

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.

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 steam-boat 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.

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.

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

at the farm a couple of weeks previous. Mrs. Callanan was one of the most widely known women in Iowa. During many years she had given almost her entire time to works of charity and reform. She edited and published *The Woman's Standard*, with which she was associated at the beginning as business manager. The foundation of this enterprise was due to her efforts and she was its mainstay from 1886 to the time of her death. She has held different offices in the local charitable organizations, seldom missing a meeting, and giving liberally of her time and money. For more than thirty years she was an active member of the Iowa Equal Suffrage Association, and especially active and influential in its efforts to secure favorable legislation. With her large native ability, her earnest zeal and untiring energy, and the wide and active influence given to the movement through her wealth, her loss to the equal suffragists is well nigh irreparable.

Mrs. NETTIE SKIFF SANFORD-CHAPIN was born in Portage county, Ohio, March 28, 1830; she died at Marshalltown, Iowa, August 20, 1901. She came to Iowa with her father's family in 1856 and settled in Malaya township, Jasper county, where she was at once employed as a teacher in the common schools. She helped organize the first society for the purpose of sending sanitary supplies to the Union soldiers in the field. She was the first secretary of that local organization as early as the spring of 1862. She was twice married, her first husband being Daniel Sanford, her second E. N. Chapin, who was widely known as an Iowa pioneer journalist. Mrs. Chapin was also a well-known writer, her first literary venture being a history of Marshall county. She was prominent in the woman's movement for equal suffrage. She also became quite active in the work of securing the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, and was for some time president of the local organization. Mrs. Chapin was an active and useful woman throughout her busy life in Iowa, becoming widely known through her ability as a writer.

Mrs. MARY NEWBERRY ADAMS was born in Peru, Ind., October 17, 1837; she died at Dubuque, Iowa, August 5, 1901. She graduated from the Cleveland public school and later from the Willard Female Seminary. She was married to the late Judge Austin Adams in 1857, after which time she resided in Dubuque. Mrs. Adams was one of the prominent reformers of this State, belonging to many societies and clubs, in all of which she was an earnest, devoted worker, especially in the promotion of equal suffrage. She contributed many essays, lectures, and reviews to the publications of the associations with which she was connected, and had among her friends and correspondents some of the leading thinkers of the country. She had entertained at her home Ralph Waldo Emerson and many others of the first reformers and literary people of the times in which she lived. No woman in Iowa was more widely known and none more universally esteemed. Both Mrs. Callanan and Mrs. Adams were valued contributors to the treasures of the Historical Department of Iowa.

W.M. H. CLAGETT was born at Upper Marlboro', Md., September 21, 1838, he died at Spokane, Wash., during the first week in August, 1901. He was a son of Judge Thomas Clagett of Keokuk, Iowa. Writing of himself he said that "he was early educated to a knowledge of the rod and not much else." However, he studied and practised law. He emigrated to the far west about the year 1860. In 1862, 1863 and 1865 he was a member of the legislature of Nevada. Changing his residence to Montana he became a delegate in the Forty-second congress, serving from March 4, 1871, to March 3, 1873. During his public life he was a pronounced Republican, while his father, Judge Thomas Clagett, might truthfully have been set down as a pro-slavery Democrat. The son was often mentioned in connection with the

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