

NEW AMERMAN MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Cornerstone Laying Took Place Yesterday Afternoon.

REMARKS BY EX-GOV. WATRES

He Spoke Feelingly of His Friend and Associate—Services Were Conducted by Dr. Dixon, Pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist Church.

With simple but impressive ceremonies the corner-stone of the Amerman Memorial chapel of the Penn Avenue Baptist church was laid yesterday.

The new chapel site is on the east side of Prospect avenue, north of Mulberry street. Ground was broken Monday morning, Oct. 18, by Isaac Post and Mrs. Amerman in the presence of a large number of the mother congregation and of members of the mission Sabbath school.

Attorney J. W. Browning, the assistant superintendent of the mission, read the original mission which was a history of the mission in verse. He prefaced the poem by remarks in feeling remembrance of Mr. Amerman.

Ex-Lieutenant Governor Watres, who was the business associate of Mr. Amerman, but who is not a member of the Penn Avenue church, was introduced by Dr. Dixon as one of an other faith, but a Christian man and, through his long and close association with Mr. Amerman, well fitted to speak on such an occasion.

Governor Watres remarked he would not mar the ceremony with a formal address, for if any duty should be free of pomp and vanity it was the present one.

Mr. Amerman was a man of a heart and the heart of his hearers if he did not speak particularly of the deceased superintendent. He related that when he returned to Scranton with his friend's body, a loved one asked: Did he send any message to the one he died? A thought flashed through the speaker's mind at the time and he answered: "Yes; his life was his message."

A poem by Whittier relating to the example and precept of a good life was read by Governor Watres at the conclusion of his address.

Laying the Stone. It contained the newspapers giving the news of Mr. Amerman's death and burial, a bible, issues of the Church Messenger, the Penn Avenue church publication, and a photograph of the deceased superintendent.

The hymn "How Firm a Foundation" was sung and the service was concluded with a prayer by the pastor. The singing was led by C. F. Whittemore.

At a recent meeting of the officers of the church it was decided to recommend Mr. Browning for superintendent of the mission. He will probably be elected at the next meeting of the congregation.

The mission teachers are Isaac L. Post, Mrs. George E. Weed, Miss Florence Colvin, John J. Van Nort, Mrs. Evans and Mrs. James Drenn. The last two are teachers of the primary department.

The poem read by Mr. Browning was as follows: THE STORY OF THE MISSION.

In granite walls within the mart of trade, When violets and roses were in bloom, There sat a young and silent man and prayed.

O, Master, now thy will to me make known. The answer came—the still small voice above— My son go forth a school on yonder hills.

Where all the lost may feel the Savior's love, Where Truth is taught; for such the Master wills. 'Twas God's command and loyal hearts obeyed the call.

In omeysed homes the school was born and grew, Another man, a leader rare came in, and all The coming days were bright with rosate hue.

Through all the summer time till autumn came, Glad hands took up the work the Master gave to do; The days were brighter still, when joy, there came.

The lightning flash, our leader died, alas! there was. How soon sometimes the shadows chase away the Sun.

FAMOUS COAL SUIT IS ON IN COURT

Arguments Heard in the Case of Jermy & Co. vs. Elliot, McClure & Co.

300,000 TONS OF COAL IN DISPUTE

That Amount, it is Alleged, the Defendants Clandestinely Moved from the Plaintiff's Property—The Defendants Allege That There Was a Parole Exchange—Major Warren Talks for Nearly Three Hours on the Von Storch Case.

The big coal suit between John Jermy & Co. and Elliot, McClure & Co. was on in argument court yesterday, S. B. Price representing the plaintiff and Major Warren and ex-Judge A. O. Purdy, of Bellefonte, appearing for the defendant.

The suit has been actively and constantly before the courts for over four years. It was instituted in June, 1893, was referred to W. W. Lathrop as master, who spent three years in taking testimony and one year in framing his report and is now up for appeal excepted to the master's findings.

Jermy & Co.'s claim is that 300,000 tons of coal from a tract in Old Forge which they, the plaintiffs, have title to, was taken by the defendants, who took the coal under a parole agreement with Jermy & Co. This agreement, it is alleged, was an exchange of seventeen acres of a superior quality of coal, owned by the defendants for a twenty-one acre of inferior coal owned by the plaintiff, the exchange being made, it is asserted, because the location of the respective companies' shafts made it a matter of mutual convenience for each to mine the other's coal.

Jermy & Co. deny the alleged parole exchange and refuse to admit having had any knowledge of the mining operations until the time of bringing the suit, although the defendants show that they made an accounting periodically of the tonnage and sent the same through Jermy & Co. to the New York, Susquehanna and Western company, the carriers. It is also proven that Jermy & Co. entered upon and mined coal from the tract they got in exchange.

