

NOTABLE DEATHS

PETER MILLER MUSSER was born at Whitehall, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, April 3, 1841, and died at Muscatine, Iowa, May 22, 1919. He attended common school and early began to help his father in his store at Whitehall and later at Adamstown. In 1863 he came to Muscatine to work for his uncles, Peter and Richard Musser, in their lumber business. In 1864 he went to Iowa City as an employe in the firm's branch yard there. He later became the local manager of that yard. In 1871 he became a member of the firm of Musser & Co. In 1875 he removed to Muscatine and became active in the management of the company's business. The firm incorporated and grew to immense proportions. They erected and operated their own saw and planing mills. They also owned their own timber lands in Minnesota and Wisconsin and operated their own rafting steamers. The company was very successful and always maintained a reputation for integrity. Besides his active participation in the management of the lumber company P. M. Musser was for forty-three years president of the Cook, Musser & Co. Bank. He was also interested in other business enterprises. He was a public benefactor, as the P. M. Musser Public Library, the Old Ladies' Home, the Muscatine fire department and the Musser Park, all bear witness. He was a prominent member of and a liberal contributor to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was a cultured man and especially loved travel and outdoor life.

CHARLES W. MULLAN was born in Wayne County, Illinois, December 31, 1845, and died at Rochester, Minnesota, May 8, 1919. Interment was at Waterloo, Iowa. He came to Black Hawk County with his parents in 1846. He attended public school in Waterloo. He enlisted as a private in the Forty-seventh Iowa Infantry and served until the regiment was mustered out. He attended Upper Iowa University at Fayette for a time and then read law with Orrin Miller at Waterloo. In 1870 he was admitted to the bar. He was city solicitor of Waterloo for six years. He was county attorney of Black Hawk County from 1887 to 1893. In 1897 he was elected senator and served in the Twenty-seventh and Twenty-eighth General Assemblies. He was elected attorney general of Iowa in 1900 and re-elected in 1902, serving four years. In 1913 he was appointed by Governor Clarke one of the judges of the Tenth Judicial District and was thereafter twice elected, holding the position at the time of his death. He was an able lawyer and a high-minded and cultured man.

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