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livered a lecture or an address on literary and historical subjects, and also on topics of current public interest. He has been trustee of Hamline University for many years, and was president of the board for some time. He was married August 11, 1873, to Cora A. Gray, of Suspension Bridge, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Brill have six children.

EUGENE G. HAY.

Eugene G. Hay was United States district attorney for Minnesota from 1890 to 1894. Mr. Hay is a native of Charlestown, Clark County, Indiana, a son of Dr. Andrew J. Hay and Rebecca Garrett Hay. His father was of Scotch descent and his mother of Scotch-Irish ancestry. He was born March 26, 1853, and received his education in the common schools and in the Barnett Academy at Charlestown. In 1876 he began studying law in the office of Gordon, Lamb & Sheppard at Indianapolis. He was admitted to the bar in 1877 and commenced the practice of his profession at Madison, Indiana, the next year. He remained there until 1886, when he removed to Minneapolis and has been practicing law here ever since, either in a private capacity or as an officer of the government. Mr. Hay is a Republican and has always taken an active part in politics since he became a voter. He was a clerk in the Indiana legislature in 1877 and was made prosecuting attorney at Madison for two terms, from 1881 to 1885. In 1884 he represented the Fourth congressional district of Indiana in the Republican national convention which nominated James G. Blaine for the presidency. In 1888 he was elected to the lower house of the Minnesota legislature from the Twenty-ninth district, where he made a most excellent record. He was one of the leaders of the Washburn senatorial campaign of that year, and contributed in a large degree to the election of W. D. Washburn to the United States senate. On December 17, 1889, Mr. Hay's name was sent to the senate by the president for the position of United States district attorney for



Minnesota, and he held that office until 1894. He is a forcible speaker and has always been relied upon by his party as one of the most efficient and successful men on the stump in this state. This has brought his ability in demand in every campaign and he has given liberally of his time and ability for the promotion of the political principles of which he is a firm believer. Mr. Hay was married November 4, 1891, at Indianapolis, to Elenora Farquhar. He is a Mason and Knight Templar. Prior to his appointment as United States district attorney he was in partnership in the practice of law with Messrs. Jelly and Hull, the style of the firm being Jelly, Hay & Hull. Upon his retirement from office he resumed the practice of law, but without partners. He has been very successful both in his official work and in his private practice, and is regarded as one of the strongest among the younger members of the Minneapolis bar. Although Mr. Hay never enjoyed the advantages of a complete college education, he has always been a student, and is a gentleman of extensive reading and a diligent investigator of the important questions of the day, on which he is an instructive writer and a well equipped and forcible speaker.