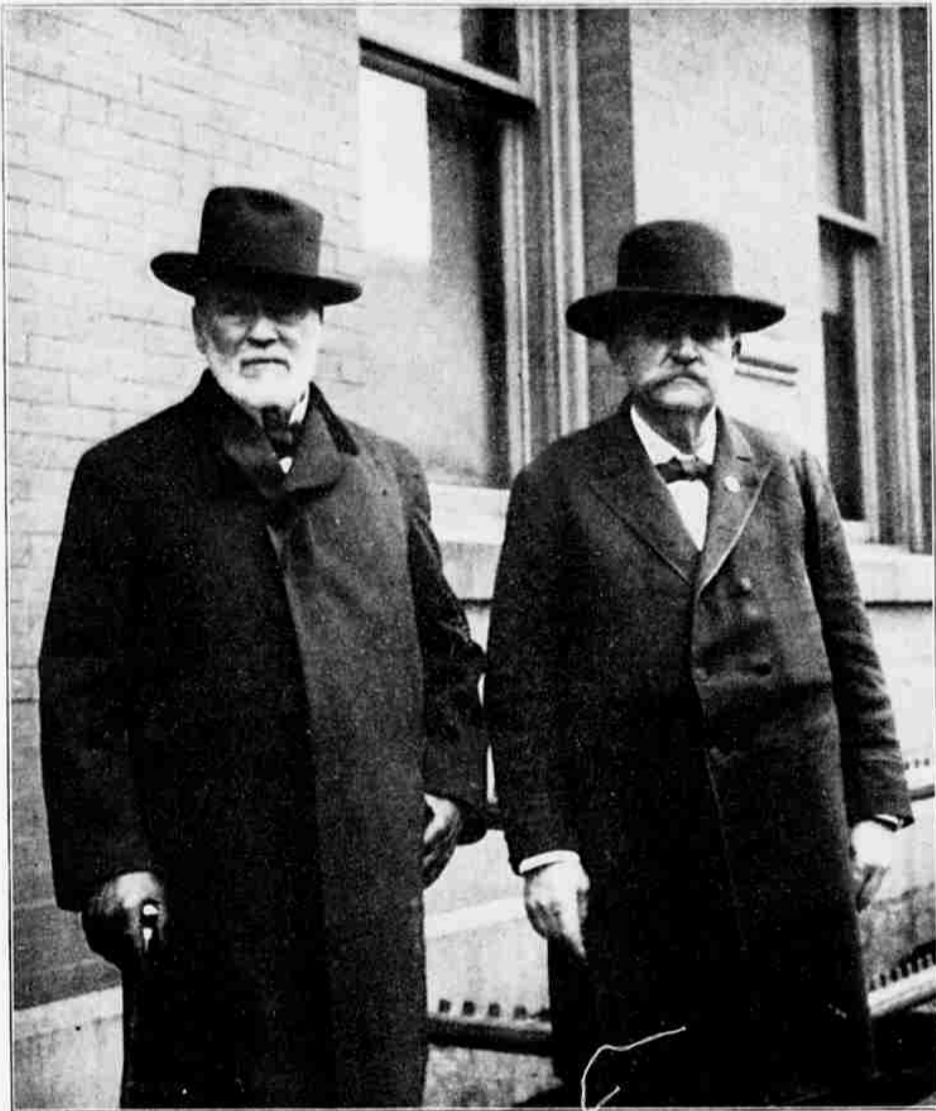


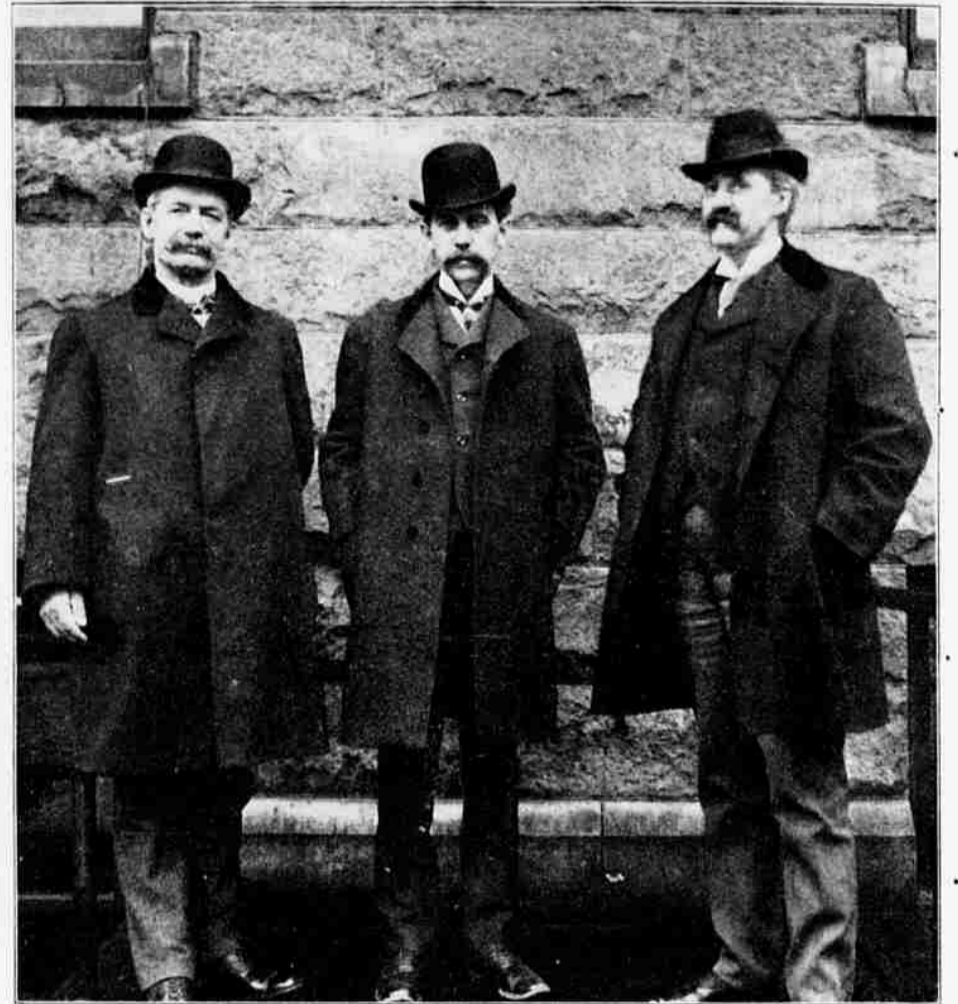
# Iowa Senatorial Campaign Just Closed at Des Moines



