MARION F. STOOKEY.

Senator from the Fifth Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Decatur, Ringgold and Union, was born in Kosciusko county, Indiana, March 19, 1846. His parents were both natives of Ohio. The family moved from Indiana to Linn county, Iowa, in the fall of 1857 and settled on a farm. His education was acquired in the district school, supplemented by a term in the high school at Cedar Rapids and a year at Western College. He followed the occupation of teaching for several years, teaching during the winter months and working on a farm during the summer. Enlisted in Company C, Forty-seventh Iowa, and served until that regiment was discharged. Graduated from the law department of the State University in 1877 and immediately settled in Leon, Iowa, where he has since continued in the practice of law. Has served as Mayor and City Attorney of Leon; also County Attorney of Decatur County. Elected to the Senate in 1903, serving during the Thirtieth, Thirty-first and Thirty-second General Assemblies. A Republican in politics.