

Ambrose C. Fulton

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years president of the Crooked Creek railroad, a short line which tapped the immense coal regions along the Des Moines valley, in the southern part of Webster county. He was a pioneer in the manufacture of drainage tiles. His claim upon the grateful recollection of the people of his town and county rests upon his establishment of a hospital at Webster City, the management of which he turned over to the Methodist Episcopal Church of that Conference. In his later years Mr. Funk traveled widely in this country and Europe.

AMBROSE C. FULTON was born in Chester county, Pa., July 7, 1811; he died in Davenport, Oct. 16, 1903. Mr. Fulton's long life was an unusually eventful one, full of strange, romantic adventure. Much of this he has given to the public in his book, "A portion of a life's voyage," published in 1902. In 1842 he settled in Davenport and has since been identified with the life of that city. He was at an early day interested in various plans for its improvement—the erection of a flour mill, the building of roads, bridges, and railroads. He served as county commissioner for Scott county, was twice nominated for representative in the Iowa General Assembly, but defeated. In 1854 he was elected to the senate by the anti-slavery whigs, and served in the 5th G. A. In 1857 he was elected a life member of the Northwestern Freedmen's Aid Commission. During the civil war he received the thanks of Secretary of War Cameron, for furnishing valuable information concerning New Orleans and vicinity. It is impossible to enumerate all of the enterprises and reform movements with which he was identified, but it is doubtful if any other man has done more to promote the welfare of Davenport and vicinity.

JAMES W. LOGAN was born in Washington, Pennsylvania, in March 1826; he died in Des Moines Oct. 3, 1903. Mr. Logan came to Iowa in 1855, settling in Muscatine where for two years he edited *The Muscatine Daily Journal*. He was elected chief clerk of the Iowa House of Representatives for the Sixth G. A., the last session held in Iowa City. He removed to Nebraska in 1857 but in 1860 returned to this State and established *The Republican* at Fort Dodge. He was elected a member of the House of Representatives for the Tenth G. A. In 1864 he removed to Waterloo, and became a partner in the publication of *The Courier*. He remained with the firm about ten years, widely known as one of the leading editors of the State. In 1874 he served as enrolling clerk of the Senate and in 1876 as chief clerk of the House. In 1878 he was appointed U. S. collector of internal revenue, a position he held until 1885. Mr. Logan's father was a soldier in the revolutionary war and he was one of the few Iowa men having that distinction.

WILLIAM H. H. REDDICK was born in Indiana in 1840; he died in Seventy-six township, Muscatine county, Iowa, Nov. 8, 1903. At the breaking out of the civil war Mr. Reddick enlisted in Co. B, Thirty-third Ohio volunteers, and was soon promoted to the position of second lieutenant of the company. His name will go down to history as one of the twenty-four men (non-commissioned officers and privates), who in 1862 planned the heroic and brilliant feat known as "Andrews' Railroad Raid." The project was to capture a train in the heart of the enemy's country and cut off all communication between Atlanta and Chattanooga. The history of the enterprise and its failure are well known. The raiders were captured and Mr. Reddick was one of the few who escaped hanging. He received a medal from Congress for bravery, and was held in great honor by all old soldiers. For many years he had been a well known and respected citizen of Muscatine county. He is survived by a large family.

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