

## Homer C. Boardman

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THOMAS HEDGE was born in Burlington, Iowa, June 24, 1844, and died in that city, November 28, 1920. His parents were Thomas and Eliza Burr (Eldridge) Hedge, both of Yarmouth, Massachusetts. He attended common school in Burlington, and Denmark Academy, Denmark, Lee County. He then entered Phillips Academy, Andover, Massachusetts, and was graduated in 1861. For a year he worked as a clerk for the banking firm of Lauman-Hedge & Co., of Burlington, but in 1862 entered Yale University. He enlisted in the spring of 1864 as a private in Company E, One Hundred and Sixth New York Infantry, and became second lieutenant of Company G of that regiment. At the end of the war he returned to Yale and was graduated in 1867. He attended Columbia Law School where he received the degree of LL. B. in 1869. He then returned to Burlington and entered the law office of P. Henry Smyth, but later formed a partnership with Joseph W. Blythe, which lasted until Mr. Blythe's death. In 1898 he was elected representative in Congress as a Republican, and was re-elected in 1900, 1902 and 1904, serving in the Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, and Fifty-ninth congresses, when he voluntarily retired from public life. He was an able lawyer of brilliant parts, a good business man, and a useful citizen to his city and state.

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HOMER C. BOARDMAN was born at Troy, Vermont, February 22, 1849, and died at Los Angeles, California, September 11, 1920. He came with his parents in their removal to Lyons, Iowa, in 1855. He attended common school at Lyons and was graduated from the Commercial Department of Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana. In 1874 he removed to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and for a few years was a traveling salesman for a millinery firm. In 1879 he removed to Nevada, Iowa, and with his brother, W. K. Boardman, formed the firm of Boardman Bros., which for over twenty years conducted a very extensive business in buying and shipping produce, especially butter, eggs, and poultry. He was a member of the Nevada City Council (from 1882 to 1887, was mayor of Nevada, 1888 to 1892, and was a member of the board of education for twenty-one years. He was elected senator in 1893 and served in the Twenty-fifth General Assembly. In 1902 he removed to Okene, Oklahoma, where he was in the banking and lumber business until 1912 when because of failing health he retired and removed to Los Angeles, California.

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MALCOM FORMAN MCNIE was born in New York City, September 27, 1848, and died at Long Beach, California, December 16, 1920. He was brought by his parents on their removal to Iowa in 1856, attended common school and Western College at Western, Linn County, taught school several years and in 1875 engaged in farming and stock raising in Harrison Township, Benton County, which vocation he followed until 1910. He became a director in the State Bank of Vinton and was

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