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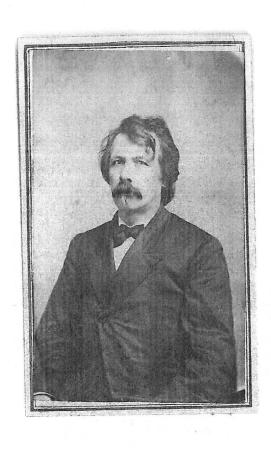
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alarm be installed and that fire drills be held at frequent intervals,

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We found the building wired for electric lights in the hall, the room on the second floor and in the basement; and recommend that this wiring be thoroughly overhuiled.

We found the chimneys to be in good condition and the windows working freely.

WAHKONSA SCHOOL

In this laulding we found that the rear door worked freely and opened out, but found a partition between the double doors in front which we recommend be removed.

We also recommend that the ladder in the cloak room on the second floor leading to a trap door in the attic be hung on strong hinges and worked with a chain rope.

That fire escapes be erected on the west and east sides of the building.

That a complete push button fire plarm system be installed on each floor and in the basement.

That fire drills be conducted at frequent intervals and without stopping for wraps on the part of the children.

That the smoke pipes from both furnaces be covered with asbestos where the same comes into close contact with the floor joists.

Dat the cracked flues in the west furnace be repaired.

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The report of the committee was accepted and placed on file, and they were further instructed to inspect and report on such other buildings as large audiences are allowed to assemble in and were not covered in the report.

GALUSHA PARSONS CALLED FROM EARTH

Former Fort Dodge Lawyer - Passed Away Last Tuesday at Tacoma, Wash.

Word has been received in this city of the death of Galusha Parsons, formerly a lawyer of this city, later of Des Moines, his death taking place at his home at Tacoma, Washington, on Tuesday. His remains are now enroute to Des Moines where the Interment will be made, although as yet the exact time of the funeral services have not been announced.

Mr. Parsons was for a considerable time a resident of this city, residing in the home now owned by Frank Gates, at 908 First avenue North. coming to this city from New York about 1865. He removed to Des Moines in 1863 where he remained for about twenty years, leaving that city for Tacoma where he passed his last days. He was about eighty years, of age at the time of his death. He leaves to mourn his passing, his wife and two sons, Edward L. Parsons who is in the law business at Tacoma, and Louis Parsons, also of that city. A third son Hal Parsons died a few years ago in Des Moines.

Mr. Parsons was a member of the thirteenth general assembly, serving in the house of representatives from Webster county.

Mr. and Mrs. George Allan of Dabuque were Fort Dodge visitors Mon-

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tral Between Waterloo and City, Passes Away.

William White, an Illinois fireman running between Wate this city in the chain gang service, died in Waterloo: morning. The Times-Tribune following:

William White, a fireman on the west end of the Illin tral, and who has been sick fo more than a week, passed a urday morning at his roomin at 514 Argyle street

About a week ago Mr. W taken sick with a sudden illi shortly afterwards the physic nounced it typhoid fever. F time on he grew rapidly wo death relieved him. Willia was a man of sterling chare good habits, and death has one of the most trustworthy of the Illinois Central. of the younger men in the having been employed only past five months but in t he demonstrated his worth to On account of his s pany. vice with the company he w member of the Brotherhood motive Engineers and Fire that lodge of worthy gentle sisted him tenderly in his is and needs.

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and served in that capacity until appointed to the Supreme Bench by Governor Larrabee, in February 1889, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Judge Reed. He was twice elected a Supreme Judge and thrice served as Chief Justice, assuming that position upon his appointment by the Governor. Upon his retirement from the Supreme Bench he was appointed by Governor Cummins to fill a vacancy upon the District Bench of his county, caused by the death of Charles P. Holmes, serving the remaining year of his predecessor's term. Judge Given was married at Millersburg, Ohio, October 6, 1851, to Elizabeth Armor. She died twelve years ago. The surviving children are Welker, Josiah Jr., William H. Given and Mrs. Joseph G. Gardner, all of Des Moines, and Frank and Thomas Given of Spokane, Wash. Few men have had greater personal popularity than Judge Given. He had that sweetness of disposition, that kindness of heart, and that sympathy for and thoughtfulness of others which endeared him to all. quickness of comprehension, and an almost intuitional divination of the very right in every controversy made him an exceptionally strong trial judge; and when promoted to the Supreme Bench, he brought to it years of experience both at the bar and on the bench, making him a valuable member of that body. He never betrayed either a friend or a trust; and his ideals were of the highest. No one ever challenged either his character or his motives. Distinguished as a soldier, eminent as a jurist, and conspicuously honorable and just in his private life, Judge Given's services both to the State and the Nation were of inestimable value. H. E. D.

