## [Didama, Justus Edward]

## J.E. DIDAMA HURT Medina contractor probably will die from fall of one story—Elevator was down Special to the Buffalo Express

Medina, July 8.—J. Edward Didama, a prominent builder, was fatally injured by a fall down an elevator shaft this afternoon. Mr. Didama was in charge of the work of enlarging one of the buildings at the factories of S.A. Cook & Co. One of the elevators was being repaired and had been sunk below the floor. Mr. Didama, coming along hastily, paid no attention to the warning cries of two employees who were standing near but stepped upon the depressed platform. He fell to the next floor. Claude Howell tried to catch him. Mr. Didama's skull was fractured and he received other injuries which are considered certain to prove fatal. Dr. (Mayer?) of Buffalo has been summoned to perform the operation of trephining the skull.

Mr. Didama is unmarried. His father J.E. Didama, Sr., and his brother, Dr. Emory Didama, live at Cortland and his sister, Mrs. Arthur Wilde, lives at Forestville.

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Funeral of E.J. Didama

The final rites over the body of Edward J. Didama, whose unfortunate accident at the Cook factory Saturday, resulted in his death, were held yesterday afternoon in the Universalist church at Ridgeway. The funeral was one of the largest held in this section.

The services under the ritual of the Medina Lodge No. 336, F. & A.M. were very impressive. Wor. Master B.M. Frary conducted the services at the church, while at the grave the final rites were held under the Genesee Commandery, No. 10, Knights Templar, and were conducted by George A. Newell, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery, assisted by Rev. F.S. Parkhurst as prelate. The remains of Didama were placed for their final rest in [West] Ridgeway cemetery.

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