

Henry Nielander

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years. Since he retired from the Soldiers' Home he has held a civil service position in the Treasury Department at Washington. Col. Keatley was an active and influential politician, a man of very considerable ability, who made an excellent record in the public positions which he held from time to time. He was one of the well known editors of this State.

HENRY NIELANDER was born in Detmold, Germany, May 26, 1833; he died at Lansing, Iowa, June 14, 1905. He came to this country in 1851 and spent the first year in Waupun, Wis. He went to Galena, Ill., the following year where he served as a clerk in a mercantile establishment. He came to Iowa in 1854 and settled at Lansing, entering upon a successful career as a merchant and banker. He was a stockholder in the First National Bank during its entire career, and President of the Allamakee Savings Bank. His business transactions became very large. In 1879 he was elected to the State senate from the 41st district, serving the regular term of four years. He had previously served a term as Mayor of Lansing. It gave Mr. Nielander great pleasure to relate that in the early sixties, "Marshall Field, the dry goods prince, Philip Armour, the great packer, M. D. Wells, of boot and shoe fame, were all knights of the grip and called regularly at his store, using the same persuasive arguments to sell their respective wares that their less renowned successors continue to employ at this time." In his prosperous days he became quite a traveler. He crossed the ocean no less than five times to visit his old home. *The Allamakee Journal* says that "he was a man of sterling character, upright, and the soul of honor. Beneath a sometimes rugged exterior there was always a liberal, generous, sympathetic soul. He enjoyed the high confidence of his fellow men, because he was governed by a strict regard to the dictates of conscience, and he never shaded the truth to please anybody. He was courageous, energetic, optimistic, uncomplaining and always cheerful. He was kind to children and enjoyed their prattle and loved their company."

ROYAL H. BARNHART was born in Chautauqua county, N. Y., October 16, 1833; he died in Chicago, whither he had gone for medical treatment, Aug. 19, 1905. Mr. Barnhart was an apprentice in the office of *The Jamestown* (Chautauqua county) *Journal*, when it was published by F. W. Palmer and E. P. Upham, back in the early fifties. He came to Iowa in 1854, settling at first in Dubuque, but the following year removed to Marshalltown, where he lived the remainder of his life. He was for a time partner of E. N. Chapin, in *The Iowa Central Journal*, the first paper published in Marshall county. He established *The Marshall County Times*, the lineal predecessor of the present *Times-Republican*, but sold it to W. H. Gallup, and engaged in the drug business with R. Howe Taylor. Mr. Barnhart was a good printer of the old school, and had performed all of the labors from roller-boy to editor incident to the country office of those times. He was very retiring in his habits and it was said that he repeatedly refused to accept public office. Hon. F. W. Palmer, who knew him well as a boy, and from that time to the end of his life, always spoke in highly appreciative terms of Royal Barnhart. His remains were returned to Marshalltown and the funeral took place on Monday, the 21st of August.

MRS. ELIZABETH D. ADAMS was born in Hanover, N. H., Jan. 1, 1821; she died in Waterloo, Iowa, July 12, 1905. Her maiden name was Elizabeth Douglas. She was married to the Rev. Ephraim Adams, Sept. 16, 1845, at her home in Hanover. Shortly after their marriage the couple came west and settled in Davenport. Mr. Adams became quite widely known as a member of the "Iowa Band" of nine young Congregational clergymen who volunteered for work in the then territory of Iowa. Of the

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