LUCIAN C. BLANCHARD was born at Diana, Lewis county, New York, April 15, 1839; he died at his home in Oskaloosa, Iowa, March 1, 1908. He attended rural schools and afterwards removed to Mt. Morris, Illinois, where he taught school for some time. In 1860 he arrived in Newton, Jasper county, Iowa. He enlisted in Company K, 28th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, participating in the battles of Fort Gibson and Champion Hills and in the Siege of Vicksburg. He was honorably discharged on account of disabilities and returned to the north. He graduated from the law course at the University of Michigan in 1866. He was appointed Judge of Jasper county in 1867 and elected in 1868. He was elected Circuit Judge of a district composed of Poweshiek, Washington, Keokuk and Jefferson counties, then re-elected, the district now also embracing Jasper, Marion and Mahaska, then a re-election added four years more to the eight already served with great He served in the Legislature from Mahaska county in the House of the 25th and in the Senate of the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th General Assemblies. He was a member of the Iowa Vicksburg Park Monument Commission. He was once President of the Iowa State Bar Association, Vice Commander Iowa Department G. A. R., Grand Orator and Grand Treasurer Iowa Grand Lodge of Masons, and with Judge Theron F. Newton, editor of the Masonic Digest.

GALUSHA PARSONS was born at East Aurora, N. Y., on May 22, 1828; he died at his home in Tacoma, Washington, March 10, 1908. He removed from New York to Iowa in 1865, locating at Ft. Dodge. He was a representative in the Iowa House of Representa-

tives in the 13th General Assembly from Webster county, serving on committees of Judiciary and State University. He attained eminence at the bar at Ft. Dodge. He removed to Des Moines in 1873, being associated first with George H. Lewis and then with John S. Runnels. Great learning, effective argument, and persistent methods distinguished him at the Des Moines bar. He removed to Tacoma, Washington, in 1890 and continued in the law practice. His activities and success grew until about four years ago, when his health began to fail. His body was brought to Iowa and buried at Greenwood Cemetery, Des Moines, March 19, 1908.

M. J. Davis was born in Juniata county, Pa., Oct. 27, 1837; he died at Lewis, Cass county, Iowa, February 2, 1908. He graduated in medicine in 1862 and soon afterwards enlisted in the Union army and was assigned to Hospital duty. In 1866 he located in Lewis, Iowa, where he practiced medicine until 1881, retiring to devote himself to general business. He was a member of the Iowa House of Representatives in the 25th and 26th General Assemblies, serving on many of the important committees. He was the author of the law against the sale of malt liquors by pharmacists. He was a man of large means and wide and wholesome influences.

Samuel F. Cooper was born at Stockbridge, Mass., December 19, 1826; he died at his home in Campbell, Cal., February 21, 1908. He was graduated from Oberlin College in 1851. In 1855 he removed to Grinnell, Iowa, engaging in the law and real estate business. Edited the Montezuma Republican, 1860; enlisted as a private in Fourth Iowa Cavalry, 1861; was transferred to and became Lieutenant Colonel of the Fortieth Iowa Infantry. He served as District Judge in Arkansas following the war and for four years was U. S. Consul at Glasgow, Scotland. He organized the First National Bank of Grinnell; served as the first Mayor of that city, 1865-67; was a Trustee of Iowa College and Oberlin College. He made many valuable gifts to Iowa College. His body was brought to Grinnell for burial.

James Mortimer Clark was born near Toronto, Jefferson county, Ohio, in 1822; he died at Council Bluffs, Iowa, Feb. 12, 1908. He was educated at Franklin college, New Athens, Ohio, read law with Stanton & McCook, Steubenville, Ohio, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in May, 1849. In 1852 Mr. Clark migrated to California, where he resided eleven years, returning to Ohio. He then removed to Johnson county, Iowa, in 1867, thence to Adams county in 1876, settling upon a farm in Prescott township, where his home remained. Mr. Clark represented Adams county in the House in the 26th General Assembly, serving on the committees of Retrenchment and Reform, Compensation of Public Officers, Hospitals for Insane, Board of Public Charities, Senatorial Districts and Fish and Game, and in the 27th, serving on the same committees and also on those of Federal Relations, Judiciary, Building and Loan, Telephone, Telegraph and Express, and Police Regulations.

