STANTON J. PEELLE
LETTER, 1888

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Stanton J. (Judkins) Peelle, the son of John Cox and Ruth Smith Peelle, was born February 11, 1843 in Newport, Wayne Co.. Stanton attended the Newport common schools and Winchester Seminary. He then joined Company G, Indiana 8th infantry regiment on September 5, 1861 as a commissioned officer and was later promoted to Full 2nd Lieutenant. After the Civil War, he passed the bar in 1866 and practiced law in Winchester, Indiana. He then moved to Indianapolis in 1869 and was the Deputy District Attorney of Marion County, Indiana in 1872 and 1873. Stanton was also a member of the State House of Representatives from 1877 to 1879 and was elected as a Republican to the Forty-seventh Congress. He was also a Member-elect to the Forty-eighth Congress and served from March 4, 1883, to May 22, 1884, when he was succeeded by William E. English, who contested his election. He then became a delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1892 and was appointed Judge of the United States Court of Claims in 1892 and served until January 1, 1906, when he was advanced to Chief Justice and served until February 11, 1913, when he resigned. After his political career, Stanton became a professor of law at George Washington University (D.C.) and then a member of the Board of Trustees of Howard University, Washington, D.C. He was president of the board of the Washington College of Law 1910-1925.

Stanton married Louise R. Perkins on July 16, 1867. Her death is recorded in 1872. Stanton married Arabella (Canfield) Peelle in 1878. They remained married until her death in 1915. Stanton’s last marriage was to Bertha Barnitz Byrne, a widow, on April 16, 1918.

Stanton resided in Washington, D.C. from 1900 until his death September 4, 1928. He is interred at Rock Creek Cemetery in Washington D.C.

Henry Zenas (H.Z.) Osborne, a Representative from California, was born in New Lebanon, Columbia County, New York, October 4, 1848. He attended the public schools in his youth and during the Civil War served in the One Hundred and Ninety-second Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry. He worked in journalism as a printer, reporter, editor, and publisher, with residences in New York City, Cincinnati, Memphis, New Orleans, Austin, Bodie, and Los Angeles. H. Z. married Helen L. Osborne in 1873 and had five children. He became the receiver of public moneys at Bodie, Calif. from 1878 to 1884 and the collector of customs in Los Angeles from 1890 to 1894. By 1898 he was a United States marshal, southern district of California until 1906. Later, H. Z. Osborne worked as the delegate to the Republican National Convention in 1888, and the commissioner of the board of public works, Los Angeles, in 1914 and 1915. He was elected as a Republican to the Sixty-fifth, Sixty-sixth, and Sixty-seventh Congresses and served from March 4, 1917, until his death during his time in the Sixty-eighth Congress. He died in Los Angeles, Calif., February 8, 1923 and is interred in Rosedale Cemetery.

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This collection contains a TLS (carbon copy) from Stanton J. Peelle of the Law Office, Peelle & Taylor in Indianapolis to Hon. Henry Zenas (H. Z.) Osborne, Los Angeles, California, dated May 30, 1888. Peelle was asking for Osborne’s support to nominate General Benjamin Harrison as the Republican nominee for president. Peelle writes that Harrison could win the Indiana vote, which was important since Indiana was a swing state, according to Peelle.
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