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AN OLD SETTLER GONE.

Death of Mr. Solomon Garrison at the Rippe Age of 76 Years.

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Solomon Garrison was born in Dearborn county, Ind., February 13, 1816, and moved to Jones county, Iowa, in 1888. He was married to Harriet Simpson, of Indiana, in 1838. He went to Reynolds, Neb., to reside in November, 1883, where he died of paralysis March 2d, 1891. He was the father of eight children--four boys and four girls. His aged companion and six of his children still live to mourn the loss of a good and faithful companion and father.

The funeral services were conducted by the writer March 4th, and were attended by a large number of his loving friends and relatives. The services were held at the residence and the discourse was rendered from the text found in Proverbs, 18th chapter and 24th verse.

Brother Garrison was stricken down on Sunday afternoon while at his house and was only able to give a word or two of direction to his faithful wife at his side. His sons, George and Laban and their wives, and his daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. and Andrew Hunt, were with him to do what loving hearts and willing hands could devise. The good neighbors gathered around the stricken family and rendered all the assistance and sympathy possible. His oldest son, a resident of Jones county, Iowa, reached here in time to attend the funeral services. The oldest daughter and second son, also of Iowa, were unable, owing to sickness, to attend the funeral services.

Brother Garrison joined the Wesleyan Methodist church in 1842, and lived to the end of his life in this world a faithful defender of the principles of Christianity and a trusted counsellor in favor of right and against wrong, and all the reforms of his day found in him a champion.

The principles of human slavery found in him a bitter enemy and the oppressed and needy a faithful friend and defender. His marked opposition to the liquor traffic was born of his love of his fellow beings, and doubtless many who knew him to oppose him in this laudable position, are today ready to accord him the place he deserves among the noble ones of his race. Forty-five years of the prime of his life were spent in the counties of Jones and Cedar.

"And thus the noble of this life
Are bidding us adieu;
To join the faithful gone before,
And beckon us there too."

Solomon _____ ISAAC D. FRY.
here, having lived at Pleasant Hill for years. He was honored and respected by all. His son, W. S. Garrison, still lives on the old farm at Pleasant Hill.

THE DEAD CHOIR BOY.

Samuel Kimball, sixteen years old, a chorister boy in St. Mary's Church, Brooklyn, died a week ago at St. John's Hospital. Almost his last words were: "Let any boy who smokes cigarettes look at me now and know how I have suffered, and he will never put another into his mouth." He was a bright boy, an exquisite singer, and had many friends. He lived with his grandmother and worked in a chandelier factory. Here is his story, as he told it to his nurse, Sister Cornelia:

"To me he confessed that this trouble had originated from cigarette smoking. Some days, he said, he smoked twenty cigarettes. At first he kept his grandmother in ignorance of his indulgence. As he continued to smoke the appetite grew upon him with such force that he could not choke it off, and it began to affect his constitution.

"Why," I asked him, "did you not stop when you saw what it was bringing you to?"

"Oh, I could not," he replied. "If I could not get them to smoke I almost went wild. I could think of nothing else. That my grandmother might not suspect me I would work extra hours instead of spending my regular wages for cigarettes. For months I kept up this excess, although I knew it was killing me. Then I seemed to fall to pieces all of a sudden."

His disease took the form of dropsy in the legs, and was very painful. Sister Cornelia continues the story:

"During all his suffering he never forgot what had brought him to this terrible condition. He kept asking me to warn all boys against their use. A few days before he died he called me to his bedside, and said that he thought he had not lived in vain, if only those boys who are still alive would profit by his suffering and death."

There is no other form of tobacco so dangerous as cigarettes, because the nicotine in the smoke is not absorbed in the loose tobacco, smoked clean up the end, but is taken, unfiltered and undiluted, into the lungs. It was not the poison in the paper, but the poison of the tobacco which killed Samuel Kimball, and is ruining the health of thousands of other pale-faced boys.--Independent.

MARRIED.

At the residence of Middleton Hutton, in Scotch Grove, by REV. S. GOODELL, on Thursday evening September 18, 1891, MR. LEONARD L. GEE, of Altona, D. T., and MISS LORA HUTTON, of Scotch Grove.

This was quite a surprise to nearly all of the company present, as they were invited simply to an ice cream party, and had no idea of a wedding until the preacher appeared upon the scene, and the young couple came down stairs into the parlor where the marriage ceremony was performed, all seeming to take in the situation at once. After the congratulations were over the large company enjoyed the bounteous supply of good things, all joined in wishing them a happy life.

