

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.