There was only one witness to the alleged parole exchange and he died in 1893, thirty days before the bringing of the suit. Major Warren in his argument made the contention that the plaintiffs knew of the bargain, and when, through their lawyer they found out that a parole exchange does not stand in law unless there is a third party as witness, proceeded to repudiate the agreement and sue for trespass.

Mr. Price denied that there were any grounds for this theory and argued for the sustaining of the master's report, which found that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant the acceptance of such a theory.

ARGUMENT FINISHED. Ex-Judge Jessup finished his arguments in the Von Storch case yesterday morning and for nearly three hours Major Warren followed with arguments against the disturbing of the verdict, going over the evidence in detail to show that the verdict was in perfect consonance with it.

The only other matter in argument in court was the discharging of the rule quashing the appeals from the assessment for grading Luzerne street.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE. Personal Property of the Late J. M. Everhart Auctioned Off.

The personal property of the late James F. Everhart was yesterday sold at auction in the office of Register of Wills Hooker, by the administrator, John F. Scragg, representing the administrator, Dr. I. F. Everhart.

Among the property sold was the following: United States bonds due 1907; 1 bond Scranton Traction company, first mortgage, No. 537, third issue; 2 bonds, Nos. 3 and 4, Moosic Mountain Coal company, face value, \$500 each; stock, 100 shares Moosic Mountain Coal company, stock par \$50; Script of Moosic Mountain Coal company; stock, 120 shares, certificate No. 178, 171, 240; Traders' National bank, Scranton, Pa., par \$100; stock, 10 shares Security company of Watertown, Pa., certificate 376, par \$100, \$50 paid in; stock, 10 shares Scranton Forging company, certificate No. 19, par \$100 each; stock, 5 shares Mt. Jessup Coal company, No. 4, \$1,000 each; stock, 10 shares Moosic Mountain Water company; stock, 12 shares Scranton Traction company, par \$50 each; stock, 4,278 shares Everhart Coal company, (par \$12.50 each); stock, 1,000 shares Everhart Coal company, in W. G. Howe; stock, 10 shares Lackawanna Hardware company, certificate No. 52; par \$100 each; 20 shares Republic Saving and Loan association, No. 1894, \$10 to be paid in a month; 10 shares stock Mutual Guarantee Building and Loan association, Aug. 17, 1891, \$7.50 to be paid in a month; 10 shares stock New York Mutual Saving and Loan association, May 8, 1891, matured value \$100 each, \$7.50 to be paid in a month.

The personal property of the late James F. Everhart was purchased by Dr. I. F. Everhart. The real estate will be sold next week.

TWO DAMAGE SUITS. City and Traction Company Are as Defendants.

A \$20,000 damage suit was yesterday instituted against the city by L. H. Burns, acting for Owen Collins, who alleges that he was injured to that extent by tripping on a broken board sidewalk on Depot street, opposite the Delaware and Hudson station, on the night of Feb. 18, last.

Dr. J. S. Porteus, of Taylor, whose carriage was struck by a Traction company car on the Moosic bridge, two weeks ago, brought suit for \$5,000 yesterday for the injuries which he sustained and the damage done to his horse and carriage. Watson & Zimmerman are his attorneys.

YOUNG WOMAN'S PECULIAR CONDUCT. She Will Be Sent to the Hillside Home Today.

Miss Mary Joen, a young woman, was examined for insanity by Dr. P. F. Gunster, for the Poor board, yesterday, and she will be sent to the Hillside Home today. The case is a most unfortunate one.

Miss Joen worked as a domestic for Wolf Johnson, of Penn avenue, and the family took a great deal of interest in her. The woman however would not remain at home. She took periodic and mysterious trips from the house and could not be found for weeks. She would invariably turn up at police headquarters, very hungry and weary from rambling aimlessly about. Monday night she entered the police station alone and was given supper and a place to sleep.

When Mr. and Mrs. Johnson learned of her latest escapade they decided to have her sent to the Poor farm. Mrs. Duggan, agent for the board of associated charities, cared for the woman yesterday.

Another demented woman, Bridget Ryan, called on Mrs. Duggan yesterday. Her history as she told it is a sad one. She quarreled with neighbors about 14 years ago when she lived in this city and her mind never fully recovered from the excitement at that time. She appears at the Charity rooms frequently and solicits assistance.

PROGRAMME OF RACES.

Card That Has Been Arranged for Thursday's and Friday's Events.

FIRST DAY.

2.30 class, trot or pace: Silver Prince, A. J. Snell, Cheltenham Prince, Frank Crane, George West, W. J. Smith, Marie, David James, Dick C. M. V. Morris, St. Joe, H. W. Bellman, Collingwood, H. D. Davis. Team race for championship of county: J. W. Crawford, Scranton, C. H. Schadt, Scranton, F. W. Cook, Scranton, L. A. Patterson, Carbondale, John Simpson, Carbondale.

