

of well earned rest. His widow still survives. Dr. and Mrs. Connolly became the parents of three children: William F., who is giving his attention to the breeding and raising of Holstein cattle upon his father's farm; Ruth, who has become a Sister of Charity and is now teaching at Emmetsburg, Iowa; and Irene, who died at the age of five months. The wife and mother passed away in 1907 at the age of forty-seven years, and her death was deeply regretted by many friends as well as her immediate family.

Dr. Connolly is the only member of his father's family still living in Howard county and he is the eldest of a household that once numbered eight children, the others being: Ella, now the wife of William Fitzgerald, a resident of Spokane, Washington; Anastasia, Mary, Augustine and Joseph, all of whom are residents of Spokane; Robert, who died at the age of two years; and James F., living in Seattle, Washington.

Dr. Connolly votes with the republican party, of which he has been a stalwart adherent since age gave him the right of franchise. He is a member of the city council and has served in that office for six years, discharging his duties with marked promptness and capability. He was one of the builders of St. Joseph's Hospital in Cresco and has always been interested in plans and measures for public progress and improvement in the city and county of his adoption. His fellow townsmen esteem him as a man of sterling worth.

#### JOHN McDANNELL, M. D.

Wide and comprehensive study and broad experience have placed Dr. John McDannell in the ranks of the leading physicians and surgeons of Iowa. He is practicing at Nashua, Chickasaw county, where he has made his home since 1908. He was born in Rock Island, Illinois, on the 9th of March, 1871, and is a son of Decatur S. and Etola Mary (Hughes) McDannell, the former a native of Ohio, while the latter was born in Pennsylvania. They were married in the Buckeye state, where the mother had removed with her parents in her girlhood days. The father was an artist and among his many works of art was a painting of the battle of Gettysburg, which was shown in a panorama on Wabash avenue in Chicago for many years, a notable work that drew to it thousands of spectators annually. He resided in Rock Island in early manhood and for many years was a resident of Chicago. His labors included many canvases made in the Rocky Mountains in Colorado, several of these being notable pictures of the Garden of the Gods. His last days were spent at Moline, Illinois, where he passed away about 1890.

Dr. McDannell was educated in the public schools of Illinois and in the State University of Wisconsin. He lived in Wisconsin with Dr. W. P. Hartford, then of Beetown, and it was through his influence that he took up the study of medicine, remaining for three years under the preceptorship of Dr. Hartford. In 1888 he entered the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville and was there graduated as a member of the class of 1891. He located for practice at Glenhaven, Wisconsin, where he remained in active professional work for eight years and then came to Iowa. For a similar period he lived at Arlington and in 1908 removed to Nashua, where through the intervening eleven years he has enjoyed a large and remunerative practice. He has taken post graduate work in the Chicago Post Graduate School, where he studied in 1900, and in 1907 and 1908 he devoted six months to post graduate work in the New York Polyclinic. He is constantly broadening his knowledge by reading and study, and experience is also adding to his efficiency day by day. He is a member of the Chickasaw County Medical Society, the Austin Flint Cedar Valley Medical Society, the Iowa State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and through the proceedings of these bodies, keeps in close touch with the trend of modern professional thought and practice. He is at all times most careful in the diagnosis of his cases and is seldom if ever at fault in foretelling the outcome of disease.

On the 18th of September, 1892, Dr. McDannell was married to Miss Lottie E. Ishmael, of Cassville, Wisconsin, and to them has been born a daughter, Lucille, who is now a student in Grinnell College at Grinnell, Iowa.