At the residence of Mr. Wm. Aitken, Sept. 10, 1891, MR. M. G. McNEILLY and MISS KATIE AITKEN, REV. G. L. WILSON, officiating.

This was a pleasant event at the center of Jones county, Iowa. The entertainment and company was very agreeable and the gifts suitable. The worthy young couple have bright prospects, and the good wishes of numerous friends.

Thursday evening, September 21, 1891, MR. LEWIS E. TUCKER and MISS CELIA A. WHEELER, REV. J. I. COBBY, rector of St. Mark's church, officiating.

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J. P. ELLISON.

Prominent among the representatives of business life in Jones county is J. P. Ellison of Martelle, the owner of extensive farming interests and closely associated with financial and commercial enterprises in the village as the owner of the bank and also of a large double general store. He has made rapid and substantial progress in his business career as the result of his ready and intelligent appreciation for and utilization of opportunities that others pass by heedlessly. Energy and perseverance constitute the foundation upon which he has builded his business prosperity, and the reliability of his course furnishes an example well worthy of emulation. Mr. Ellison was born on a farm three miles north of Mount Vernon, Linn county, Iowa, April 26, 1851, and is a son of Samuel Ellison, who arrived in that county in 1840 and homesteaded the place upon which the subject of this review opened his eyes to the light of day eleven years later. Samuel Ellison had been married in 1848 to Miss Mary Scott, and they became the parents of the following named: William G., who resides on the old homestead; J. P., of this review; Mrs. Ruth A. Chamberlain, whose home, is north of Mount Vernon; Mrs. Mary M. Oxley, residing east of Marion, Iowa, and Mrs. Jane Platner, whose home is near Mechanicsville. The death of the husband and father occurred on the old homestead March 23, 1888, but Mrs. Ellison still survives and is now living in Mount Vernon. Samuel Ellison was of that type of pioneers who developed the rich resources of the state and profited by their labors, which were not only a source of individual success but also constituted a potent element in the development of the state.

J. P. Ellison was reared on the old homestead and assisted in the arduous task of developing a new farm, continuing his work in the fields as the years went by. His educational opportunities were those afforded by the common schools while his business training was of the practical character that comes with farm work.

On the 2d of January, 1884, Mr. Ellison was united in marriage to Miss Eva Newman, a daughter of Emanuel and Elizabeth (Spade) Newman, who were the parents of ten children, five sons and five daughters, all of whom are living in Greenfield township with the exception of Elmer, who resides in Lee county; Otis, whose home is in Linn county; and Mrs. E. E. Miller, who is living at Estherville, Iowa. Unto Mr. and Mrs. Ellison have been born two children, Samuel H. and Ethel G., both of whom are at home with their parents. After attending the public schools in Anamosa they became students in Drake University at Des Moines, from which institution the daughter was graduated in June, 1907. She afterward returned to Drake University where she studied music for a year. Both the son and daughter are now assisting their father in his banking and commercial enterprises.

Mr. Ellison is one of the extensive land owners of Jones county, owning a homestead property of six hundred and fifteen acres on section 4, Greenfield township. This is valuable property and the soil, naturally rich and productive, brings forth large crops- as the reward of the care and labor bestowed upon the fields. The farm is splendidly equipped with all modern accessories and conveniences and from his agricultural interests Mr. Ellison derives a substantial annual income. Seeing the necessity for a bank in Martelle he organized one, placed it upon a substantial basis and inaugurated a safe and conservative policy which has won for it substantial success. It has, moreover, proved a valuable adjunct to the business interests of the village, and that the townspeople are appreciative of the convenience which it affords is indicated in the liberal patronage accorded it. Mr. Ellison is also the owner of a large double store in Martelle in which he carries a complete line of hardware, dry goods, groceries and shoes. He also derives a gratifying income from numerous residence properties which he owns. In matters of business judgment he is seldom if ever at fault and he does not fear to venture where favoring opportunity leads the way. His judgment of men and circumstances is sound and his recognition of possibilities in the business world has led him into important relations whereby his own success has been greatly promoted while the welfare and progress of the town have likewise been augmented.

