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WILMINGTON, N. C., SATURDAY, MARCH 24, 1906.

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HORACE M. EMERSON

General Traffic Manager of A. C. L. and An Esteemed Citizen is No More.

DIED EARLY LAST NIGHT

Had Been Critically Ill With Organic Heart Trouble for Some Time—Funeral This Afternoon at 5 o'clock—The Interment.

Mr. Horace M. Emerson, general traffic manager of the Atlantic Coast Line and one of the best known and most highly esteemed railroad officials in the South, died last night a few minutes after 8 o'clock at his home on Red Cross street, in this city.

The death of Mr. Emerson is a distinctive loss to the city and to the great railway system to which his time and energies had been devoted and to the great upbuilding of which he had materially contributed since boyhood.

As a man he was loved and respected by all in the circle of his acquaintance, and his official opinions were respected and his courteous and unassuming manner was eagerly sought in all affairs where calm, promptitude and sound judgment was required.

His home life was beautiful and to the bereaved ones in this hour of their great distress, the sympathy of hundreds and hundreds of friends are poured out.

A striking evidence of the popularity and esteem of the man, was found in the number of callers at the Emerson home last night to offer condolences and express their regret at the loss of so useful a citizen and friend.

Mr. Emerson, with his brother, Mr. T. M. Emerson, president of the system, had been continuously in the service of the Atlantic Coast Line for 30 years. He was born November 26, 1859, and came south when a mere boy, entering the railroad service in 1876 as a clerk in the bill department of the Atlantic Coast Line at Portsmouth, Va.

The railroad he was appointed chief clerk in the joint agency of the road in Baltimore, coming to Wilmington in 1878 and first serving two years as transfer clerk in the Coast Line freight department in this city. From 1883 to 1884 he was chief clerk at Wilmington, becoming the latter year chief clerk in the General Passenger Department of the road.

His ability was soon recognized as an executive and his next promotion was to chief clerk in the General Freight and Passenger Department, where he served with signal ability for eight years until in 1892, he was promoted to assistant general freight and passenger agent, occupying that position until his death in 1906, when he became general freight and passenger agent, serving until July 1st, 1902, in that position, when he became assistant traffic manager. The next step in his remarkable career was his appointment as chief clerk in the General Passenger Department on Nov. 25th, 1902, to the position of traffic manager. On January 1st, 1906, the Board of Directors of the greater system created the office of General Traffic Manager and Mr. Emerson was taken to Baltimore for consultation with an eminent specialist in a view of going to a sanitarium in the West or to Germany to recuperate, but the advice was given that he first return home for a few days to see how he was getting on.

Mr. Emerson stood high in the confidence of the men in the South, and his presence at all railway meetings was commanding. Perhaps no man was more popular among the railroad fraternity than he and the news of his death will come as a shock to all who have known him. His grasp of a situation is said to have been quicker and more comprehensive than that of any man in traffic circles in the South.

Mr. Emerson married Miss Jane Parsley, a daughter of the late Col. W. M. Parsley, who laid down his life in the service of the Confederacy, having been killed in battle toward the close of the war. Surviving Mr. Emerson are his wife and two sons, Messrs. Horace M. Emerson, Jr. and Willie P. Emerson; three daughters, Miss Elsie Emerson, who was summoned from St. Mary's College, arriving yesterday morning, and Miss Misses Janie and Mannie Emerson, twin sisters and loving little children. Mr. Emerson is also survived by his aged mother, Mrs. Eleanor C. Emerson, of Muncie, Ind., and by his brothers, Mr. T. M. Emerson, of this city, by five sisters and two other brothers, all of whom live in Indiana. It will be impossible for any of them to reach Wilmington in time for the funeral.

The funeral of Mr. Emerson will be conducted at 5 o'clock this afternoon from St. John's Episcopal church and the remains will be laid to rest in the Oakdale cemetery, in this city. The general offices of the company in this city in which Mr. Emerson served so ably and so long, will be draped in mourning and will be closed at least a part of the day in all departments in honor of the General Traffic Manager.

