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Young, when they removed to Washington County, Iowa. He attended country school and was three years at Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant. In 1857 he commenced teaching, and followed that vocation until 1860 when he began farming. He enlisted in Company A, Twenty-fifth Iowa Infantry, and was appointed second lieutenant August 15, 1862, was promoted to first lieutenant June 11, 1863, and to captain June 12, 1864. He was twice wounded, was with Sherman's Army in its march to the sea, and was in the grand review at Washington, D. C., at the end of the war. He then returned home and resumed farming. In 1871 he was elected county auditor of Washington County and served two years. In January, 1874, he became assistant cashier of the Washington National Bank, and in 1878 was promoted to cashier, which position he held for thirty-two years, or until 1910, when he resigned. His success as a banker was exceptional. He served as mayor of Washington in 1879 and 1880. In 1901 he was elected senator and served in the Twenty-ninth, Thirtieth, and Thirty-first general assemblies, where he ranked as a useful member.

JOHN R. CALDWELL was born at Arch Spring, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1856, and died at Toledo, Iowa, February 16, 1921. Burial was at Spruce Creek, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Israel and Rebecca Caldwell. When he was seven years old his parents removed to Philadelphia and he attended public school in that city, and later, Logan Academy at Bellwood. He taught school in Huntington and Blair counties, removed to Iowa in 1877, and was principal of the Dysart public schools from 1879 to 1883. He was graduated from the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1884 and that year entered on the practice of law at Toledo. In 1886, by appointment of Governor Larrabee, he acted as one of the commissioners to locate the Soldiers' Home, now at Marshalltown. He was Tama County's first county attorney, serving from 1887 to 1890 inclusive. In December, 1891, Governor Boies appointed him district judge of the Seventeenth Judicial District to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of L. G. Kinne who had been elected a member of the Supreme Court. At the next election, November, 1892, he was elected for the remainder of the term, and served to the end of 1894. He then resumed practice at Toledo which he continued until shortly before his death.

GEORGE BOURDILLION STEWART was born in Burlington, Iowa, June 16, 1865, and died in Fort Madison, January 21, 1921. He was the only son of Rev. George D. and Emily (Walker) Stewart, the father being a prominent Presbyterian minister. The family removed to Fort Madison in 1877. There young Stewart attended public school, later went to Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, Illinois, and later pursued a classical course in the University of Pennsylvania. He took a law course in the University of Michigan from which he was graduated in 1888. He

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