  
May: Sandra Petersen-Hardt, "Frear's Department Store"

On Saturday, June 9th, Society members and friends are invited to a picnic from 2 to 5 P.M. at Dick Zeller's house on Rt. 40, just north of Speigeltown. For directions and additional information, contact Dick at 235-4099.

TEACHING PACKET

The educational packet designed for teaching Lansingburgh history in our schools will be produced during 1984-5. Drawing on research, photographs, maps, prints and other historical records, the packet will be designed for use at both elementary and secondary levels. Persons interested in working on the teaching packet should contact Society Vice President Warren F. Broderick.

S AND S CASH MARKET

626 SECOND AVE., North  
NEAR 117th STREET  
QUALITY, SERVICE AND LOW PRICES

Thursday, Friday and Saturday—SPECIALS—March 31, April 1 and 2

Meat Specials

Pork Loin.......... lb. 1.5c  
Fresh Hams............. lb. 15c  
Pure Pork Sausage Meat... lb. 15c  
Fresh Chopped Beef... lb. 17c  
Shoulder Pork Chops... lb. 11c  
Prime Shoulder Roast Beef... lb. 17c  
Standing Style Rib Roast... lb. 21c  
Milk Fed Roasting Veal... lb. 19c  
Genuine Spring Leg Lamb... lb. 23c  
Veal Stew............ lb. 5c

Sugar Cured Smoked Shoulder lb. 19c  
Swift's Premium Hams... lb. 15c  
Armour's Star Bacon.... lb. 16c  
Honeyed Salt Pork.... lb. 15c  
Best Cut Chuck Steak... lb. 19c  
Best Cut Round Steak... lb. 25c  
Sugar Cured Corned Beef  
Plate, Brisket or Navel... lb. 6c  
Veal Stew............ lb. 8c  
Milk Fed Roasting Chicken, lb. 31c

Grocery Specials

Sugar......... 10 lbs. 11c  
A No. 1 Batter.... 2 lb. roll 49c  
Grade A Eggs... 2 dozen 43c  
Gold Medal or Pillsbury Flour... 73c  
Del Monte Coffee..... 1 lb. 31c  
Del Monte Garden Peas... 2 for 25c  
Del Monte Garden Corn... 2 for 25c  
Del Monte Prunes (2 lbs.).. 2 for 25c  
Hop Flavored Malt... 4 for $1.00  
Cut Refrger Beans.... 3 for 25c

Mop Sticks.............. each 10c  
Vermont Maid Syrup.. 15c  
Chorba Crab Meat.... 24c  
Welch's Grape Juice... pint 25c  
New York State Beans... 8 lbs. 25c  
Sheffield Tall Milk.... 4 for 25c  
Abaco Tomatoes (No. 2)... 2 for 15c  
Mather's China Onus... pkg. 23c  
Pillsbury's Pancake Flour—  
Large pkg. 24c  
Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour—  
Large pkg. 24c  
Chips... large pkg. 15c  
P & G Soap....... 10 for 31c

MEETING!

The Voters of Lansingburgh, friendly to regular nominations, and the election of

STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS,

as President of the United States, are requested to meet at the Phoenix Hotel on WEDNESDAY EVENING, August 1st, at half past seven o'clock, to choose Delegates to D. Conv. called at Hoosie Falls for the 10th Inst., and to transact such other business as may come before them.

By order of the Committee.  
J. SPICER, Chairman.  
DEMOCRAT PRINT.

July 31, 1800.
SOCIETY RECEIVES TWO GRANTS

The Society was the recipient of two major grants this past year. The Howard & Bush Foundation awarded a grant of $9000 for stabilization and restoration work on the southeast corner of the headquarters, which has suffered from serious water damage over the years. Restoration specialist Jesse Tuttle of Greenwich, N.Y. has been awarded the contract for the work, which will begin this summer.

We also received a grant for $975 from the Mohawk-Hudson Community Foundation, to perform the work necessary to complete the Society's "attic museum" at the headquarters. Proper lighting for the exhibits is presently being installed and ventilation work will be completed this summer. After some cleaning and reorganization of exhibits is completed, the attic will permanently house artifacts relating to Lansingburgh commerce and industry. Portable display cases purchased with this grant are presently being used in the exhibit on the Lion shirt and collar factory.

OLYMPIC SALOON, LANSINGBURGH!

Third Night! Tuesday, October 19th.

The first representative of the beautiful Moral Drama of "The Drunkard" having met with such enthusiastic success and favor, and owing to the enormous requests to have it repeated, the Manager would respectfully announce that the GREAT MORAL DRAMA OF THE

DRUNKARD

will be repeated on Tuesday, Oct. 19th, with the original cast of characters.