Mr. Ellison and his family are members of the church of Christ at Martelle, and the son belongs to White Rose lodge, No. 279, K. P. Although Mr. Ellison has never sought nor desired political preferment,

his fellow townsmen, appreciative of his worth and ability, have several times called him to public office. He has served as township trustee for nine years and was a member of the school board of his district for about a quarter of a century. He has been called at two different times to serve on the United States grand jury and on numerous occasions has been on both the grand and petit juries of the county. He is a staunch advocate of democracy, believing firmly in its principles and therefore giving unfaltering support to its men and measures. Mr. Ellison, moreover, is a man of kindly and generous spirit, befriending all who come to him in need. He gives generous support to the church and to public projects, meets every obligation of life in an honorable method and has at all times the courage of his convictions. He and his family are prominent in the social life of the community and Mr. Ellison has for long years been recognized as an influential factor here, wielding a wide and beneficial influence.

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JOHN RONEN.

John Ronen, proprietor of stone quarries at Stone City, Iowa, is numbered among the men of foreign birth, to whom the opportunities of the new world have opened avenues of success. He was born in Ireland, August 24, 1846, his parents being Moses and Catherine (Cloak) Ronen, the former a native of County Wexford, and the latter of the city of Wexford, Ireland. In the year 1852, the father came with his family to America, settling in Buffalo, New York, where he arrived on the 24th of May. A removal was made to Kankakee, Illinois, and in 1857, the family became residents of Waterloo, Iowa. There they remained until 1880, when they went to Viola, Iowa. The father died February 20, 1898, at the age of eighty-six years, while the mother passed away in 1868 at the age of forty-eight years. By occupation the father was a stone cutter, giving his entire life to that work.

John Ronen whose name introduces this review, was a lad of six summers when the family left the Emerald isle and came to the United States. He accompanied his parents on their various removals, attending school in the different towns in which they lived, and at the age of nineteen years he engaged in the stone construction business at Waterloo, Iowa, where he remained for four years. In 1875 he removed to Stone City, where he leased a quarry from Dr. Natson and engaged in cutting out stone in this way for ten years. During that time he prospered and from his earnings saved sufficient capital to enable him to purchase the quarry which he now operates. It was formerly the property of Martin Heisev and since it has come into Mr. Ronen's possession he has continuously and successfully conducted the business, being now one of the leading dealers in stone in this part of the state. His quarry produces an excellent quality of stone for which he finds a ready sale on the market.

Mr. Ronen is entitled to wear the grand army button from the fact that on the 1st of September, 1864, when but eighteen years of age he responded to his country's call for troops, enlisting in Company F, Seventh Iowa Cavalry, under the command of Colonel Sommer and General O'Conner. He saw service on the western frontier, fighting the Indians through the Yellowstone and the Wyoming. He fought the Sioux on the same ground afterward made famous by the Custer massacre. He also participated in other engagements along the little Big Horn, including one battle which took place on August 24, the anniversary of his birth. He continued in active duty until the regiment was mustered out and he was sent home. It was an arduous warfare for the tactics and military manuevres of the Indians were unlike those practiced by civilized men, and the soldiers were, therefore, constantly on the alert.

On the 11th of September, 1869, Mr. Ronen was joined in wedlock to Miss Mary Gleason, a daughter of Michael and Mary (O'Brien) Gleason. Seven children have graced this marriage: William, who wedded Prudence Hodgin and resides at Stone City; Carrie, at home; Mary, the wife of J. J. Green, a railroad conductor who was killed in an accident; John Moses, postmaster at Stone City; Charles, Anna and Walter, all at home. The family are well known in this part of the state, and the members of the household occupy an enviable position in the social circles in which they move.

Mr. Ronen is a member of Fred Steele Post, No. 4, G. A. R., at Anamosa, and thus maintains pleasant relations with his old army comrades. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party, which was the defense of the Union during the dark days of the Civil war, and has always been the party of reform and progress. His religious faith is that of the Catholic church. He is known as a successful, enterprising business man, who owes his advancement in commercial lines to his own efforts. He has worked earnestly and persistently to achieve the prosperity which he now enjoys, and his labor and reliability have brought to him gratifying success.

GEORGE L. SCHOONOVER.

Few among the younger generation of men today have played a more conspicuous part in the financial prosperity of Anamosa than has George L. Schoonover. Not only has he evinced that fidelity to duty which has characterized those who have risen high in the affairs of the world, but he possesses those qualities of enterprise and organization, which, having been so early brought into a healthy exertion, should bring him to even larger fields than those which now know his labors. One of the native sons of Anamosa, he was born February 7, 1880, his parents being Lawrence and Amelia J. (Tanner) Schoonover.