Acorn Branch Public School. The Acorn Branch public school closed last night with appropriate exercises, dialogues, speeches and recitations by the everybody present, which pleased everybody present. Miss Bodenhimer, the teacher, has just completed a successful term of seven months without losing a single day. It is hoped to have Miss Bodenhimer return next Fall for another term of the school.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. E. Warren & Son—Ice Cream. Hamm's—Easter Hats and Suits. C. R. L. & P. Co.—Gas for Cooking.

RUSH FOR SUBURBAN LOTS

More Than a Hundred Already Sold and Many Applications On File—Sanitary Board Meets To-Day.

Agents of the American Suburban Corporation were besieged yesterday with applications for lots in "Carolina Place," the new suburb being developed beyond Seventeenth and Market streets. More than 100 lots have already been spoken for and the indications are that every one of the 500 lots proposed in this lot were snapped up yesterday by persons who completed buildings. Mr. Andrew Smith is one of the largest purchasers thus far. He has spoken for twelve lots in nearly as many blocks and may buy more.

The block nearest the city has been purchased it is said, by a lady whose name is not given. It is said that she contemplates spending \$50,000 on the construction of buildings on the purchase. Mr. Creech, the manager, went to Richmond, accompanied by his bride of a few weeks, yesterday, but will return in time for the sale Monday.

The rapid sale of the lots, it is said, will interfere in no way with the contemplated improvements by the developing corporation. The sewerage and water systems will be laid at once. A special meeting of the county Sanitary Board, composed of the Commissioners and Drs. Hazlee Bellamy, E. J. Wood and W. D. McMillan, is called for this afternoon to grant permission to the company to lay a system of sewerage to the natural drain to the east of the property.

LOCAL DOTS.

The steamer Wilmington will make her usual trip to Southport tomorrow, leaving the city at 9:30 A. M., and returning in the afternoon.

Mr. H. L. Ligon has moved his saloon business from No. 10 South Front street to No. 8 South Second, where he will be found with a fine line of wines, whiskies, etc.

The launch Aya has been sold by Mr. F. H. Swayze to parties in Georgetown, S. C., and left yesterday by the steamer "The City" for that port.

J. O. Register, white, was committed to jail yesterday by Justice Furlong, charged with the theft of a check for \$6 taken from J. M. Elliot, a black white. Register is in default of \$50 bond for the higher court.

Superintendent L. F. Harper says people must put their trash in barrels and boxes if the carts of the street cleaning department are expected to move the rubbish. The law is "Register is in default of \$50 bond for the higher court."

A launch owned by the Standard Oil Company was seized and looted by pirates near Canton, China, on Thursday. The pirates secured a number of Winchester rifles and a thousand rounds of ammunition. The United States gunboat Callao is proceeding to the scene of the piracy.

The schooner Bayard Hopkins is discharging a cargo of 355 tons of fine white-sharp coal for the W. S. & L. R. Transportation Company. The ship is especially for steaming and will be used by the steamer Sanders which will shortly begin fishing for the Ocean Fisheries at Old Brunswick.

The tug Alexander Jones of the Wilmington, Southport and Little River Transportation Company, will return thereby from Brunswick, Ga., where new machinery and other improvements are being made to her. The absence of the tug has worked a considerable hardship upon the company, but they will be in good shape in a few days.

By deeds filed for record yesterday Scipio Stirling and wife transferred to Jennie Bright, for \$1,000, property at southeast corner of Sixth and Arch streets, 69 feet in size, and Graham Kenan transferred to Z. J. Carter and W. B. Brice, for \$290, property containing 62.2 acres of land on the old Wire road, adjoining E. H. Davis and others.

The tug Blanche towed up three schooners last night, supposed to be the C. C. Lister and Joseph P. Cooper with cargoes of coal for the menhaden fisheries at Old Brunswick, and the Crescent, from Baltimore with cargo of fertilizer contents for the Florida Agricultural Works. The Flora A. Kimball cleared yesterday, light for Brunswick, Ga. All the vessels are reported by C. D. Manitt.

