

Eulogy on Henry Dodge

After the reading of the Annual Report of the Executive Committee, Mr. S. U. Pinney rose and announced the death of Gen. Henry Dodge:

Mr. President:—Since the last annual meeting of this Society, death has removed from our midst one of our most esteemed and tried friends, who was an honorary member of this Society, and one of the first and most honored citizens of our State; and I embrace this, the first suitable opportunity, of making a formal announcement of the event. On the 19th of June, 1867, at the residence of his son, Hon. Augustus C. Dodge, at Burlington, Iowa, General Henry Dodge, the first Territorial Governor of Wisconsin, and for a long period a Senator from this State in Congress, departed this life full of years and honors. The sad intelligence of the death of one who has been so prominent an actor in the public affairs of the Territory and State, and whose life and public services are so intimately connected with its history and the settlement of the Northwest, will be received with profound regret. It will call to the recollection of the early settlers and pioneers of the West, many interesting incidents and reminiscences, the memory of which is passing away with the brave, enterprising and hardy band who first opened this rich and prosperous country to civilization, and who participated in the perils, hardships and trials which attended its early settlement. It will awaken feelings of reverence and gratitude in those of the present generation who have succeeded to the enjoyment of the fruits of their labors and privations.

It remains to us at this time, to perform the melancholy yet pleasant duty of paying an appropriate tribute to his long and