During the early years of his life, George L. Schoonover was a pupil in the public schools of Anamosa, from which he was graduated in June, 1895. Thereupon he entered the Iowa State University. He received the degree of bachelor of philosophy from that institution in 1900, but returned for two years to take work in its law college, not beginning his business career until 1901, when he entered the Anamosa National Bank as bookkeeper. After having proved his ability and his trustworthiness by less than three years of industry, January 12, 1904, he was elected cashier of the institution. This afforded him an opportunity to exercise some of the power with which he felt he was endowed, and believing that the future of the bank was large, he increased its capital stock to one hundred thousand dollars and guided its destinies along such a safe channel that in February, 1907, after the death of his father, he was appointed to succeed him in the presidency. That same year he organized the Schoonover Trust Company with a capital of fifty thousand dollars, and has since been president of the concern. Another venture of his which has proved equally successful was his establishment of the First National Bank of Olin, Iowa, which was accomplished in the early part of 1905. Of this institution also he is president, and in his direction of its affairs has again proven that he is an able financier, a man upon whose judgment reliance may be placed, and one whose policies, while checked by a healthy conservatism, have tended in the main toward progress and advancement and the full utilization of all opportunities.

Shortly after he had embarked upon his business career, on the 29th of October, 1902, Mr. Schoonover wedded Miss Grace Lovell, a daughter of George L. Lovell, of Monticello, Iowa. Three children have been born unto them, namely: Catharine, who was born August 14, 1903; Lawrence, who was born March 6, 1906, and Donald, whose birth occurred September 25, 1907.

Politically Mr. Schoonover has given his allegiance to the republican party but has taken no part in public life. He is, however, prominent in the ranks of the Masons in this county. He joined the order in 1901, was elected junior warden of Anamosa Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M., in December, 1905, and in 1906 became worshipful master, an office which he filled for three years. He was exalted as a Royal Arch Mason by Mt. Sinai Chapter and later was knighted in the Order of the Temple, by the Mt. Olivet Commandery, NO. 36. In May, 1907, he joined the DeMolay Consistory, No. 1, A. A. S. R. and has since been very active in the Scottish Rite, being in 1909 appointed Knight Commander of the Court of Honor by the supreme council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite during the October session. True to the nobler ideals of manhood, he is not only a successful business man and financier, but loyal and faithful

friend, of the many who coming to know him intimately regard him highly for the strong traits of his character.

JOHN SEELEY STACY.

John Seeley Stacy has for a half century been a prominent and successful representative of the legal fraternity in Jones county, though he has now practically retired from active connection therewith because of his advanced age. He was born at De Kalb, New York, on the 13th of May, 1833, a son of Pelatiah and Jerusha (Tanner) Stacy. The father, a farmer by occupation, was a man of great energy, benevolent, public-spirited and successful. Both the paternal and maternal ancestors of our subject fought in the Revolutionary war. One of them was taken prisoner on Long Island and for an entire winter was compelled to earn his own subsistence.

John S. Stacy supplemented his preliminary education by a course in the Gouverneur Wesleyan Seminary of Gouverneur, New York, and also as a student in Union College at Schenectady, that state. He attended the latter institution during the presidency of the celebrated Dr. Nott and was graduated therefrom in 1857. Early in life he manifested a fondness for reading and during his college days he followed the profession of teaching. After completing his collegiate education he took Horace Greeley's advice and went west, locating in Iowa, where he has since made his home. Having determined upon the practice of law as a life work, he immediately began studying with that end in view and was admitted to the bar in 1859. From that time until recent years, when the infirmities of age have necessitated his retirement, he practiced his profession with signal success, winning an excellent reputation as a lawyer of force and ability. He was likewise connected with banking interests for a period of ten years and he and his partner established the first bank in Jones county.

At Buda, Illinois, Mr. Stacy was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte A. Kellogg, a daughter of Rev. E. W. Kellogg, who for forty years preached in the Congregational churches of Vermont and Illinois. She is eight generations removed from Governor William Bradford and John Alden, of the Plymouth colony, and her grandfather and great-grandfather served in the Revolutionary war at the same time. Mr. and Mrs. Stacy are the parents of four children, as follows: Marian Luella, now the wife of Dr. W. B. Skinner, of Anamosa; Edson Eugene, who wedded Miss Martha Fisher, of Grinnell, Iowa; Bertha Sybil, who gave her hand in marriage to Dr. A. G. Hejinian of Anamosa; and William Kellogg.

