

Lawson Daniels

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COLE NOEL was born in Monroe county, Ind., Oct. 4, 1818; he died in Adel, Iowa, July 26, 1906. He came to Des Moines, Iowa, with his parents in 1852. In December, of 1853, he settled in Adel, where he lived continuously until the end of his life. He was elected clerk of the courts of Dallas county in 1856, holding the office by successive elections during the next ten years. He was chosen to represent his county in the Iowa House of representatives of the 13th General Assembly. He took an active part in the work of securing the erection of the New Capitol. He appreciated the need of a commodious edifice in place of the old tumble-down affair which had but poorly sufficed up to that time. During his after life in Adel he held many positions of honor and trust in all of which his record is without flaw. He was one of the abiding, life-long friends of Hon. John A. Kasson. The latter never failed, when visiting Des Moines, during the past thirty years, to go to Adel and spend a day or two at the home of Cole Noel. Mr. Noel was for many years an exemplary member of the Christian church. He possessed the confidence of the people of Dallas county during all the years of his residence among them, and died as he had lived, enjoying the highest respect of all who knew him.

THE death of Charles Weare on June 19, 1906, at his home in Cedar Rapids, removes the last member of the family of that name, which family have been prominently connected with our business enterprises since this city was a mere village. Charles Weare was born in Derby Line, Orleans county, Vermont, Jan. 29, 1828, and came to Cedar Rapids in 1848. Deceased was respectively marshal, alderman and mayor of Cedar Rapids, was a member of the legislature for one term, 1864, was postmaster for eight years. During the Harrison administration he was consul at Aix-la-Chapelle, Germany, for one year. Mr. Weare was originally a democrat and became a republican when that party was organized. He had attended more county and state conventions than any other person perhaps in Iowa up to the time of his death, and for more than fifty years was personally acquainted with all the public men of the State.

B. L. W.

CHAPMAN A. MARSHALL was born in Dublin, Ireland, Jan. 11, 1838; he died in Cresco, Iowa, June 27, 1906. His father was a lieutenant-general in the English army. After receiving his education, he was apprenticed in the Merchant Marine service of England, and spent four years on a sailing vessel, sailing three times around the world. In 1857 he came to the United States and in 1858 settled in Howard county, Iowa. He engaged in the mercantile business in Vernon Springs and later in Cresco. In 1871 he was ordained to the ministry of the Congregational church. He held pastorates in Burr Oak, Postville, New Hampton, Nashua, Clinton, and McGregor. In 1900 he retired from the active ministry and returned to Cresco. He represented the 44th senatorial district, consisting of Bremer, Chickasaw and Howard counties, in the 19th and 20th General Assemblies.

LAWSON DANIELS died in Cedar Rapids, June 17, 1906, at the age of seventy-nine years. Deceased was born in North Brookfield, Mass., and came to Marion in the fall of 1848, to which place the older brothers had removed a few years earlier. The firm of Lawson Daniels & Co. did the largest business in this part of the country for many years. Mr. Daniels married his brother's widow in 1883, who survives him. For many years prior to his death, Mr. Daniels was one of the

officers of the Cedar Rapids Savings Bank, an institution to which he devoted much of his time and attention. By the death of Mr. Daniels the last member of a family which began business in Marion and Cedar Rapids in the early forties has been removed.

B. L. W.

GEORGE WELLS was born in Newington, Conn., May 14, 1821; he died at his home near Wellsburg, Grundy county, Iowa, Aug. 2, 1906. He came to Iowa in 1855 and invested heavily in lands, realizing how values would increase. At one time he owned about 9,000 acres in Grundy county, and he left an immense fortune at the time of his death. He took an active interest in the first railroad built in that county and the village of Wellsburg was named for him. He represented Grundy county in the 17th General Assembly.

E. G. PERROTT was born in Northport, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1832; he died in Emergency Hospital, Los Angeles, Cal., April 17, 1906. He received his schooling in New York City. At the age of 11 he went to sea and remained for three years. From 15 until the age of 40 he was engaged in ship-building, helping to build the boat "America" that won the first cup in the International Yacht Race. After locating in Iowa he engaged for a time in farming. He was a member of the 26th General Assembly and was re-elected to the 27th.

WILLIAM D. MILLS was born in Medina county, Ohio, in 1838; he died in Chicago in July, 1906. Throughout the civil war he served in Company I, 12th Illinois Infantry; in 1862 he was promoted to the captaincy. From 1865 to 1897 he resided in Marshall county, Iowa. He served one term as sheriff. He represented Marshall county in the 16th General Assembly, and was a member of the senate in the 22d and 23d General Assemblies.

WILLIAM F. POWELL was born in Kent county, Delaware, in 1849; his lifeless body was found near Panora, Kansas, June 24, 1906. More than thirty years of his life were spent in Indianola, Iowa, where he settled in 1871. In 1873 he graduated from Simpson College; he was admitted to the bar in 1875, and elected mayor in 1876. He represented Warren county in the 19th General Assembly.

JOHN CLARK was born in Oxford, Mass., Dec. 9, 1817; he died in Albia, Iowa, Aug. 2, 1906. In 1841 he removed to Iowa, and in 1843 settled in Kishkekosh, now Monroe county, where he afterward resided. He was elected the first sheriff of the county in 1845, and for many years filled the office of county supervisor. He represented Monroe county in the 10th General Assembly.

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