FREE FROM SMALLPOX. Now Not a Case in City—Last Discharged Yesterday. Chief Quarantine Officer Green wore a smile of satisfaction yesterday. A case appears from the records in the health office. After a hard fight to keep an epidemic down during the winter, there is now not a single case in the city. The last cases were discharged yesterday and with the opening of Spring, no further trouble is expected. Capt. Greep and Dr. Harwood and the officers have fought a hard fight, kept the faith, and are to be congratulated that the disease has been wiped out, temporarily at least. A white woman and a negro sailor from the Marine Hospital were the last patients to leave the house of detention.

Fisheries at Old Brunswick. Five steamers of the fleet to be engaged the next few weeks at the menhaden works of the Cape Fear Fisheries Co., at Old Brunswick, have arrived. They are the Atlantic Ranger, Montauk, Warton and Roanoke. The first catch was returned last night. The factory is now all ready for beginning operations at once.

"Not Like Other Girls." The sale of seats for the performance of "Not Like Other Girls," at the Academy Monday night, will commence this morning and the price of reserved seats will be 75 cents. The play is said to be one strong with human emotion, yet possessing plenty of comedy. The production will be made with a large amount of special scenery.

TO REBUILD FACTORY

Willard Bag and Manufacturing Company Purchase Property in Southern Section ENTERPRISE TO BE ENLARGED

Industrial Plant Recently Burned to Rise in Another Part of City—Work to Begin at Once—Something of Capacity. The Willard Bag and Manufacturing Company, whose plant on Water street was recently burned, on yesterday closed the purchase of an entire block of property in the southern section of the city and will rebuild the plant at once upon an enlarged and more modern scale. The property was purchased from Mr. R. A. Burnett, of Fayetteville, recently of Wilmington, and it lies between Second, Third, Kitter and Martin streets, just around the curve of the old Newbern railroad upon an elevation that will guarantee the best sanitary conditions and is most admirably located for factory purposes.

The deal has been pending for some time, but not until yesterday were all the obstacles out of the way and the matter closed up. Architect H. E. Bontz has already been commissioned to draw the plans and specifications for the factory, and the contract for the work will be given out in ten days. The structure will be of brick, most probably of the Hydraulic White press brick, a Wilmington product, three-stories in height, 200 feet long and 50 feet wide. The grounds will be fitted in and graded where needed and tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line will be extended immediately into the factory, giving the best of shipping facilities. The building will face North and will be modern in every respect.

The equipment will be all new and will consist of 225 machines whereas the old factory had a much smaller number. The maximum number of operatives employed will be two, but can be secured will be over 325, an increase of something over a hundred. In addition to the machines the press rooms of the factory will carry five presses for stamping purposes, one or more of which will be two-color presses. The building will have standard freight elevators to every floor and the motive power used will be electricity, either generated in a plant to be owned by the company itself or furnished by the Consolidated Company. The entire plant will represent an investment of over \$25,000, and the enterprise will be one of the most important in the city. It will be made ready for operation at the earliest possible moment.

The product of the factory will be increased from 25,000 dozen overalls per year to between 40,000 and 50,000 dozen. This means a consumption of between two and three million yards of cotton goods. In addition the output of bags will be increased from two to three million to between five and six million, should trade conditions warrant the increase. These bags are manufactured from burlaps imported direct to Wilmington by the company from Calcutta. In the future the customs duties will be paid here, increasing the receipts at the local Custom House by \$50,000 a year. This in itself is a considerable item and shows the importance of the enterprise to the industrial life of the town.

The company was forced to remove to the southern part of the city, largely on account of the operatives most of whom found it difficult to come up town for the employment. By the change the company hopes to increase greatly the efficiency of the labor and the numbers of employees.

