

toward the Pacific Ocean, procuring the right of way along the route from Davenport to Council Bluffs, and raising up friends for the great undertaking. He, with others, foresaw, that this was the grand central route through Iowa. For several years, he was Treasurer of the Corporation having in charge its construction, as well as Director of the same, being one of its original corporators.

Mr. Price was Treasurer of Scott County Bible Society for the years 1851, 1852, 1856 and 1857, and also President for 1854 and 1855.

His connection, also, with the Branch of the State Bank at Davenport, shows in what confidence he is held as a business man.

Mr. Price is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a firm supporter of religion and all benevolent institutions of the day.

In 1862, he was the successful candidate for Representative to the Congress of the United States, in the district where Davenport is located ; and by a large majority, now has a seat as Representative from Iowa. His personal purity of character, unbending integrity, and tenacity of the right, will give him a high position on the floor of the House.

Mr. Price, as his portrait, in this number, indicates, has a look of decided purpose, a cheerful countenance, a light complexion, a trim stature of over middle height, and is agreeable and social in his manners, with that constant flow of good feeling, which temperance, early rising, and activity are adapted to inspire. Without the hurtful spirit of ambition to be what one is not, he has the true humility of nature's nobleman, to let others speak well of him, but not to seek elevation. In short, he is one of the worthy men of the age, whose merits and not factitious circumstances, have raised to place and consequence in society.

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