

This objection, appears to us, entitled to prevail; for under the latter part of the 18th clause (13 & 14 Vic., cap. 48.) it is to the Reeves and Local Superintendents of the two townships that the jurisdiction is given to form or alter Union School Sections consisting of parts of different Townships, and the Township Council of either Township are precluded from exercising a power of that kind."

Our Correspondent may find the case from which the above quotation is made, reported in the *Law Journal*, volume 2, page 106.—Eds. L. J.]

### LEGAL OBITUARY.

**SETTING OF A GREAT LEGAL LUMINARY.**—The *Boston Evening Transcript*, of Saturday May 2nd, brought to us the intelligence of the sudden death of our fellow citizen, **JOSEPH K. ANGELL**, Esquire. He had gone to Boston on Friday noon to give his personal attention to a new law book which he had been preparing on the "Law of Highways," and which is now passing through the press of Messrs. Little & Brown. The *Transcript* states that "he was taken ill in the afternoon, and carried to the Massachusetts General Hospital," where he died of apoplexy on Friday evening. Mr. Angell was born in Providence, April 30th, 1794, being a lineal descendant of John Angell, one of the earliest settlers of the town, and at the time of his death he had just entered upon the sixty-fourth year of his age. Though we believe he never engaged in the practice of his profession, he was exceedingly fond of jurisprudence as a study: for many of its investigations his mind was singularly fitted, and in several special branches of the science he had made large acquisitions. He was Editor of the *United States Law Intelligencer and Review* from 1829 to 1831, and also for several years reporter to the Supreme Court of this State, being the first who received that appointment, and the editor of the earliest volume of the Rhode Island Reports. As a legal writer, Mr. Angell has acquired a wide and enduring reputation, and as such his name is honourably known, not only throughout the United States, but also in Great Britain, where, as we have had the opportunity to know, his works have repeatedly received the most flattering commendations. The subjects which he has treated are all of unusual practical importance, and the selection of such subjects is of itself a favorable indication of the cast of his mind and the character of his judgment. His published works, so well as we can now recall them, relate to the "Law of Water-courses," the "Law of Tide-waters," the "Law of Private Corporations," the "Limitations of Actions at Law and in Equity and Admiralty," the "Law of Carriers," and the "Law of Fire and Life Insurance." These are the honorable achievements of his life, and what is no common proof of success for any writer, each of them on its first publication has immediately become an authority and taken a high position in the legal literature of the age. Of the treatises we have named above, that on "Water-courses" was first published in 1824, and has passed through four editions; that on "Tide-waters" was published, we believe, in 1829, and it passed to a second edition in 1847. The work on Corporations, in the preparation of which he was associated with Hon. Samuel Ames, the present Chief Justice of the State, was first published in 1822, and has passed through five editions; that on "Limitations" first appeared in 1839, and had reached a third edition in 1854; the excellent treatise on the "Law of Carriers by Land and Sea," in many respects the most widely useful of his works, was first published in 1849; the first edition being soon exhausted, a second was issued in 1851, and a third has already passed through the press, and is on the eve of publication by Messrs. Little & Brown, of Boston. His latest published work is that on the "Law of Fire and Life Insurance," which was issued in 1854, and was received with such favour that a second edition was demanded and made its appearance within a year from the date of the first. We have already referred to the high esti-

mation in which these works of Mr. Angell are held by the members of the legal profession. We have repeatedly heard gentlemen of eminent legal and judicial position, both in this State and in Massachusetts, express the opinion that, after Story and Kent, no common law writer is so widely known or so highly respected. Lord Brougham also, while Lord Chancellor of England, pronounced his treatise on the "Limitations of Actions" to be "much the best treatise on that important subject in the English language." His fame is thus not only an honour to his native State, but forms no inconsiderable item in the judicial reputation of the country.—*Providence Journal*, May 4th.

**OBITUARY.**—It is our melancholy duty to record the death of **JOHN SCOTT**, Esquire, late Judge of the County Court of the Counties of Huron and Bruce, and at one time the Parliamentary Representative of this city. He died at New York on the 1st May, in the thirty-fifth year of his age. His body was brought here, and interred at Hull on Thursday last. He had many warm friends in this vicinity, who will hear with grief of his early decease.—*Ottawa Citizen*.

