

Iowa Colonels and Regiments

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car with the negroes. By this time it was noised abroad what was going on, and the whole town of West Liberty was out, all being in sympathy with Brown and his fugitives. Clarke's freight car soon formed a link in the chain of coaches. Clarke and Kagi got into the passenger car to be prepared for emergencies, and with a shout of approval and sympathy from the people of West Liberty, off the train started for Davenport.

Brown and his party arrived without molestation at Chicago, where they changed cars, taking another branch of the underground railroad for Canada, where they all arrived in due time. Tracy, the Superintendent, swore some, when the negroes were unloaded at the Chicago depot. A short time after, Clarke apologized to Mr. Farnum, the President of the road, for the harmless imposition he had practised on the agent at West Liberty, so that he did not lose his place.

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IOWA COLONELS AND REGIMENTS.

The war has not given rise to a more entertaining volume than the one with the above title, written by Capt. A. A. Stuart, of Ottumwa, who was a co-laborer with those whose biographies he sketches, and an actor in the stirring events he relates, and therefore brought to his task from the start a personal acquaintance with the general subject he was to handle, of value beyond our power to estimate in the preparation of such a work. His warm words of approval indicate a generous leaning toward praise, while an occasional sharp sentence of rebuke, shows that he does not always recoil from the duty of passing merited censure. It is written in such a lively and agreeable style as would impart a charm to even a tiresome theme, and is liberally interspersed with admirably engraved and attractive steel portraits, by Buttre, of the colonels whose biographies are given. Its mechanical execution, which must be credited to the printers and book-bind-

ers of Des Moines, is all but gaudy. An Iowa library, without this book, contains a vacuum, and the centre table void of it lacks an ornament.

PIONEERS CALLED HOME.

We record in this number the death of four of the early settlers of Iowa:

James Davy, one of the pioneers of Western Iowa, died June 6th at Council Bluffs, where he had resided for fifteen years, aged 72.

Francis Parker, (the father of Lieutenant Governor Gue's wife,) who settled in Scott county in 1840, was brutally murdered last November, near Denver City, by a band of Mexican freebooters, who wanted his money. He was 75 years old.

Mrs. Rachel Perin, for the twenty-five years last preceding her death, a resident of Scott county, died near Davenport, June 11th, in the 85th year of her age. She was a native of Massachusetts.

Malcom Murray, who settled in Iowa City in 1840, died at Bridgeport, Ala., June 5th, of apoplexy, aged 52. He had been called by his fellow-citizens to hold many important public trusts, and his memory will long be revered for his probity and worth. He was a warm-hearted and generous friend. His remains have been interred in the cemetery at Iowa City. The deceased was a native of Dublin, Ireland.

THANKS.—We return our grateful thanks to Capt. A. A. Stuart, of Ottumwa, author of "Iowa Colonels and Regiments," for the use of the beautiful steel-plate portrait of Gen. Dodge, engraved by J. C. Buttre, of New York, which adorns the frontispiece of this number of THE ANNALS.

ERRATA.—Mr. Price, in his article on the Streams of Clayton County, has adhered to the corrupt Canadian-French spelling of the words *chenal* and *renard*, and Musquaqua is more approved than Musquaquee.

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