

THE RAILROADS

S. C. MARKS DIES IN LOS ANGELES, CAL.

A Popular Railroad Man Passes Away—Was Su- perintendent of the G. H., Rio Grande Division.

S. C. Marks, superintendent of the Rio Grande division of the G. H. & S. A. and one of the best known of the older school of El Paso railroad officials, died Wednesday afternoon of tuberculosis in Los Angeles where he had gone to spend the winter in the hope of benefiting his health. The Los Angeles operator of the Southern Pacific called the local G. H. office shortly after 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and informed the former employees of the superintendent that he was sinking rapidly and could not live until night. A later wire was received by superintendent W. R. Martin, of the union depot company from Johnnie Deagher, stationmaster at the Los Angeles depot, that the popular railroad man had passed away.

Mr. Marks was a Canadian by birth and lived in Toronto, Canada, until 1880 when he came to Texas to take the position of telegrapher for the Texas Pacific at Fort Worth. While there he worked the opposite track from superintendent John W. Ward, who is now superintendent of the Rio Grande division of the G. H. & S. A. Later he was appointed trainmaster for the Pecos Valley road and served in that position until he came to El Paso in 1892 to take a position under W. R. Martin, who was then superintendent of the G. H. Mr. Marks was first a dispatcher and in 1895 was made trainmaster.

When the western division of the G. H. & S. A. was divided, trainmaster Marks was sent to Valentine as chief dispatcher and from there to Del Rio in the same position. He was appointed superintendent of the division in 1901 to succeed superintendent Johnson, who resigned. He served continuously in the office of superintendent until this fall when he requested an indefinite leave

of absence in order that he might take a rest in the hope that this fall his failing health might be regained. After making a short trip to the coast, he remained in El Paso until three weeks ago, when he decided to return to California to spend the winter.

The only relatives Mr. Marks leaves are two daughters, Mrs. Marks having died last March and his father and mother about a year ago. It is probable that the children will make their home with relatives of their mother in Canada. The remains will arrive from Los Angeles on the Sunset Limited Friday afternoon and the funeral will be held from the undertaking rooms of Peake & Co., Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

FUNERAL OF S. C. MARKS LARGE- LY ATTENDED

The funeral of superintendent S. C. Marks was held from the residence on Campbell street Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The remains arrived from Los Angeles Saturday noon on the Golden State limited and were taken to the home of the late superintendent in the G. H. reservation. The services were in charge of Rev. Henry Easter, rector of St. Clement's Episcopal church, and were attended by a large number of friends of the deceased.

The burial was at Evergreen cemetery, where Mr. Marks was interred at the side of his wife, who died last March. The pall bearers were selected from among the railroad friends of the superintendent and were: W. R. Martin, E. B. Smith, H. C. Borcharding, G. S. Waid, H. W. Connolly, D. W. Fitzgerald, Timothy Sullivan and Richard Keays.

The floral offerings were given by the associates and employes of the G. H. & S. A. and included a number of elaborate pieces. The Order of Railway Conductors, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen each gave a floral offering. The officials of the Rio Grande division, the clerks in the general offices, and a number of personal friends of the popular superintendent sent designs and loose flowers until the grave of both Mr. Marks and his wife were covered high with a mound of flowers.