

Generous almost to a fault, he never turned a deaf ear to those who applied to him for assistance, and no traveler, not even a tramp, was ever turned away when seeking shelter.

Through his death there has passed away one of the old landmarks of his county, one of the sturdy pioneers who assisted in making of the wilderness a land of plenty, covered with beautiful farms and comfortable homes.

HON. WILLIAM McCORMICK.

MR. SPEAKER—Your committee, appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of Hon. William McCormick, respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, The life and character of the deceased was such as to command our respect and esteem, and his public services to the State of such distinction as to command the gratitude of his fellow citizens; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the State has lost an able, conscientious citizen; a man who has suffered the inconveniences of pioneer life, and that we extend to his children our sincere sympathy.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered at length in the Journal of the House and the Chief Clerk be instructed to present an engrossed copy of these resolutions to the family of the deceased.

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M. A. DASHIELL,
H. H. WILLSON,

Committee.

Adopted February 5th.

REMARKS BY MR. BUCHANAN.

Wm. McCormick was born in Gallatin county, January 13, 1814; died at Highland Center, Wapello county, Iowa, September 8, 1902. He removed from Gallatin county, Kentucky, to Wapello county, Iowa, in 1848, settling in Highland township.

He held various township offices and was a member of the Seventh General Assembly of the State of Iowa. It is said of him that he never had a law suit and never sat upon a jury. He was a member of the Baptist Church. His political affiliations were Democratic, although he was not a strong partisan nor was he swayed by strong party feeling.

Most of his life was spent as a humble citizen. He was a kind neighbor; many came to him for counsel, and none were turned away unaided. There was never a flaw or taint of suspicion of evil in his private life, and certainly none in his public life. He was a never-failing friend. The clasp of his hand was always warm.

His business was always that of a farmer. He came to Iowa in the early pioneer days, when the life of a farmer was not to be envied. He was sturdy, industrious and economical, and attained a goodly amount of property. He reared a large family who are prominent in business and social