2.15 class: Cuddeh, George Dunn, Maggie Davis, J. E. Davis, Myrtle S. W. A. St. John, Beauty, H. E. Westlake, Cheltenham Prince, R. E. Westlake, Blue, John Ludwig, J. W. B. L. A. Smith. SECOND DAY.

2.25 class: Marie, D. James, Orange Leaf, J. D. Sales, George West, W. J. Smith, Beauty, R. E. Westlake, Cheltenham Prince, Frank Crane, Doras, P. W. Cook, Dick C. M. V. Morris, Jim Doyle, L. A. Patterson. Team race: Schadt, Scranton, Crawford, Scranton, Cook, Scranton, Patterson, Carbondale, Simpson, Carbondale.

2.15 class: Rayson, 2:19, to beat the track record, 2:15. Gentlemen's road race: Fannie C. J. W. Houser, Tippo, C. F. W. Godfrey, George Scranton, R. H. E. Nervo, A. M. Pierson, Corna, J. W. Crawford, Jim Meers, Dr. Hill, Boyd, R. E. Westlake. 2.15 pace: Syra, C. W. Cool, Moly Harron, M. L. Perrin, Harry West, W. J. Cook, Maud L. R. E. Westlake, Kit Cloud, L. A. Patterson.

LOCAL FOOT BALL GAMES. The Olympics challenge any foot ball team in the city whose members average about 115 pounds in weight. At Mullin's field, the juveniles preferred T. McGuire, captain; E. Hurs, manager. The second team of 33 school would like to meet the first team of 33 school for Thursday at 4 p. m. Meet at 33 school. Answer soon.

The Wandering Ball Slingers. Emporia, Kan., Oct. 25.—The All-American aggregation received a terrible drubbing here today at the hands of the ex-champions. Score: Baltimore.....4 2 2 0 0 3 1—18 2 2 All-Americans.....0 0 0 2 1 1 0 0—6 2 7 Batteries—Corbett, Clark and Smith; Powell and Donahue.

STRUGGLE WITH ROBBERS. Arthur Snyder's Fierce Combat With Bold Highwaymen Near Jermy. A bold attempt at highway robbery was tried on Arthur Snyder, a resident of Greenfield yesterday afternoon by two unknown men. Snyder went to Archbold yesterday morning with a load of hay, which during the morning he disposed of for cash. At one of the hotels he had dinner, and upon going into the bar he pulled out a roll of bills to pay for the dinner, and then placed the balance in his right hand trouser pocket. He then hitched up his team and started for home. When he got nearly to the Powder mills, two men, whom he recognized as seeing in the hotel, leaped on the wagon, making a plunge for his right hand pocket. Snyder spoke to the horses, who began to run. The men, finding they could not reach the wagon, threw a stone, striking Snyder in the back of the head causing blood to flow from nose and mouth.

He feels rather sore after the struggle, but is happy in the thought that he did not lose the \$20 which he had.

INJURED PLAYING FOOT BALL. Eugene D. Fellows, Jr., in a Serious Condition at His Home. As a result of injuries received in playing foot ball with the School of the Lackawanna eleven, Eugene D. Fellows, Jr., son of Secretary Fellows, of the board of control, is lying seriously ill at the home of his parents on North Sumner avenue. Young Fellows was injured last Wednesday and his case was made serious by the violent exertion in a game Saturday at Honesdale.

In Wednesday's game at West Pittston, Fellows played half-back for the Lackawanna, of which he is captain. In the progress of the game he was thrown with force to the ground, in the fall striking his head and wrenching his side. He complained of his hurts, but did not think them serious enough to prevent playing left end for the regular Lackawanna team in Saturday morning's game at Scranton.

SydeLL WAS MURDERED. Death of the Prieberg Man Was Caused by Persons Unknown. The coroner's jury on the death of Peter SydeLL met last night at Coroner S. P. Longstreet's office and prepared a verdict. SydeLL, it will be remembered, died at his boarding house in Prieberg after a night's carousal in the central city. His body bore marks of foul play.

After receiving the testimony of Coroner Longstreet, who conducted an autopsy, the following verdict was rendered: "We find that Peter SydeLL came to his death at the hands of some person or persons unknown to the jury" (Signed) Frank Zimmerman, David H. Reese, Henry Geiss, Newton Deubler, Elsiea Roberts and P. Cusick.

County Detective Thomas Leyshon is at work on the case.

MILLAR'S RESIGNATION ACCEPTED. Has Been a Member of the National Guard for Twenty Years. The resignation of W. S. Millar as member of the Third Regiment, forwarded to General J. P. S. Gobin October 1, has been accepted. In noticing the resignation General Gobin expressed his wish that Major Millar would reconsider his action.

Major Millar, however, in his response stated that his resignation from the National Guard was necessary. His business as Alderman of the Eighth ward calls for his constant attention.

Though the resignation has been accepted General Gobin has refrained from appointing a successor. Major Millar has been associated with the Guard for over twenty years, starting as a private in Company B.

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