

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Brockway, Edwin Franklin Senator _____

Represented Washington County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 28 Apr 1834 Brockwayville, Jefferson County,
Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Rauena Barbara Letts 11 Sept 1860 Grandview, Linn County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 15th General Assembly 1874

6. Public Offices

A. Local Director of the Iowa State Fair Association many years; Highland
Journalists society organizer

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 20 Apr 1908 Letts, Iowa; buried Grandview Cemetery, Grandview, Iowa in

8. Children Libbie (Mrs. Darrow); Allie; James Linn County

9. Names of parents James Main and Lydia (Wife) Brockway

10. Education *His parents taught him, also attended a district school at a neighbor's house*

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

- *He moved to Muscatine County, Iowa in May 1842 with his father, settling near Oneville, Iowa.*
- *Later he resided for many years in Washington County, Iowa*
- *For the last 8 to 10 years before his death he lived in Louisa County, Iowa living on a farm widely known as the Little farm of which he became owner by marrying into the Little family.*
- *In spring 1866 he sold his farm and moved to Washington County, Iowa*

PELLO, IOWA, THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1908.

IN YOUR OWN FISH.

Warden Lincoln Makes an Important Ruling.

THEY BELONG TO OWNER.

Lakes and Ponds, Which are Inland, Have no Natural Outlet and Therefore Belong to Owner of the Land Adjoining as Fish.

Warden Lincoln, of Pellico Rapids, has made a ruling which is sweeping in its scope, and which permits the seining of every pond and lake lying within the levees on Muscatine Island and the Oakville bottom by the owners thereof. Klumb and Muscatine slough, where muskrats and Kallenberger were formerly for seining, are no doubt included in this ruling, and no one could be prosecuted for taking fish therefrom without the consent of the owner of the water.

This ruling will permit the seining of every lake in this vicinity by the owner thereof or with his permission, in the intent of the present law, which was passed to preserve the muskrats and fish in our lakes by prohibiting the use of seines, is now a dead letter. The game laws, as they now are in respect to fishing, are a farce. The law prohibiting the seining of muskrats and buffalo, two species of fish which are seldom caught on a line, is null and void, and the former is punished by the latter. But the muskrats are to be kept in the mud and keep the lakes up so that a good fish cannot

A Sudden Summons.

The death of E. F. Brockway, of Letts, removes one of the most prominent men in the county. And the suddenness of his departure came as a great surprise and shock to his family and friends in this and in Washington and Muscatine counties, where he formerly resided. He was an Englishman by birth and typical of much that is best in the race of sturdy defenders of the faith and advocates of righteousness, temperance and good government. He was a man of convictions and with courage to advocate the principles he held, whether popular or not. He was possessed of an unflinching enthusiasm and the everlasting persistency of Johnny Bull of the highest type. But with it all he was a kindly man, without malice or bitterness or envy or jealousy. He was a genuine optimist and a sincere lover of his fellow men. His life-long advocacy of the cause of temperance, at no little cost of money and loss of time and even of friends and public favor, proved the noble sincerity of his character. He was possessed of considerable intellectual force and was a fair public speaker with a direct way of putting things that made them tell. He was thoroughly in earnest in whatever he undertook to do and faithful to whatever trust was committed to him.

He came to Muscatine county in the early 40's, with his father, who located near the present site of Conesville. There he was brought up to habits of sobriety and industry. Later he resided for many years in Washington county where he was for a number of terms representative of the county in the state legislature. He was for many years one of the directors of the State Fair association. For the past eight or ten years he had resided in Louisa county on the farm widely known as the Letts place which he became owner of through his marriage into the county. This is perhaps the finest farm in the county and one of the very best in

O. I. JAMISON PASSES AWAY

An Old Resident, Teacher and Editor of the County.

BURIED AT BETHEL CHURCH

Funeral Held Tuesday Afternoon At Bethel, Attended by a Large Number of Old Friends, Neighbors and Relatives—He Leaves a Widow and Son.