In politics Mr. Stacy has ever been a staunch advocate of the republican party, doing all in his power to forward its interest. He served as county judge for one term, held the office of mayor at Anamosa, acted as a member of the council and was also on the school board for many years. During the Civil war he was president of the Union League of both town and county, which served a patriotic purpose during the period of hostilities between the north and the south. It kept in check a rebellious element equal to the disorderly element in Indiana. He was offered the nomination for circuit judge of the eighth district but declined, and subsequently was nominated for judge of the district court, but was defeated on account of the rupture in the republican party over the prohibition question. In 1888 he was nominated for state senator and was defeated for the same reason, but carried his own county. He has been a member of the Congregational church for fifty-two years, serving much of the time as Sunday school superintendent, trustee and deacon. While there is not about judge Stacy the least shadow of mock modesty, he disclaims any great credit for what he has done and yet his fellow citizens recognize the fact that he has left the impress of his individuality for good upon the county of his residence in its political and legal interests, in its social life-for he is a man of many friends-and in molding public thought and action as well.

One who knows judge Stacy well has said: "John S. Stacy has been a man of more than ordinary ability. He has been preeminently a man of integrity and of unimpeachable character. Those who have been most intimate with his personal history can best testify as to the sacrifices he has made, the trying ordeals he has experienced. and the mastery he has accomplished in the maintenance of manhood,

humanity and personal character. Fate has raised her arm mightily against his efforts to accomplish several gigantic tasks he has undertaken. In the promotion of several railroad lines, he has found himself on the hill-top ready to claim the promised land when the financial panic of 1873 and other panics have crushed to earth his months of heroic effort. In these calamities, he may have had the power to save himself at the expense of others, but this his manhood would not allow him to do. He has been a clear and logical thinker, had a well trained mind well stored with useful information, was t of a judicial temperament, and well qualified for a business career. He has been abundantly fitted to occupy a high station in life." Page: 57, 58, 59

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN ERB, D. D. S.

Dentistry is unique among the professions in that its demands are of a threefold character. He who would win success in this field of labor must possess marked mechanical skill and ingenuity, must have comprehensive knowledge of scientific principles bearing upon the work and, moreover, must possess the business ability so to finance his interests that his labor shall bring its just and merited remuneration. Lacking in none of these qualities, Dr. B. F. Erb is practicing dentistry in Anamosa and the number of his patients is increasing year by year.

A native of Muscatine, Iowa, he was born October 14, 1867, of the marriage of Jacob and Susan (Funk) Erb. The father removed from Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to Iowa in 1848. The mother, who also spent her early life in Harrisburg, came to this state in 1847. With her parents she started on the Ohio river on a boat which burned below Cincinnati. The family lost all of their possessions, escaping with only their night clothes, and Mrs. Erb, then a little maiden of twelve summers, was badly burned. Jacob Erb was proprietor of the first tobacco store in Muscatine and for a long period was identified with the business interests of that city. In 1850, however, during the gold fever on the Pacific coast, he went to California, spending four years in that state. In 1855, he returned and became a bookkeeper in the lumber office of S. T. Steen, while subsequently he became manager and acted in that capacity until his death in 1895, his connection with one firm covering forty years. He was seventy-one years of age at the time of his demise. His widow still survives and yet makes her home in Muscatine.

Dr. Erb enjoyed the educational advantages offered by the public schools of his native city, continuing his studies in successive grades until he was graduated from the high school with the class of 1887. He afterward attended the Ohio College of Dental Surgery, where he completed a course by graduation in 1889 and in 1892 he was a student in Haskell's Post-Graduate School of Prosthetic Dentistry. When a boy he had delighted in designing and working with the zig saw or any tools which he could obtain. He was always fond of live stock especially horses. After leaving the public schools the desire for mechanical work and the love of instruments led him to take up the study of dentistry which he began at once. He entered upon the work at Iowa City on the 5th of October, 1887, and the following summer worked for Dr. Rundle at Monticello, Iowa. In September, of the same year, he left for Cincinnati and was graduated from the Ohio College of Dental Surgery on the 4th of March, 1889. He then went to Monticello, Iowa, where he was associated with Dr. Rundle until the 1st of November following, when he opened an office on his own account in Lisbon, Iowa, practicing there until the 15th of August, 1892. On that date he went to Chicago, where he pursued a post-graduate course, and on October, 1893, he came to Anamosa, where he has since practiced. This town is almost in the center of his professional territory so that he regarded it as an excellent location. That he was wise in his choice time has proven. He has been very successful in his practice and has never been away from his work in twenty-two years more than eighteen days at a time. He keeps abreast with the improvements and advances made in the processes of modern dentistry, possesses superior mechanical skill, uses the latest instruments that invention has produced and in all ways his work is so satisfactory that his practice has constantly grown.

