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CITY NOTES.

The new No. 25 school building will be inspected by the board of control at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The ladies of the congregation of Esch-Cross church will conduct a social supper in the basement of the church on the evenings of Oct. 26 and 27. On account of the death of Hon. Lemuel Amerman, superintendent of the Nay Aug Mission school, the social to be held Friday evening will be postponed. George E. Stevenson, of Waverly, Charles L. Lowry and Jacob Schaffer, of Scranton, were yesterday appointed viewers of the new road in Scott township. Miss Edith Burrell, a noted soprano of Brooklyn, N. Y., has kindly consented to sing at the social of the King's Daughters and King's Sons this evening at their room in Elm Park church. Michael Carroll and Andrew Guty, who with shovel and hoe respectively, struck Patrick Convey while at work on the Mulberry street pipe Wednesday, were committed to the county jail yesterday for a further hearing. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company will pay at the car shops, the Erie and Lehigh mines today. The Delaware and Hudson company paid yesterday at Mill Creek mines, Mill Creek, and Baltimore tunnel, at Wilkes-Barre. The ladies of the First Avenue Baptist church are planning for an art exhibition early in November. They have accepted the offer of the Ladies' Home Journal's art collection and will combine other interesting features to make an enjoyable evening. The hearing before the auditor in the assignment of the Hyde Park bank has been continued until Monday, Oct. 11, 1897, at 9 o'clock in the office of the auditor, J. M. Harris, Coal Exchange building, Scranton. All persons interested will please present their claims. William H. Frieze, of Scranton, and Elizabeth Owens, of Oliphant; George King and Elizabeth Ann Hawko, of Sibley; Peter Gallagher and Lizzie Lynch, of Scranton; Frank Scripps and Annie M. Hale, of Scranton; George T. Taylor and May Hughes, of Scranton, were yesterday granted marriage licenses. The rain yesterday caused two mishaps on the lines of the Scranton Railway company, one on Pine street near the corner of Madison avenue, the other on the Washington avenue line near the Erie and Wyoming Valley station. By the former Mrs. Mary James, of Rendham, was slightly injured. No one was injured by the Washington avenue accident. An enthusiastic meeting of the Keystone campaign club was held last evening in the hall of the Howard Place African Methodist Episcopal church. President C. W. Brown was in the chair. The approaching campaign was discussed and the club decided to take an active interest in it. The organization numbers many of the colored voters of the city and is a tower of strength politically. Coroner S. P. Longstreet yesterday held an inquest on the body of Andrew Novack, the man who died at the Lackawanna hospital from a fractured skull. The post mortem disclosed the fact that death was brought on by cerebral spinal meningitis. The following were appointed jurors to meet and take testimony next Wednesday night: Dra. Newbury and Rank, E. D. Owen, A. T. Raynsford, John McDonough and Fred Kuhlman. The steam filters and steam filters helpers of the city last night organized a branch of the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers, Gasfitters, Steam Fitters and Steam Fitters' Helpers of the United States and Canada. There are eighteen charter members. The men were organized by P. J. Thomas. The officers chosen were: Charles E. Ratigan; vice president, Charles E. Clear; corresponding secretary, W. F. Harrison; financial secretary, C. Gibson; treasurer, J. W. Nelson; statistician, J. W. Ryan; inside sentinel, M. J. Howley.

LEMUEL AMERMAN DIES SUDDENLY

Stricken with Heart Failure at Blossburg, Tioga County.

WENT THERE ON A BUSINESS TRIP

Yesterday afternoon, while in the office of the Blossburg Water Company, of which he was president, he complained to Mr. Watres of a Pain in His Side, and in an Hour's Time He Was Dead--Sketch of His Honored Career.

Hon. Lemuel Amerman died suddenly, yesterday afternoon, in Blossburg, Tioga county, this state, where he went on a business trip the day before. Heart disease is presumed to be the cause. Mr. Amerman and ex-Lieutenant Governor L. A. Watres, his partner in various business enterprises, left here at 1:55 o'clock Wednesday afternoon via the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road, to look after some business connected with the Blossburg Water company, in which they are the principal stockholders. Yesterday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock



HON. LEMUEL AMERMAN.

while they were in the Water company's office in consultation with their superintendent, Mr. Stratton, Mr. Amerman complained of a pain in his left side. It continued to increase in severity and in a short time he was overcome by his suffering that he collapsed. Mr. Watres and Mr. Stratton made him as easy as possible on the floor and a physician who had been hurriedly summoned, worked assiduously with him to allay the pain, giving him hypodermic injections and such other treatment as is customary in these cases. It was unavailing, however, for the sufferer continued to grow worse and at five minutes after two began to sink. Twenty minutes later he was dead.

