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was compressed under the great ice-plow. Altogether, it is a very interesting specimen.

NOTABLE DEATHS.

EX-GOVERNOR WILLIAM M. STONE died at his home in Oklahoma on the 18th day of July last, at the age of 66. He was a native of Ohio, and came to Iowa in 1854, settling at Knoxville, where he entered upon the practice of the law. In October, 1855, he established the Knoxville *Journal*, and became its editor. He was a delegate from Marion county to the convention which assembled at Iowa City (then the capital of the State), on the 22d of February, 1856, and organized the Republican party in Iowa. He was nominated by that convention for Presidential Elector, and was elected in November following. In 1857 he was chosen District Judge, and under the new constitution which took effect the next year was elected Judge of the new Sixth District. When the Rebellion broke out in 1861, he raised a company which went into the Third Iowa Infantry, of which regiment Captain Stone was appointed Major. He was taken prisoner by the Confederates at the battle of Shiloh, and was held at Richmond several months. Soon after he was released by exchange, Governor Kirkwood appointed him Colonel of the 22d Infantry. He was slightly wounded at one of the battles before Vicksburg, in 1863, and came home on furlough. He attended the Republican State Convention, made an eloquent war speech (with his arm in a sling), the night before the ballot was taken for a candidate for Governor, where most of the delegates were present. A warm contest had been going on for months between the supporters of General Fitz Henry Warren and Elijah Sells. But the thrilling eloquence of the wounded soldier in blue, captured a majority of the delegates, and Colonel William M. Stone was nominated for Governor. He was elected over General J. M. Tuttle, the Democratic candidate, by a majority of nearly 30,000. He was re-elected in 1865, over Colonel Thomas H. Benton by a majority of about 17,000.

In 1888 Governor Stone was chosen Presidential Elector over Judge Grant of Davenport, who had been his competitor for the same position in 1856. In 1889, Governor Stone was appointed Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, and near the close of President Harrison's term, was promoted to Commissioner. Upon retiring from that position he settled in Oklahoma, where he resided at the time of his death. He leaves a widow, Caroline M., a daughter of the late Professor James Matthews of Knoxville.

MAJOR GENERAL WILLIAM VANDEVER died at Buena Ventura, California, July 23, at the age of 77. He was born at Baltimore, Maryland, March 31, 1817. He came west in 1839, when but 22 years of age, and settled at Rock Island, Illinois. He was a surveyor in early days, and surveyed large tracts of the public lands in Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. In 1846 he became editor of the Rock Island *Advertiser* and for many years conducted that journal with rare ability. In that capacity he was one of the earliest and most untiring advocates of the building of a line of railroad from Chicago to the Mississippi river, which enterprise was finally accomplished, giving to the country the first division of the great Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific system. In 1847 he married Miss Williams of Davenport, Iowa, and in 1851 settled in Dubuque. In partnership with Ben. M. Samuels he entered upon the practice of the law, and in 1855 became Clerk of the Supreme Court of Iowa. In 1858 he was nominated by the Republicans for Congress in the Second District, which then embraced the north half of the State, and was elected by a majority of 2,739 over Wm. Leffingwell of Clinton county. He served with marked ability and was re-elected in 1860, over his old law partner, Ben. M. Samuels, by a majority of 9,599. When the war of the Rebellion broke out, Vandever resigned his seat in Congress and entered the Union army. He was appointed Colonel of the 9th Iowa Infantry, and served with distinguished ability in the battle of Pea Ridge, the Vicksburg campaign, Lookout Mountain and Sherman's "March to the

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