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Recollections and Sketches of Notable Lawyers and Public Men of Early Iowa

Belonging to the First and Second Generations, with Anecdotes and Incidents Illustrative of the Times

By

EDWARD H. STILES

For many years a member of the Iowa Bar; member of its House of Representatives, 1863-1864; member of its Senate, 1865-1866; Reporter of its Supreme Court, 1867-1875; author of Complete Digest of its Decisions from the earliest Territorial period to the 56th Iowa Reports.

"In old age alone we are masters of a treasure of which we cannot be eprived, the only treasure we can call our own. The pleasures of memory and the retrospect of the varied images which in an active life have floated before the mind, compensate, and more than compensate, for the alternate pleasures and cares of active life."—SIR ARCHIBALD ALLISON.

"Personal anecdotes, when characteristic, greatly enliven the pages of a biography."—SAMUEL SMILES.

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tions that had been prepared, made an address in which he gave a brief sketch of Mr. Brown. From this I have gathered the following data: Mr. Brown was born in Portage County, Ohio, in 1838. His father was a farmer who had settled at an early date upon what was known as the Western Reserve. He was reared after the manner of farmers' sons, working the land in the summer, and attending school in the winter. He managed, however, to fit himself for an entrance to Hiram College, having then for its head, James R. Garfield, afterward President of the United States. From Hiram College he went to the University of Michigan, where he took a full collegiate course and graduated with honors. He subsequently entered and graduated from the Law department of that University. He had thus acquired solid foundations upon which to build, and he built well. He was a historical, as well as a legal student, and his general acquirements were of no ordinary character. He came to Des Moines in 1866. Of him at this period of his life Judge Mitchell says:

Having determined to locate here he found a place in my office, and began making himself familiar with the statutes, practice and decisions of the State. He had an intense love for his profession. His researches were always extensive and thorough. He made his way slowly but surely. He was strong rather than brilliant. He grew steadily in strength as a lawyer from the day he began to practice until the day of his death. * * * He was as kind and tender hearted as a woman, and his life was full of good deeds. To a client who was poor or friendless he never turned a deaf ear. He had great possibilities when he died in the full vigor of his manhood.

At the time of his death he had attained a high and honorable position at the bar, and no finer tribute could be paid to the memory of a young lawyer than those of Judge Mitchell and Mr. Dudley. I knew both Mr. Brown and Mr. Dudley well. They both had the highest appreciation of and lived up to the ethics of the profession.

Galusha Parsons, Frederick Lehman, Albert B. Cummins, John A. McCall.

Galusha Parsons was a native of East Aurora, New York, where he was born in 1828. He came to Iowa and located at Fort Dodge in 1865, where he rapidly rose to be regarded as one of the first lawyers in that part of the State. He represented Webster County in the House of the Thirteenth General Assembly. He removed to Des Moines in 1873, and formed a partnership with John S. Runnells. He was notable for his legal learning and great proficiency. He removed to Tacoma, Washington, in 1890, and became distinguished there, and continued in the practice until his death in 1906. His body was brought to Des Moines and buried in Greenwood Cemetery. He was one of the most agreeable men in the world. I knew him well. When Archie Brown, who had been for years, the colored porter at the Savery House in Des Moines, was indicted for the murder of Ella Barrett, a milliner of Des Moines, who was found brutally murdered in her room, I was employed to assist in his prosecution after the case on change of venue had been

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removed to Ottumwa. The case, on account of the mystery connected with it, and the fact that it involved other persons than Brown, who was thought to be merely the hired instrument, created a good deal of public interest. Parsons was employed to defend Brown. Judge Edward L. Burton presided at the trial. It was a protracted one, and at its close, Mr. Parsons and myself had become pretty thoroughly known to each other. To show the custom of the times, I will state that during the progress of the trial, Mr. Parsons and myself were invited by the Judge to dine with him at his fine residence in the suburbs. We were the only guests. Judge Burton was not only a great lawyer, but a generous liver, and the table was bountifully supplied. He had some of the traits of his English ancestry, and his capacity for making good punch was equaled only by that of his guests in drinking it. A delightful conversation ensued, in which Mr. Parsons, who was a voluble and entertaining talker, displayed a wide range of knowledge. After a lapse of nearly forty years the recollection of that pleasant occasion is as fresh as ever. Some sixteen years ago I was in Seattle, and I thought of Mr. Parsons being at Tacoma, and resolved to stay over a day and visit him. I found him actively in the professional harness with one of his sons, I think, as partner. He was the same talkative, agreeable personage as of old. He was a learned and charming gentleman of the old school.

