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The death of Robert Persons, was ascertained on the morning of Sunday, July 29, at Santa Cruz, Cal., that he had died at a hospital at Los Angeles, where he was admitted on the 22d inst. He was about 40 years of age, and had been employed in the city of Los Angeles. He was married, and the mother of Tuesday, June 14, when he fell from the horse on which he was riding, and he hurtled him to the sidewalk, crushing a fracture of the skull. He never regained consciousness, and an operation was unavailing. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Persons, who were in Los Angeles at the time of the accident, came to Santa Cruz, and arrived in the forenoon of Sunday, Tuesday, June 29.

The following appreciation from the pastor of the Congregational Church in Salem, Mass., in which Perry was a regular member appeared in the Salem Free Sentinel of Tuesday, August 10, 1903:

P. E. Parsons has been taken from us today, but he has not left our lives. He was born in Winterman, Ill. Jan. 11, 1877. He graduated from High School at Alton, Ill. when he was 17 years of age. As a high school student he was considered by the principal as one so good in the last mathematics class of any student that he principal had ever known. Upon his graduation of high school work he entered college at Alton, Ill. where he completed the course and took his degree in the sciences. While in Alton, Ill. his most active church work was responsible for a large Sunday school which was conducted as a social work in connection with the college.

After completing his degree, he went to work for the U.S. Navy as a radio operator.

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