



JUSTICE TIERNAN.

PETER TIERNAN, justice of the peace of the town of Middletown, was born in Ireland, but came to America in 1851 and settled in Tompkinsville.

Mr. Tiernan has always taken an active and prominent part in county and local affairs, and as early as 1853 was elected school trustee, which office he held for two terms and the office of school collector for three terms; and in 1876 and 1880 he was tax collector for the town of Middletown. He is now serving his eighth term of justice of the peace, and is the oldest justice in Richmond county. At the expiration of this present term of office he will have served the county thirty-two years in that capacity.

He has also served for fifteen years as a member of Neptune Fire Engine Co. No. 6, and eight years in the 69th Reg't. N. Y. S. M.

Mr. Tiernan has always been a Democrat and taken a prominent part in councils of his party in which he wielded no inconsiderable influence. His court has always maintained a high reputation for the justice and impartiality of his decisions.