

## JOHN ALEXANDER MCKLVEEN

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee which was appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character, and services of the late J. A. McKlveen of Chariton, Iowa, beg leave to submit the following:

John Alexander McKlveen, son of Henry and Catherine Lohr McKlveen, was born in Westmorland county, Pennsylvania, November 28, 1835, and died at his home in Chariton, Iowa, July 16, 1916, at the age of 80 years, 7 months and 18 days.

He was educated in the public schools of his native county and at Sewickly Academy. In early manhood he engaged in teaching and afterward studied medicine. He took his first course of Lectures in 1860 in Cincinnati, Ohio, and engaged in the practice of his profession for two years in Pleasant Unity, Pennsylvania. He continued his Lectures in Bennett Medical college of Chicago, Illinois, receiving his degree from that institution in 1872.

He was entirely self-supporting from the age of fifteen, paying his own way through college. He came to Iowa in 1865, where he spent some time in search of a satisfactory location, finally choosing Chariton, where he practiced continuously for fifty years, or until a few months prior to his death, being the oldest physician of this city, in years of continuous service. He loved his chosen profession, was kind and genial and ever considerate of those depending upon him for advice. He was railway surgeon for the Chicago Burlington & Quincy Railway Company for 24 years and was holding that position at the time of his death. He was president of the board of examining surgeons for pensions during the Harrison administration, and also served as president of the Iowa State Eclectic Medical Society for three terms. He was appointed as a member of the Iowa state board of health by Governor Shaw and served for a period of seven years. In 1901, he was sent as a delegate from the state board of health, to London, England, to attend the British Congress on Tuberculosis. He was also prominent in local affairs, being vice president of the State Savings Bank of Chariton, and a director in the Lucas County National Bank since its organization. In connection with his other business interests, he was senior member of the lumber firm of McKlveen & Eikenberry with yards at Chariton, Russell and Cambria. He always took an active part in the affairs which in any manner affected the public to promote the welfare of the community. He served as Senator from the Fourth district in the Thirty-second and Thirty-second extra General Assemblies. He was diligent and careful in the performance of every duty, vigilant in looking after the interests of his constituents. His fidelity to duty and his promptness and loyalty in discharge of every obligation that came to him, won for him confidence and gained for him the respect of all with whom he was brought in contact.

Largely attended funeral services were held at the First Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Herbert J. Bryce, assisted by Rev. T. H. Aszman of the First Presbyterian church. An eulogy was read by Senator R. A. Hasselquist of Chariton, who paid a merited tribute to the life and character of the deceased.

*Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved,* By the Senate of the Forty-second General Assembly of Iowa, that in the death of John Alexander McKlveen the state and community where he lived have suffered the loss of an influential and honorable citizen; and

*Be It Further Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of the Senate and that the secretary be directed to send an engrossed copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

A. G. DOTTS,

W. E. MCLELAND,

E. E. CAVANAUGH,

*Committee.*

Senator Dotts spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT: It was never my privilege to have met or had any acquaintance with Senator J. A. McKlveen, but having the acquaintance of a number of friends of his, I have learned that he was one of the most respected citizens of Lucas county and the community in which he lived. Having located in Chariton in 1865, he was one of the pioneer physicians in that city, engaged in a very successful practice of his chosen profession, and holding the confidence of all with whom he came in contact.

His large financial interests gave him a large acquaintance wherever those interests were located and all seemed to hold for him the highest regard.

He was active in all civic affairs of the county in which he lived and in his death the community loses an active citizen and the state a valuable servant.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

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#### JOHN B. SULLIVAN

John B. Sullivan was born at Afton, Iowa, December 9th, 1869, one of the younger children of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sullivan. At nine years of age he entered St. Benedict's College at Atchison, Kansas, where he remained until his studies were sufficiently advanced to permit him to enter the Afton High School. After completing the prescribed course at the Afton High School, he matriculated at the University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, where he enrolled in the College of Arts and Letters. During his four years at Notre Dame, Mr. Sullivan took an active interest in debating and public speaking, representing the University in contests with the other universities and colleges in that section of the country. He was also connected, in the capacity of editor, with the University publication, "Scholastic," writing editorials and some fiction and dramatic criticism.

Graduating from the University with a B. Litt. degree in 1891, he entered the State University of Iowa in the fall of the same year and pursued his studies in the Law Course. Having graduated and passed the state bar requirements he returned to Creston, to which place his