

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____

Senator

Jatch, Conducc H.

Served from Polk County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place *25 Jul 1825 Milford, Clermont County, Ohio*

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary E. Stewart 1850 Cincinnati, Ohio

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business *Admitted to the bar in 1848 at Columbus, Ohio*

B. Civic responsibilities *GAR; Mason*

C. Profession *Lawyer*

4. Church membership *Methodist Episcopal*

5. Sessions served *21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th General Assemblies 1886 - 1893*

6. Public Offices

A. Local *District attorney for Polk County for one year*

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death *1 Jul 1897 in Des Moines; buried Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa*

8. Children *Mrs. Phillipa Lauran; Eva (Mrs William Connor); Mary (Mrs. L. C. Swift); Elwood S.; Ruth*

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Educated in the common schools of Clermont
County, Ohio

11. Degrees Augusta College in Augusta, Kentucky

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He grew to manhood on his father's farm until age 17
- After becoming a lawyer he settled at Kenton, Ohio where he was
chosen prosecuting attorney until the Civil War.
- He later became a member of the Ohio Senate at age 33
- Military service - Civil War - 33rd Ohio Inf. of which he was
commissioned captain and later promoted to Lieutenant Colonel
- Moved to Iowa in 1866 and entered the practice of law
- Wife, Mary E. buried 25 Mar 1920, also in Woodland Cemetery, Des Moines, Iowa

ceed one-third of the amount of money, thus raised to be used in restoring the library, the votes to be made in the years 1897, 1898 and 1899.

The motion was lost by a vote of 17 to 8.

Seeing that a recommendation for the levy was out of the question, the friends of the plan then asked that no recommendation whatever be made by the committee.

Those voting against the levy did not want to be understood as being unfriendly to the university, and insisted that reasonable temporary relief be recommended.

The others said, however, that to do so would handicap the institution in its attempt to get a proper appropriation at the meeting of the Twenty-seventh general assembly, and they would prefer, now that the levy proposition had

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MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Chicago Live Stock Review.

Chicago, Ill., July 1.—Hogs—Prices are almost constantly weakening under the big receipts. The hogs now coming will average well in quality but are not as good as a month ago. The bulk of today's transactions were at \$3.45@4.71 1/4.

Cattle—Though receipts were below last week, enough are arriving to supply the demands. The sales were largely at \$4.15@4.85, there being a good many grassy lots as well as numerous pretty good heaves. Calves advanced to \$6.50@6.85 for the best on good demand.

Heavy sheep are still neglected, as exporters are out of the market, and light, handy killers sold best. Westerns, Mexicans and Texans are numerous.

Chicago, Ill., July 1.—Hogs—Receipts, 32,000; fairly active at an early decline; high, 3.40@3.55; mixed, 3.30@3.50; heavy, 3.10@3.47.

Cattle—Receipts, 7,500; steady to 10c higher; beefs, 3.80@5.75; cows and heifers, 1.75@4.25; Texans, 2.30@4.15; stockers and feeders, 3.30@4.20.

Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; steady; natives, 2.25@4.00; westerns, 3.00@3.90; lambs, 3.00@5.25.

Wheat—July, 65%; September, 61%.

Corn—July, 24%; September, 24%.

Oats—July, 17%; September, 17%.

Pork—July, 7.67; September, 7.80.

Lard—July, 4.10; September, 4.20.

Ribbs—July, 4.47; September, 4.57.

Barley—27.

Rye—31.

Flax—7 1/2.

Timothy—2.75.

Clover—6.75.

Live Poultry—Steady; turkeys, 6.07; chickens, 7; springers, 10.015; ducks, 7.65.

Butter—Firm; creameries, 12.0@14.2; dairies, 9.0@12.

Eggs—Weak; 8.0@8 1/2.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 1.—Close.

Wheat in store, No. 1 hard, July, 71%; No. 1 northern, July, 70%; September, 62%; No. 2 northern, July, 67%.

Wheat on track, No. 1 hard, 72%; No. 1 northern, 71%; No. 2 northern, 69%.

Flax—74.

Oats—No. 3 white, 19.