This Evening. Tuesday, October 19th, '83, will be presented,

The Drunkard,
OR THE FALLEN SAVED!

SYNOPSIS OF Plot, INCIDENTS, &C.


ACT II.-Large sum lost by Cobbe. Lawyer Cobbe goes to Bill Davie. Davie's wife and child alone with the sum; his property seized, and his wife goes to Davie in search of him.

ACT III.-Two years later. Madeline on her return from her wife's devotion, and young Cobbe's wife, and child alone with the sum; his property seized, and his wife goes to Davie in search of him.

ACT IV.-Two years later. Madeline on her return from her wife's devotion, and young Cobbe's wife, and child alone with the sum; his property seized, and his wife goes to Davie in search of him.

SONG: Mr. Chapmam. COME SONG: Mrs. Holman. FAVORITE BALLAD: Mrs. Holman.

TWO BONNY CASTLES.

Mr. Younger. Mr. Chapmam. Mr. E. H. Nicholls. Mr. E. D. Wrayne.
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The Lansingburgh Brass Band, having kindly volunteered their services during the city of this company, will discover some most ELOQUENT MUSIC.

No POSTPONEMENT on any account whatever, DUE TO FALLING IN THE TOOLS, BURNING TRAVELER AT A T. L., STRICT ORDER WILL BE PRESERVED.

P. REDDEN, Manager.

TREE PLANTING

On October 23, 1983 a blue spruce tree was planted in Melville Park by the Second Avenue Business & Professional Association, in appreciation of the time and effort Society member Anne Houghmaster has devoted to beautification of this part of Lansingburgh. Melville Park was established by the Society in 1973 on the site of a former shipyard, across First Avenue from the Headquarters. The vista of the Hudson River has also been improved by tree trimming and brush removal along lower Second Avenue, undertaken by the City Department of Public Works.
ACQUISITIONS

A number of important items were received during the past season. Highlights include the following gifts: advertising sign for Fox Crackers (Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Palmer), celadon umbrella rack (Dick Zeller), cut glass punch bowl (Bill Fitzgerald), Jessen & McCollum cracker box (H. Irving Moore) and extra panoramic views of Lansingburgh (Merle E. Smith). A number of significant acquisitions came from the estate of James Pine, including a watercolor of a pipesmoking man, done by Emilie Adams; examples of woodcarving done by Bessie Pine; watercolors and drawings by Grace K. Pine; records of the United Shirt & Collar Co., Troy Carriage Works, and personal papers of J.K.P. Pine. Other donors included Donald Murray, Frances Broderick, Agnes Ernest, Elmo Mollnow, Warren F. Broderick, Mrs. Howard Elliot and Aura Webster.

Important purchases included an oil painting of Mt. Kearsage, N.H., by Emilie C. Adams; Bolton & Skillman cracker box; nine panoramic views of northeastern New York communities and a wooden sign from D. Powers & Sons, oil cloth factory. Some interesting pieces of clothing and related accessories were only recently acquired after deaccessioning by the Rensselaer County Junior Museum.

The Society received on permanent loan from the Troy Cemetery Association the original manuscript map of Oakwood Cemetery, drawn in pen in 1850 by landscape architect J.C. Sidney. The map has just been restored by Northeast Documents Conservation Center in Andover, Mass. This is a very significant acquisition, being one of the earliest existing manuscript maps of a rural cemetery in the United States.

CONSERVATION OF COLLECTIONS

All paintings owned by the Society have been properly matted and framed and restored to their original appearance. Single sheet manuscript items of significance are encapsulated as soon as received. The manuscript map of Oakwood Cemetery and the lithographed map of Troy & Vicinity (1876) were completely restored professionally. Four large roll maps still require treatment. Most textile items in our collections have been placed in acid free boxes donated by State Archives and the Federation of Historical Services. Through a special F.H.S. project, the Society's "G. Lent/Lansingburgh" crock (pictured below) was restored by a professional conservator.
These panoramic or "birds eye" view of northeastern New York State communities, made by Lucien Burleigh of Lansingburgh, are presently owned by the Society. Some were acquired through purchase or exchange, but most were donated by Lucien's son Wm. B. Burleigh and his grandson, Merle Smith. All panoramic views have been encapsulated to ensure their preservation and availability for study and display purposes. The Society is interested in obtaining view of other local communities to supplement this important collection.