On the 8th of July, 1896, Dr. Erb was united in marriage to Miss. Anna Kurtz. Her grandfather, John E. Kurtz, built the first gristmill in Linn county, Iowa, and platted the town of Lisbon. He was also promi-

ment in political circles and served one term as representative from Linn county in the state legislature. Her father, Henry C. Kurtz, was for four years a soldier of the Civil War. He has been engaged in merchandising throughout the greater part of his life and is one of the representative business men of his home town. In politics he is a stanch republican and is active in all that pertains to the welfare and progress of his community. He married Hannah Harper, a native of Indiana, while his birth occurred in Pennsylvania, and in the early '40s they arrived in Iowa. Unto Dr. and Mrs. Erb have been born three children: Dorothy K., Laurence W., and Marion E. The doctor is a man of domestic tastes. He joined the Knights of Pythias lodge in Monticello in 1889, but gave it up when he was married. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church and contributes liberally to its support. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and while he keeps well informed on the questions and issues of the day as every true American citizen should do, he does not seek nor desire office, preferring to concentrate his energies upon his professional duties, which are performed with a sense of conscientious obligations, that has brought him gratifying success. He is, however, serving as president of the Anamosa school board. Page: 59, 60

F. HINTZ.

F. Hintz, one of the well known agriculturists of Lovell township, was born in, Cook county, Illinois, March 31, 1870, and is a son of William and Ida (Ehrke) Hintz. The parents were natives of Germany, but came to the United States in 1868, locating first in Cook county, Illinois. After about seven years' residence in that state they came to Iowa, settling in Buchanan county, where the father engaged in agricultural pursuits. He is still living there, but his wife has passed away.

F. Hintz attended the district schools of his native county, while he obtained practical instruction for the responsibilities of life at home, under the wise guidance of his parents. Until he attained his majority, he remained upon his father's farm, but it was not until 1905 that he came to Jones county and located in Lovell township. In that year he purchased a tract of one hundred and eighty-two acres, on which he is living today. It is cultivated carefully for the production of cereals, but Mr. Hintz gives much attention to the raising and feeding of cattle and hogs, which he ships in large numbers to the important markets. His land is improved according to the best methods, while it is cultivated with full regard to the rotation of crops, a consideration of which subject does so much toward prolonging the fertility of the soil.

It was in 1898 that Mr. Hintz was united in marriage to Miss Anna Rettig. She was born in Fostoria, Ohio, in 1868, and is a daughter of George and Louise Rettig. Her parents, who were natives of Germany, had come to America shortly after their marriage, and after spending a number of years in Ohio came to Iowa, where Mr. Rettig followed farming for many years, but he has now retired and with his wife is enjoying a well deserved rest in Monticello. One of the twelve children born to her parents, Mrs. Hintz received a good education in the public schools and then attended Highland Park College, from which she was graduated. The five years before her marriage she spent in teaching, winning a reputation as a successful and progressive member of the profession. She has become the mother of two children: Irving R. and Paul W.

Mr. and Mrs. Hintz are members of the Presbyterian church, making its teachings of practical value in their daily lives. Since he has been of an age to exercise the franchise right of an American citizen, Mr. Hintz has invariably given his political support to the candidates of the republican party, feeling the utmost confidence in its principles. For himself, however, he has not sought for official preferment, although he has rendered valuable service to the people of Lovell township as a school director.

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CYRUS LAMB, JR.

Cyrus Lamb, Jr., is one of Rome township's native sons, who after having tried life in other fields of activity returned to the place of his birth and engaged in the pursuit of farming. He was born May 18, 1863, and is the son of Cyrus and Elizabeth (Smith) Lamb. The father was born in Ohio, while the mother was of Pennsylvania nativity. When a struggling nation sent forth the call for her sons to rally to her support, Cyrus Lamb, Jr., responded and was numbered among those who sacrificed their ambitions and their lives upon the altar of their country. The mother, however, is still living at the age of sixty-six.