REMAINS BROUGHT HOME. Arrangements were immediately perfected by Mr. Watres to bring the remains home with all possible dispatch. A special car was secured and connection was made with the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western train leaving Elmira at 9:50 and arriving here at 1:35 this morning.

Mr. Amerman was never thought to be seriously afflicted with heart trouble although on two occasions recently he was affected quite alarmingly, once when out driving with some friends and again on his trip home from Ireland last fall, when he was overcome that he fell backward upon the deck of the ship and was in critical condition for some hours. His health otherwise was quite good and in physique was about 5 feet 11 inches in height, weighed probably 185 pounds and had a very commanding and erect carriage. These, with his strong facial features and generally attractive bearing, would mark him in any throng as a man among men.

The news of his death was first received at the Amerman and Watres offices on the sixth floor of the board of trade building by Robert C. Adams, private secretary of Mr. Watres and secretary of the business concerns in which Mr. Watres and Mr. Amerman were interested. First of all precautions were taken to prevent the news being rudely broken to Mrs. Amerman, who is seriously ill, and then the sad announcement was made to the personal and business friends of the deceased.

NEWS SPREAD RAPIDLY. Once on the street, the news spread with remarkable rapidity and at 5 o'clock it might truthfully be said the city was mourning Mr. Amerman's sudden and untimely demise. Possibly there never was a similar instance in this city where a death announcement created such a general shock and such deep, unfeigned regret. At the court house the officials and attorneys would not give it credence at first and even after it was verified beyond doubt there were those who still hesitated to believe it could be true. Everywhere there were expressions of sadness over the removal of one whom the community could so ill spare, and of sympathy for the now doubly afflicted wife and orphaned children. Lemuel Amerman was born near Danville, Montour county, Pennsylvania, Oct. 29, 1846, and was a son of Jesse C. and Caroline Strohm Amerman. His ancestors came to this country from Amsterdam, Holland, about 1665, and moving to what was then Northumberland county, they have for generation after generation been closely identified with the growth of their adopted state. The father of Mr. Amerman, who is now living at Danville, represented his district in the Pennsylvania legislature. Mr. Amerman secured his education in the public schools and prepared for college at Danville Academy. Two years were spent in teaching school, and in 1865 he

entered Bucknell University at Lewisburg, Pa., from which institution he was graduated with honor in the class of 1870. For three years he was professor of ancient languages and English literature in the State Normal school at Mansfield, Pa.

HIS LAW STUDIES.

His law studies were begun in the office of the late Lewis C. Cassidy, ex-attorney general of Pennsylvania, and Pierce Archer, Jr., of Philadelphia. Hon. Robert E. Pattison, ex-governor of Pennsylvania; Hon. James Gay Gordon, judge of common pleas of Philadelphia, and Hon. William F. Harry were his fellow students. He was admitted to the bar Dec. 24, 1875, and in 1876 settled in Scranton, where he has since engaged in the practice of his profession. From 1875 to 1881 he was county solicitor of Lackawanna county, and from the latter date to 1885, he represented the district comprised of the city of Scranton in the house of representatives at Harrisburg. While in that position he drafted and secured the passage of important laws regarding anthracite coal mining. In 1885 Governor Pattison appointed him reporter of the Decisions of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and he prepared five reports of cases, reforming the practice of reporting cases by promptly issuing the reports, instead of waiting for a year and upwards after the decrees were delivered.

This was of great advantage to attorneys and judges, and that it was highly appreciated is evidenced by the following commendations which were tendered him: "Your promptness in getting opinions published is very commendable." Chief Justice Mercer: "Your work as a reporter is well done, and the dispatch with which you have published the reports is worthy of all commendation." Justice Gordon:

IT WAS A BENEFIT RATHER THAN HURT

Such is the Contention of the Defense in the Cullm Case.

