

age of ninety-six years. He was a native of Massachusetts, was a veteran of the War of 1812, and had been a citizen of Wisconsin for more than a quarter of a century.

Rev. Hezekiah C. Tilton died at Janesville, March 26th, in his sixty-first year. He was born in Maine, August 30th, 1818; became a Methodist clergyman in 1841, supplying various pulpits in that state for sixteen years. In 1857, he came to Wisconsin, and was stationed successively in Milwaukee, Fond du Lac, Appleton, Whitewater, and Janesville, serving as presiding elder of the Racine district. In 1861, he was made chaplain of the Thirteenth Regiment; but failing health compelled him to resign the following year. In 1864, he represented a district in Walworth County in the legislature, in which body he took an active and prominent part. In 1876, Gov. Ludington appointed him a member of the State Board of Charities and Reform for a term of three years, proving himself very useful in that position. Nominated, in 1875, by the Prohibition party for governor, he declined the honor. He was an able pulpit orator, and highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Capt. Joseph Houle, of Green Bay, died in the latter part of March, at Kaukauna, at the reputed great age of one hundred and thirteen years. George Lawe, born in 1804, remembers Houle as a gray-headed old man in 1815, at work around the trading-post of his father, John Lawe.

Hon. Charles Burckard died at Beaver Dam, April 1st, in his seventieth year. He was born at Granby, Hampshire Co., Mass., January 1st, 1810; and after receiving an academic education, he devoted himself to farming. He resided several years in Oneida, Lewis, and Madison Counties, N. Y., and was prominently connected with the Liberty, or Anti-Slavery party; but did not support his party candidate, James G. Birney, for president in 1844, preferring Henry Clay. His published letter at the time giving his preferences was widely circulated. In 1845, he removed to Wisconsin, settling first in Waukesha; and after one of the members from that county in the first constitutional convention. Subsequently removing to Beaver Dam, he represented that serving as chairman of the county board of supervisors, he was chosen district in the assembly in 1856. He was seven times elected a member of the county board of Dodge County, and a commissioner of the board of enrollment for the Fourth Congressional District during the war. He was an able temperance advocate, a public spirited citizen, a popular and worthy man. His career and his influence in society were both honorable and useful.

Peter Yates, long a prominent and able lawyer at Milwaukee, and subsequently at Grand Rapids, Mich., died in the latter city April 6th, at the age of seventy-two years. He was a man of much pluck, zeal, and pertinacity, both in his profession and in political contests.

Capt. Angus R. McDonald died at Madison, Apr. 14, at the age of forty-seven years. He was born on the Island of Elgg, Inverness, Scotland, Oct. 2d, 1837, and had resided in Wisconsin about twenty-five years. In 1861