

1861. In 1863 he was appointed sheriff of Boone County and by reason of repeated elections he served until 1874. In 1873 he was admitted to the bar and formed a partnership with I. N. Kidder, which continued until 1882. In 1877 he was elected representative and served in the Seventeenth General Assembly. From 1882 to 1891 he was associated with R. F. Jordan in the practice of law, and subsequently to that, with J. J. Snell. He retired from practice in 1908. Mr. Crooks was a Democrat in politics, was a good lawyer with a large practice, and a man held in high esteem.

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THOMAS BOWMAN was born at Wiscasset, Maine, May 25, 1848, and died at Council Bluffs, Iowa, December 1, 1917. Burial was at Dresden, Maine. He came to Council Bluffs in 1868. For awhile he was manager of the Crystal Mills on Main Street. He was also for some time a member of the firm of Bowman & Rohrer, handling insurance, storage and implements, but his interest was largely in politics. In 1872 he was elected city assessor, and in 1876 county treasurer, and was re-elected in 1878. In 1882 he became mayor of the city. He was postmaster during Cleveland's administration, 1885 to 1889. In 1890 he was elected to Congress and served in the Fifty-second Congress. He was postmaster again during Cleveland's second term, 1893 to 1897. During the famous 1896 campaign he was a Gold Standard Democrat. He was active in the organization of the Citizens State Bank, the Odd Fellows Building Association, the Driving Park, the Fair Association, and the Sportsman's Club. He was interested as part owner at different times in the *Frie Press*, the *Daily Globe*, and the *Times*.

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ANSON D. BICKNELL was born at Westmoreland, Oneida County, New York, December 30, 1838, and died at Humboldt, Iowa, April 20, 1918. He attended common schools and Rome (New York) Academy. He came to Dakotah City, Humboldt County, in 1862, and worked as a farm hand in summer and taught school in winter. He removed to Fort Dodge in 1863, remaining there until 1868 when he removed to Humboldt, and made that his home the remainder of his life. He followed farming for some time after his return to Humboldt. In 1872 and 1873 he was county superintendent of schools of Humboldt County. In 1877 he engaged in the practice of law. In 1879 he was elected representative and served in the Eighteenth General Assembly. He was twice mayor of Humboldt. He was a student of science, particularly of geology and astronomy, and of literature and history, a traveler and lecturer. He was the owner of Riverside Park near Humboldt, which, since his death, has been given by his widow and heirs to the city of Humboldt.

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HENRY BOYDEN BLOOD was born at Charlton, Massachusetts, September 15, 1835, and died at Keokuk, Iowa, November 2, 1917. In 1857 he went to Washington, D. C., as a civil engineer. In 1861 he entered the

government service and was sent to Cuba in July to superintend some railroad construction near Havana. In April, 1862, he was appointed assistant quartermaster of volunteers with rank of captain. He served under Generals McDowell, Burnside, Hooker, Meade, and Grant and was commissioned lieutenant-colonel. He was mustered out the fall of 1865. In 1876 he was sent to Keokuk to look after certain railroad interests of eastern capitalists. He superintended the construction of the railroad from Keokuk to Mount Pleasant. He then remained permanently at Keokuk, first becoming interested in the Keokuk Plow Works, and later engaging in insurance business. He served for a time as a member of the Keokuk City Council.

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THOMAS G. HARPER was born in Greene County, Ohio, January 13, 1853, and died at Burlington, Iowa, December 15, 1917. He removed with his parents to Mercer County, Illinois, in 1857 and in 1861 to Monmouth, Illinois. He attended public schools and for a time an academy at Xenia, Ohio. He read law under Judge William C. Norcross, of Monmouth, and was admitted to the bar at Mount Vernon, Illinois, in November, 1880. He practiced at Roseville, Illinois, until 1883, when he removed to Burlington, Iowa, to act as counsel for the Burlington Insurance Company, which he continued to do until 1896, after which time he conducted a general practice. In 1893 he was elected state senator and served in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-sixth and Twenty-sixth extra general assemblies. He was a useful legislator and a public-spirited citizen, serving on the city council and board of education. For nine years he was president of the Iowa State Good Roads Committee.

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ALVA L. FRISBIE was born in Delaware County, New York, October 22, 1830, and died in Des Moines, Iowa, December 17, 1917. He was reared on the farm of an uncle, his father having died. He attended college at Oberlin, Ohio, and later at Amherst, Massachusetts. His theological training was obtained at Yale Divinity and at Andover Theological schools. His first pastorate was at Ansonia, Connecticut. After He was admitted to the bar in 1893. In 1894 he removed to Perry and engaged in practice there. For two years he served as justice of the peace, was city solicitor four years, and deputy county attorney one year. On April 13, 1907, he was appointed judge of the superior court at Perry. In 1910 he was elected one of the district judges of the Fifth Judicial District, a position he held from January, 1911, until his death.

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JOHN FOX was born in Yorkshire, England, January 24, 1841, and died at Dallas Center, Iowa, May 27, 1916. He came with his parents to America in 1845, the family settling at Allegheny City, Pennsylvania. Here he attended common school. In 1855 they removed to a farm in Ohio. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company G, Twentieth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was honorably discharged in 1864. He taught

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