

1853, and in 1863, and served as chairman of the board of supervisors, and at the time of his death was county superintendent of the poor. He was long a prominent and useful citizen of the county.

James M. Gillett died at Fond du Lac, May 31st, in his fifty-ninth year. He was born at Farmersville, Cattaraugus County, N. Y., April 21st, 1821; and after several years teaching and studying law, he settled in Fond du Lac in 1846, and in December of that year established a newspaper there. He was a man of kindly impulses, generous, talented and brilliant, and became one of the foremost lawyers of the State. He was once a candidate for the State senate; but having no political tact, he was no intriguer, nor trickster, and was consequently beaten. He was glad of it, and never after dabbled in politics.

George C. Dousman died in Milwaukee, May 31st, at the age of sixty years. He was a native of Mackinaw, and one of the pioneers of Milwaukee. In 1860, he was chosen city clerk, and served five successive terms. He was then elected a member of the county board, and was made president of that body. From 1869 to 1872, he served as county auditor. He was subsequently car agent of one of the railroad companies.

Hon. Frederick S. Ellis died at Green Bay, June 6th, in the fiftieth year of his age. He was third son of Gen. A. G. Ellis, born at Green Bay, Jan. 17th, 1830. Receiving a fair education, he became a surveyor, and afterwards an insurance agent. In 1861, 1862 and 1863, he represented his district in the Assembly; and, in 1864-65, he served a term in the senate. He was for several years chairman of the Brown County board of supervisors; and, in 1876, he was chosen mayor of the city. He held all these positions with credit to himself and the community. In the fall of 1876, he was elected county treasurer; and when pecuniary reverses overtook him, he offered to shield his friends from loss, so far as he could, by turning over to them every item of his personal property, even to his household furniture, and a life insurance policy of \$2,000; but so high was their respect for him and his family, that they chose rather to share the burden themselves than to accept the sacrifice. He had troops of friends, and all sympathized with him in his misfortunes.

Capt. Ira Miltimore died at Janesville, June 9th, at the age of sixty-six years. Born at Windham, Vt., in 1813, he established himself as a millwright and machinist at Chicago in 1836, where he was a member of the common council from 1838 to 1845. In this latter year he removed to Janesville, built the "big mill," served nine years in the common council, and was one of the directors in the Rock River Valley Railroad, the precursor of the Chicago and Northwestern Company. He donated ten acres for the State Institute for the Blind, and was for fifteen years a member of the board for its management. He raised a company for the Thirty-Third Wisconsin, sharing in the capture of Jackson, Mississippi, and the siege of Vicksburg. His was a life of activity and usefulness, and he was greatly respected for his public spirit and enterprise.