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REV. HENRY KLETZING

was born in Germany, August 3, 1818. His father having died he emigrated, when quite young, with his mother, brothers and sister to America, and settled in eastern Pennsylvania.

In 1840 he was converted to God and united with the Evangelical Association. On September 28, 1842, he was joined in holy wedlock with his now bereaved widow. In 1849 the East Pennsylvania Conference licensed him to preach, and he served as local preacher for twenty years.

In the Spring of 1859 he moved with his family to Belle Plaine, Iowa, joined the Iowa Conference, and for fourteen years served the following charges in the Iowa and Des Moines Conferences: 1869, Marshall Circuit; 1870-72, Millersburg; 1873-74, Marengo; 1875-76, Cedar Rapids; 1877-79, Victor; 1880, Marshall; 1881-82, Nora Springs. The remaining time of his earthly career he spent at his home in Belle Plaine, Iowa.

His health began to fail during the past year, but only a short time before his death was it apparent that his end was near. On Sunday, September 18, ten days before his death, he visited the house of God for the last time, and led in the closing prayer. The sermon on Heb. 11: 16, was greatly enjoyed by him. He was confined to his bed only four days, and died in the triumph of a living faith, Sept. 28, 1887, on his forty-fifth wedding anniversary, aged 69 years, 1 month and 25 days. Sister K., who is a woman of unusual trust in the providence of God, endured with Christian patience the hardships of the companion of a western itinerant.

Besides the sorrowing widow, Bro. K. leaves six sons and five daughters, one daughter having preceded him to the land of the redeemed. Two sons are ministers of the Gospel, one a member of the Platte River Conference, the other, a member of the Illinois Conference, and teacher in North-Western College, Naperville, Ill. One daughter is the wife of Rev. M. L. Wing, of the Canada Conference. It was a great comfort to Bro. K. to see most of his children once more before his death; some, however, were at too great a distance to reach him.

Bro. K. was respected and loved by all, and will be very much missed by the church here in Belle Plaine. He was an earnest, faithful worker and was much interested in the prosperity of the Evangelical Association. He did not cease to labor until the Lord called him to his eternal reward. In his last illness he repeatedly expressed to each of the family present a desire to depart and be with Jesus. Almost his last words to his wife and children around his bedside were: "I am ready. All is well. I am going home." His death was a triumphant entrance into the kingdom above. May the Lord comfort the bereaved family and grant them a happy reunion in Heaven.

His funeral was attended by non-professors, who knew him best. The sermon by the writer

was born in Dalton, Georgia, the parsonage of which he was 37 years, 4 months and 10 days with the Evangelical Association under the labors of the Lord. He preached by the Conference, and was appointed to Winterville, where he served from that time until suddenly and unexpectedly he was a victim of the ravages of the disease in many respects peculiarities enhanced the excellence of his character, constitution, and endowment of judgment, and a consecration to God, in the line of duty was a marvel. Cheerful, kind to the people; he had a great delight in delivering the message. Pleasing the people was not least of his concerns. He charged the same to his children. He scorned all earthly honors, might expect advice from his children, takes, thankfully received. His deep piety and devotion prevailed the atypical peculiarities was to spend every day, to engage in the simplicity of a child, the privilege to retire to the solitude that he desired to spend his time. Most gladly would he have spent his time with God. Oh, what a life! His engagements and

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He moved with his family to Belle Plaine, Iowa, where for fourteen years served the following Conferences: 1869, Marshall Circuit; 1870-71, Marengo; 1875-76, Cedar Rapids; 1877-79, Nora Springs. The remaining time of his life was spent in Belle Plaine, Iowa.

He died the past year, but only a short time before his end was near. On Sunday, September 18, he attended the house of God for the last time, and his sermon on Heb. 11: 16, was greatly enjoyed and lasted only four days, and died in the triumphs of his forty-fifth wedding anniversary, aged 81 years. His sister K., who is a woman of unusual trustworthiness and with Christian patience the hardships of life.

Bro. K. leaves six sons and five daughters, all of whom are in the land of the redeemed. Two sons were members of the Platte River Conference, the other of the Iowa Conference, and teacher in North-Western Iowa. His daughter is the wife of Rev. M. L. Wing, of the Iowa Conference. It was a great comfort to Bro. K. to see most of his children at his death; some, however, were at too great a distance.

He is missed by all, and will be very much missed by his friends. He was an earnest, faithful worker and was a member of the Evangelical Association. He did not leave his family to his eternal reward. In his last moments each of the family present a desire to depart. His last words to his wife and children were: "All is well. I am going home." He has entered into the kingdom above. May the Lord grant them a happy reunion in heaven.

His funeral was very largely attended by members of other churches and non-professors, showing the high esteem in which he was held by those who knew him best. Six ministers of the town acted as pall-bearers. Funeral sermon by the writer from Rev. 14: 13.

J. E. STAUFFACHER.

REV. E. C. WALLACE

was born in Dalton, New Hampshire, May 25, 1850, and died at his home in the parsonage of Winterset Circuit, Madison county, Iowa, Oct. 11, 1887, aged 37 years, 4 months and 16 days. Bro. Wallace was converted and united with the Evangelical Association on Zearing Mission, Des Moines Conference, under the labors of Bro. Niebel, only two years ago. He was licensed to preach by the Conference next following at Columbus Junction, Iowa, and appointed to Winterset Circuit, which charge he has faithfully and acceptably served from that time until the day of his death. His illness, which so suddenly and unexpectedly terminated his useful and successful career, was inflammation of the bowels, of which he suffered ten days. Bro. Wallace was in many respects a peculiar man. However, in almost every instance, his peculiarities enhanced his usefulness and tended toward heightening the excellence of his character. He was a man of strong, muscular, almost an iron constitution, and correspondingly inflexible will power. Decision, excellence of judgment, and a tender conscience coupled with deep piety and entire consecration to God, made him altogether a man of power, moving forward in the line of duty without fear. For a new beginner in the work he was a marvel. Cheerful, sociable, kind-hearted and gentle in his intercourse with the people; he had a friendly word for every one, saint or sinner. But when delivering the message of God, his only concern was, "to please the Master." Pleasing the people was a secondary matter, and pleasing himself the last and least of his concerns. His only desire was to know his duty, and then discharge the same to the very best of his ability.

He scorned all empty flattery, and repeatedly urged such, from whom he might expect advice and friendly criticism, to tell him of his faults and mistakes, thankfully receiving any advice or correction offered.

His deep piety and sincerity of heart were manifested to all. A holy influence prevailed in the atmosphere of his society. One of his commendable peculiarities was to steal away exactly at twelve o'clock, as nearly as possible, every day, to engage in secret devotion. Frequently he would ask of me, in the simplicity of a child, desiring to do just the right thing in the right time, the privilege to retire for a few moments, stating that this was his custom, and that he desired to observe the practice as nearly as possible at that precise time. Most gladly would I excuse him, myself seek the same sweet communion with God. Oh, what an example to us was this dear young brother!

His engagements and promises seldom lacked the truly Scriptural, pious