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publishing, under the auspices of the Historical, Memorial and Art Department, a volume of 300 pages, *Founding of Newcastle*, which is replete with valuable descriptions of pioneer conditions and with illustrations.

CHARLES ELLWOOD COX was born in Indiana and died June 5, 1930, at the age of seventy-seven years. At an early age he removed with his parents, Benjamin and Mary Cox, nee Morris, to Iowa, settling in Mahaska County. He attended the local schools and Penn College, and was graduated from Haverford College, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1880. For five years he was principal of Friends' Academy at Le Grand, Iowa. From here he was called to become professor of mathematics at Leland Stanford University at Palo Alto, California, which had begun its work under the able management of David Starr Jordan. He was connected with this institution for many years until he retired a few years ago, having had as a student the president of the United States. He was married to Lydia Bean in 1884, who was a daughter of Joel and Hannah Bean, who for some years had conducted a private school at West Branch, Iowa, where Hulda Minthorn, mother of Herbert Hoover, had attended. In California he resided for the most part at San Jose, and was for more than twenty years the president of the College Park Association of Friends. After the death of his wife he removed to Richmond, Indiana, where a daughter resided. He was married to Sarah L. Walton, who survives him besides two daughters by his first marriage, Dr. Anna Cox Brinton and Dr. Catharine Miles. Professor Cox retained his activity and clearness of mind to the last and an optimism unusual for one of his age, making frequent visits into Iowa where so many of his old students and friends resided.—B. L. W.

JAMES A. HENDERSON was born in Johnson County, Iowa, near Iowa City, August 3, 1862, and died in Jefferson February 26, 1930. His parents were Daniel W. and Susan (Campbell) Henderson. Their son was with them as they removed in 1873 to Greene County. He was educated in the public schools and in Dunnings' Academy of Jefferson. For a time he acted as deputy clerk of court of Greene County under his father, and succeeded him in that office, being elected clerk in 1884 and again in 1886, serving four years. He entered the Law Department of the State University of Iowa in 1889, was graduated in 1890, admitted to the bar and began practice in Jefferson. He was the first city solicitor of Jefferson after its incorporation, was for a time a member of the city council, and held other local offices. In 1925 when a new judgeship was created in the Sixteenth Judicial District Governor Ham-mill appointed him to the position and he was elected in 1926. He was prominent in religious work, was superintendent of the Methodist Sunday School for twenty-six years, was organist of the local church for many years, and was a lay delegate to General Conference in 1916.

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