

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of Cassius M. Brown, beg leave to submit the following report:

CASSIUS M. BROWN.

Cassius M. Brown, a member of this body during the Nineteenth and Twentieth General Assemblies, died at his home, Sigourney, Keokuk County, Iowa, on May 8, 1913. Mr. Brown was a native of the state of Ohio, where he was born on November 9, 1845. His father, Garretson Brown, was born in Maryland, and his mother, Miss Anna Holland, was born in West Virginia. He has the unique record of being the last senator to serve his district in the old capitol building and the first one to serve the district in the present capitol building. He was a lawyer by profession and took an active part in the civil war. He was married early in life to Miss Flora Sampson, daughter of Colonel Ezekiel Sampson, who were also residents of Sigourney, Iowa. Mr. Brown was a man whom his fellow citizens and neighbors delighted to honor. He was active in religious affairs and in all those movements that had for their purpose the betterment of the community and the uplifting of mankind. He was always faithful and efficient in his service, but over and above all these things, he was a genial, helpful and sympathetic friend. He went to his grave after a long and useful life and in the midst of his work, being found dead in his office on the 8th day of May, 1913. His record is clean and it will be a source of pride and satisfaction to his family and his state until the end of time.

*Resolved*, That in his death the community and state lost a worthy and upright citizen and an honorable man, and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the journal of the Senate and a copy of the same be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

C. C. LAFFER.

J. M. WILSON.

JNO. R. PRICE.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Senator Laffer in rising to move the adoption of the resolutions, spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT AND SENATORS—As you all know I make no pretense as to oratory but I could not miss this opportunity of saying a few words about the life and character of my friend who is now gone and who was once a member of this Senate.

Cassius M. Brown's word was as good as his bond. His name was synonymous with truth and integrity. His life was clean and his record untarnished. His family was his world and devotion and self-sacrifice were the key-notes of his character. He was a simple, unassuming, plain, matter-of-fact, business man to the world. To the poor and unfortunate he was a tender and sympathetic friend. In his home he was a child with his children; a boy with his boy, the best chum of his girls and up