He exercised a potent influence during his career as attorney general and legislator in framing and moulding the early legislation of the State.

From any and every point of view, he was a very able and skillful lawyer. In criminal and damage cases, he was particularly eminent. He was regarded as one of the best criminal lawyers in the West, and it was said that he had tried more cases and recovered a greater total of damages against railroad companies than any lawyer in the State.

In 1872, he supported Horace Greeley for President, and was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention. After that he continued to act with the Democratic party to the end of his life. He was an active and useful man in his time and one of the most widely known men in the State.

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT.

By and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Joseph Williams, of Pennsylvania, to be Associate Judge, and Francis Gehon, of Iowa, to be Marshal in the Territory of Iowa, from and after the third day of July.

Albert M. Lea, to be Commissioner "for running, marking, and ascertaining the southern boundary line of Iowa, west of the Mississippi river, which divides said Territory from the State of Missouri."—Albany, N. Y., *The Jeffersonian*, July 14, 1838.

By and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Robert Lucas, of Ohio, to be Governor of the Territory of Iowa, in the place of Henry Atkinson, resigned.—Albany, N. Y., The Jeffersonian, July 21, 1838. Copyright of Annals of Iowa is the property of State of Iowa, by & through the State Historical Society of Iowa and its content may not be copied or emailed to multiple sites or posted to a listserv without the copyright holder's express written permission. However, users may print, download, or email articles for individual use.