

Capt. Andrew S. Bennett, of the U. S. army, was killed in a fight with hostile Indians near Clark's Fork of the Yellowstone, September 4th, in the vigor of life. In April, 1861, he was the first man to enlist in Waukesha County, when he was chosen second lieutenant in the Fifth Wisconsin Regiment, and was subsequently adjutant, sharing in the action at Williamsburg, the six battles before Richmond, Antietam, Gettysburg, and the battles of the Wilderness. In 1866, he filled a position in the secretary of state's office; and, in the spring of 1867, was appointed a first lieutenant in the regular army, rising to a captaincy, and rendering much meritorious service on the frontier. He was a brother-in-law of Hon. H. D. Barron.

Capt. John W. Cotton died at Green Bay, September 10th, in the seventy-ninth year of his age. He was born at Plymouth, Mass., March 9th, 1800, descending from old John Cotton and the Winslows of Puritan fame. He early entered the Military Academy, graduating in 1823, and entering the army. For many years he was stationed on the frontiers in the South and West. From long continued exposures on frontier duty, he contracted disease, which led him in November, 1845, to resign; and in 1848, he located at Green Bay, where he had in 1825, married his wife.

Hon. Edward M. Hunter died in Milwaukee, September 13th, in his fifty-third year. He was born in Bloomington, Sullivan County, N. Y., February 19th, 1826, and early studied law in New York City. In 1849, he commenced the practice of his profession in Milwaukee and served a term in the State senate in 1853-54, and as private secretary to Gov. Barstow during his administration. For many years he served very acceptably as U. S. court commissioner, and commissioner of the circuit court for the Milwaukee district. He wrote an interesting memoir of the civil life and public services of Gov. Barstow, which appears in the fifth volume of the *Wis. Hist. Collections*.

Hon. Rufus Parks died at Summit, Waukesha County, September 14th, in his eighty-first year. He was born in Maine, May 24th, 1798; and came to Wisconsin in 1836—filling, by appointment of President Jackson, the office of receiver in the land office at Milwaukee until after the inauguration of President Har-