

It should be remembered that this was the first time since the creation of the office that a Democrat had been chosen to the position of Lieutenant Governor and the first time since the extra session of 1856 that a presiding officer of the Senate had been a Democrat, a period of thirty-six years.

At the time that the Hon. John H. Gear was first elected to the United States Senate, Mr. Bestow received the full vote of the minority for that place, which was a fitting tribute to his abilities and standing. The division in the legislature was 71 for Bestow and 77 for Gear, a passage in the political history of the State not generally remembered.

We owe to Mr. Bestow a debt of gratitude that we can never hope to repay. Regarding a public office as a public trust, he has given to the State, honest, efficient and faithful service; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of this patriotic citizen the State has lost an honored, influential and upright man,

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered on the Journals of the House and Senate and that an engrossed copy be presented to the family of the deceased by the Secretary of the Senate.

J. H. DARRAH,

W. P. ALLRED,

G. W. KOONTZ,

On the part of the House.

J. A. MCKLVEEN,

THOS. LAMBERT,

JAS. H. JAMISON,

On the part of the Senate.

Adopted April 4, 1907.

REMARKS OF MR. GEO. W. KOONTZ OF JOHNSON COUNTY, ON THE LIFE
AND CHARACTER OF THE LATE HON. SAMUEL L. BESTOW.

MR. SPEAKER—Among that great throng of leaders, whose ability and integrity and energies, have placed the State we love among the first in the sisterhood of States, stands the name of him for whom we have this day turned aside from the ordinary routine of business to pay a tribute of respect to his memory and to mourn his loss.

While he was not one of the territorial pioneers who followed close upon the path of the disappearing aborigines and planned and laid out the foundation of our commonwealth, yet in its early history he settled in the south part of the State, and spent a long and useful life as a leading factor in building up its cities and towns, in extending its rail-ways, in developing its vast agricultural and mineral resources, and in advancing its industrial, educational and religious interests.

He made no claim to oratory, being gifted with that happy faculty of making himself understood by the use of plain words; while tolerant with others and with their views he was firm in his convictions and especially in his political views—never carried away by the sensations of the hour, a strict constitutionalist, a firm believer on sound money, not a foe to corporations yet demanding their obedience by law and fairness to the people, and utterly opposed to sumptuary legislation. He was a fit running mate with that noble Roman, Horace Boies, in the successful

campaign of 1892, when the wonderful vote demonstrated that on a sound platform, with good, clean men near the people, that Iowa is not always a sure Republican State.

In 1894 Samuel L. Bestow retired from politics, devoting his time to his private affairs and until called he enjoyed the love and respect of all classes, old, young, high and low, for spotless integrity, a scrupulous sense of duty and faultless manhood. The summons came as the shadows of evening were gathering on a long and well-spent life. He was spared to "calmly look on either life, and here saw nothing to regret nor there to fear."

HON. FRANK T. CAMPBELL.

To the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

WHEREAS, Frank T. Campbell, Lieutenant Governor of Iowa from 1878 to 1882, departed this life after a lingering illness, at his home in Lima, Ohio, on the 6th day of March, A. D. 1907, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the General Assembly of the State of Iowa has heard with deep sorrow and regret the death of Iowa's distinguished son and former Lieutenant Governor, and that in his death this commonwealth mourns the loss of one of her honorable and patriotic sons.

Frank T. Campbell was born in the State of Ohio, in the year 1836, and died at the ripe age of seventy-one years. At the age of twenty he moved to Iowa, and settled at Newton in Jasper county, where he became associated with his brother in the management of the Newton Journal. Governor Campbell was a member of the State Senate, and served during the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth General Assemblies, and was active in shaping the important legislation of that period, particularly the legislation referring to the regulation of railway passenger and freight rates. In March, 1888, he was appointed a member of the Railway Commission, and at the November election in the same year was elected to that position, the tenure of that office having been changed from appointive to elective.

Governor Campbell served as Captain of Company A of the Fortieth Iowa Infantry during the War of the Rebellion, and performed able and patriotic service in behalf of his country.

Be it Further Resolved, That the General Assembly takes this occasion to testify its high appreciation of the exalted character and distinguished public services of Frank T. Campbell, and hereby extends to his bereaved family its sincere sympathy in their sorrow and affliction.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be properly engrossed, authenticated by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and the Speaker and Clerk of the House, and sent to the members of his family.

JOHN B. SULLIVAN,

C. A. MEREDITH,

E. J. SIDEX,

On the part of the House.

C. C. DOWELL,

GEO. W. DUNHAM,

A. F. FRUDDEN,

On the part of the Senate.

Adopted April 2, 1907.