

Iowa, and to extend to his family sincere sympathy in their sorrow and bereavement.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal of this House, and that enrolled copies thereof be transmitted to the members of his family.

MARION R. MCCAULLEY,
REYBURN L. RUTLEDGE,
J. A. KING,

Committee.

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HON. JOHN FREDERICK POTTER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to prepare suitable resolutions commemorating the life and service of the Honorable John Frederick Potter, late of Cherokee county, beg leave to submit the following memorial:

John Frederick Potter was born February 27, 1834, in Bridgewater, Windsor county, Vermont, a son of John Potter, who served in the War of 1812, and Polly Wheeler, both of Scotch ancestry. When nine years old he moved with his parents to Rutland county, Vermont, where he lived until he came to Clayton county, Iowa, in 1856.

Mr. Potter followed Rufus Richardson to Iowa and assisted him in developing his farm, which was located southwest of McGregor, and in 1860 he purchased land nearby and in 1862, November 27, married Mary A. Bailey, who had come with her parents from Connecticut in 1859 and lived on a neighboring farm.

In 1868, Mr. Potter looked over a large part of northwestern Iowa, and decided to locate in Cherokee county. Consequently in the spring of 1869 he sold his Clayton county land and with his wife, his father-in-law and several neighboring men he came by covered wagon and ox team to Silver township, Cherokee county, where he purchased Iowa college land and established a home that was known far and wide for its generous hospitality.

Although they had no children of their own, they were the friends of youth everywhere and were Uncle John and Aunt Mary to an ever-widening group, and many were the picnics and gala times enjoyed in the Potter grove and orchard, all planted with their own hands.

Mr. Potter's political opinions were expressed by the Democratic party, voting for Buchanan in 1856. He served as Representative from Cherokee county in the Twenty-third General Assembly.

In 1900 Mr. and Mrs. Potter retired from the farm and moved to Cherokee where he continued to enjoy life and visiting with his many friends until his death, which occurred April 15, 1927, at the advanced age of 93. Funeral services were conducted by the Masons, of which fraternity he was an ardent member.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the House of Representatives of the state of Iowa take this occasion to express its appreciation of the character and services of this valuable citizen, and

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased in care of Mr. N. L. Stiles at Cherokee, Iowa.

C. C. R. BUSH,
WILBER F. HUBBARD,
G. W. SMITH,

Committee.

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HON. LEVI FRANKLIN POTTER

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee which was appointed to prepare resolutions commemorating the life, character and services of the late L. F. Potter of Shelby county, beg leave to submit the following:

Levi Franklin Potter was born at Wawatosa, Wisconsin, March 27, 1855, and died at his home in Harlan, Iowa, April 8, 1928.

Mr. Potter was educated in the schools and colleges of his native state and in 1876 made a trip to Pottawattamie county of this state where he received his first impressions of the possibilities of western Iowa.

He located at Oakland, Iowa, and represented Pottawattamie county in the Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh General Assemblies of the state legislature and in the special session in 1897, which met to completely codify the laws of the state; and was also chairman of the ways and means committee. Mr. Potter's activities since he came to his adopted state have been many and varied.

If any particular line of endeavor should be used to classify his activities, it would be that of banking, and many people owe their start in life to his wise counsel, his financial aid and his foresight in affairs of finances.

He was elected to the presidency of the State Bankers Association in 1903, and served creditably to himself and the association.

He was a member of the Congregational church, and it can be truly said that the church is richer, not only in a material sense, but from that of brotherly love. He was also a member of the Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and passed in that organization into the Knight Templar and Shrine degrees.

There are left to mourn his loss his wife, Mrs. Stella Grace Potter, and his son.

Due to his business acumen his holdings in land ran into the hundreds of acres.

His work is done. It is recorded today in the history, in the statutes, and in the affections of the people of the state in which he lived and died, and which he loved so well. He was one of the last of the old oaks, sturdy, steadfast and true to all in which he believed and held convictions.

He has finished his course and he has kept the faith as he conceived that faith.

The last chapter of his life has been written, and the book is closed. It can be truthfully said of him, "Well done."