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Mr. Edward A. Strong was born in New York City and spent the years of his boyhood there going to school, and then working in a printing house until 1882, when he moved to Arlington and became one of her prominent residents. From the time of his arrival here he has been identified with every improvement that has been to her interest, and has proved himself an indefatigable worker in all her undertakings. In 1891 he engaged in business as a general real estate and fire insurance agent, and, as usual in whatever he undertaker, proved his ability in this line, with great success. There should be no difficulty in selling houses or lots in Arlington, so long as there is a sensible person to buy them, but the difficulty is in finding that kind of a person, and it is here where Mr. Strong's ability shows itself. Alert, obliging and generous as he is, he has made each purchase a living recommendation for his integrity and veracity, and by this means has succeeded so well in overcoming this difficulty. Mr. Strong thoroughly understands the principles underlying insurance, is well informed on financial methods and investments, and hence is well qualified to explain the several policies issued by the companies he represents, to judge as to which is best suited to individual cases and to make the reasons for his judgments clear to those affected thereby. Communications by mail will receive prompt attention, but a personal visit to the office should be made if possible, as the results will surely be much more satisfactory to all parties concerned.

Thomas Sims, House, Sign and Decorative Painting. Kalsomining, draining, glazing and paper hanging, No. 2 Oak Avenue.- The gentleman whose name we give above was born in Newark and raised in Harrison. He served his apprenticeship in the latter place, under an able master, Mr. Archie Quail, at that time the only reputable painter in town. After working for Mr. Quail. Mr. Sims started in business with Mr. J. J. Willhelm for a partner, but receiving a very inviting offer from (the Newark Wall Paper Company) he sold his share in the partnership to Mr. Willhelm and became connected with that company as traveling salesman. This change proved very satisfactory to Mr. Sims both financially and in knowledge, especially the latter, as it enabled him to learn more about the great variations both in quality and prices of wall paper than he would be able to otherwise gain had he not the advantage of learning it in this manner. After serving with this company his independent spirit returned to him and he once more concluded to start out for himself again, which he did, now, a little over two years ago. Since that time he has met with signal success, and, as a result, placed to his credit the splendid record of having painted no less than 203 houses, interior and exterior. Taking the above into consideration along with the many jobs he has done in kalsomining, glazing and paper hanging, one can gain an idea of Mr. Sims' reputation as one of Kearny's progressive representative business men. He is always ready to cheerfully give estimates on all kinds of work in his line no matter how small or extensive the undertaking may be, and is satisfied, should another underbid him, somebody is going to be the loser.

Wm. H. Dodd, Oil and Express, West Arlington Station, West Arlington, called in 1882 Kearny, was little more than a wilderness at that time, having only twenty houses from Clark's thread mills to Belleville Avenue. At the present time there are over three hundred houses, streets cut through, graded, flagged and sewerred, and lighted with electric and gas lights. Lots which were sold then for one hundred dollars are now bringing four and five hundred dollars. Mr. Dodd supplies the best oil and window screens, and taking or bringing your baggage from or to the trains or wherever desired to be delivered. In this work he is fortunate in having a "chip o' the old block" in his oldest son Joseph, who, when his father is engaged in his work on the station, attends to their business entirely. Besides oil, window screens and express he delivers, during the summer months, ice to his customers. Mr. Dodd was born in Beaver Town, Morris County, this State. He is a wheelwright by trade, but finding railroading more beneficial to his health, adopted this occupation about twenty-eight years ago, having first entered the employ of the D., L. & W., and then the N. Y. & G. L., where he has been steadily for the past eighteen years. He is blessed with a lovable helpmate, fine children and the esteem and good wishes of all who know him and has the honor of being a veteran in the late rebellion and at present an Odd Fellow, Grand Army man in Phil. Sheridan's Volunteer Veteran Association. Knights of Honor, Fourth New York Cavalry Association. Daughters of Rebecca of Odd Fellows, besides the above Mr. Dodd builds or repairs boats of all classes, repairs and sharpens lawn mowers, razors, saws, scissiors, and all kinds of carpenter and machine work.