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AN ADVANCE, ALSO A Year

Sudden Death of
COL. GEORGE W. FRIEDLEY.

George W. Friedley was born on a farm in Harrison county, Indiana, Jan. 1, 1820. He attended the common schools of his native country, and afterwards graduated from Harrison University, where he was twenty years of age, having taken a full scientific course. On leaving the university he commenced reading law with Judge John R. Morledge, of Clarinda, Ia. After studying two years, the war breaking out, he entered the army as a private in Company K, Fourth Iowa Infantry, and was elected its second lieutenant, but after serving one year he was compelled to resign on account of ill-health, and returned to Indiana. In May, 1862, he re-enlisted in the Sixty-seventh Indiana Infantry, was elected Captain of Company I, and from that time was actively engaged until the close of the war, serving with distinction throughout. He participated in the battles of Pea Ridge, Mumfordville, Ky., the attack on Vicksburg by Sherman from Chickasaw Bayou, in December, 1862; capture of Arkansas Post, Jan. 11, 1863; through the siege and capture of Vicksburg, and in the battles of Port Gibson, Champion Hills and Black River Bridge. During the forty-six days' siege of Vicksburg and the Vicksburg campaign, he served on the staff of General Burnside of Kentucky. After the fall of Vicksburg he was at the capture of Jackson, and the Thirteenth Army Corps, to which he belonged, was then transferred to the Army of the Gulf. At the close of the Vicksburg campaign, the colonel of the regiment to which Mr. Friedley belonged was mustered out on account of absence, and Captain Friedley, although the youngest captain in the regiment, was elected in his place. The colonel, afterward returning, however, was reinstated. Colonel Friedley was then on the Gulf, in the Red River campaign, at the siege and capture of Fort Gaines and Fort Morgan, Alabama, and at the storming of the works at Fort Blakely, the last pitched battle of the war, April 9, 1865. A consequence of its fall was the capture of Mobile. He then, with his regiment, marched to Texas, and was mustered out at the close of the war in the following August. In the fall he returned to Indiana and settled at Bedford, where he commenced practicing law, and soon acquired a State reputation as an orator. As a criminal lawyer he had few equals, and enjoyed a large practice in that line until four years ago, when he became the general solicitor of the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago road. He received many honors at the hands of the people, by whom he was regarded as a man without reproach, a gentleman of courteous manners and of the strictest honor, integrity and uprightness. In 1870 he was elected to the lower House of the Legislature, and served on the judicial committee of the House during that session. With others he induced thirty-four members to resign, thereby frustrating a measure brought by the Democratic party to defeat Governor Morton. In 1872 he was elected to the Senate over Judge Frank Wilson, for Monroe and Lawrence, designated "the University district." As the special session of the Legislature convened in the November following, there being a vacancy in the office of Lieutenant-governor, he was elected President of the Senate. He served through a term of four years as Senator. In the memorable Hayes-Tilden campaign, of 1876, he was chairman of the Republican State central committee, and in 1880 was a delegate at large to the Chicago convention. His Republicanism was of the ardent kind, that left no doubt in the minds of his party associates as to the stand he would take on political questions. He was liberal in his religious views, and took a great interest in public schools, the town of Bedford being especially indebted to him for securing the fine graded schools of that place. In person, he presented an imposing appearance, being six feet three inches in height, and well built and proportioned. He was married Jan. 16, 1857, to Miss Edith M. Kelly, daughter of a Bedford merchant, who, with four daughters survives him. In late years, Mr. Friedley was much of his time in Chicago, but the residence of himself and family was at Lafayette.

The death of Col. Geo. W. Friedley on Tuesday of last week, cast a gloom over the entire community. He was so well known and so generally respected and liked that it seemed impossible that the tall form that had towered above the heads of others in the court room but a few minutes before was now cold and incapable of action. He arrived in Bloomington on the 4 o'clock p. m. train, Monday a week, and retired to his room at the National Hotel with a request that he not be disturbed till a late hour. At 12 o'clock he went to the court room and his friends gathered about him asking after his health, as he had the appearance of a man who was suffering greatly. He answered that he had taken a severe cold when in Bloomington the week previous, and that his liver seemed to be congested. He however went on with his business in circuit court with all his old time vigor and energy. At an early hour Monday evening he again went to his room and did not appear till about 8 o'clock next morning, when, after partaking of a light breakfast and talking awhile with acquaintances, he again went to the court house, and participated in the discussion of a case against the railroad company which he was endeavoring to have continued. John R. East was with him in the clerk's office afterwards, and was preparing some papers bearing on an application for pension. These were properly filled out, and Col. F. was to make affidavit to them in the afternoon. Mr. East then accompanied him to the National Hotel and sat talking till near the hour of 12, when he took his leave. Mr. Law, proprietor of the National Hotel, then had some conversation with Col. Friedley about the feeling remarks of General Harrison when he left his Indiana home, and our departed friend, we as a body will attend the funeral.

The members of the bar then made appropriate and feeling remarks referring to Col. Friedley's well known and acknowledged ability as a trial lawyer, and to his affable manners and kind heart. He was a man who loved his friends, and was as courteous and kind to all that he always disarmed animosity. All that was said of him was no more than was due, and every word was endorsed by those who listened.