Kansas City, Mo., July 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,300; strong to 10c higher; Texas and Indian steers, 3.00@3.65; native steers, 4.00@5.10; stockers and feeders, 3.00@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 13,300; 2 1/2@5c lower; heavy, 3.30@4.40; lights, 3.15@3.30; mixed, 3.25@3.35.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,100; strong and active.

New York, N. Y., July 1.—Wheat—September, 70%.

Corn—30%.

Oats—22.

Butter—Steady; 11@15.

Eggs—Steady; 10.0@10.5.

Florida, Fla., July 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,240.

Oats—Slow; No. 2 white, 19@20 1/2.

Rye—Dull; nominal.

A SUDDEN SUMMONS

Colonel C. H. Gatch Joins the Silent Majority After Short Illness.

WAS GREAT IN GOOD WORK

His Life Record was Clean and Unspotted—His Memory Will Be Held in High Esteem—Useful to Church and State.

There was a saddened look on many faces in Des Moines this morning and many thoughts went forth in loving sympathy to a bereaved family over the announcement of the sudden death at his residence, 816 West Seventh street, of Colonel C. H. Gatch. Only a few days of illness had been experienced and both suffering one and family looked forward to a speedy recovery in the change proposed of a vacation trip beginning Saturday, at Lake Okoboji.

But the Heavenly Father had willed otherwise and the chain of earthly affection was sundered, though not without the fixed hope of a happy reunion above.

Col. Gatch leaves a devoted wife, Mrs. M. B. Gatch, and children as follows: Mrs. Phillip Lauman of Chicago, who is now at the lakes; Mrs. Eva J. Connor, wife of Judge William Connor; Mrs. Mary Swift, wife of L. C. Swift of Pittsfield, Mass.; Elwood S. Gatch of Boston, and Miss Ruth Gatch, who lives at home.

Conduco H. Gatch was born July 25, 1825, near Milford, Clermont county, Ohio. His father's family was of Prussian descent; his mother was of Virginian stock, of German descent.

C. H. Gatch remained on his father's farm until he was 17 years of age and by close application fitted himself to enter Augusta college, at Augusta, Ky. From there he went to Xenia, Ohio, to pursue the study of law and was admitted to the bar at Columbus, Ohio, in 1848.

His marriage to Miss Mary E. Stewart occurred in Cincinnati in 1850, and together they repaired to Kenton, Ohio, which was the family home until after the close of the war.

In 1858, at the age of 33, Mr. Gatch was elected to the Ohio senate. In 1867 he raised a company of the Thirty-third Ohio infantry, of which he was commissioned captain. His participation in the successful campaign, resulting in the capture of Bowling Green, Nashville, Murfreesboro, Shelbyville and Huntsville, are all matters of proud record. For valiant service he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio regiment.

Colonel Gatch was a whig in sentiment in his early years and was one of the first to join in the organization of the republican party. He was a delegate to the first national republican convention of John C. Fremont as a presidential candidate. He was also a delegate in 1884 to the national republican convention.

in his useful and honorable career have been cited in this sketch. His loss will be felt in the community where he has always taken the part of a public-spirited citizen, and his kindly presence will be missed from among hosts of friends who will cherish his memory for years to come.

The funeral will take place at 4 p. m., Saturday, July 3, at the family residence, 816 Seventh street, to which friends of the family are invited. The interment will be private.

SAYS POPULISTS SOLD OUT.

Tom Watson Expresses Himself on the Fusion Deal.

Atlanta, Ga., July 1.—Tom Watson, in a signed editorial in his paper today charges that the fusionists have entered into a compact to deliver the populist vote to the democrats in 1900, and that \$7,500 was recently contributed to the populist fund by Bryan out of the receipts of his book sales, the first installment of the purchase money.

The editorial concludes: "We would wish Bryan to keep the money in his pocket. He made a mistake—just as he made a mistake when he joyously rushed a telegram of congratulation to McKinley. How such a devoted champion of the people could find in his heart to rejoice at the election of a representative of the gold bugs and corporations we have not yet been able to comprehend. But, having thrown out these few remarks, we recur to our question: 'Why have fusion populists taken Bryan's money if they are not under obligation to deliver to him the populist vote in 1900?'"