DR. WHITE'S FAREWELL SERVICE

Beginning of Revival That Will Continue in All Churches. Rev. John E. White, the eminent young Georgia divine, concluded his meetings here with two splendid services yesterday and will leave at 7 o'clock this morning for his home in Raleigh, N. C. Dr. White's presence here and all were much impressed with his strength and eloquence as a preacher. The revival which he has so long been conducting at the Young Men's Christian Protestant churches of the city and a great outpouring of the spirit is expected. Dr. McClure will be assisted at St. Andrew's by Rev. D. McGeachy, Dr. Hale, of the First Baptist church, by Dr. Blackwell, of Norfolk; Rev. J. A. McKaughan, of Brooklyn Baptist church, by Rev. Mr. Edmundson, of Raleigh; Rev. W. H. Davis, of Southside Baptist church, by Rev. C. M. Rock, of this city, while other pupils will be filled during the week by visiting clergymen.

The meeting last night in the Academy of Music by Dr. White was one of the best yet held. His subject was "Dedication of the Church." The music was a strong one as the result of which there were a number of requests for prayer. The service in the afternoon for ladies was also well attended the subject having been, "What It Is to Be a Christian." The music at both services was pretty and edifying.

Sunday at the Y. M. C. A.

To-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock the Grace Sunday School Orchestra of seven instruments will render several selections from a programme of excellent music to be held at the Y. M. C. A. In addition to the musical feature, there will be an address by Rev. A. J. Parker, a strong, aggressive speaker. The usual meeting for boys will be held at the Y. M. C. A. at 7 o'clock, at which there will be unusually good music, including vocal solos by Miss Elizabeth Schuler, and cornet solos by Mr. Edward C. Craft, Adjutant Geo. M. Wiggins will be the speaker at the meeting.

Mr. R. Y. Zaharn, a native of this State, and now connected with the American Suburban Corporation, who are now improving the new and desirable addition "Carolina Place," is now in the city. The company which he represents is selling their lots at very reasonable prices and on most attractive terms. Mr. Zachary's phone No. is 827 and messages left there will receive his prompt attention. He will be glad to make dates with prospective purchasers and take them out in a carriage to show the property.

Died at South Washington.

Mr. Bill Cavanaugh, of this city, received a phone message last night informing him of the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. W. Anderson, of South Washington, which occurred at 10 P. M., after a weeks illness with heart trouble. Mr. Anderson was 46 years of age and leaves a wife and eight children, the oldest being 19 and the youngest having been born the day before the father died. Mr. and Mrs. Cavanaugh will go up to South Washington to attend the funeral which will take place Sunday morning.

CONTEST IN DECLAMATION

Fifth Annual Event Between Faison and Clarkson Presbyterial Academies—Here Last Night.

The joint declaimers' contest last night between representatives of the Presbyterian schools at Clarkson and Faison, in the Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall, of the First Presbyterian church, in this city, was won by Faison Male Academy and Mr. Hicks Williams, in behalf of that institution, was awarded the handsome gold medal offered each year by Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., to the best declaimer in these contests.

The hall was crowded with spectators, not a few of whom accompanied the young declaimers from the respective schools, the number from Clarkson being unusually large. The contest was pronounced the best yet held. Dr. Wells presided and the committee to decide between the schools and the representatives was composed of Col. Walker Taylor, Mr. George R. French and Mr. Philander Pearsall. The award of the medal was by Col. Walker Taylor and it was graciously accepted by Mr. Williams, who bowed his appreciation in the midst of applause by all. The declaimers and their subjects were as follows:

"The Possibilities of the Scholar"—Faison Witherington, of Faison. "The Deathbed of Arnold"—Cadet Eugene Mosley, of Clarkson. "An Eulogy on Robert E. Lee."—Perry Korngay of Faison. "The True South"—Cadet Capt. Hector Clark, of Clarkson. "The Principles of Nations"—Hicks Williams, of Faison. "The Young Man, the Hope of the South"—Cadet Corporal Robert Vicks, of Clarkson.

