Conference organized in 1856, and served the charges at Otter Creek, Sigourney, Cedar Rapids, Agency, Cornell College, Upper Iowa Department, Mt. Vernon, DeWitt, Marion, Tipton, Davenport, Dyersville, Raymond, and supplied Jackson Center, Manson and West Side. He served as a delegate to the General Conference at Brooklyn, New York, in 1872, was chaplain of the 24th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, and was with his regiment at the siege of Vicksburg, letiring from the service upon the loss of his health. He attended the funeral of President Lincoln. He removed to Waterloo in 1890, where his residence thereafter remained.

JOHN ELY BREADY was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 11, 1840; he died at Dubuque, Iowa, June 5, 1912. He was educated privately and in the University of Pennsylvania. In 1859 he went to New York to be a student of medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, where he continued until April, 1861, when he returned to Philadelphia to join the artillery corps, known as the Washington Greys. He was rejected for physical disability. He made many efforts to enlist but failed until in the fall of 1862, he was given a commission in the Fourteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry and participated in its severe service, in which he suffered much exposure and disability from frozen feet, for which he was honorably discharged. In 1868 he removed to Rock Island, Illinois, and engaged in manufacturing. In 1876 he was officially connected with the Centennial Exposition and immediately thereafter resumed the study of medicine, graduating from Jefferson Medical College in March, 1878. He removed to Dubuque, Iowa, in 1880, as Acting Assistant Surgeon in the United States Marine Hospital service, in which he remained until his death.

Francis Marion Richer was born in Franklin county, Ohio, May 11, 1841; he died at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, January 19, 1912. He removed with his parents to Union county, Iowa, at the age of thirteen, being educated in Ohio and Iowa schools. He engaged in freighting on the old Mormon Trail, visiting Plattsmouth in 1863 and taking a load of freight across the plains to Denver. Returning, he resumed business at Afton, Iowa. He was elected sheriff of Union county, in 1868 and reelected three times, and after a service in this office for eight years he retired to a farm in Dodge township, Union county, on which he remained for a number of years. In 1880 he was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives in which he served with great credit. In 1882 he removed to Plattsmouth, where he engaged in the lumber business, in which he continued until his death. In his new home he took active interest in public matters, serving for two terms as Mayor of Plattsmouth.

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