In the death of O. I. Jamison, editor of the Columbus Gazette, Louisa county has lost one of its best known and best loved citizens. He was a man with many friends, because he was a friendly man, interested in the affairs of the community and of the county. He had a very large circle of friends throughout the county, and for more than a year prior to his death had been engaged in writing "County History," which was replete with interesting incidents of early pioneer days and bits of family history. It was one of the regrets of his last days of weakness that he could not continue his history of the county as he had hoped and planned. For this task he was perhaps the best fitted of any person in the county, because of his extensive acquaintance and his genuine sympathy with the survivors of early days and interest in them and their affairs and families.

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While apparently in excellent
health, he had suffered from kidney
trouble which probably
ably accounts for his sudden taking off.
The immediate cause of his death was
heart failure. He had been ailing for
several days but able to be about
until just a day or so before his death,
which occurred about 11 o'clock Mon-
day morning, April 20, 1908. Mr.
Brockway who was about 75 years of
age, is survived by his wife and three
children, two daughters and one son.
They are Mrs. Libbie Darrow, Miss
Allie Brockway and James Brockway,
all of whom reside at home.

The funeral was held yesterday,
April 22, at the family residence, con-
ducted by Rev. Longnecker, pastor of
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At the Christian Church.

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and privileges and their prosperity.
For a man who was given to speak-
ing his own mind openly and frankly
he was remarkably free from malice
and cherished no bitterness. He
sweetened in spirit and softened in
manner with the slow yet certain
approach of the silent messenger.
Though not professedly religious
there was something in his manner,
his tenderness and trustfulness a
gentleness and patience during his
lingering sickness, that was very
beautiful.

The writer of this, who accounts
a high privilege to have once been his
pupil, has always cherished a since

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Opportunity for Farmers.

propose to place before our readers the cold facts, in this and future issues, in these columns regarding senatorial contest as affecting the prosperity of the largest industrial interest of the state that of agriculture stock raising and feeding, giving meat production and its market the first consideration.

The United States has no trade in cattle and dressed beef in foreign countries at present outside of Great Britain and this is steadily diminishing our dangerous competitor, Argentina. The demand has been urgent for years for a needed commercial treaty with those foreign countries giving protective and discriminating rates to competing countries in our products.

The resulting effect is to hem us in our home markets, with periods of surplus of over-production followed sometimes by a famine in the supplies to meet demands, which at the present time is shown by the buyers chasing the cent steer harder than the 6 cent week ago and the 5 cent steer of two months since.

At no time can the home market be supplied with beef loins and lean cuts but the taste of American and foreign consumers does not absorb coarser parts profitably, the shoulders, plates, and rounds hence the farmers as well as the packers derive no benefit of the high prices obtained on retail block for the choice cuts the loss being lost in the balance of the mass which has no profitable outlet. When Germany prohibited, in the year of 1900, the import of canned beef, our export was taking an amount equal to 100,000 head of cattle or 2,000,000 pounds of beef.

Each week, the output of a thousand packing houses, by the census of 1905, covers over nine hundred thousand dollars annually and Iowa contributed an immense amount of this live stock

the standpatter can effect it, leaving him out in the cold and keeping the fat for the over-protected manufacturers. The farmers will be safe with Cummins.

E. F. Brockway Dead.

E. F. Brockway, a well known stock raiser and prominent temperance worker and advocate, who resided on his farm three miles south of Letts, passed away suddenly at his home Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, as the result of an attack of heart failure.

Mr. Brockway had been ailing for the past week or ten days but had only been confined to his bed during the last two or three days and his illness was not regarded as unusually serious by either physicians or family. At a late hour Monday morning, however, he was taken suddenly worse and very shortly afterwards passed away.

The news of his sudden death is a terrific shock to this community in which he held so prominent a place. Mr. Brockway moved to his present home from Washington county some seven or eight years ago. While a resident of the last named county he served as a representative in the state legislature during several terms. He had always been very prominent as a temperance worker, both locally and in the state movement.