The contest last night was the fifth in the life of the splendid schools in this city. The young men acquitted themselves with great credit. Both Clarkson and Faison have won in these events and the rivalry is entirely friendly.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. C. L. Ives, of Newbern, was among yesterday's arrivals. Mr. S. J. King, of Conway, S. C., was a guest at The Orton yesterday. Mr. J. C. Williamson, of Freeland, Brunswick county, was here yesterday.

Misses Nanny and Fanny Doyle, of Philadelphia, are in the city to spend a few months with relatives. Miss Jessie Stevens and Mrs. Sprague, of Southport, spent yesterday in the city. Miss Martha Williams and Mr. Laurence Sprunt went down to Orton yesterday to spend a day or two.

Fayetteville Observer: "Mrs. Raymond DeVane, of Wilmington, is visiting Mrs. J. F. Parker on Maiden Lane." Mrs. J. Weller, of Cincinnati, is in the city on a visit to her father, Mr. B. G. Worth, No. 206 North Second street.

Mrs. J. B. Jones and son left yesterday morning for Richmond, Va., where they will spend a few days visiting friends. Mr. D. T. Cronly, South Carolina manager of the F. B. Royce Gun and Rifle Co. with offices in Columbia, S. C., is on a short visit to his old home in this city.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., returned yesterday from Southport, where he attended Brunswick Superior Court as counsel in several civil and criminal suits there. Mrs. M. L. Williams, of Faison, accompanied the representatives of Faison Male Academy here yesterday for the joint declaimers' contest last night. It is understood that the Star is glad to hear that he is a partner in the house he represents.

MAY LOSE DAMROSCH.

Necessary To Extend Option—Subscribers Are Not Prompt. Thursday night the management of the Academy wired the manager of Damrosch orchestra and asked for an extension of the option time for the date here, April 24, and yesterday afternoon an answer was received extending the time until next Thursday. By that time the Academy management will have to decide and unless better progress is made in the securing of subscribers than has been made the reply will be in the negative, and Wilmington will lose the opportunity of getting the best musical event in its history. All who desire tickets are urged to notify the Academy management in case they do not see the solicitors. By all means Wilmington should land this superb and big attraction.

CAROLINA NORTHERN ROAD.

Final Report of Special Master Seawell is Forwarded. (Special Star Telegram.) Raleigh, N. C., March 23.—Special Master H. F. Seawell has completed and forwarded to United States Circuit Judge J. C. Pritchard, at Asheville, his final report in the noted suit which he has been hearing for the Company vs. Southern Pine Mill and Lumber Company from Robeson county, and a final hearing is set for Asheville next Monday. About \$40,000 is involved as well as the administration of W. J. Edwards, who was for a while receiver. It is understood that the report finds Mr. Edwards due the estate \$10,000, less about \$3,000 of proper credits.

INJURED IN A RUNAWAY.

Mr. W. H. Turlington and Daughter Victims of an Accident. Mr. William H. Turlington and daughter, Miss Grace C. Turlington, were severely injured in a runaway of a horse and buggy on the corner of Seventh and Market streets last yesterday afternoon. The animal became frightened at something and ran away, throwing both occupants of the small trap in which they were riding, to the street and partially demolishing the vehicle. Miss Turlington was not seriously hurt but her father received several severe scalp wounds and was also bruised about the body. Both the injured ones were taken into the home of Mr. Howell, near the scene of the runaway, and were attended by Drs. A. H. Harris, R. H. Bellamy and L. H. Love, after which they were sent home.

Visit From District Deputy. District Deputy Pendleton, of Elizabeth City, last night paid a very pleasant and instructive visit to Wilmington. He was accompanied by the regular meeting having been postponed from Thursday night on account of the anticipated visit from the District Deputy. Following the regular lodge exercises a social session was held. Music, refreshments and jolly good fellowship were the features. The "Darktown Quartet" of ebony singers contributed a number of vocal selections.

DIED.

