moved to Perry, taking control of the *Perry Advertiser*. About 1899
he purchased the *Perry Bulletin*, and merged it with the *Advertiser.*
He sold this property in 1904 and became publisher of the *Iowa City Daily Press,* later merged the *Iowa City Daily Republican* with it, and
in 1920 took over the *Daily Citizen,* forming the *Press-Citizen.* In 1922
he sold his Iowa City interests, removed to Keokuk, purchased an in-
terest in the *Daily Gate-City,* soon becoming its manager, which posi-
tion he held at the time of his death. At that time he was secretary-
treasurer of the Iowa Daily Press Association. His life was an active
influence for good.

**George H. Castle** was born in Knox County, Illinois, August 30, 1843,
and died in Shenandoah, Iowa, July 6, 1927. In 1861 he enlisted
as a private in the Fifty-ninth Illinois Infantry and served four and one
half years, coming out as a first sergeant. He was graduated in Liberal
Arts from Knox College, Galesburg, and then engaged in farming. In
1876 he removed to a farm near Shenandoah, Iowa. In 1878 he helped
organize Company E, the local company, Fifth Regiment Militia (later
the Iowa National Guard). He was commissioned first lieutenant of
Company E in 1880, was promoted to major of the regiment in 1884, to
lieutenant colonel in 1885, and to colonel in 1886. His term as colonel expired July 3, 1891, and a year later he was placed on the retired list.
However, in 1900 he again entered the National Guard, this time as
captain of Company E, Fifty-first Regiment, was promoted to major
in 1909 and resigned September 19, 1912. Mr. Castle abandoned farming
for the study of law, reading with W. P. Ferguson of Shenandoah, and
was admitted to the bar in 1882. He practiced until 1910 when upon the
death of Judge W. P. Ferguson he was appointed by Governor Carroll
as judge of the Superior Court of Shenandoah, which position he held,
except some intermissions, until his death. He was a leader in Grand
Army affairs, and was a prominent and useful citizen.

**Irving P. Bowdish** was born near Poughkeepsie, in Dutchess County,
New York, November 19, 1838, and died at his home at Waubee, Linn
County, Iowa, May 11, 1927. Besides common school he attended acad-
emy at Litchfield, Connecticut. In 1856 his parents, Bailey and Sarah
A. (Paine) Bowdish, removed with their family to Maine Township,
Linn County, Iowa. The elder Mr. Bowdish purchased and with his sons
operated 900 acres of land there. In time Irving P. and his brother,
Samuel L., as Bowdish Brothers, owned and successfully operated this
big farm, carrying on farming and stock raising. Irving P. held town-
ship and school district offices, and in 1877 was elected representative,
and was elected again in 1881, serving in the Seventeenth and Nineteenth
general assemblies. He was a Democrat in politics. In 1907 he was ap-
pointed by the State Board of Control to inspect county and private
institutions where insane persons were kept, as well as homes for
friendless children. He filled this position two years. On April 19, 1927,
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