Lansingburgh, 1891 (3 sections)  
Saratoga Springs, 1888  
Johnstown, 1888  
Greenwich, c. 1885  
Ticonderoga, 1884  
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Schuylerville, 1889  
Cambridge, 1886  
Ballston Spa, 1898  
Altamont, 1889  
Mechanicville, c. 1884-5  
Port Henry, 1889  
Hagaman's Mills, 1890  
Stottville, 1889  
Hoosick Falls, 1889  
Schaghticoke, 1889  
Granville, 1886  
Stamford, 1890  
Dolgeville, 1890  
Middleville  
Mohawk, 1893  
Newport  
Corinth & Palmer Falls, 1888  
St. Johnsville  

The Society also owns facsimiles of the following views: Greenwich, Schuylerville, Victory Mills, Glens Falls, Castleton, Valley Falls & Coeymans.

The collection also includes some records of the Burleigh Company and two other outstanding pieces of Burleigh's lithography, a chromo-litho advertisement for Ludlow Valves and a World War I patriotic poster.
Society Vice-President Warren F. Broderick is actively involved in continuing research on Lansingburgh and other northeastern New York potters and their work. He is in the process of compiling information for a booklet on Lansingburgh potters, and also assisting William Ketcham Jr. in revision of the latter's Early Potters and Potteries of New York State (1970).

The following potters are known to have worked in Lansingburgh:

John Haggerty (worked 1796-1825); his pottery was located on Second Avenue just south of 111th Street. No pieces of his work have been located to date.

George Lent (worked 1825-1843); his pottery was located on the west side of Second Ave. just north of 112th St. We are particularly interested in locating pieces and fragments of stoneware unearthed during construction of a service station here during the 1960's.

Eleazer Orcutt (worked 1843-1847). This widely travelled potter worked in Lansingburgh; we believe he used Lent's pottery but need substantive evidence. Some of his work is merely marked "Lansingburgh."

Pliny Thayer (worked 1841-1855); his pottery was located on Second Avenue just north of 111th St. Information is needed to document Thayer's career before he arrive here and after leaving Lansingburgh.

James Reiley (worked 1855-1858); bought Pliny Thayer's pottery. We wonder if any stoneware was made here after Reiley returned to Troy.

Barney Reiley (James Reiley's father); worked at the Reiley pottery.

Stephen Pepson (worked at Thayer's pottery before moving to West Troy and Albany.)

William Lent (worked with his father, George Lent, until the mid 1830's.)

Francis DeLair (worked 1861-1883) lived at 462 4th Avenue. We need to learn if De Lair worked in Troy or West Troy or whether he made pottery in Lansingburgh.

Joseph Hughes (worked 1887) listed in the City Directory as manufacturing "terra-cotta ware" at that lower Lansingburgh address. The extent of his business is not known as yet.

Warren is also interested in obtaining information on potteries in Troy, West Troy (Watervliet), Galesville (Middle Falls), Mechanicville, Stillwater, Fortsville, Galway and other northeastern New York communities.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG PLANNED at the Thayer-Reiley pottery this summer. Interested volunteers contact Warren Broderick at 235-4041.**
Historic Residence Serves Gardenway

The former Gurley-Cook residence on Gurley Avenue, overlooking Lansingburgh and the junction of the Hudson & Mohawk Rivers, was acquired by Gardenway Inc. in 1980. The spacious home, probably designed by Marcus Cummings, was built in 1879 by Wm. Gurley for his daughter Esther, wife of Paul Cook. Known as "Cool Ridge Acres," the home was tastefully converted into modern offices, while preserving both the original exterior and interior character of the structure. A modern two-storey building was constructed by Gardenway to the rear of the old mansion; they are attached by a glass-sided lobby. The complex houses Gardenway's Art Department and In-House Advertising Agency. We would also like to thank Gardenway for joining the Society as a sustaining member and making an additional contribution to our Collections Fund.
PORCH SALE & OPEN HOUSE

The spring porch sale and open house will be held at the headquarters on Saturday May 19th from 9 AM to 4 PM. A variety of antiques and collectibles will be for sale and the headquarters, including the "Attic Museum," will be open to the public. Anyone with items to donate for the sale or willing to help out during the event should call one of the officers or Dennis Rivage, at 237-6733. Proceeds from the sale will aid the Society's collections fund.

JOIN THE LANSINGBURGH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

No application is necessary; just send $5.00 for regular membership or $25.00 for sustaining membership to the Society at P.O. Box 219, Lansingburgh, N.Y. 12182. You will be notified in writing of each monthly program and members joining after September 1st will be credited with dues paid through April 1, 1986.

The following items are still available from the Society:

LANSINGBURGH, NY 1771-1971—the popular pictorial history—-$1.50
LANSINGBURGH'S KITCHEN GOODIES—traditional local recipies—-$1.50
L.H.S. NOTEPAPER—reproducing a painting of the Society's headquarters, on quality paper, 10 to a package—-$2.50
BRUSHBACKS—hardwood brushbacks from a local brush factory, with a bronze Bicentennial medallion mounted in the center by Maurice Corbin, a unique desk ornament—-$4.00

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