

## NOTABLE DEATHS

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JOHN LEWIS GRIFFITHS was born in New York, October 7, 1855; he died at his residence in London, England, May 17, 1914. His parents were David G. and Elizabeth Griffiths, natives of Wales. When he was twelve years of age, the family removed to Iowa, where he completed his high school course in less than three years. He studied law at the State University of Iowa and received the degree of A.B. in 1874 and LL.B. in 1875. He was admitted to the bar and engaged in practice at Indianapolis, Indiana. He took part in every national and state convention of the Republican party after he had a vote, and was much in demand as a campaign orator. He was a member of the Indiana state legislature in 1887, reporter of the Indiana supreme court 1889-93, and at one time candidate for governor. In 1905 he was appointed consul-general to Liverpool by President Roosevelt, and in 1909 transferred by President Taft to London. Memorial services were held at St. Pauls, Knightsbridge, London, on May 22d, and final funeral services in New York, June 1st. Mr. Griffiths was an orator of ability, and at the time of his death was engaged in writing a life of Benjamin Harrison. An article by him on Legal Procedure in England, appeared in the *Annals of the American Academy* for March, 1914.

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WILLIAM H. INGHAM was born at Ingham's Mills, New York, November 27, 1827; he died at the home of his son in Olympia, Washington, July 28, 1914. He was educated in the public schools until the age of ten, then attended a private school for two years, studying Greek and higher mathematics, and finally had several terms at Little Falls Academy. At the age of eighteen he began business with his brother and was engaged therein for several years. In 1851 he removed to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, surveying and locating lands, and was on a trip of this nature when he visited Kossuth county in 1854, and noting its possibilities, decided to locate there. As a pioneer hunter, land surveyor and settler he had many interesting adventures and encounters with the Indians. In 1854, after the Spirit Lake massacre, he formed a scouting party to explore the country for danger, and performed a similar service in 1862. When the troops were formed to protect the border, he was appointed captain of Company A, Northern Border Brigade, and with his company took quarters at Estherville and erected Fort Defiance. They were mustered out of service in December, 1863. In 1866 he removed from his farm to Algona where he thereafter resided. In 1870, in company with Lewis H. Smith, he began the

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