

"I am Governor Grimes, at your service, sir."

"You—I—that is, my dear sir, I beg—a—a thousand pardons!"

"None needed at all, sir," replied Gov. Grimes: "I was rather favorably impressed with your letter, and had thought you well suited for the office specified. But, sir, any man who would swindle a working-man out of a paltry five cents, would defraud the public treasury, had he an opportunity! Good evening, sir!"

DEATH OF OLD SETTLERS.

Thos. R. Brasher, David McKnight, and William Brown, all old settlers of Dubuque, and men of worth and influence, died recently in that county.

The wife of Hon. Eliphalet Price, long a resident of Iowa, died in Clayton County, Nov. 19th. She was a lady of great worth.

Judge Gilbert C. R. Mitchell, an old settler of Scott County, died in Davenport, Dec. 13th, and Louis A. Maclot, the last heir to a French title of nobility, who settled in Scott County in 1839, also died in Davenport in December. Both had held important trusts and were highly esteemed by the people of Davenport.

The death of Dr. H. H. Meredith, an old resident of Iowa, at Cedar Falls, December 28, is also announced. Dr. M. once held a prominent place in the estimation of the people of Muscatine, where he formerly resided, as a medical practitioner.

Every atom of the apple tree under which Gen. Lee surrendered his army to Gen. Grant, is said to have been carried off by curiosity seekers.

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