

OHA AT 150**Monster guns and
a pseudo-soldier**

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

Another of the monster guns, one of the largest cast, passed through Syracuse on the way from Pittsburgh to the defenses at New York City. Its dimensions are as follows: length of 13 feet 5 inches, diameter of 4 feet, caliber of 15 inches, and weight of 42,920 pounds. The gun will carry a 400-pound conical ball and requires a charge of 60 pounds of powder.

Also this week: A person dressed in soldier's clothes was arrested in Buffalo on suspicion of not being what he seemed. It turned out that the soldier was a young lady from Rochester named Anna Hilton.

— *Daniel Connors of the OHA*