

The death of this splendid man occurred at his home in Denver on Wednesday, April 24, 1912, following an illness of several weeks and his death is a distinct loss to the state of Iowa and thus recognized by all who are familiar with the measure of his splendid service in matters of statecraft and his exalted example of true American citizenship. Now, therefore be it

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the Thirty-fifth General Assembly that an engrossed transcript of this memorial be furnished to the family of the deceased and a copy thereof be spread upon the Journal of the House.

C. W. MILLER,
W. I. ATKINSON,
GEO. W. KOONTZ,
Committee.

Adopted April 10, 1913.

HON. LEWIS FORDYCE.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to draft and present resolutions commemorating the life, character, and services of the Honorable Lewis Fordyce, late a member of the House of Representatives in the Fourth and Twentieth General Assemblies, beg leave to submit the following report:

Lewis Fordyce was born in Wabash county, Illinois, November 5, 1820. At the age of seventeen he came with his parents to Lee county, Iowa, and two years later to Van Buren county. In 1845 he returned to Lee county where he was united in marriage to Miss Maisy Newby on March 27, 1846. Had Mr. Fordyce lived only three days longer, he and the bride of his young manhood would have celebrated their sixty-sixth anniversary. Eight sons were born to them, five of whom together with the wife and mother still survive. The family moved to Jefferson county in 1872 and resided on the farm near Libertyville until the time of Mr. Fordyce's death.

Mr. Fordyce was chosen to represent Van Buren county in the Fourth General Assembly. He was again chosen to represent the county of Jefferson in the Twentieth General Assembly. He was a broad-minded man and believed that the christian citizen (as he was) should interest himself in whatever concerned the state and so as a member of the General Assembly he was faithful and devoted in his services to the state and the people of his county.

He became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of twenty-seven and remained a faithful member of the same until called to join the church triumphant. In 1857 he was ordained a minister and became a member of the Iowa conference, which he served as secretary

for thirty years. As a pioneer preacher he had much to do with the organization of many church societies and while some have passed into history, many others still live and bless his memory. In the hearts of his neighbors and acquaintances his memory is revered as a faithful Christian, a true friend, and an inspiration to a purer and nobler life.

March 24, 1912, Mr. Fordyce passed away, having passed the ninety-second "mile stone", which marks the years along life's journey. There was left to mourn his departure the wife who has shared all his joys and burdens, and from whom he is separated for only a little while, and five sons. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That in his death the state has lost a most worthy citizen, a conscientious and an honorable man, and we hereby extend our sympathy to the surviving family who have lost a devoted husband and father, and be it further

Resolved, That the chief clerk is instructed to send an engrossed copy of these resolutions to the surviving wife and family, and that the same be spread upon the Journal of the House.

S. A. POWER,
FRED W. JONES,
C. C. CANNON,
Committee.

Adopted April 10, 1913.

HON. ANTON HANSMAN.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee appointed to draft resolutions commemorating the life, character and public services of the Honorable Anton Hansman, of Clinton county, late member of the House, beg leave to report the following memorial:

Anton Hansman was born in Baden, Germany, June 9, 1835, and died at his home at De Witt, Iowa, Sunday March 16, 1913, at the age of seventy-seven years. On May 3, 1862, he was married to Miss Margaret Sophy, who with four children survive him.

Mr. Hansman was elected to the lower house from Clinton county Iowa, as a member of the Twenty-seventh General Assembly, and was re-elected as a member of the Twenty-eighth General Assembly, and within these walls he manifested at all times his strong principles of manhood and his true loyalty and devotion to the teachings of his sainted mother.

In politics Mr. Hansman was an uncompromising democrat, but at the same time over and above all a lover of his country and its institutions for which he constantly believed his party stood sponsor. Though a farmer by occupation he was always interested in public affairs and held many offices of trust in his community and was careful and painstaking in the discharge of his duties of each. Faithful to every obliga-