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BROWER, J. V. HON.

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J. V. Brower was born in Michigan in 1845. His parents had moved there from New York.

In May, 1860, they moved to Long Prairie, Minnesota.

In 1863, he enlisted in the 1st Minnesota Mounted Rangers for the Indian War. In 1865, just before the Civil War ended, he entered the U. S. Navy.

In January, 1867, J. V. Brower was appointed county auditor of Todd county, which position he held until 1873, when he was elected to the House of Representatives. He was admitted to the Bar as an attorney. He retired from office as auditor by resignation. He was then made county attorney and superintendent of schools. He next resigned from both these offices to become Receiver of U. S. Land office in St. Cloud in April, 1874. Later he was made Register of this office.

In December, 1878, J. V. Brower was reappointed, confirmed, and commissioned as Register under Hayes' administration. Soon after this he voluntarily resigned from the office.

In 1881, Honorable J. V. Brower became President of the Sauk Centre Northern Railway Company.

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