A special train of three coaches arrived from Lafayette at about 11 o'clock Thursday, and a coach was added to the train here, making four coaches densely crowded with Masons, members of the G. A. R., members of the bar and other prominent citizens.

John W. Craven, County Supt., who was present at the time, gives the following account of the death: I went to the National Hotel office Tuesday about ten minutes before twelve, and while waiting for the dinner bell to ring sat down at the table on the south side of the office. When I entered the office Col. Friedley and Mr. Law were engaged in conversation. They were talking about the trip of President Harrison from Indianapolis to Washington. The last thing I heard Col. Friedley say was in regard to the tribute that Rev. Haines, of Indianapolis, paid Gen. Harrison, last Sunday. Of this he spoke in words of warmest praise. Mr. Law then left the hotel office, and Col. Friedley, who was sitting between the stove and the wall on the west side, began to read the Courier Journal of that day. Messrs. Reid, New and Wright, students of the University, Mr. Brown, a traveling man, Mr. Luckey, the porter, and myself were in the room. Col. Friedley suddenly dropped the paper, his head was thrown back, and a sound as if made by one who had just fallen into sound sleep, attracted our attention. The porter, who was sitting next to Col. Friedley, started at his actions and said, "that man is dead." We at once went to his chair supposing that he had gone to sleep or that he had fainted. His name was called, but to this he made no reply. Charles Cates went with all possible haste for physicians. We at once carried Col. Friedley in the chair, to the parlor, where Mr. Law met us, and ordered him placed on the bed in the private parlor. It seemed but a moment after this, when Docters Maxwell, Turner and Simpson were at the bedside. As soon as they examined him they pronounced him dead.

In response to telegraphic orders the south bound train was held at Lafayette till Mrs. Friedley and family could reach the Lake house station, as they reside a mile away. When they arrived here it was determined to take the remains to Bedford by special train, and Mrs. Friedley was persuaded to go to Bedford at once. The body had been embalmed, and was taken to Bedford later in the evening by a special train.

At 2 p. m. Tuesday, the Bloomington bar held a meeting to make arrangements for the funeral. Maj. Jas. B. Mulkey was chosen for Chairman, and W. F. Browning was elected Secretary. Committees were then appointed as follows:

On Resolutions—J. W. Buskirk, J. R. East, R. W. Miers, H. C. Donson, E. K. Miller, R. A. Fulk, W. F. Rogers and Jas. H. Loudon. On arrangements—Judge P. Carson E. K. Miller, D. O. Spencer, W. F. Browning, and Jas. B. Mulkey. Pall Bearers—P. K. Buskirk, J. F. Morgan, Edwin Corr, John Graham, Ira Batman, W. H. East, F. G. Miller and Jas. J. Fulk.

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An adjournment was had till Wednesday morning, when H. C. Duncan presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Death has again invaded this bar. On February 26th, 1869, at 12:05 of the clock, Captain George W. Friedley, seated in his chair, the stool, with his hands clasped behind his head, without a struggle, passed from Time to Eternity. His was no lingering death. The summons came, and promptly, and without delay or dolor he answered.

Captain Friedley had been a member of this bar for near a quarter of a century, and scarce a sitting of this court has passed without his presence. He was engaged in many of the most important and interesting trials which have been had during this time.

As lawyer he was courteous to the Court, deferential to his seniors, obliging to his juniors, and faithful to his client.

In all the checked walks of life he arose to the full stature of manhood—whether as a poor farmer boy, among the hills of Harrison county, a school teacher thirsting for knowledge, a private soldier carrying a musket in the war of the rebellion, a captain of a freight, and in the business of Louisville; an assistant Adjutant General of the venerable Col. Owen in the trenches before Vicksburg, a representative and senator representing his friends and neighbors in the councils of his native State, as advocate at the bar, championing the cause of his client; a neighbor, kind and generous to a fault, who died in his bed in 1869, in his home, in joy and mind; or as an ideal husband and father, surrounding himself with a family and home where prosperity and happiness abode, and from which they learned the way of life.

It is therefore resolved by the Monroe bar that we tender our sympathy to the widow and children of our honored brother and command them:

—Him to temper the wind to the shore lurch.

—That as a mark of respect we owe our departed friend, we as a body will attend the funeral.

The members of the bar then made appropriate and feeling remarks referring to the sermon of Rev. Mr. Haines on Sunday. Mr. Law withdrew and Col. F. resumed the reading of the Louisville Courier Journal, having seated himself behind the office stove with his back to the west wall. His head dropped back, his glasses fell to the floor, and a peculiar gurgling sound disturbed those in the office who hurried to him. The chair with the body in it was carried to a private parlor bedroom nearby. Dr. Maxwell was hastily summoned and the body placed in bed. The surgeon applied cloths wrong out of hot water, over the region of the heart, bathed the face in spirits, but the heart was still—death had been almost instantaneous.