**OBITUARY.**—On Monday night the Bar of New York sustained an irreparable loss, in the death of the Hon. **THOMAS OAKLEY**, Chief Justice of the Superior Court, the bench of which he had adorned by his industry and learning for twenty-nine years. He was born in 1783, in Dutchess County, and had been elected twice to the State Legislature, twice to Congress, and had held the office of Attorney General of the State prior to his elevation to the Bench.

### APPOINTMENTS TO OFFICE, &c.

#### ASSOCIATE CORONERS.

**MICHAEL FLANAGHAN**, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the city of Kingston.—(Gazetted Feb. 7, 1857.)

**ROBERT BYRNS**, of Morpeth, Esquire, M.D., to be an Associate Coroner for the County of Kent.—(Gazetted Feb. 21, 1857.)

**JOHN GEORGE GREY**, of Pennington, Esq., M.D., to be an Associate Coroner for the united counties of Huron & Bruce.—(Gazetted March 7, 1857.)

**ROBERT WILLIAM EVANS**, Esquires, M.D., to be an Associate Coroner for the united counties of Leeds and Grenville; and **CHARLES GREAN**, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the county of Hastings.—(Gazetted March 14, 1857.)

**JOHN R. DICKSON**, Esq., M.D., and **CRAWFORD W. P. DE L'ARMI-TAGE**, Esquire, to be Associate Coroners for the city of Kingston.—(Gazetted March 23, 1857.)

**HENRY C. MERRYWEATHER**, Esquire, M.D., to be an Associate Coroner for the county of Halton.—(Gazetted March 23, 1857.)

**THOMAS JOHNSTON**, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the county of Carleton.—(Gazetted April 4, 1857.)

**DUNCAN CAMPBELL**, M.D., **ROBERT M. WILSON**, M.D., and **ANGUS COOK**, Esquires, to be Associate Coroners for the county of Lincoln.—(Gazetted April 4, 1857.)

**WILLIAM BETTRIDGE**, Esquire, M.B. and M.A. to be an Associate Coroner for the county of Middlesex.

**JOHN R. ARDAGH**, M.D., and **PETER CLELAND**, Esquires, to be Associate Coroners for the county of Simcoe.—(Gazetted April 11, 1857.)

**GEORGE E. BALL**, Esquire, to be an Associate Coroner for the county of Hastings.—(Gazetted April 11, 1857.)

#### NOTARIES PUBLIC.

**JOSEPH MILES**, of the village of Florence, in the county of Kent, gentleman to be a Notary Public in Upper Canada.—(Gazetted Feb. 14, 1857.)

**ALFRED FRANCIS WRIGHT**, of Toronto, Esquire, Barrister and Attorney-at-Law, and **ROBERT RUSSELL LOXCOMBE**, of Bowmanville, Esquire, Attorney-at-Law, to be Notaries Public in Upper Canada.—(Gazetted Feb. 28, 1857.)

**WILLIAM THOMAS BOYD**, of Toronto, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, to be a Notary Public in Upper Canada.—(Gazetted March 14, 1857.)

**ROBERT REVEL**, of Woodstock, Esquire, to be a Notary Public for Upper Canada.—(Gazetted 27th March, 1857.)

**JAMES BARR**, of the Township of North Norwich, Gentleman, to be a Notary Public in Upper Canada.—(Gazetted 11th April, 1857.)

**ARCHIBALD J. KEILER**, of the Township of Morningside, **JOHN J. VOLLEKER**, of Sebastopol, County of Bruce, and **JAMES BENSON**, of the Co. of Bruce, Gentleman, to be Notaries Public in U.C.—(Gazetted April 26th.)

#### CLERK OF THE PEACE.

**JOHN M. LAWDER**, of Niagara, Esquire, to be Clerk of the Peace for the County of Lincoln, in the room of J. A. Woodruff, Esq., resigned.—(Gazetted 2nd May, 1857.)