Senator Gear. Colonel Root.  
TWO OLD-TIME FRIENDS—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.



GOVERNOR LESLIE M. SHAW—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.



Ex-Auditor McCarthy. Carroll Wright. A. B. Cummins.  
MR. CUMMINS AND HIS MANAGERS—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.

the Fifty-third congress and on the 23d of January, 1894, the legislature of Iowa elected him a senator in congress for six years, his term beginning on the 4th of March, 1895, and ending March 3, 1901. His re-election



HON. A. B. CUMMINS OF DES MOINES—A LEADING SENATORIAL ASPIRANT—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.

casting his eye a little further down the page.

"The charge was successful, but the victory was won at a fearful cost. Our casualties were—"

Here the censor firmly grasped his blue pencil and proceeded to edit the rest of the battle.

## Willing to Try It

Chicago Times-Herald: "I suppose," she said, "that you had an ancestor in the celebrated little party that 'came over' with William the Conqueror?"

"Perhaps," he replied, "but I have never looked the matter up."

"Of course you are a lineal descendant of some one who came over in the Mayflower?"

"I don't know. It is possible that I am, but I have never hunted up the records."

"Well," she went on, "you are descended from an officer of the revolutionary war?"

Finding himself cornered, he broke down and confessed.

"My father's name," he said, "was Szczyrskendowski, which he changed to Downs with the sanction of the court."

She sat for a moment, almost crushed. Then hope seemed to return to her and she asked:

"How much did you say you expected your father to leave you?"

"I figure that my share of the estate will be about \$2,000,000," he said.

"All right," she answered briskly, "we can worry along without the lineage and still be happy, dear."



SPEAKER D. H. BOWEN—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.

gives him six years more in this body, his term to which he was re-elected last week expiring in 1907.

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## What Gets Away

Chicago Tribune: The censor looked over the dispatch that had just been filed by the telegraphic correspondent.

"The advance of the troops was magnificent. On they came in solid phalanx, with banners waving high in air, and at their head, the very impersonation of the god of battles, rode the gallant colonel, regardless of the storm of bullets the enemy's sharpshooters were firing at him. It was majestic, it was terrible. The shrieking shot and shell were powerless to stay the progress of those heroes. On they marched, animated by a single purpose, and in their gleaming eyes and firmly set jaws, their heaving chests, tumultuous with the fierce joy of battle—"

"That's all right," muttered the censor,



CAPTAIN E. H. HUNTER—GEAR'S CHIEF MANAGER—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.

union. He served two terms in the Fiftieth and Fifty-first congresses, his opponent during one of the campaigns being Benton Hall, a son of J. C. Hall, one of the biggest lawyers of Iowa. He was assistant secretary of the treasury under Harrison; was elected to

of the senate, his work, however, counting in committees and in the departments.

Upwards of forty years ago he formed a partnership in the grocery business with William Coolbaugh, locating in Burlington, and today the habits of frugality and industry formed in the early years of his manhood are as pronounced as they were then. Senator Gear is not a rich man. While he has been fairly successful in business he has not amassed any considerable amount of money, although during his term as governor of Iowa he earned the sobriquet of "Old Business," which is as characteristic of him today as during the years that he was Iowa's executive.

He was born in Ithaca, N. Y., on the 9th of April, 1825. After completing a course in the common schools he removed to Galena, Ill., in 1836, where he remained two years, but the spirit of the west was in him and, believing in the great possibilities of the Transmississippi region, he located at Fort Snelling, in the then Territory of Iowa, in

## John Henry Gear Senator From Iowa

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—(Special to The Bee.)—Unlike Dr. Samuel Johnson, who talked for hours with his friend, Boswell, about his early life, John Henry Gear, recently re-elected senator from the state of Iowa, is extremely reticent in talking of himself. Dr. Johnson said in one of his conversations with Boswell that every man could best write the story of his own life, even though he could not write anything else, and it would be interesting reading to the great mass of people in the western country if Senator Gear would tell the story of his life, especially that feature of it wherein he figured prominently when Lincoln and Douglas were candidates for the presidential nomination. It has been said that Mr. Gear was a Douglas republican, but it has been so long since that he is perfectly content to forget that episode in his busy life.

John Henry Gear is one of the most tactful men in the United States senate. He has little or nothing to say upon the floor



Senator E. H. Hubbard. Lafe Young.  
TWO PROMINENT FIGURES—Photo by Louis R. Bostwick.