James Young Kennedy

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excellent way in school district, township and county affairs, and was elected to the Twenty-second and Twenty-third General Assemblies, as a representative, where his service embraced the chairmanship of the committees on agriculture and State Agricultural College and membership on temperance, railroads, public highways and elections.

TIMOTHY WESLEY TOWNSEND was born at Fredericktown, Ohio, April 11, 1844; he died at Des Moines, Iowa, July 1, 1912. He removed to Cedar county, Iowa, in 1854, and to Iowa City in 1866, where he established a photograph gallery, one of the earliest in the State of Iowa. This he continued until 1880, when he removed to Lincoln, Nebraska. After ten years residence there, he returned to Iowa City and his old work for some years, later removing to Des Moines. The father of Mr. Townsend was one of the group of Iowa pioneers in Cedar county at whose homes John Brown and his co-workers made their rendezvous. In the Townsend family are a number of mementoes, such as letters and manuscripts, derived from the Brown party.

LIBERTY EATON FELLOWS was born at Corinth, Orange county, Vermont, August 22, 1834; he died at Lansing, Allamakee county, Iowa, July 17, 1912. He was educated in the common schools of Corinth, and at Thetford Academy, in Orange county. He removed to Wisconsin in 1856 and to Allamakee county, Iowa, in 1857, where he thereafter made his home. He resided on a farm until at the age of twenty-two he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1862. He entered the practice at Lansing. His service on the bench of the 13th Judicial District was by the appointment of Governor Larrabee from January 1 to December 31, 1889, and by election in 1894, 1898, 1902, 1906 and 1910. He was a member of the Iowa House of Representatives in the Eleventh and of the Senate in the Twelfth and Thirteenth General Assemblies. He served as trustee of the Mt. Pleasant Hospital for the Insane from 1872 to 1882 and as trustee of Upper Iowa University at Fayette, Iowa, for a number of years. He was elected Grand Master of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Iowa in 1893 and 1894. He was a Republican after 1884, prior to which time he had been a Democrat.

JAMES YOUNG KENNEDY was born in Vermont in 1820; he died at the residence of his daughter at Kearney, Nebraska, May 29, 1912. As early as 1840, Mr. Kennedy became interested in railroad construction work and during the Civil war was attached to the government's engineering service in railroad construction, continuing through the period of hostilities. Immediately after the close of the war he removed with his family to Illinois and continued railroad contracting, which he followed westward, taking the contract for laying steel on the Sioux City & Pacific Railroad, now the Chicago Northwestern, from Missouri Valley to Sioux City. This he completed in 1868, his line being the first to be laid into Sioux City. He acquired a large real estate holding at Sergeant Bluffs, and removed his family to that place in 1868, where his home remained until a few months prior to his death.