NOTABLE DEATHS

JAMES HENRY TREWIN was born at Bloomingdale, Dupage County, Illinois, November 29, 1858, and died in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, March 21, 1927. Burial was at Earlville, Iowa. His parents were Henry and Mary Ann Trewin. In 1872 he came to live with a brother, Thomas Trewin, on a farm in Chickasaw County, Iowa. Soon thereafter he began attending Bradford Academy, at Bradford, Chickasaw County. In 1874 he began teaching country school. He followed teaching, alternating with attending Cedar Valley Seminary at Osage, and Lenox College, Hopkinton, for the next six years, teaching country schools in Delaware County, and later in the towns of Delaware and Farley. He read law with Robinson & Powers of Dubuque and was admitted to the bar in 1883 and began practice at Earlville, Delaware County, in that year, and continued in the practice until shortly before his death. In 1889 he removed to Lansing. He was elected representative in 1893 and served in the Twenty-fifth General Assembly. In 1895 he was elected senator and was re-elected in 1899 and served in the Twentysixth, Twenty-sixth extra, Twenty-seventh, Twenty-eighth and Twentyninth general assemblies. In the Twenty-sixth Extra he was chairman of the Code Revision Committee. After 1900 he maintained a law office in Cedar Rapids removing there soon thereafter. In later years he had a law partnership with H. Y. Simmons, and his son, Harold R. Trewin, as Trewin, Simmons & Trewin. In 1904 he was a member of the Iowa Commission to the St. Louis Exposition. He was a member and was president of the State Board of Education from 1909 to 1914. In 1919 he was appointed a member of the Commission to Codify the Laws, and became its chairman. This codification resulted in the Code of 1924. He was an active member of the Iowa State and of the American bar associations. He was successful in business and in his profession, was a Republican of the conservative type, was a man of large abilities, of originality and aggressiveness, and left his impress upon the state.

NATHAN WILSON MACY was born near Knightstown, Henry County, Indiana, March 25, 1848, and died in Pasadena, California, June 13, 1927. His parents were Nathan and Jane (Wilson) Macy, who were Friends (Quakers) who had removed from North Carolina to Indiana principally because of their antipathy to slavery. The mother having died, the father removed with the family to near Springdale, Cedar County, Iowa, in 1862. Nathan W. helped in farm work, attended local school, and was graduated from the State University of Iowa in the Liberal Arts course in 1873. The year of 1873-74 he was principal of the West Liberty public schools, then took up the study of law and was graduated from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1875. That fall he began the practice of law at Adel as a member of the firm of Willard, Calvert & Macy, but a year later gave up the pracCopyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.