Cyrus Lamb, Jr., the only child of his parents, was reared by his grandparents and with them made his home until maturity. He received his education in the public schools of the county and then prepared for college. After several terms in college, he engaged in teaching, to which he devoted himself with success for a number of years. In 1900, he bought the farm in Rome township on which he is now living, and has since followed agricultural pursuits. In connection with it, he has devoted himself to the nursery business, making small fruit a specialty.

In October, 1890, Mr. Lamb was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Pfeifer, a native of Rome township and a daughter of George and Barbara Pfeifer, who have now passed away. No children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Lamb.

They are consistent members of the United Brethren church and take an active part in religious work. Politically Mr. Lamb affiliates with the republican party, and his vote is ever given in support of its candidate. He is public-spirited, but has never been a politician in the sense of office seeking, but when his fellow citizens, appreciating the strong qualities of the man urged him to serve as a trustee of his township, he did not refuse and for the past two years has filled the position to their entire satisfaction. An educator himself it is but natural that his prime interest should be centered in the school, and that he should use every means to increase its effectiveness in his township. In his capacity as president of the board of education he has been able to institute some needed improvements and to raise the standard of the schools to a considerable degree. Page 61, 62

HOWARD MARSHALL REMLEY

Howard Marshall Remley, to whom the consensus of public opinion accords leadership at the Jones county bar, is now practicing as the senior partner of the law firm of Remley & Remley. He has been a representative of the legal profession here for thirty-seven years, making steady progress in a calling where advancement depends entirely upon individual merit.

He was born January 17, 1843, at Lewisburg, Greenbrier county, Virginia, now West Virginia, his parents being the Rev. James and Jane C. (Alderson) Remley. In the paternal line the family is of German lineage and was founded in America by the great-grandfather of Howard M. Remley, who crossed the Atlantic during the period when this country was still numbered among the colonial possessions of Great Britain. His son, Elias Remley, became a resident of Greenbrier county, West Virginia, in 1791, and there the birth of the Rev. James Remley occurred January 15, 1812. He was educated at William and Mary's College in Virginia and on the 11th of September, 1838, was united in marriage to Miss Jane C. Alderson, whose great-great-grandfather came from England in 1699. Her father was Colonel George Alderson, an officer of the war of 1812. His brother, father, grandfather and great-grandfather were ministers of the gospel and were pioneers in the religious advancement of the state of Virginia. Her uncle, the Rev. Lewis Alderson, was the first pastor of the First Baptist church of Atchison, Kansas. The birth of Mrs. Remley occurred March 12, 1816, in Randolph county, West Virginia, and, as previously stated, she gave her hand in marriage to James Remley on the 11th of September, 1838. They came to Iowa in October, 1855, settling at Oxford, Johnson county. Lycurgus Remley, their first born, and George A., the second son, laid down their books to take up their

muskets in defense of the country and gave their lives upon its altar. The surviving children of the family are: Ex-Attorney General Milton Remley, of Iowa City; judge H. M. Remley, of Anamosa; Mrs. J. D. Glass, wife of Ex-Senator Glass, of Mason City, Iowa; and Miss Clara Remley, also of Mason City.

Howard Marshall Remley was twelve years of age when he came to Iowa, his youth and early manhood being spent on the farm in Johnson county to the age of twenty-four years except when he was pursuing his education in Iowa City. He afterward entered the Iowa state university and was graduated in 1869 with the degree of bachelor of arts. Making choice of the practice of law as a life work he then made preparation for this calling as a student in the law department of the state university, from which he was graduated with the LL. B. degree in 1872, while in 1874 his alma mater conferred upon him the master of arts degree.

Judge Remley located for practice in Anamosa in July, 1872, and has since remained an active and representative member of the bar in this city save for the period of seven years, when he was district judge of the eighteenth judicial district. For the past six years he has practiced in partnership with his son, James E. Remley, under the firm style of Remley & Remley. They occupy a foremost position at the bar of eastern Iowa. Devotedly attached to his profession, systematic and methodical in habit, sober and discreet in judgment, calm in temper, diligent in research, conscientious in the discharge of every duty, courteous and kind in demeanor and inflexibly just on all occasions, these qualities enable judge Remley to take highest rank among those who have sat upon the bench of the state and made him the conservator of that justice wherein is the safeguard of individual liberty and happiness and the defense of our national institutions.