The Prep. Contest. If the success of a literary performance is to be measured by the size of the audience it is done by the manifest appreciation of that audience, no literary undertaking of this year has proved more successful or more interesting, than the contest given on last Thursday evening by representatives from the two classes of the Preparatory school. Students and teachers alike may fairly and honorably congratulate themselves, not only on the success of their champions, but also on the magnificent response made by their friends and acquaintances on the announcement of the contest.

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The business houses of Bedford were closed, out of respect for Col. F., who was exceedingly popular in Lawrence county. Crowds came in to the National Hotel, and from Mitchell, Orleans, New Albany and Jeffersonville till the town contained the largest crowd ever seen there. Funeral services were held at the residence of Robert Kelley, father-in-law of deceased, and that portion of the town, several squares in extent, was crowded with sympathetic friends. The exercises were in charge of the Masons, and remarks were made by Dr. Rairden, an old family friend, who dwelt reverently upon the long and honorable life of the dead. Excellent music was furnished by a select choir. It is estimated that 2,000 people passed by the coffin to review the remains for the last time. At 3 o'clock the procession started for the cemetery. Music headed the procession followed by the Grand Army post from Bloomington, Lafayette, Mitchell, Paoli and Bedford, including representatives of sixty-seven regiments. Then followed over 100 members of the bar from a number of towns and cities up and down the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago road. The Masonic fraternity was also well represented, and hundreds of citizens marched to the tomb. The last rites were performed over the grave by the Masons and Grand Army posts.

The floral decorations were very beautiful. Among the many handsome pieces were a closed law book made of roses, carnations, hyacinths, and other lovely flowers, with "Finis" in immortelle on it; a broken wheel and an hour glass—two magnificent pieces, offered by the officers of the L. N. A. & C. railway company, together with a large cluster of calla lilies and a box of cut flowers, the special offering of Mr. Woodard. They were presented by Mr. Woodard, Mr. McCormick, Mr. Adams, Dr. Day, and other officers of the road in person. The G. A. R. of Lafayette till Mrs. Friedley and family could reach the Lake house station, as they reside a mile away.

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[Indianapolis Daily Journal.]
How Do You Like the Figures.

The total revenue of the State of Indiana for the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, 1880, was \$1,357,660. In that time the expenditures of the Indiana Hospital at Indianapolis were \$287,000. The general appropriation bill, introduced by Mr. Willard, and referred to the committee on ways and means, Feb. 18, 1880, appropriates for the Indiana Hospital, \$275,000; for clothing, 12,000; current repairs, \$10,000; making \$297,000. It appropriates for maintenance of hospital at Richmond, \$85,000; hospital at Logansport, \$75,000; hospital at Evansville, \$70,000, making for maintenance of insane hospitals for the year ending Oct. 31, 1880, a total of \$727,000; and like appropriations are made for the year ending Oct. 31, 1881. For the maintenance of the benevolent and penal institutions of the State this bill appropriates for the year ending Oct. 31, 1880, the sum of \$1,211,000, with a like sum appropriated for the year ending Oct. 31, 1881. The gross appropriations in the bill for the year ending Oct. 31, 1880, are \$2,120,000. The appropriations for the year ending Oct. 31, 1881, are the same, less \$145,000, the aggregate of the appropriations for building and equipping the asylums at Richmond, Logansport and Evansville.

The bill, as printed, appropriates for Indiana Hospital at Indianapolis \$297,000, as against expenditures last year of \$247,000. This increase at this hospital requires explanation, especially since the three asylums at Richmond, Logansport and Evansville are given jointly \$230,000, which institutions should decrease the expenses of the Indianapolis asylum.

ESTATE OF FELIX G. DUNN, DECEASED.

In the Monroe Circuit Court, in the State of Indiana, on the 26th day of February, 1880, and All Creditors, Heirs, and Legatees of said estate are hereby notified that Ben. F. Adams, Administrator of said estate, setting up the insufficiency of the estate of said decedent to pay the debt and liabilities thereof, the Judge of the Circuit Court, on the 26th day of February, 1880, and said estate to be probably insolvent, and order the same to be settled accordingly. The creditors of said estate are therefore hereby notified of such insolvency, and required to file their claims against said estate for allowance.

Witness, the Clerk and seal of said Court at Bloomington, Indiana, this 26th day of February, 1880.

[SCEALED.] ENOCH FULLER, Clerk.

Louden & Rogers, Atty's.

Feb. 26, 1880.

SCHOOL FUND SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following tracts of land before bid in account of the School Funds, having been duly appraised by three disinterested freeholders of the neighborhood in which the lands are situated, will be offered for sale on a credit of five years, with interest at seven per cent, per annum, payable annually in advance, for a sum not less than the appraised value thereof, on

PARTRIDGE 1565.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Commissioner appointed in the case entitled *State of Indiana v. John S. Davis*, to the Monroe Circuit Court, will be as such Commissioner by order of said Court, offer for sale at Public Auction, on the premises on

THURSDAY, MARCH 29th, 1880,

at the Court House door in the City of Bloomington, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of said day.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP.

The northwest quarter of the northeast quarter section 10, township ten, north range one west, forty acres more or less; mortgaged by Matthew Floyd and wife to the funds of town eight north, range one west; principal, interest, damages and costs, \$110.10.

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