Laramie, Wis., July 1.—While in the city Bryan, who had just read the platform of the allied silver forces of Ohio was asked the question: "What do you think of the platform?"

Bryan promptly replied: "The Ohio democrats took exactly the right course. They endorsed the Chicago platform and decided the money question, the paramount issue, just as the Chicago platform did."

GO OVER THE "LOUP."

Wonderful Railroad Engineering Attracts the Endeavorers.

Denver, Colo., July 1.—Since early morning special trains loaded with delegates to the Christian Endeavor convention at San Francisco have been rolling into the Union depot at intervals of a few minutes. The Gulf road began dispatching special trains around the famous "Loup" in the mountains at 6 a. m. Thousands made the trip. Twenty special trains were scheduled for today over the Denver and Rio Grande and fifty-two for tomorrow. The Colorado Midland will also handle a large number of special trains. Trains from the east are behind the schedule time. It is the special desire of Endeavorers to reach Salt Lake City in time to attend services in the Tabernacle on Sunday.

\$30,000 STILL TO BE SECURED

The Time Extended to August 1—The Committee Encouraged.

A meeting of the executive committee having in charge the raising of funds for the Home for the Aged was held at the Grant club rooms last night and reports received from the various sub-committees. It was learned that about \$30,000 of the \$50,000 desired remained to be raised. As the extension of one month had been granted by Messrs. Callanan and Slimmer, plans were discussed looking to the securing of the

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New York, N. Y., July 1.—Wheat—Sep-
tember, 70%
Corn—30%
Oats—22
Butter—Steady; 11@15.
Eggs—Steady; 10@10 1/2.
Peoria, Ill., July 1.—Corn—Easter; No.
2, 24.
Oats—Slow; No. 2 white, 19@20 1/2.
Rye—Dull; nominal.

St. Louis, Mo., July 1.—Wheat—Cash, 70;
September, 65%
Corn—Cash, 21%; September, 23%
Oats—Cash, 17%; September, 17%.

RANGE OF PRICES.

(The following market quotations are
furnished The Capital by Harper & Co.,
brokers in stocks, grains and provisions,
607 Youngerman building.)

	Opening	Highest	Lowest	Close
Wheat—July	69 1/4	69 1/4	68 1/4	68 3/4
Sept	61 1/2	64 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Dec	66 3/4	66 3/4	66	66 3/4
Corn—July	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Sept	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/2	25 1/2
Dec	26 3/4	27	26 3/4	27
Oats—July	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/4	17 1/2
Sept	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/4	17 1/2
Pork—July	7.50	7.67	7.50	7.67
Sept	7.65	7.82	7.65	7.80
Lard—July	4.00	4.10	3.97	4.00
Sept	4.12	4.22	4.10	4.12
Ribs—July	4.37	4.47	4.37	4.37
Sept	4.50	4.60	4.50	4.57

*Asked. †Bid. ‡Nominal.
CASH PRICES TODAY.

Wheat—No. 2 red winter, 75@78; No. 2
red winter, 70@75; No. 2 spring, 65@69 1/2;
No. 3 spring, 65@69; No. 2 hard spring, 67;
No. 3 hard spring, 66@64; No. 1 northern spring,
70@70 1/2.
Corn—No. 2, 24 1/2@24 3/4; No. 2 white, 25 1/2@
25 3/4; No. 2 yellow, 25; No. 3, 23 1/2@24 1/2; No. 3
yellow, 24@24 1/2.
Oats—No. 2, 18; No. 2 white, 20 1/2@22; No.
3 white, 19 1/2@20 1/2.

PUTS AND CALLS.

Wheat—September puts, 64 1/2@64 1/2.
Calls, 65@65 1/2.

NORTHWEST RECEIPTS TODAY.

Today, Last Yr.
Duluth NT 256
Minneapolis 442 156

CAR LOTS AT CHICAGO TODAY.

Rec'ts. Est'm'd.
Wheat 10 31
Corn 519 530
Oats 244 345

FOREIGN CABLES.

