

able boon of a Christian mother's care, and the example of an industrious, hardworking father. At the time of the breaking out of the war, he had left school and was in the employ of the Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Company. He early threw up his position, and somewhat against the protests of parents and friends enlisted in the Milwaukee Light Guards. At the time of his enlistment he was not yet 19 years of age. He was florid, with light brown hair, mild gray eyes, and seemed more youthful than he was. His features were firm set and showed a determined character, while amiability was stamped in the slightly dimpled cheeks. He was of medium height, with full chest, fine muscular development, elastic step, erect carriage, and in perfect health. Altogether he was as fine a specimen of man, physically, as can be imagined. He left Milwaukee on June 9, 1861, with the First Regiment of Wisconsin Volunteers, a private in Company A, and fell in the first engagement of the troops, at Falling Waters, July 2, bravely fighting his first and last battle. The fatal bullet entered his body near the heart, and he died an almost instantaneous and painless death, only whispering after he fell, into the ears of a comrade, with scarcely audible voice, the single word, "mother." His body was carried to the village of Williamsport, from which the troops had set out early on the morning of the battle. The active duties of the campaign did not permit his comrades to perform for him the last sad duties of burial, but through the noble efforts of one Captain Kennedy and other loyal citizens of the town he was fittingly buried with military honors. He sleeps his long sleep in an unmarked grave on the banks of the Potomac. Her murmuring waters sing his requiem as they ever hasten to the sea. His great deed — the giving of his life to his country — is his only monument. May his memory be cherished, bright and vernal as the youthful life he gave.

WARREN M. GRAHAM, son of Mr. N. M. and Mrs. M. L. Graham, was born in Auburn, New York, September 18, 1842. His parents moved to Wisconsin in 1846, with their family, and settled at Port Washington. His advantages for education at that time were limited to the district school, which, at that early day, in comparison with the present common school system, were poor indeed. Young Graham, however, made the best of them, and at the early age of twelve years, his school days being finished, he entered the office of the *Ozaukee Advertiser* to learn the printing trade. Although his school days were over, his student life continued. He had a natural love for literary pursuits, and read with the avidity of genius, everything that fell in his way. So rapid was his advancement under his self-imposed discipline and tuition, that he early outgrew the surroundings of the country office, and, at the early age of fifteen, came to Milwaukee and engaged in the printing office of the *Evening Wisconsin* as a compositor. He had already, young as he was, been a contributor to the columns of several country papers, and his articles were such as to give great promise of a high rank in journalism in the future.

He soon left the case, and was, for his apparent merit, promoted to the counting-room of the paper, and later, gained a position on the editorial staff. At the breaking out of the war, he was employed as one of the local editors. He was one of the first to volunteer, and joined the First Regiment as Sergeant of Company B. His inherent taste for literary pursuits and newspaper writing was so unconquerable that he, in company with one or two other printers, actually published a paper during the few days they were encamped at Hagerstown, many copies of which were sent to Milwaukee by the boys, as souvenirs of their camp life. At the battle of Falling Waters, July 2, 1861, he fell, severely wounded in three places. Faint and nearly dead, he was removed from the field, remaining in a stone house near the place of action for eight days. During his stay there he received unremitting medical care, and rallied sufficiently at the expiration of that time to be removed to the fixed hospital at Hagerstown. He was carried there in an ambulance, improvised from an old omnibus, and endured the torture of the rough ride with heroic fortitude, and at intervals after his arrival, nearly up to the time of his death, dictated letters to his friends so full of hope as to completely allay all fears as to his ultimate recovery. In spite of the skillful and untiring care of the physicians of Hagerstown, and the constant kindness of the citizens, whose love he had won by his patient endurance and cheerful disposition, his system failed to rally from the effects of the serious wounds he had received, and, on the 26th of August, 1861, he peacefully sank to his eternal rest. So died another of Milwaukee's heroes, at the early age of nineteen. His remains were brought to Milwaukee for interment. The news of his death, as his profession had made him widely known, created a sentiment of profound grief throughout the city. All the papers of the city published eulogistic notices of him, expressing the utmost sorrow at his death. The Chamber of Commerce, of which he was an honored member, voted to attend the funeral in a body, to bear all the expenses incident to it, appointed a committee to co-operate with those of other associations for arranging for the obsequies, and passed the following resolutions of condolence and respect:

"WHEREAS, It is with profound regret the Chamber of Commerce has been informed of the death of Warren M. Graham, caused by wounds received at the battle of Falling Waters, Virginia, and, with hearts filled with grief, feel it proper to pay a passing tribute to his memory, and give to the world their opinion of his worth; therefore,

"Resolved, That to die for one's country is a boon that is granted to but few in proportion to the number who enjoy the blessings that good government confers.

"Resolved, That in the death of Warren M. Graham the country has lost a brave soldier, his parents a dutiful son, society one of its brightest ornaments, and the Chamber of Commerce an honored and