

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered in the Journal of the Senate and the Secretary of Senate be instructed to mail an egrossed copy of these resolutions to the family of the decedent.

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Committee.

Senator Taylor, in moving the adoption of the report, spoke as follows:

Mr. President: Having known Hon. Henry C. Traverse since I was a small boy and having resided in adjoining counties and, as it were, being neighbors in our boyhood days, I will ask the indulgence of the Senate while I pay a brief tribute to the memory of one of the early pioneers and respected citizens of the State of Iowa. One who has occupied a conspicuous place among the business men of the State of Iowa for nearly one-half of a century, as a soldier, statesman, patriot, Jurist, business man and philanthropist he was equally great.

Hon. Henry Clay Traverse was born August 28th, 1839. When only four years of age and after the death of his father, he came with his mother to Monroe County, Iowa, a few years later moving to Davis county, Iowa, where he grew to manhood. In early manhood he studied law, his chosen profession, and was admitted to the bar in 1862 at Bloomfield, Iowa. But soon after his admission to the bar the clouds of war hovering over his country, he enlisted in Co. F. of the 30th Iowa infantry of which he was made Orderly Sergeant in which capacity he served during the war, that regiment being attached to the 15th Army Corps, commanded by General Sherman and afterward by Gen. Logan. Mr. Traverse participated in a number of the most important battles of the war such as Haynes Bluff, Arkansas Roost, the siege of Vicksburg, Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge. Upon his discharge from the service he returned to Bloomfield, Iowa, and entered the law practice and in a short time built up a thriving business.

Judge Traverse was a man respected by all men who knew him. He had been a prominent figure in the affairs of Southern Iowa for many years and had served with honor on the bench for fourteen years. He was a student of men and books and sought always to learn the way of the truth. He exemplified a life that makes the world brighter and life better worth the living.

Mr. Traverse's home life was ideal because love reigned there and inspired every word and act spoken and done by husband and father. He was a devout student of God's word and a man of prayer. He will be remembered as a humble and sincere Christian man, devoted to the interests of the church, both temporal and spiritual. His last testimony to those about him during the last days of his illness was a triumphant hope and faith in the fullness of the promises of the gospel of Christ. In all the circles of society in which he has moved for fifty years, Judge Traverse will be missed.

In business the far seeing cagacity and careful judgment was not dimmed by the weight of years and to our faithful friend and respected citizen we bid farewell. The walls of that temple in which his pure aspiring spirit had its earthly abiding place for over three score years is crumbling to ashes and will soon mould in dust away, but the indomitable spirit of noble aim, of glorious purpose, of imperious will, of dauntless courage, of sweet simplicity and of Christian character has come to its coronation.

The resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Senator Chapman, from a special committee, submitted the following report, and moved its adoption:

MR. PRESIDENT—Your Committee appointed to draft resolutions upon the life and services of the Honorable Sewell S. Farwell, late of Monticello, Iowa, beg leave to submit herewith the following report:

Sewell S. Farwell was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, April 26, 1834; he died at Monticello, Iowa, September 21, 1909. He was educated in the common schools and at Keene Academy in his native county, and in a school at Cleveland, Ohio. He removed to Jones County, Iowa, in 1852, with his father's family, thence to Pella, engaging in the mercantile business until 1854, when he removed to Clay County, Kansas, residing there until 1859, when he returned to Iowa, locating on a farm near Monticello. He assisted in raising and was made Captain of Company H, 31st Iowa Infantry, and on May 31, 1865, he was promoted and commissioned Major.

He served throughout the war, was present at the grand review in Washington, and was mustered out June 27, 1865. Of his company more than half lost their lives in the service. To commemorate the lives of those who enlisted at Monticello, Major Farwell recently presented a monument to the local cemetery. In 1865 he was elected state senator, serving through the Eleventh and Twelfth General Assemblies. He took an active part in the administration and shaping of the laws of the state in these General Assemblies, and was very earnest and conscientious in his work, having the full confidence of the people of his district.

General Grant appointed him assessor of internal revenue, in which place he served for four years, and was then appointed in 1874 as collector of internal revenue, in which capacity he served for six years. In 1880 he was elected from the Second Congressional District of Iowa to serve in the Congress of the United States. Here again he served the people in the energetic, conscientious, manner that was always characteristic of Major Farwell.

Upon his retirement from Congress he immediately took an active interest in the affairs of Jones County, and Monticello in particular, working for the best interest of the people and striving always for the betterment of humanity. He was active in the advancement of education, and in this work he was a man of most noble spirit. He was always