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EZRA CHRISTIAN EBERSOLE was born at Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, October 18, 1840, and died at Toledo, Iowa, July 14, 1919. In 1857 he entered Otterbein University, Waterville, Ohio, but in 1861, entered Amherst College, Amherst, Massachusetts, and was graduated therefrom in 1862. He served as a second sergeant in Dick's Detached Cavalry, in Pennsylvania, in 1863. He taught mathematics in Western College, afterwards Leander Clarke College, Toledo, Iowa, a few years and in 1867 became its president, but soon thereafter was elected to the faculty of the State University of Iowa, which position he accepted, remaining there two years. In 1870 he was admitted to the bar at Iowa City. In 1873 he removed to Toledo and formed a partnership for the practice of law with J. W. Willett, now Judge Willett, which continued ten years. He was elected reporter of the Supreme Court in 1882 and re-elected in 1886, serving eight years. By the choice of the General Assembly he became editor of the "Revised Code of 1897." From 1900 to 1912 he was a member of the State Board of Law Examiners. He was the author of "The Encyclopedia of Iowa Law."

JOHN M. PARKER was born at Circleville, Ohio, April 22, 1838, and died at Marshalltown, Iowa, June 5, 1919. In 1845 he was brought by his parents in their removal to Fulton County, Illinois. He attended common school and Hedding College, Abingdon, Illinois. Two months before he was to be graduated he left college and enlisted in Company F, Sixty-sixth Illinois Volunteer Infantry, and served through the war. He carried a copy of Blackstone with him and, when discharged in 1865, taught school awhile and then came to Marshalltown and read law under L. W. Griswold and was admitted to the bar in 1866. He soon became active in helping to promote the building of railroads to Marshalltown. He served as mayor of Marshalltown from 1868 to 1871 and as city solicitor from 1876 to 1878. In 1877 he was elected representative and was re-elected two years later, serving in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth general assemblies. On the death of Judge Obed Caswell in 1906 he was appointed by Governor Cummins as one of the judges of the Seventeenth Judicial District. He was later elected and served until 1911.

GEORGE H. DUNKELBERG was born in Niagara County, New York, October 2, 1853, and died near Rockford, Iowa, December 12, 1919. His parents were Jeremiah and Matilda Dunkelberg, natives of Niagara County. He removed with his parents to Rochelle, Illinois, in 1867, was educated in common schools, Rochelle High School, and Rock River Seminary. He taught school five years in Ogle County, Illinois, but in 1882 removed to Floyd County, Iowa, and engaged in farming. He became a successful farmer and an extensive breeder of Shorthorn cattle. He was elected representative in 1916 and served in the Thirty-seventh General Assembly.

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