

Lieut. Charles F. Emmerich

(20 Jan 1849 – 3 Feb 1894)

Emmerich. At Mare Island, Cal., on Saturday, February 3, 1894, Lieut. C.F Emmerich, U.S. Navy, son of Catharine C. and the late Frederick Emmerich. Interment at Mare Island, Cal.

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Death of Lieut. Emmerich

He Was a Native of This City and an Excellent Officer

Word has been received here of the death of Lieut. Charles F. Emmerich of the navy at the Mare Island navy early Saturday. Mr. Emmerich was a native of this city and has been in the naval service since September, 1866. He was an efficient officer and had an excellent record in the service. It is said that there was no more popular officer in the navy. Returning from a three years' cruise in China and Japan he was sent with the patrol fleet in Bering sea to protect the seal fisheries. He was on that duty last year and was attacked with a severe cold, which undoubtedly undermined his constitution and ultimately led to his death, while at San Francisco awaiting the fitting out of the coast survey steamer MacArthur for a cruise under his command. His remains will be interred at San Francisco. He was unmarried, but leaves a mother and sister in this city to mourn him.

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A Splendid Tribute

An Alaskan Mountain Named After Lieut. Emmerich of the Navy

Few American shave such a splendid memorial as that which has been chosen by the officers of the coast survey to immortalize the excellent qualities of the late Lieut. Charles F. Emmerich of the United States navy, who died in California last year. Lieut. Emmerich was executive officer of the steamer Hassler, which took a surveying party to Alaska during the season of 1893, and endeared himself to every member of the ship's company. When the news of his death reached the city last year the officials of the survey determined to honor his memory by naming for him one of the peaks that had been discovered during the trip that he helped to make so pleasant. To note this fact the following letter was sent by Mr. J.F. Pratt, who was chief of the party, to Mrs. Catherine C. Emmerich of this city, Lieut. Emmerich's mother:

"I inclose a photograph of 'Emmerich mountain,' one of the most conspicuous peaks on the west side of the head of Chilkat inlet, Alaska. This mountain is 6,940 feet high, and was so named by the members of the coast survey party engaged in that locality in the international boundary between Alaska and British America during the past season in honor of your son, in thankful remembrance of the good fellowship and many attentions shown them while he was the executive officer of the coast survey steamer Hassler."