

Memorial Resolutions.

HON. JOHN C. KENNAN.

MR. SPEAKER: Your Committee appointed to present resolutions on the life, public character and service to the State and Nation of the late Captain John C. Kennan, an honorable member of the Twenty-second General Assembly of Iowa, beg leave to submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The life and character of the said deceased were such as to commend the love and esteem of his friends, neighbors and the community in which he lived so many years and his service to his State and Nation as a veteran of the Civil War for the preservation of the Union entitled him to the respect and gratitude of his fellow citizens; Therefore be it

Resolved, That in his death the community in which he resided mourns the loss of an honest patriotic citizen, and his State the loss of a useful conscientious and faithful public servant.

Resolved, That in his death his family have been bereft of a kind and affectionate father and husband, and we hereby extend to the widow and children our sincere sympathy in this their great affliction, and that the Clerk of this House hereby is instructed to mail an engrossed copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased and to enter the same upon the Journal of the House.

M. F. MCNIE,
J. I. NICHOLS,
JOHN MCALLISTER,
Committee.

Adopted Jan. 25, 1906.

REMARKS BY MR. MCNIE.

MR. SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE: The deceased came to Benton County in 1855 and for half a century has been one of the most useful and prominent citizens. He was one of those rugged pioneers who cheerfully underwent the hardships of the early days in this country. He believed in Iowa and in his country. In 1860, when traitors struck at the very foundation of this great republic, there was not the slightest doubt in his mind as to the course he should pursue. He enlisted in the first company raised in Benton County, Company D 8th Iowa Volunteers, General Geddes' old company, and went to the front as its first lieutenant. Afterwards he was promoted to be Captain of Company F of the same regiment. He distinguished himself at the battle of Shiloh as being one of the officers that sustained the memorable Hornet's Nest and withstood the charge of the enemy, time and again as they endeavored to break through the insurmountable barrier. He was in all the subsequent battles of that gallant regiment, and when the country's enemies had been conquered he returned to his home. Captain Kennan was a brave officer and an efficient one. He took great interest in the G. A. R. organization, and especially in the reunion of his old com-

pany that kept up an annual reunion. He was loved and respected by every member of his old command. Captain Kennan was a native of New Haven, Connecticut. He always took an active interest in the public affairs of the County, State and Nation. About 17 years ago he served as a member of the Legislature from Benton County and performed his duties with an eye single to the best interests of all the people. He was a farmer, and until a few years ago he lived upon his fine farm in Cedar township. He will be long remembered as one of the public spirited citizens of Benton County.

HON. JOSEPH E. COBBEY.

Born October 13th, 1824, died January 18, 1905, aged 81 years.

In 1838 he emigrated from Ohio to Illinois.

About 1850 he was engaged in educational and ministerial work.

In the early part of the Civil War he assisted in organizing a Company and soon after was appointed its Captain.

In 1863 he migrated to Benton County, Iowa.

In 1879 he was elected a member of the Eighteenth General Assembly of Iowa.

In 1884 he migrated to Gage County, Nebraska.

He was an honored citizen all his long and useful life.

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to draft resolutions commemorative of the life, character and public service of Captain Joseph E. Cobbeey, respectfully submit the following report:

WHEREAS, The Hon. Joseph E. Cobbeey, an honored member of this House in the Eighteenth General Assembly, a gallant officer of the Civil War, (who has resided in Gage County, Nebraska since 1884,) and a most highly respected citizen where he has lived, passed from his earthly labors on the 18th day of January, 1905,

WHEREAS, The life and 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 were of such a character as to command the confidence and gratitude of his fellow citizens; therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of this patriotic citizen, Captain and Legislator, this State has lost an influential and upright citizen, his family is bereft of a kind and loving father, his friends of an honest and esteemed man.

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

M. F. MCNIE,
JAMES F. MORRIS,
A. H. CHENEY,

Committee.

Adopted.