

OHA AT 150

**Syracuse Mills
destroyed by fire**

The Onondaga Historical Association is celebrating its 150th anniversary. Here's what was going on in 1863:

The Syracuse Mills on West Water Street were destroyed by a fire. The damage was estimated at \$30,000. Built in 1824, the mills were owned for 15 years by Major Moses D. Burnet, whose home still stands on James Street today. His house is the current location of the Century Club.

Also that week: A new telegraph line was laid between Buffalo and Syracuse at the rate of 10 miles a day.

— *Daniel Connors of the OHA*