

Brainerd's school days he became an employe of one of the greatest axe-making plants in the world—that of Collins & Co., of Hartford, Conn. He served in this work for eleven years and was at the head of the axe-forging department. Mr. Brainerd came to Iowa in the year 1856 and settled in Iowa City, where for a time he was engaged in the grocery business. In 1861 Gov. Kirkwood appointed him his military secretary, a place of much importance, which he held until 1864. In December, 1863, he purchased *The Iowa City Republican* which he edited until 1874. Mr. Brainerd was an able and independent editor who became widely known throughout the State. He was appointed postmaster of Iowa City in 1872, which position he held four years. He was also a leading member of the Congregational church in Iowa City. As an editor he became a powerful force in the advancement of the industries and enterprises of that locality, and was universally esteemed as a liberal and public-spirited citizen. He was especially endeared to Gov. Kirkwood and their relations were close and confidential for many years.

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EDWIN MANNING was born in South Coventry, Conn., February 8, 1810; he died at Keosauqua, Iowa, August 16, 1901. He came to Iowa in 1836, settling first at St. Francisville, Lee county. The following year, in company with John J. Fairman, John Carns and James Hall he laid out the town of Keosauqua. The place was named for the local Indian name of the Des Moines river. He attended the first land sale held at Burlington, purchasing for himself and others several thousand acres. He entered into the mercantile business in which he was very successful, owning stores at Keosauqua and several other points. His business operations, though widely extended, were very successful, and at his death his estate was estimated at \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000. For many years after he opened his store in Keosauqua merchandise was brought from Keokuk either by steamboat or by wagons over the pioneer roads. He became one of the best known citizens in southeastern Iowa. While most energetic and active in all his diversified business operations, he was throughout his long life a man of great personal popularity. It will be remembered that his portrait in oil was presented to the Historical Department of Iowa on behalf of his family, by his long-time neighbor and friend, the late Judge Geo. G. Wright.

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REV. MILO N. MILES was born at Sharon, Conn., March 24, 1807; he died in Des Moines, Iowa, July 4, 1901. His early years were spent on his father's farm where he labored and attended the common schools like other New England boys of that period. After these early years he was fortunate enough to take a four years' course at Yale college, where he graduated in 1831. He also studied at the Divinity school at Princeton, New Jersey. He was licensed to preach, and throughout his long life, until worn out with age, acted as teacher, missionary and pastor, in various localities in Michigan, Nebraska and Iowa. His second wife was Mary, daughter of Major Royal Keyes, of Jamestown, New York, with whom he lived fifty-five years. Mrs. Ada North, who served ten years with great distinction as State librarian, and almost an equal period as librarian of the State University, was his daughter. His sons, Albert H., and Carroll reside in Des Moines, and Clarence in Nebraska. Mr. Miles' last sermon was preached in Iowa City on his 90th birthday. His life was long and useful, and he enjoyed the highest respect and confidence throughout a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

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MRS. MARTHA CALLANAN was born in Albany, N. Y., May 18, 1826; she died at the Callanan farm in Dallas county, Iowa, August 16, 1901. Her death resulted from injuries received from being thrown out of a carriage

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