Mr. Brockway who was a man 75 years of age, is survived by his wife and three children, two daughters and one son. They are Mrs. Libbie Darrow, Miss Allie Brockway and James Brockway, all of whom reside at home. James Brockway is the state secretary of the Corn Belt Meat Producers' association.

The deceased was a former resident of Muscatine county, having come to that county as early as 1842. From there he moved to Washington county.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning at ten o'clock from the family residence. The services were conducted by Rev. Longnecker, of the Presbyterian church at Grandview. Interment was made in the Grandview cemetery.

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Edwin Franklin Brockway

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Event(s):**Birth:** 28 Apr 1834 **Place:** Brockwayville, Harrison, Pennsylvania**Death:** 20 Apr 1908 **Place:** Grandview, Louisa, Iowa

Parents:**Father:** James Maine Brockway Disc #10 Pin #182879**Mother:** Lydia Goff Disc #10 Pin #182880

Marriage(s):**Spouse:** Rowena Barbara Letts Disc #10 Pin #182852**Marriage:** 11 Sep 1860 **Place:** Grandview, Louisa, Iowa

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and then moved to Keokuk County, remaining there until 1875, when he located upon the farm where he now resides. Just before leaving Germany, in 1854, he was united in marriage with Louisa Frohlich, who was also a native of that country. They have had seven children, six now living—John, Morris, Emma, Henry, Mary and Christina; William is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Diedrich are members of the German Evangelical Lutheran Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

When Mr. Diedrich and his wife landed at Buffalo, N. Y., they had but five cents left, but being possessed of the thrifty and economical habits of the German race, they began work and the saving of their means, until to-day they are comfortably situated on one of the finest farms in Franklin Township. Mr. Diedrich has a reputation for being strictly honest in all things, and it is said of him that his word is as good as his bond.

EDWIN F. BROCKWAY was born at Brockneyville, Jefferson Co., Pa. His father, James Brockway, was born in the State of New York, near Broadalbin. The family were of English descent, their ancestors having emigrated to this country 260 years ago. His mother, Lydia (Goff) Brockway, was the daughter of William Goff, who was a descendant of William Goff; one of the judges who sentenced King Charles I, of England, to death, and with his father-in-law, Edward Whaley, another one of the regicide justices, escaped to America to avoid the wrath of Charles II. William Goff and Edward Whaley were members of Cromwell's Parliament, and were both men of great military skill.

Edwin F. Brockway was eight years old when his father moved to Iowa, in May, 1842, locating near the village of Cone, Muscatine County. The Indians had then just left the vicinity, and the bones of the buffalo and deer were to be found everywhere. There were then in that neighborhood no roads, no schools, no churches, no mills; the country remaining just as the Lord had finished it, beautiful and unmarred by what men call im-

provements. Under those circumstances young Brockway grew to manhood, battling with all the privations of a new country, and longing for an education which it was impossible to get, except as his parents taught him, or at the district school taught in the room of some neighbor's house. At that day Iowa did not have a school-house on every hill top, and often Mr. B. compares the advantages possessed by the youth of these times with the surroundings of that early day. In the spring of 1857 he rafted lumber from Black River Falls, where his oldest brother was extensively engaged in the lumber business, for the purpose of improving his farm, which he had entered from Government. He also brought a large number of evergreens with him, mostly white pine. These were the first of the kind introduced into Muscatine County, and now, at thirty years old, are sixty feet high and two feet in diameter. There are said to be more and larger pines in that county now than in any other county in the State.

September 11, 1860, Mr. B. married Miss Rowena Letts, oldest daughter of Mr. N. M. Letts, of Lettsville, Louisa County. In the spring of 1866 he sold his farm in Muscatine County, and moved to Washington County, and improved the farm on which he now lives, and where their three children, Libbie, Allie and Jamie, have been born. Soon after removing to the county he was elected County Supervisor from Highland Township, and served two terms. In the fall of 1873 he was elected to represent the county in the Legislature, with B. F. Brown as his colleague. This was the ever memorable "Granger" House which passed the railroad tariff bill, and at which two weeks were spent in electing a Speaker, the House voting on it 144 times. In the fall of 1874 Mr. B. was elected President of the Washington County Agricultural Society, serving as such six years, and leaving the society, at the close of that period, out of debt and in good condition.