EMERSON—At his home in this city, Friday, March 23rd, at 8 P. M., HORACE M. EMERSON, in the 47th year of his age. Funeral this (Saturday) afternoon at 5 o'clock from St. John's Episcopal church; interment in Oakdale cemetery. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

THIRD SKYSCRAPER

Five-Story Business Structure By Mr. Brunjes at Front and Grace Streets FOR I. M. BEAR & COMPANY

Enterprising Wholesale Dry Goods Firm to Occupy Handsome New Building By Next Year—Agreement and Contract Filed. A handsome five-story brick building will be completed and ready for occupancy on or before September 1st, 1907, at southeast corner of Front and Grace streets, the property recently purchased by Mr. John H. Brunjes, one of Wilmington's most enterprising German citizens. The splendid new building will be erected by Mr. Brunjes for the large wholesale dry goods firm of I. M. Bear & Co., who yesterday signed a ten-year lease for the entire five floors of the new structure and will occupy it as soon as it is ready. Messrs. Bear & Co. now occupy the large three-story brick building, just across the street from the proposed new structure, and the I. S. Shrier annex, next adjoining on the south on Front street, but these buildings, large as they are, were found inadequate to the constantly expanding business of the dry goods firm and new quarters had to be sought. Mr. Brunjes owned the desired location and was ready to build when a suitable tenant could be found. The result was that both parties got together on a mutually advantageous proposition and the agreement was drawn up by Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy, attorneys, signed by the parties in person and filed for record yesterday at the Court House.

By the terms of the agreement Mr. Brunjes obligates to build and complete upon the site named, according to plans and specifications suitable to Messrs. Bear & Co., a five-story brick building of dimensions not less than 63 feet width on Front street and 97 feet depth on Grace street. The structure is to be of standard press brick, first two floors to be of red brick and on all sides and the third, fourth and fifth floors to be celled overhead. The roof is to be Old Style Taylor tin and the building will be equipped with steam heat and electric lights on first and second and gas on the remaining three floors, with proper sewers and other connections. The first floor is to contain offices for the firm, suitable to the proprietors, and not less than \$1,000 is to be spent for this purpose. A standard electric freight elevator is provided for and in addition, all the necessary shelves, tables, etc., are to be put in. The building is to conform in every respect to fire and insurance regulations and is to be made suitable to the business of wholesale dry goods.

The contract calls for a lease of ten years and one month beginning Sept. 1st, 1907, but should the building be ready by June 15, 1907, the firm agrees to occupy it then at the same rate until the beginning of the lease. The rental prescribed is \$3,500 per year, payable monthly, and every provision is made in case of fire or other accident. Mr. Brunjes and Messrs. Bear & Co. are now receiving plans, etc., from architects and Mr. Brunjes hopes to award the contract in the near future. It is understood the building will cost in the neighborhood of \$75,000 or \$80,000. It will be quite a considerable addition to the several other large buildings recently constructed and both Mr. Brunjes and Messrs. Bear & Co. are to be congratulated upon their enterprise and upon the substantial evidence of their faith in the future of Wilmington.

PLATT & HAAR,

But before we tell you about the white goods, we want to say—"La Grecque Corsets." 72-inch Clifton Organdy, 50c. to \$1.00. Lingerie Chiffon, 32 to 45-inch, 20 to 50c. Wash Chiffon, 35 to 60c. 45-inch French Lawn, 20 to 75c.

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THORPE & APPLIGATE

REMOVAL NOTICE.

H. L. Litgen who formerly conducted a saloon business at No. 6 South Front street has removed his place of business to No. 8 South Second street and will open his new place for business this (Saturday) morning, March 24. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Mch 24-1t.

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The gain in new building and industry in North Carolina is greater than at any period in the State's history. The North Carolina Home Insurance Company, of Raleigh, N. C., should receive its proposition of this prosperity as compared with the percentage of new business given to it in periods of less industrial activity. Give it the insurance on the desirable new properties you have to offer. It will help to build up our home State and continue the great era of prosperity now enjoyed by our people. WALKER TAYLOR, Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

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