

## THE LATE COL. F. W. FOSTER.

### Funeral Services Yesterday Afternoon—The Naval Reserves, the Elks, Odd Fellows and Pythians Represented—Buried With Odd Fellows' Honors.

The funeral of Colonel F. W. Foster took place at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the family residence, 110 North Sixth street. There was a large attendance, including members of Wilmington Lodge, No. 139, I. O. O. F., Stonewall Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., and Wilmington Nodge, No 532, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Wilmington Division, North Carolina Naval Brigade, Lieutenant H. M. Chase, commanding, turned out in a body, in honor of the memory of Colonel Foster, who was the division's staunchest friend and supporter. The employes of the Fore and Foster Company were present to pay a parting tribute to him who was their friend as well as employer.

The services were impressively conducted by the Rev. John M. Wells, Ph.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and there was beautiful singing by the Masonic Temple quartette and a sextette of four gentlemen and two ladies. The first hymn was "Nearer My God to Thee," sung by the Temple quartette composed of Messrs. E. H. Munson, H. K. Holden, C. H. Cooper and Charles McMillen. The closing hymn was "Jesus, Lover of my Soul," sung by Mrs. James D. Smith, Miss Mattie Lee Horne, and the gentlemen above named.

From the residence the remains were conveyed to Oakdale cemetery by a large concourse under escort of the Naval Reserves. At the grave Dr. Wells conducted the religious exercises, and then Captain J. M. McGowan, chaplain of Wilmington Lodge, officiated in the impressive ritual burial services of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. While the grave was being filled William J. Bellamy, Esq., Exalted Ruler, of Wilmington Lodge of Elks, and Major W. F. Robertson, also of that lodge, threw in sprigs of amaranth and ivy, emblems of the order of Elks.

At the conclusion of the services, the grave was covered with handsome floral tributes, among them being a beautiful cross sent by the employes in the plant of the Fore & Foster Company. There were also handsome designs sent by the Elks, the Pythians, and the Odd Fellows.

The pallbearers were as follows.

Honorary—Messrs. W. J. Crosswell, Marsden Bellamy, Samuel Northrop and William H. Chadbourn.

Active—W. F. Robertson, T. W. Lawson, A. P. Adrian, John J. Blair, William J. Bellamy, and W. J. Cross-Jr.