Frederick W. Lehman, whom I knew at his commencement in Iowa and afterward in Missouri, would, if he had remained in the former State, have taken as high rank as he achieved in the latter. He was a Democrat, and though a young man, he soon came to be regarded in Des Moines, and indeed, throughout the State, as one of the leaders of his party in council, as he was among its orators. Lehman might, in many respects, be termed a genius. His intellectual powers and inclinations were wide and varied. Though large bodied and heavily shouldered, he was active in temperament and investigation. His thirst for knowledge was insatiable; he read everything within his reach, and as he grew older, traced the lines of the choicest literature. But this omnivorous taste did not distract his attention from nor seriously interfere with his legal studies and pursuits. He became a very learned lawyer. His maximum, however, was reached after his removal from Des Moines to St. Louis, more than thirty years ago. Here he gained an exalted reputation, and was regarded as among the very greatest lawyers of Missouri. He was an ardent lover of history and ancient lore, and had a great desire to perpetuate the past; his veritable antiquarian taste made him active in the collection of valuable relics that attracted the attention of savants and scholars. He was one of the leading spirits in arranging the details of the Centennial Celebration of the Louisiana Purchase, held at St. Louis, and on every occasion took an active part in meetings of a like character. By persistent literary endeavor he became an accomplished scholar, and this joined to his great abilities as a lawyer, served in a measure to make his reputation national. During the administration of President Grant he was appointed Solicitor in Chief of the Treasury Department at Washington, which after a term of efficient service, he

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Some Descendants of Francis Lindsley (1639

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Name: Galusha Parsons

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Birth: ABT 1828 in East Aurora, Erie Co., NY Death: ABT 1906 in Tacoma, Pierce Co., WA

Burial: ABT 1906 Greenwood Cemetery; Des Moines, Polk Co., IA

Note:

Galusha Parsons was the man who exposed the hoax of the so-called Cardiff Giant. In 1868 H. B. Martin and George Hull purchased a large block of gypsum at Fort Dodge , Iowa, and had it shipped to Chicago. where it was carved in the shape of a giant man and treated with sulfuric acid to give it the appearance of antiquity. The finished carving w then shipped to Union, New York, and buried on the farm of one William Newell, a relative of Hull. The statue remain buried for about a year. Then in 1869 Newell hired a crew to dig a new well on the site of the burial. When the crew struck rock, Newell requested that it be carefully excavated, thus exposing the giant. The statue was hoisted from the site and became a lucrative attraction for the hoax perpetrators. It was called variously the American Goliath, the Petrified Giant, the Onondaga Giant, and eventually the Cardiff Giant. A number of learned and well known professic added substantiation to the claims of the 'discoverers' by claiming that the petrified remains were indeed that of a giant human. Phineas T. Barnum offered to purchase the curiosity, but was turned down by its owners.

While on his way to New York from his home in Fort Dodge, Iowa, Galusha Parsons stopped to see the curiosity. Recalling the purchase of the huge block of gypsum two years earlier at Fort Dodge by the owners. he wrote to the Dodge newspaper saying that he believed the giant had been carved from that stone. Detectives were hired and soc uncovered the trail from Iowa to Chicago, and finally to New York. Despite Galusha Parson's exposure, the Cardiff G remained a curiosity for over fifty years. It was eventually returned to Fort Dodge for a 'decent burial.' It was eventually returned by Gardner Cowles, a Des Moines newspaperman, and included in a collection of Iowa curiosities.

Ancestry Hints for Galusha Parsons

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<u>Fanny Parsons</u> b: ABT 1861 in Buffalo, Erie Co., NY Katy Parsons b: ABT 1864 in Buffalo, Erie Co., NY

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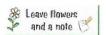
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