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NOTABLE DEATHS

JOHN L. KAMRAR was born in Union County, Pennsylvania, October 12, 1842, and died in Webster City, Iowa, December 27, 1929. When he was fifteen years old he accompanied his parents, John and Mary (McGill) Kamrar, in their removal to a farm in Stephenson County, Illinois. He had attended an academy in Franklin, Pennsylvania, and in Illinois, between the seasons of working on his father's farm, he made such progress that he was graduated from the Mount Carroll, Illinois, High School in 1863. He engaged in teaching, but resigned the principalship of a school at Savannah, Illinois, in 1864, to enlist in Company E, One Hundred and Forty-sixth Illinois Infantry, in which he served as a lieutenant. From 1865 to 1869 he farmed in Stephenson County, but in 1869 removed to Webster City, Iowa. In 1870 he entered a partnership with David D. Miracle in the real estate and abstract business. After a course of reading law he was admitted to the bar in Webster City in 1872. He aided in securing the construction of the C. and N. W. Railroad through Hamilton County, on which the town of Kamrar was named for him. He served on the local school board and was twice mayor of Webster City. He was elected senator in 1881 and served in the Nineteenth and Twentieth general assemblies. In 1888 he was elected on the Republican ticket as a presidential elector. The same year he unsuccessfully contended for the Republican nomination for Congress from the Tenth District, that being the year that J. P. Dolliver received his first nomination. In 1895 Mr. Kamrar received substantial support for the nomination for governor, but lost with others to General Drake. On April 23, 1914, Governor Clarke appointed him judge of the Eleventh Judicial District, to serve the unexpired term of Judge C. G. Lee, resigned. Mr. Kamrar was a man of fine character and ability, and stood high in his profession.

JAMES WILLIAM GOOD was born September 24, 1866, on a farm near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and died at Washington, D. C., November 18, 1929. Interment was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Cedar Rapids. His parents were Henry and Margaret Elizabeth (Combs) Good. He attended country school, the academy in connection with Coe College, and was graduated from Coe College in 1892. In 1893 he was graduated from the Law Department of the University of Michigan. He began the practice of law at Indianapolis, Indiana, and a few years later removed to Cedar Rapids for the practice of his profession, first as a partner of C. J. Deacon, his father-in-law, and later of the firm of Deacon,

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