

aiding in the Horicon Railroad Company; sharing with S. M. Booth in the publication of the *Free Democrat*; president, at one time, during the war, of the Union League; and serving by appointment of President Johnson as internal revenue assessor. Holding radical views, whether of temperance, anti-slavery, or spiritualism, he was fearless in their maintenance.

Prof. W. J. L. Nicodemus died at Madison, January 6th, in his forty-fifth year. He was born in Virginia, opposite to Hagerstown, Maryland, August 1st, 1834, graduating at West Point in 1858, after a thorough course of four years in that institution. Entering the army as a lieutenant, and doing garrison duty at Newport, Ky., he was ordered to New Mexico, where he served on Indian expeditions. On the breaking out of the Civil War, he was made a first lieutenant then a captain, and also assistant adjutant-general of the department of New Mexico. For gallant and meritorious services at the battle of Valverde, Feb. 21st, 1862, he was brevetted major. Transferred Eastward, he was made colonel of the Fourth Maryland Volunteers. He then was assigned to duty in the Signal Corps, participating in several skirmishes; and was afterwards given command of the Signal Bureau in Washington, and finally the entire command of the Signal Corps, having been promoted to the rank of major, and then lieutenant colonel inspecting the Signal Corps. After the war, he was restored to his regiment, the Twelfth Infantry, as a captain, taking rank from Oct. 24th, 1861. In 1869, he was detailed from the regular army for military instruction in the Western University, at Pittsburg; and, in 1870, he was chosen to the chair of military science and civil and mechanical engineering in the University of Wisconsin. His death was caused by over-work. He had been one of the officers and workers in the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters. He was a man of much ability and learning, and his death greatly regretted.

Nathaniel T. Parkinson died at Willow Springs, Lafayette County, Jan. 7th, in his sixty-fourth year. Born Sept. 25th, 1815, in White Co., Tenn., second son of Col. Daniel Parkinson, he migrated with his parents, in 1818, to Madison Co., Ill., and, in 1827, settled in the Lead Region. When only seventeen, he served under General Dodge in the Black Hawk War, showing bravery in the battle of the Bad Axe. In 1837, he removed to Madison, and for three years filled the office of sheriff of Dane County, by appointment of Gov. Dodge. Returning to Lafayette, he was president of the County Agricultural Society, and filled various offices of public trust. He was a Christian, and a man of much worth and many virtues.

Maj. George Anderson died at Madison, Jan. 10th, in the ninety-fifth year of his age. He was born on the banks of the Raritan, New Jersey, March 8th, 1784; and after residing successively on Staten Island, in Pennsylvania, and Illinois, he settled in Dane County, in 1839, and spent most of his life as a farmer. While residing in Madison, he served two years on the board of aldermen, and several years as supervisor in the county board, serving in the latter capacity at the time of his death. He survived his third wife two weeks. He was a gentleman of the old school, enjoying good health and a bright intellect almost to the last.