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FRANK E. LANDERS was born in Upper Lisle, Broome County, New York, July 17, 1844, and died in Webster City, Iowa, September 7, 1930. His parents were John and Mary Pamela (Bidwell) Landers. In his youth he divided his time between work on the home farm and attending public school. In 1862 he enlisted in the Sixteenth New York Battery with which he served nineteen months, when he was discharged for physical disability. In 1865 he removed to Woodstock, Illinois, where he worked in a planing mill. In 1869 he removed to Hamilton County, Iowa, and for ten years followed farming. In 1879 he was elected county auditor and served from January 1, 1880, until January 1, 1884. He then spent a year in clerical bank work in Webster City, and in 1889 went to Des Moines where for nine years or until 1897, he served as clerk of the Executive Council. He then returned to Webster City where for twenty-seven years he was auditor of the First National Bank. In 1884 he organized at Webster City Company C, Sixth Regiment, Iowa National Guard, and was its first captain, resigning when he went to Des Moines. Captain Landers served his city and community in many ways—was city clerk, city treasurer, and councilman. He was a friend of Charles Aldrich and contributed articles to early editions of the ANNALS. He was a natural research worker and historian, possessing extensive knowledge combined with accuracy of work. His activities in these lines were in national, state, and local fields, and in genealogy.

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EDWARD J. KELLY was born at Bondurant, Iowa, July 12, 1879, and died in Des Moines October 25, 1930. He was graduated from the scientific course in Highland Park College, Des Moines, in 1904, and from the Law College of Drake University in 1907. In 1906 he was admitted to the bar and entered the practice in Perry. In 1911 he removed to Des Moines, engaged in general practice there and became a member of the firm of Miller, Kelly, Shuttleworth & Seeburger, and later that of Kelly, Shuttleworth & McManus. During the World War he was general counsel for the alien property custodian, Washington, D. C. He was a member of the Polk County Bar Association, the Iowa State Bar Association, and of the American Bar Association. He was prominent in Boy Scout work, and in the Knights of Columbus. He was a leader in the Republican councils of his city and state, was executive campaign manager for Senator Cummins in 1926, and did work for the national committee during the last presidential campaign.

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CHARLES LEWIS STAFFORD was born in Clark County, Ohio, September 26, 1844, and died while visiting at the home of his son, Clarence Stafford, in Oak Park, Illinois, September 15, 1930. Burial was at Mount Pleasant, Iowa. His early education was received at Denmark Academy, Lee County. He entered Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Pleasant, in 1866, received his A. B. degree in 1871 and his A. M. degree in 1874. In 1889 Upper Iowa University gave him the degree of D. D. and in

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