Previous to this time, for over twenty-five years, the society was in a condition of continual financial embarrassment. On the 14th of January, 1880, he was elected Vice President of the State Agricultural Society, and was so elected for the fourth time. In these positions Mr. B. always used

his influence in suppressing gambling and similar evils frequently indulged in. The introduction of what is known as "Soldier's Day" and "Children's Day" at the State Fair was mainly through his influence. His daughter, Miss Libbie, has a natural love for art, which has been developed to a great extent in the direction of portrait and scene painting. Some specimens of her work will compare favorably with those of artists of much greater pretensions, and at the County and State Fairs she has taken quite a number of premiums. Miss Allie, the youngest daughter, bids fair to become a fine musician, and every faculty is afforded her for the cultivation of her taste in that direction. Jamie, the only son, will probably follow the business of a farmer.

Mr. B. is decidedly a home man, and, surrounded by his family, he enjoys life, as a man of wealth and intelligence should. Few finer country residences can be found than that at Pine Grove farm. The farm of 400 acres of well-improved land, besides the residence, has a good barn, and all the necessary out-buildings. The house is well furnished, and, presided over by Mrs. Brockway, a lady of culture and refinement, is truly a model home. Friends are always welcome beneath the hospitable roof, and none visit the family without an earnest desire to enjoy their hospitality again and again.

RB. HUNT, one of the prominent stock-growers and breeders of Washington County, is a native of Kane County, Ill., born June 1, 1846. He was educated at the Fulton Military Academy, at Fulton, Ill., and at Notre Dame, near South Bend, Ind., where he remained about two years, and was compelled to abandon his studies on account of failing eyesight. Soon after leaving school he commenced the business of an auctioneer, which he successfully followed for more than twenty years. In March, 1885, he came to Washington County, where he purchased property of D. L. Wheelock, and has now a farm of 400 acres of valuable land, all of which is well improved and well stocked.

Mr. Hunt was married in St. Charles, Kane

Co., Ill., Nov. 25, 1867, to Miss Betsy B. Flint. By this union there are four children—Frank C., Bertha F., Eva May and Effie W. In politics, Mr. Hunt is a Democrat, and during the campaign of 1884, in company with H. H. Harrison, sang at many of the political meetings of his party throughout the State, adding much to the enthusiasm of the occasion. He was Mayor of the city of St. Charles for six years, held the office of Police Magistrate for six years, and was a member of the City School Board for several years.

Few men are more actively engaged in business than Mr. Hunt. He is the owner of a cheese factory near St. Charles, Ill., and is a member of the Board of Trade at Elgin, Ill. In this county he is engaged in the breeding of fine stock, and is the owner of some of the best horses in Washington County. In another part of this volume will be found a more extended account of his stock farm, to which the attention of the reader is called. While a citizen of this county but a short time, Mr. Hunt has been quite actively engaged, is well known throughout the entire county and has made many friends.

HENRY B. ANDERSON is a son of Balaam Anderson, a sketch of whom is given elsewhere in this volume. He was born in Ross County, Ohio, March 26, 1821. He attended the schools of the day, receiving most of his education from a brother of the celebrated Edward Everett. He was also a pupil of Hon. Allan G. Thurman, while that distinguished statesman was himself engaged in laying the foundation on which was built his future greatness.

When he was eighteen years old Henry came to Iowa with his parents. In 1851 he was married in Ripley County, Ind., to Laura M., daughter of Garsa and Experience (Babcock) Richardson, natives of Vermont and Massachusetts, respectively. After their marriage, Mr. Anderson and his wife returned to Washington County. Their union was blessed with three children, two of whom are now living: Eugene, a grocery merchant at Washington, his native county; and Minnie, who is the wife of J. H.