

Leander Clark

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BENJAMIN H. BARROWS was born near Davenport, Iowa, December 30, 1847; he died at Omaha, Neb., December 30, 1910. He was a son of Gen. Willard Barrows, who surveyed the Iowa-Minnesota boundary line. He was educated at Griswold College and at the age of seventeen accompanied his father and brother-in-law, J. H. Millard, to Virginia City, Montana, where he remained until 1866, when he returned to Davenport, and entered the newspaper field. He removed to Omaha in 1872, became connected with the *Omaha Republican*, and was its editor and general manager until 1874, when he was elected to the Nebraska legislature. He was appointed United States consul at Dublin, by President Grant in 1876, serving also under Presidents Hayes, Garfield, Arthur and Cleveland. He was for a time advertising agent for the Union Pacific Railroad, served as city librarian of Omaha, and afterward and until his death as surveyor of customs.

PHINEAS W. CRAWFORD was born in Putney, Windham county, Vt., September 21, 1830; he died at Dubuque, Iowa, December 9, 1910. He removed with his parents to Dubuque when nine years of age, attended the public schools there, and graduated from Illinois College, Jacksonville, Ill. After due study he was admitted to the bar on October 8, 1851. He enlisted May, 1861, in the Third Iowa Volunteer Infantry, having been a Second Lieutenant in the Washington Guards, which entered the Third Iowa as Company A. He was promoted to First Lieutenant and then to Regimental Quartermaster, holding that position until the close of his enlistment. On his re-enlistment he was made Captain in the Fourth U. S. Volunteer Corps, known as Hancock's Corps. He was wounded in the battle of Shiloh. After the war he returned to Dubuque and re-engaged in the practice of law, continuing the same until within a few days of his death. He was at one time connected with the office of United States Marshal. He served as General Counsel for the Missouri, Arkansas & Texas Ry. At the time of the execution of Mrs. Surratt in Washington, Col. Crawford was Officer of the Day. During his service as a soldier he acted for a while as Judge Advocate under Gen. Sherman.

LEANDER CLARK was born in Wakeman, Huron county, Ohio, July 17, 1823; he died at Toledo, Iowa, December 22, 1910. He attended the schools of his native county and completed his education at Oberlin College. He removed to Wisconsin in 1846, and emigrated to California in 1849, engaging in mining, packing and trading in northern California until 1852. He returned and settled in Tama county, Iowa, in 1854. He was elected county judge in 1857, and changed his residence to Toledo. He was a member of the Ninth, Ninth Extra and Eleventh General Assemblies. He enlisted in August, 1862, in the Twenty-fourth Iowa Infantry, and was elected Captain of Co. E. He served nearly three years and was wounded at the battle of Champion Hill, Miss. He was promoted to Major, and a short time before his discharge to Lieutenant Colonel. He was agent for the Sac and Fox Indians in Iowa from 1866 to 1872. He acquired large land interests and other holdings. He was an organizer and promoter of many of the best enterprises of his home city and county, his greatest service perhaps being an endowment of fifty thousand dollars to Western College, Toledo, Iowa, afterward named Leander Clark College in honor of him.

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