

William P. Whipple

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WILLIAM P. WHIPPLE was born December 26, 1856, in Benton county, Iowa; he died at Vinton, in the same county, June 6, 1910. His parents entered the land upon which he was born, and from it he attended the common schools and the high school at Vinton. He graduated from the classical department of the State University in 1877, and from the law department in 1878. In August, 1878, he opened a law office in Vinton, associating with various partners until the time of his death. In 1879 he was elected city attorney, serving for many years. He was also for many years a member of the school board of Vinton, and most of the time was its president. In 1901 he was elected state Senator from the Benton-Tama district, being re-elected in 1906. He served in the 29th, 30th, 31st, 32d, 32d special and 33d General Assemblies. He assumed leadership in the second session of his service, when he introduced a resolution authorizing the appointment of an educational commission looking to the reorganization of the management of the State University at Iowa City, the Iowa College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts at Ames, and the State Normal School at Cedar Falls. Out of the labors of this commission, of which Senator Whipple was chairman, came the present Iowa law and the Educational Board of Control under which the three institutions are now managed. This law, drafted by Senator Whipple, was defeated when first presented. He introduced it in the next session, somewhat changed in form, but it was again defeated. Not until its introduction in three different sessions was he able to secure its passage. This most important reform in the educational field of Iowa for a generation is a monument to Senator Whipple.

WILLIAM H. BAILEY was born in Colesburg, Iowa, April 5, 1850; he died in Des Moines, Iowa, May 10, 1910. He attended the University of Wisconsin and the University of Iowa, graduating from the latter in 1875. He entered the law practice at Independence, Iowa, as a partner of ex-Governor Frank D. Jackson. He was in the practice at Spirit Lake for ten years, removing to Des Moines in 1888. He served as city solicitor of North Des Moines, then a separate corporation from Des Moines. He became a member of the firm of Guernsey & Bailey, with Nathaniel T. Guernsey as senior partner, in 1895. At the time of his death he was senior member of the firm of Bailey & Stipp. Mr. Bailey distinguished himself in his attainment as an authority in the law of municipal corporations.

HOWARD DARLINGTON COPELAND was born at Marion, Ohio, August 19, 1853; he died at Chariton, Iowa, May 3, 1910. He was of a family of bankers. He was educated at the Ohio Wesleyan University. He removed to Chariton in 1873 to engage in the banking business with his uncles, Percy and Elijah Copeland, and remained in that business for nine years, when he became state bank examiner. In 1893 he founded the commission house of H. D. Copeland & Co., at the Union Stockyards in Chicago, serving as its president from its organization until his death. He organized the Burlington Savings Bank in 1904, serving as its president until 1906. He

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