

Colonel **Levi S. Dominy**, a well known lawyer of Massena, was stricken with apoplexy last Saturday afternoon shortly after five o'clock, and died at his home Tuesday afternoon at 5:15 o'clock.

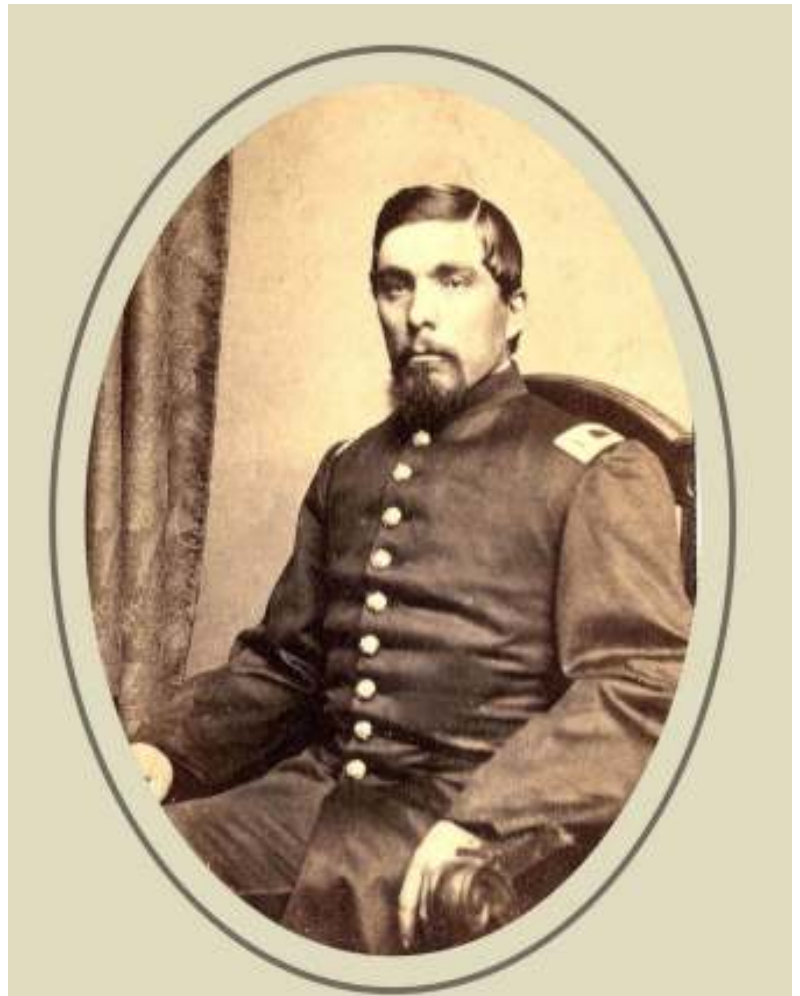
He left his office about four o'clock last Saturday afternoon and went home to work a couple of hours in his garden, as was his custom at this season of the year, and he always had a garden to be proud of. He was engaged in making a hotbed near the back side of the garden, when he was stricken. He was not able to call loud enough to attract attention and none of the neighbors near by happened to see him. He dragged himself as best he could nearly to the kitchen door, when **W. H. Vanarman**, who keeps his team in the Colonel's barn, went by to take care of his animals and discovered him. He assisted him into his house and Dr. McFadden was hastily summoned. He rallied a little from the shock, but early in the evening had another attack and from that sank gradually until his death.

He leaves a devoted and heart-stricken wife, one brother **William**, in Chicago

and five sisters; Mrs. **O. McFadden** of Massena; Mrs. **Adeline Wright** of Ogdensburg; Mrs. **John Anderson** of West Chazy; Mrs. **John Atkinson** of Clear Lake, IA; and Mrs. **Austin Hewett** of Pittsford, VT.

Col. Levi S. Dominy was born in Beekmantown on October 23, 1821, and was a son of **William Dominy**. He was educated in the district schools and in the Albany Normal which he graduated in 1853. He then taught for about 5 years, part of which time he was principal of his own academy. In 1858 he engaged in the book business at which he was eminently successful, having sold \$17,000 worth of books in St. Lawrence County alone.

In August 1862, he entered the Army as Captain of Co. B, 118th NY, and in the fall of that year detached to serve in the Engineer Dept. remaining there for 3 months. It is worth noting that 30 of his ex-pupils entered the ranks of the Union Army, 16 of them having enlisted in his own company. In December 1862, he was ordered to Washington and placed in charge of the Baltimore and Washington Depot and Soldiers' Retreat. In April 1863, he was ordered with his regiment to Suffolk, VA, and participated in the engagements in defense of Suffolk during the siege by Longstreet. The regiment next proceeded to Yorktown, VA, and participated in the



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John A. Dix raid to Hanover Junction, after which it returned to Yorktown. Capt. Dominy was detached on court martial duty until October 1863. From then until February 1864. He was on duty at Norfolk and Newport News, VA. In February he took part in the General Wistar raid in conjunction with the Fitzpatrick Raid to relieve the prisoners at Richmond, VA. The regiment was then ordered to Bower's Hill, VA. Capt. Dominy was then detached in charge of three companies to command the outposts at Suffolk, VA and there fought in two successful engagements.

He remained in command of the outpost until April 1864, when he was ordered to Yorktown to join in the concentration of troops under Gen. **Ben Butler**. They were ordered to the Bermuda Hundred and took part in the attack upon the railroad between Petersburg and Richmond and also the engagement at Swift Creek, VA. On May 16th, Capt. Dominy commanded his regiment in the Battle of Drury's Bluff. He went into battle with 320 men - 60 killed - 133 wounded - 6 captured. On May 29th the forces under Maj. Gen. **Baldy Smith** went to the White House Landing and from there to Cold Harbor, VA. In the assault there on June 1st, Capt. Dominy, who commanded the regiment, was wounded but not so severely as to leave his command, and he again took part in the disastrous assault on June 3rd. On the 14th, the forces returned to Bermuda Hundred and the next day he commanded the regiment in the assault on the first lines of Petersburg after which he was promoted to a lieutenant colonelcy. On October 27th, they participated in the Battle of Fair Oaks, after which the troops returned to the lines and went into winter quarters. Col. Dominy was detached and was president of the court martial at the HQ of Gen. Devens until March 1865. On April 3, 1865, he took part in the capture of Petersburg, and was mustered out of the service after the close of the war on June 18th. He was brevetted colonel on August 17, 1866, and in the same year graduated from the Law Department of the University of Albany and admitted to the bar.

He then became superintendent of a large manufacturing concern and continued in that position until 1881. In 1882, owing to the illness of his wife, who had been visiting his sister at Massena, he went to that town and remained and hung out his shingle. In 1887 he became the Village Clerk, a position he held until 1901. He was on the Board of Education and magistrate of the Town.

His first wife, Miss **B. Hedding** of Chazy, died in 1873 and in 1877, he married Miss **Frances E. De Witt** by whom he had one daughter who died in infancy. Personally the Colonel was a genial, whole-souled gentleman, whose cheery voice was never heard in anger and whose jovial countenance was never clouded by the troubles and trials of life. In fact the Colonel was always in good humor, and had the knack of imparting some of his own cheerfulness to those with whom he came into contact.



Battle of Petersburg - April 27, 1865