BRUNDAGE'S LAND NEEDED FILLING

Blue Ridge Coal Company Outlines Its Side of the Story in the Interesting Suit Now on Before Judge Archbald--Electric Dynamo Case That Also Has a Novel Feature in the Defense--Martin Jordan's Leg-Show Availed Him Nothing.

The defense in the cullm case was opened by Mr. Reynolds the last thing before adjournment yesterday. They propose to prove, he says, that the defendant company is not responsible for the cullm being placed on the Brundage property; that the plaintiff, himself, by reason of having the course of the creek changed, made the conditions such that the washing of the cullm upon his land resulted; that the cullm at all events has not damaged the property but improved it, as it was a low, marshy place which needed filling, and finally that the whole case is a trumped-up attempt to pull a corporation's leg.

Mr. Brundage in 1894, after the land was covered by the freshet and its sequent sediment of cullm went to Dr. J. N. Rice and made complaint, saying it was a nuisance and that he wanted to be paid for his land being smothered with cullm.

Dr. Rice deputed this but rather than have any trouble agreed to remove the cullm. The company's workmen with teams and scrapers went on the land and proceeded to carry off the overlying bed of cullm. Mr. Brundage went to them and suggested that if it was all the same to them he would like to have the cullm from the rear of the lot dumped between the house and the front of the lot in order to fill up a depression there.

ASKED FOR A JOB.

Later Mr. Brundage went to Dr. Rice and saying to him that he (Brundage) had a team and wagon that wasn't working asked for the job of disposing of the cullm. Just to be neighborly Dr. Rice took away the company's hands and gave Mr. Brundage a chance to work his team and wagon. No agreement was had as to the amount per load that was to be paid. Dr. Rice merely saying "suppose you will do this as reasonably as you have been having it done." The next thing the company hears from the matter is that Mr. Brundage has brought a \$10,000 damage suit, alleging that it cost \$6,000 to remove the cullm.

The plaintiff completed its presentation of evidence yesterday by offering testimony to show that the Blue Ridge Coal company dumped cullm into the creek in question and that the Brundage land was made unfit for agricultural purposes by reason of the cullm being spread upon. No small part of the day was taken up in the wrangling of the attorneys, Major Warren and Mr. Vosburg being particularly prone to exchanging personalities. At one stage of these interchanges the allusions became so warm that Judge Arch-

bald felt called upon to caution the counsel against being discourteous. Once when Chemist Henry Brown was on the stand trying to tell the effect of cullm on vegetation, Mr. Reynolds called for him to raise his voice saying "My client here (Dr. Rice) is a chemist. He wants to hear what you've got to say."

"He's a chemist, eh?" queried Mr. Vosburg in slighting tones. "Yes, he's as good a chemist as you are a lawyer," somewhat resentfully retorted Mr. Reynolds.

"He must be a good chemist, then," rejoined Mr. Vosburg. When the laughter had subsided Major Warren in a chiding tone berated Mr. Reynolds for belittling "our client."

This sort of bantering was kept up almost uninterruptedly all day. Before Judge Gunster in court room No. 2 the case of the Onondaga Dynamo company against the Halletstead Textile company was called for trial during the morning and side fair to continue for another day at least. The action is a suit to recover for an electric light dynamo supplied to the defendant company's factory at Halletstead. The defense is that the dynamo was not the kind that was ordered and was so defective that it was taken out and the shippers given notice to remove it.

The defense is also trying to show that the Onondaga company is defendant in a suit with the Electric Supply company of Syracuse from which it purchased the dynamo in question and that it is making the same defense that the Textile company is putting forward in the present case, namely, that the dynamo is defective.

They go so far as to say that the Onondaga company solicited the Textile company to furnish testimony in the Syracuse suit to prove the defectiveness of the dynamo. Watson Diehl, Hall and Kemmerer represent the plaintiff and the defense is looked after by I. H. Burns and John R. Edwards.

As was anticipated the case of Martin Jordan against the city of Scranton was not suited yesterday morning by Judge Gunster, the plaintiff failing to show that the city was negligent and that the testimony of the plaintiff's own witnesses indicating that there had been contributory negligence. This was City Solicitor McGinley's first appearance in a trial as the city solicitor and his victory on this account brought him extended congratulations.

A non-suit was also granted in the case of Montrose Barnard against John Baker, the plaintiff defaulting.

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