EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Upham grew up in The Jamestown Journal office of Adolphus Fletcher, where Horace Greeley and Frank W. Palmer wrought as apprentices or as journeymen in the olden time. Palmer and Upham became proprietors of The Journal and published it several years. Coming west, however, in 1853, they first purchased and for a time published The Dubuque Daily Times. Mr. Palmer was elected State printer just before the outbreak of the war, and coming to Des Moines purchased The Register, then a weekly paper. He started the daily issue in April, 1861, from which time the business grew rapidly. Later on Mr. Palmer and Mr. Upham were connected with The Inter Ocean and Industrial World of Chicago. Altogether they were associated in business for more than thirty years. Mr. Upham was a popular and successful business manager, and as such became widely known in the middle west. He was a genial, excellent gentleman, enjoying a high measure of esteem and confidence.

WILLIAM CHARLES HARRIS was born at Bristol, England, November 2, 1830; he died at Nevada, Iowa, October 5, 1900. His early life was quite an adventurous one. He ran away and went to sea at the age of fourteen, where he remained two years. He afterwards enlisted in the English army, where he served ten years. During this service he went to South Africa and also into India, and was for a while in garrison in Canada. When a detail from each regiment was sent to London to attend the funeral of the Duke of Wellington, he was one of this Guard of Honor. He was also in the Crimean War and was one of the Light Brigade which made the celebrated charge at Balaklava. He was undoubtedly one of the last survivors of that disastrous affair. He returned to England soon after this last service, and migrated to America. He crossed the plains with a wagon train, passing through the city of Des Moines. After various travels, he returned to Iowa and settled near Nevada, Story county, in 1874. His career from that time forward was uneventful. The Nevada papers characterized him as a quiet and peaceful Iowa farmer, whose life was in all respects highly praiseworthy.

WILLIAM H. M. PUSEY was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, July 29, 1826; he died at Clarinda, Iowa, November 15, 1900. He was a graduate of Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, Pennsylvania, in 1847. He removed to Iowa and settled in Council Bluffs in 1856. He had studied law in Springfield, Illinois, where he made the acquaintance of Abraham Lincoln. In after years he became Mr. Lincoln's agent in sundry business transactions in this State. Soon after coming to Council Bluffs he entered into a co-partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr. Thomas Officer, as private bankers. From that time until the death of Mr. Officer a few months since, their house was one of the most prominent in western Iowa. Mr. Pusey was elected State Senator in 1857 from a pioneer district embracing twenty-two counties. He served in the sessions of 1858-60. He was chosen to Congress in 1882, serving one term. Few Iowa men have ever enjoyed a higher degree of confidence than that reposed in Mr. Pusey for over forty years.

MISS FLORA WRIGHT, whose death occurred on November 8, 1900, was the youngest and only surviving child of the late General Ed Wright. She was born in Cedar county, Iowa, in 1857, and came to Des Moines with her parents when her father assumed the office of Secretary of State in 1867. On the death of her mother in 1877 Miss Wright took charge of her father's household, and during his long service for the State of Iowa and for the city of Des Moines she was his most efficient helper. In the later years of her life she had the care of her deceased sister's children, to whom she stood both as a guardian and as a mother. The immediate cause of Miss
Wright's death was an operation performed at Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, with the hope of affording her relief from a serious malady with which she had been afflicted for some time.

**James B. Edmonds** was born in Saratoga county, N. Y., May 20, 1832; he died in Washington, D. C., December 29, 1900. He was admitted to the bar at Elmira, N. Y., in 1853, and was associated in law partnerships with Hon. John L. Taylor, M. C., and with Gen. B. F. Tracy, late Secretary of the Navy. He came to this State in the late fifties or early sixties and settled in Iowa City, where he became one of our widely known lawyers. His health failing in 1875, he removed to Washington, where he resided until his death. He was one of the District Commissioners—a position of high responsibility—from March 3, 1883, until April 1, 1886. As a mark of respect the flags on all the city buildings were placed at half-mast upon the occasion of his death.

**William H. Hunter** was born in Sciota county, Ohio, September 10, 1834; he died at Keokuk, Iowa, October 29, 1900. He came with his parents to Lee county in 1852, where he afterwards resided. He received his education at Maryville College, Kentucky. After his college days he entered upon the study of medicine under the late Dr. John F. Sanford. He had practiced a few years before the outbreak of the war, at which time he was made surgeon of the 2d Iowa Infantry, which place he held to the end of the war in 1865. He also held the position of medical examiner of the Pension Board during the administration of President Cleveland.

**Hershey Jones** was born in Lancaster, New York, July 1, 1842; he died at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, November 21, 1900. He enlisted in the 9th Wisconsin Cavalry, serving until it was mustered out at the close of the war. Like many other young soldiers, he attended school after he left the army. He settled in Cedar Rapids in 1869, having received an appointment in the Iowa Railway Mail Service that year. He was at one time deputy clerk of the United States Court, but retired some years ago from active business life. The Cedar Rapids papers paid high tributes to his memory.

**Jabez Banbury** died at Pasadena, California, December 11, 1900, at the age of 70 years. He was born in England and was brought to this country at the age of twelve years. He entered the Fifth Iowa Infantry as a First Lieutenant and after four years of active service was mustered out with the rank of Colonel. After the war he settled in Marshalltown, Iowa, where he built up a good business as a grocerman. About the year 1870 he removed to California, becoming one of the pioneer settlers in Pasadena, where he resided until the close of his useful life.

**Henry C. Kummer** was born in Bevenson, Hanover, Germany, Feb. 4, 1831; he died at Keokuk, Iowa, October 29, 1900. He came to America in 1854. He resided for some time in Sac City and Madison, Wisconsin, but afterwards removed to Keokuk, from whence he went to Kansas for two or three years, returning to Keokuk in 1860. He enlisted in Co. D, 1st Iowa Infantry, and was in the battle of Wilson's Creek. He was long in the employ of the Des Moines Valley Railroad, in which he held several responsible positions.

**A. S. Faville** was born in Manheim, New York, seventy years ago; he died at Norfolk, Virginia, December 25, 1900. He was a brother of Hon. Oran Faville, the first Lieutenant Governor of this State. He settled in Mitchell county in 1856, where he taught the first public school and organized the first Sunday-school. As time progressed he became active in public affairs, holding the offices of county surveyor, probate judge, auditor and treasurer. He also represented Mitchell and Howard counties in the Thirteenth General Assembly.