

He was thoroughly reliable in every walk of life and his integrity was unquestioned by all who knew him. He was a man of large parts, though modest and unassuming in his demeanor and had large experience in political affairs. He was a member from Washington County, Pennsylvania, of the state convention of that state and took part in sending an instructed delegation to the national convention which placed in nomination Abraham Lincoln for President of the United States, and he himself twice declined a nomination for Congress from his native state.

He was always found on the right side of all moral and economic questions and assisted in legislation that had for its object the betterment and uplift of humanity. He was a leading member of the United Presbyterian Church and was conscientious and steadfast in his dealings with men. No one was ever heard to say that he was deceived or misled by William Graham, and while his services to the State were during the period of its more formative existence yet it is a fact that the marks of his ability and high moral character as a citizen of the State have been left upon the legislation of Iowa.

It is therefore fitting and proper that this body shall make permanent record of the valuable services and eminent career of this faithful servant of the State.

It Is Therefore Resolved by the Senate of the Thirty-seventh General Assembly of the State of Iowa, that the foregoing memorial be and the same is hereby unanimously adopted and ordered spread upon the records of this body.

A. V. PROUDFOOT,
O. A. BYINGTON,
T. E. TAYLOR,

Committee.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Senator Proudfoot, in moving the adoption of the report, spoke as follows:

"I only want to say a very few words as I think that it is not necessary or fitting that extensive remarks be made on this occasion.

I presume that I am the only man here who saw and knew Senator Graham. The fact of his death came very much home to me as I well remember that he sat in this body while my father sat in the house across the hall. It was then I came to know him. He was a man of no mean ability. In the state of Pennsylvania from which he came he twice declined the nomination for congressman. He lived a life of public service and had much to do with the formation of his own native state and of Iowa.

He was a man of moderate height, gray haired and gray bearded; a man of modest expression. One could not tell from his appearance that he was a legislator from Pennsylvania, Iowa or any other state. He lived in the county where I live and was always a splendid citizen. He grew with the state. Back in the days when Iowa was not what it is

today he helped to lay the foundation of the state as it is today and some of us are reaping the benefits of the seed sown by him.

I know of no more pleasing duty for me to perform than to pay this tribute to Senator Graham, an illustrious predecessor of my own."

JULIUS J. MATHEWS.

Senator Greene, from a special committee, submitted the following report and moved its adoption:

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to prepare resolutions to commemorate the life, character and public service of the Honorable Julius J. Mathews, late of Maywood, Illinois, and a former member of the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, beg leave to submit the following report:

Julius J. Mathews was born January 8th, 1826, in Perry County, Ohio. In 1835 he went to Indiana, and in 1839 to Iowa City. In 1852 he removed to Lyons, Iowa.

He commenced the study of medicine in 1848, graduating from the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Keokuk in 1852.

He served as a member of the State Senate from 1854 to 1858, and was postmaster of Lyons from 1867 to 1879. He also served as an Alderman, and was a member of the Board of Education.

In 1856 he was united in marriage to Miss P. L. Sanders, in Iowa City. To them were born six children. The survivors are: His wife, three sons—John Mathews, of Maywood, Illinois; Jay Mathews, of Cherokee, Iowa; Fred W. Mathews, of Scranton, Iowa, and one daughter, Mrs. Nannie Patrick, of Maywood, Illinois.

Mr. Mathews was a resident of Greene County, Iowa, from 1879 until 1913, residing most of that time at Dana. Mr. Mathews always took an active part in public affairs during his entire life time, and his influence was always on the right side of all public questions. To be universally spoken of as a good man is as high a tribute as can be paid to any man. This was the common expression with reference to Mr. Mathews from all who knew him or came in contact with his daily life, or within the sphere of his influence. Goodness comprehends all virtues: Charity, benevolence, loyalty, love, purity, service, sympathy, and devotion to high ideals, and Mr. Mathews possessed in a high degree these characteristics.

Mr. Mathews was pure in thought, in action true, and in purpose faithful. He was always active and helpful in civic and social relations. He loved his fellowmen, his community, his State, and his Nation, and gave to each the fullest measure of devotion. Therefore

Be It Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the Secretary transmit an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

WM. J. GREENE.

J. M. WILSON.

A. L. BROXAM.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.