

William S. McClellan Stricken as He Entered Place of Business.

William Sanford McClellan passed away very unexpectedly as he arrived at his office Monday morning. He had been under the care of a physician for some time and he and his family both knew he was afflicted with valvular heart. Still he had enjoyed good health over the Sunday preceding his death and left his home Monday apparently feeling better after the relaxation of the Sunday at home.

He had walked from the Lackawanna station to his office, corner of Central avenue and Halsey street. One of the employees in the building was standing at the entrance and he clutched him by the arm to save himself from falling. An officer was called and he was taken to St. Michael's Hospital, two blocks away, where he was pronounced dead.

William S. McClellan was born in Hackettstown fifty-six years ago and was the son of David and Frances McCracken McClellan. He grew to manhood and attended the public school here. He was employed as a mail clerk, having a run on Long Island at the same time he was attending New York College of Dentistry, from which he graduated in 1901. He then took a post graduate course in the University of New York State, being graduated in 1902. He opened an office and followed his profession here for fifteen years.

In 1917 he became connected with the Internal Revenue office and was in charge of the audit department at the time of his death. Mr. McClellan was a good citizen, taking an interest in the affairs of the town and his charities were many and very unostentatiously administered. He was a past master of Independence Lodge, No. 42, F. & A. M., and they attended his funeral in a body, the past masters acting as pall bearers.

He is survived by his wife, Louise Osmun McClellan, and one son, Frederick William McClellan, also by one brother, Frank H. McClellan, all of Hackettstown. Another son, Homer McClellan, was killed in an automobile accident on May 24, 1929.

Funeral services took place at his late home, 420 Sharp street, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and were presided over by the Rev. John S. Burton, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Masonic services at the grave. Interment was in the family plot in Union Cemetery.

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NAME: William Sanford McClellan

DATE OF DEATH: May 4, 1931