

## REMARKS OF MR. J. F. OFFILL OF JASPER COUNTY, ON THE LIFE AND CHARACTER OF HON. FRANK T. CAMPBELL.

MR. SPEAKER—I should feel that the people of Jasper county had not been represented if I should fail to say anything in honor of one of her honored citizens. A feeling of sincere sorrow has been expressed by a large number of friends of the Honorable Frank T. Campbell, who lived for many years among us, and was one of our most worthy citizens, a good citizen and a good business man.

Frank T. Campbell settled in Newton in the year 1856. He entered into the newspaper business with his brother, A. K. Campbell. Soon after coming there they purchased the Newton Express, and shortly afterward changed its name to the Free Press.

When the call came for troops to put down the Rebellion, Mr. Campbell left his interests in his brother's hands and went to the army, enlisting in the Fortieth Iowa, and was elected Captain of Company A of that regiment, and was a faithful and brave soldier. In 1869 he was elected to the State Senate from Jasper county and well represented his people—so well that in 1877 he was nominated and elected Lieutenant Governor, serving four years with marked success as President of the Senate.

In 1888 Governor Larrabee appointed Mr. Campbell State Railroad Commissioner. The following year he was elected to the same office for three years.

Mr. Campbell leaves many warm friends in Jasper county, in whose memory his pleasant greetings will always be remembered.

HON. THOMAS C. BEACH.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions commemorative of the life and character and public service of Honorable Thomas C. Beach, respectfully submit the following report:

Born in Jacksonville, Illinois, January 11, 1831; died in Oskaloosa, January 11, 1906. He was reared on a farm and attended district schools in Illinois. Came to Iowa and entered land in Richland township, Mahaska county, Iowa, in 1853, where he improved a farm and resided thirteen years. Was married to Miss Martha Campbell April 17, 1853, who departed this life February 3, 1904. To them were born five children, four sons and one daughter. Three of his sons and the daughter are respected citizens of Mahaska county. Mark W., Thomas C., Joseph C., and Mary E. Beach, the other son, Luke L., having died.

A stalwart Republican, an honored Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine. Six years a justice of the peace, a member of the Christian church, a progressive farmer and a public-spirited citizen.

WHEREAS, The Hon. Thomas C. Beach, an honored member of the Fifteenth and Twenty-fourth General Assemblies of Iowa, and a respected citizen of Mahaska county for more than a half century, passed from earth to his reward July 11, 1906;

WHEREAS, The life and high character of the deceased were such as to entitle him to the respect and esteem of all who knew him, and his services to the State and Nation such as to command the confidence and gratitude of his fellow citizens; therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That in the death of this public-spirited citizen and legislator the State has lost an influential and upright citizen, his family are bereft of a kind and loving father, and his friends of an honest and esteemed man.

*Resolved*, That we extend to his children and those nearest him our sincere sympathy in their sorrow and affliction; and the Chief Clerk of the House is hereby instructed to transmit an engrossed copy of these resolutions to the bereaved family and to enter the same on the Journal of this House.

A. F. N. HAMBLETON,  
HENRY DUNN,  
PHILIP HELES,

*Committee.*

Adopted January 28, 1907.

HON. JOHN CLARK.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to prepare and present suitable resolutions respecting the life, character and public service of the Hon. John Clark, late a member of this House in the Tenth General Assembly, begs leave to report the following:

The subject of this memorial was born December 9, 1817, at Oxford, Massachusetts, and died August 2, 1906, at Albia, Iowa. He emigrated to the Hawkeye State in 1841, seven years before the commonwealth was admitted into the Union, and he continued his residence in the "beautiful land" until his death. He was a pioneer of unfailing energy, of invincible determination, of intrepid courage. In the years of his earlier vigor he was actively interested in every enterprise which promised to promote the welfare or to enlarge the happiness of his people. No man in southern Iowa contributed more than he to the erection of schools, to the organization of churches, to the foundation of homes, and to the establishment of the enlightened civilization now so uniform throughout the State. His convictions were always positive, but he so tempered his judgments with charity that he rarely offered offense. He was a man who estimated modestly his own merits, but his countrymen recognized his peculiar qualifications for the public service, and he occupied many official positions of trust and responsibility. In all the avenues of activity in which he was engaged his labor was conscientiously performed, and every confidence reposed in him was faithfully redeemed. And so he came to the evening of life with love, honor, obedience, troope of friends to accompany his old age. His days were lengthened beyond four score years and they were full to overflowing of efficient service and its rich reward. And when the grim messenger beckoned him to his eternal home, he lifted his voice to the Savior who died that he might be redeemed, and he said with the tender trustfulness of a little child:

"Thy will, not mine, be done."

The world was better for his having lived in it, and his earthly pilgrimage was an acceptable preparation for the higher sphere into which he has entered.

*Resolved*, That the foregoing memorial be entered upon the Journal