Robert E. Warren was born in Vast, Tenn., March 16, 1829; he died in Des Moines, Iowa, June 16, 1906. In 1841 Mr. Warren's father settled in Lee county. Two years thereafter he removed to Mahaska county, where the late Mr. Warren resided until 1891, when he came to Des Moines. Mr. Warren's father is credited with having erected the first flouring mill in Mahaska county, which his son Robert continued to operate for many years. In 1881 Mr. Warren was elected to the 19th General Assembly as a member of the House of Representatives. For a few years after his removal to Des Moines, he engaged in the lumber business. In 1899 he was appointed one of the collateral inheritance tax appraisers of Polk county, which position he held until the time of his death. Mr. Warren's son, Hon. J. L. Warren, represented Marion county as a member of the House of Representatives, in the 28th and 29th General Assemblies, and as Senator in the 30th and 31st.

Lyman A. Ellis was born near Burlington, Vt., March 11, 1835; he died at Clinton, Iowa, June 8, 1906. He received his education in the schools of Bakersfield and Colchester, and graduated from a law school in Vermont. In the spring of 1861 he came to Iowa and located in Lyons, Clinton county. In 1865 he was elected district attorney of the 7th Judicial District, including the counties of Jackson, Scott and Muscatine. He soon became a successful jury advocate and trial lawyer, and was four times chosen to the position. He finally retired in 1880, thereafter engaging in practice in State and Federal courts. In 1893 he was elected to the General Assembly as Senator from Clinton county. He refused re-election in 1897 because the necessary absence in Des Moines interfered seriously with his law practice. During the extra session of the 26th General Assembly in 1897 he was chairman of the judiciary committee and was made a member of the joint committee of the house and senate for the Annotation and Publication of the Code of 1897.

Clarence C. Vanderpoel was born in Columbia county, N. Y., Nov. 22, 1830; he died in Mitchell, Iowa, January 11, 1906. His parents, while he was quite young, removed to Jefferson county, Wis. He obtained his college education in Carroll College and the State University of Wisconsin. During the war he joined Company E of the 12th Wisconsin Infantry, of which his father was Captain. He served two years and was discharged because of disability. He then entered the commissary department as a clerk, and served in that capacity until the end of the war. After his army life he settled in Mitchell county, Iowa. In 1883 he was elected representative in the 20th General Assembly.

Keely R. Madden was born in Salem, Indiana, Sept. 9, 1855; he died April 2, 1906, at Emanuel Hospital, Omaha. His parents came to Iowa in 1855, settling in Davis county, moving thence to Clarke, and thence to Washington county. After his marriage in 1879 Mr. Madden settled on a farm near Greenfield, Adair county. In 1883 he established himself in the mercantile business in Greenfield. Upon the extension of the railroad to the town of Fontanelle Mr. Madden removed to Bridgewater and established a general mercantile business. In 1898 he was elected to the 27th General Assembly.