

Howard Marshall Remley

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a half interest in the *Oskaloosa Herald*, which he retained until 1877. In 1870 he was appointed postmaster at Oskaloosa and served until 1877. In November, 1878, he purchased the *Sigourney News*, removed to Sigourney and continued to edit and publish that paper until his death, except as his sons and daughters grew up they took over the more active management in his later years. He was the Sixth District member of the Republican State Central Committee from 1890 to 1894, was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1896, and was postmaster at Sigourney from 1898 to 1911. He was for years commander of the local Grand Army post, was elected commander of the Department of Iowa in June, 1924, and in August led the Iowa Division in the parade at the National Encampment at Boston. Mr. Needham was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church. All four of his sons are following his life-long vocation—country newspaper publisher—Charles K. of the *Grinnell Register*, John R. of the *Centerville Iowegian*, Sherman W. of the *Hardin County Ledger*, and William H., Jr., of the *Keokuk County News*. One of his three daughters, Mrs. Edna Pauline Beck, is the wife of J. M. Beck, editor of the *Centerville Iowegian*. At the time of his death Mr. Needham was thought to have been in active newspaper work in Iowa longer than any one else.

HOWARD MARSHALL REMLEY was born at Lewisburg, Virginia, now West Virginia, January 17, 1843, and died at Anamosa, Iowa, October 29, 1923. With his father's family he came to Iowa City, Iowa, in November, 1855. In 1856 they removed to a farm near Oxford, but in 1858 returned to Iowa City. Howard M. alternately worked on the farm and attended school in Iowa City until he was graduated from the Liberal Arts Department of the State University in 1871, and from the Law Department in 1873. That year he entered on the practice of law at Anamosa in partnership with his brother, Milton Remley. The next year, Milton Remley having removed to Iowa City, he continued practice alone. In October, 1896, he was appointed a judge of the Eighteenth Judicial District to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge William P. Wolf. By reason of elections he served until 1902 when he declined a further nomination and returned to the practice, forming a partnership with his son, James E., which continued until his death. He was president of the Jones County Bar Association, was an active member of the State Bar Association, and a member of the American Bar Association. In 1899, 1900, and 1901 he was president of the Iowa Baptist State Convention. He was also at one time president of the State Sunday School Association. In 1873 Mr. Remley was married to Miss Mary E. Underwood of Muscatine, also a graduate of the State University. Ten children were born to them, all of whom were living at the time of the death of their father, and all of whom had been graduated from the State University. The mother preceded Judge Remley in death about two years.

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