In 1873 judge Remley was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Underwood, of Muscatine, Iowa, who was also a graduate of the state university. Four of their sons and two of their daughters are also graduates of these institutions, while another daughter is now a senior there and a fourth daughter is a member of the junior class. The family have a comfortable and attractive home in Anamosa, in which one of the chief features is an extensive library. The family numbers ten children, five sons and five daughters. Bertha, the eldest, has been a successful teacher in the Anamosa schools and Iowa Falls. James E. is a graduate of the law department of the state university and now as a member of the law firm of Remley & Remley practices his profession in Anamosa. Arthur is married and is conducting a successful grocery store in Anamosa. Alfred G. is one-third owner in the Anamosa Lumber Company. Robert G., who won an "I" in the athletic team in the state university of Iowa, is now in the grain business in Anamosa. Agnes is a teacher in the high school of Jefferson, Iowa. Elsie and Mary are attending the state university, and Clara and Howard M. are students in the graded schools of Anamosa.

Judge Remley has always been a republican in his political faith but while firm in his own views he is perfectly willing that others should differ from him, according to each the right of individual opinion. While he has never sought or desired office for himself, he takes an interest in local and state political and does what he can to further the growth and progress of his party. He holds membership in the Baptist church and is a teacher in its Sunday-school, having a class of fifteen or more members, four of whom are more than eighty years of age, while the average age is over sixty years. He has been teaching his class for more than thirty years and in his religious study manifests the same keen analytical spirit which has characterized his professional work so that he is able to present the lessons in a most clear, comprehensive and logical manner. He feels the deepest interest in the Sunday-school work and regards it as one of the most potent forces for good at the present day. He is now widely known throughout the state as one of its leading Sunday-school workers, having been president of the Iowa State Sunday-School Convention, while for three terms he was the president of the Iowa Baptist State Convention. He has also been honored with the presidency of the alumni association of the Iowa state university and is a trustee of Des Moines College. His wife is a leading member of one of the chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution and for years has been a trustee of the public library at Anamosa. She has received the degree of master of arts from the state university and holds one of the very few life state teachers' certificates which has been issued. It will thus be seen that the influence of the family is for the

upbuilding and advancement of all those forces which are effective in the contacts of life for the uplifting of the individual and for the betterment of conditions of society in general. Few lawyers have made more lasting impression upon the bar of the state than has judge Remley, both for legal ability of a high order and for the individuality of a personal character which impresses itself upon the community. He is a member of the state bar association and for ten years was a member of the committee on law reform. His large representative clientage is indicative of the regard entertained for him by the general public, while the profession manifests high consideration for the integrity, dignity, impartiality, love of justice and strong common sense which have ever marked his character as a judge, as an attorney and as a man.
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MARRIED.

In Anamosa, May 2d, at the residence of Mr. T. M. Wilds, by Rev. J. B. Fiske, Mr. H. E. M. Niles and Miss Lavinia E. Craighend, both of this city.

Mr. Niles is a son of the late Willard Niles, one of the earliest and most highly esteemed citizens of Jones county, and for years county superintendent of schools. Hiram has been one of the pillars of the EUREKA office a long time, and previous to his employment with us he was for some years one of the best known and most reliable of the craft in Dubuque. He is a modest man, as most printers are, intelligent, refined, scrupulously honest and honorable in his intercourse with his fellows. The bride has resided here and at Wyoming almost

continuously since girlhood, has been one of our most successful school teachers, and is a lady of culture and breadth of thought, frank, generous and winning. Thus mated, the hosts of friends of the contracting parties will extend the most cordial and sincere well wishes that their future may be full of brightness and blessing, and the EUREKA and all its representatives join heartily in that expression.

The ceremony was witnessed by only a few of the relatives and immediate friends of the two families. At its conclusion a very elegant menu of refreshments was served—thanks for the choice and liberal remembrance that found its way to our sanctum—and at 10:30 Mr. Niles and his bride

took the train west for Des Moines, where they will visit friends, and thence to Burlington, Council Bluffs, Omaha, Dubuque and home again.

Notwithstanding the purposely unostentatious character of the wedding, some exceedingly noteworthy tokens of love and friendship were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Niles, but we mention only several, among them being a beautiful set of imported china and glassware, from an uncle of the bride in Pittsburgh, silverware from her brother and other relatives in Missouri, an extension table from Miss Mary Niles, and other remembrances of taste and value from relatives and friends both at home and abroad.

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