

Pennsylvania until 1835, when he removed to Wisconsin, reaching Prairie du Chien on the 25th of October; and was the first Methodist preacher to pioneer the way north of the Wisconsin River. He was made presiding elder of a district extending from Rock Island to the head of the Mississippi, including the Indian mission.

On account of ill-health, Mr. Brunson relinquished the ministry in 1839, was admitted to the bar, and practiced for about ten years. In 1840, he was elected to the Territorial legislature; and, in 1842, he was appointed Indian agent at La Pointe. In 1850, he was an unsuccessful candidate for judge of his district; and returned to ministerial labors, being located at Mineral Point. In 1853, he was appointed presiding elder of the Prairie du Chien district, then one of the most extensive in the State. In 1862, he was made chaplain of a regiment, but from ill-health was soon compelled to resign. Partially recovering his health, he resumed and continued his ministerial labors until 1871, when he retired from further service. He was a prolific writer for the press, and was the author of a *Key to the Apocalypse*, *Incidents in his Life and Times*, historical papers in the *Collections* of our Society, and several pamphlet publications. Dr. Brunson was a man of indomitable energy, unwearied labors, and great usefulness in his day and generation.

Hon. Alvin B. Alden, at Eau Claire, August 13th, in his sixty-fifth year. Born at Stafford, Conn., March 1st, 1818, he came to Wisconsin when comparatively a young man, located in 1844 at Randolph, and, in 1851, at Portage City, where he held many offices of trust, at one time clerk of the board of supervisors, then mayor of the city, and, in 1858, a prominent member of the legislature. He served for a few months as insurance clerk under Secretary of State Doyle, and many years as loan agent of the North Western Life Insurance Company. He rose to a thirty-third degree Mason, was grand master of the grand lodge of the State, grand commander of the Knights Templar, and grand high priest of the grand chapter of Wisconsin, serving in all these positions with great credit to himself, and honor to the fraternity. He was at one time an unsuccessful candidate for secretary of state. He possessed a nice sense of honor, and was deservedly held in high estimation.

Hon. Hugh McFarlane, in Arlington, August 16th, at the age of sixty-seven years. Born in County Tyrone, Ireland, June 22d, 1815, he came to America, locating first at Mineral Point in 1835, and two years later at Portage, but not permanently until 1843, and engaged in merchandising and lumbering. He was a member of the last Territorial and first State legislatures. In 1859, he settled on his farm in Arlington, and became active in town affairs, serving as chairman of the board of supervisors. He was also one of the commissioners of the Wisconsin Farm Mortgage Company. He was well educated, possessing a kind, sympathetic heart, well posted in public affairs, and of a very genial, social disposition.

Col. William H. Jacobs, at Milwaukee, Sept. 11th, in his fifty-first year.