awhile, and then was two years at Ottowa in the grain, flour and
grocery business. Returning to Pittsburg, Van Buren County, he
followed milling nine years, when he removed to Keosauqua and
engaged in the mercantile business. In 1880 he was elected county
treasurer of Van Buren County and was re-elected two years later. In
1884 he was elected treasurer of state and was twice re-elected, serving
until January, 1890. Soon thereafter he entered the House Savings
Bank of Des Moines as its president and acted in that capacity for
ten years. The last few years of his life were spent in retirement. He
was quiet and unobtrusive, but was held in high esteem because of
his integrity and good judgment.

Eowyn Hoyt Graff was born at Bloomfield, Connecticut, Octo-
ber 1, 1840, and died at his home near Valley Junction, Iowa, August
14, 1918. He graduated from the Hartford, Connecticut, High School
and the New York State Agricultural College at Otieh, New York.
Intending to devote himself to agriculture, on leaving college in 1863 he
came to Iowa, bought a farm in Dallas County, and engaged in raising
live stock. Shortly thereafter he bought a farm immediately
west of Des Moines at the end of Grand Avenue and adjoining what is
now the city of Valley Junction. He made his home for a while in Des
Moines and was interested not only in farming but in manufacturing
and in other business enterprises. He became active in farmers' organiza-
tions, especially in their contests with railroad comissions and with
the barb wire trusts. He was an active supporter of the Anti-
monopoly party in 1874 and the Greenback party in 1876. In 1876
he was a delegate to the national convention of the Greenback party
that nominated Peter Cooper for president, and that year he took an
active part in the campaign, speaking in many states. In 1878 the
Greenback party of the Seventh Iowa District nominated him for con-
gress and the Democratic party, taking with it, was elected and
served in the Forty-sixth Congress. In 1880 he was re-nominated but
was defeated by John A. Bresson. Mr. Gillette and General Weaver
having started the State Tribune, Mr. Gillette became its editor in 1883
and remained such until 1891. For over twenty years he was active in
politics, speaking in practically every state in the union. He was chairman of the national committee of the Greenback party at one time and
circumference of the state committee of the Union Labor party for several
years. He was the leader of the Democratic party in 1890 for auditor
of state. The later years of his life were spent in quiet retirement at
his home near Valley Junction.

Natoma Dietz was born at Andover, Massachusetts, September
7, 1854, and died at Tucson, Arizona, February 14, 1929. Buried was
at Davenport, Iowa. When a child he removed with his parents to
Davenport. There he attended common school and Griswold College
and completed his education at Harvard and Heidelberg universities.