Liverpool, July 1.—Opening—Wheat,
easy; 1/4 lower.
Closing—No change for July from last
night; September, 1/4 lower; December,
off 1/4.
Paris, July 1.—Opening—Wheat, 10
centimes lower and 25 centimes higher; flour,
16@35 centimes higher.
French country markets dull.
Close—Wheat, unchanged.
Antwerp, July 1.—Closing—Wheat, 12 1/2
centimes lower; corn, spot, steady; futures
1/4 lower.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

STOCKS	Open	Highest	Lowest	Closing
American Sugar Ref	126 1/2	127 1/2	125 1/2	127 1/2
American Tobacco	77 1/2	78	76 1/2	77 1/2
C. B. & Q.	83 1/2	84 1/2	82 1/2	84
Chicago Gas	94	94 1/2	92 1/2	94 1/2
Jersey Central	84	85 1/2	83 1/2	85
New York Central	101 1/2	102	101 1/4	101 1/2
Manhattan	89 1/2	90	88 1/2	90 1/2
Misgouri Pacific	18 1/2	20	18 1/4	20
General Electric	37 1/2	38 1/2	36 1/2	38 1/2
Northern Pacific	40 1/2	41 1/2	40	40 1/2
Rock Island	74 1/2	75 1/2	73 1/2	74 1/2
Louisville & Nashville	51	51 1/2	50 1/2	51 1/2
St. Paul	82 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
Northwestern	116 1/2	117 1/2	115 1/2	116 1/2
Leather	59	60 1/2	57 1/2	59 1/2
Term. Coal & Iron	25	25 1/2	24 1/2	25 1/2
Leather	53	53 1/2	52 1/2	53 1/2
Western Union	84 1/2	85 1/2	84 1/4	84 1/2

None better—None nearer than Krat-
zer Carriage Co.'s vehicles

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Ohio regiment.
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ment in his early years and was one of
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tion in 1858, which resulted in the nomi-
nation of John C. Fremont as a presi-
dential candidate. He was also a dele-
gate in 1884 to the national republican
convention that nominated James G.
Blaine for the office of president. Col-
onel Gatch never descended to the prac-
tice of seeking political preferment,
but his personal popularity and his
well known honesty of purpose and un-
swerving integrity led to his being fre-
quently called upon to represent public
interests.

At one time he was elected to the of-
fice of district attorney of Polk county,
and acted a year in that capacity, re-
fusing longer service on account of his
pressing legal business. Elected from
Polk county to the state senate he sat
in the Twenty-first general assembly,
where he was placed on important com-
mittees, and on his re-election he was
honored with the chairmanship of the
appropriations committee of the Twen-
ty-second general assembly. In this
period of law-making, Colonel
Gatch was ever faithful and earnest in
the discharge of his duties, as he was
also fearless and ardent in the expres-
sion of his opinions.

Among the measures with which Sen-
ator Gatch was conspicuously identi-
fied and which found their way into the
statutes of Iowa, were those for the im-
provement of the capitol grounds, the
founding of the historical department,
also an act reducing the number of per-
emptory jury challenges by defendants
in criminal cases to the number al-
lowed by the state. Besides other at-
tempted legislation that failed to pass
both houses, he was active and influ-
ential in preparing and in the advocacy
of the revenue bill introduced as a com-
mittee bill by the ways and means
committees of the two houses, which
passed the senate of the Twenty-fourth
general assembly. The bill considered
by himself the most meritorious of any
he introduced, and one he presented,
without success, at each of his four suc-
cessive sessions, was the one exempting
the homestead from taxation to the val-
ue of \$1,000.

The Iowa library legislation of 1894,
intended to stimulate the establishment
of new libraries and increase the use-
fulness of existing libraries, was a mat-
ter of deep concern to Colonel Gatch
and that most commendable legislation
which places it within the power of
cities and incorporated towns to secure
libraries and manage and protect them,
was largely due to his timely and un-
sparing effort. His experience in con-
nection with the public library of Des
Moines, as one of the trustees, enabled
him to determine what was needed in
this direction.

Colonel Gatch bore for many years
a prominent part in the support and
direction of the affairs of the First
Methodist Episcopal church, of which
he was a member, and went twice as a
delegate to the general conference. His
fraternal relations were with the
Grand Army of the Republic, at whose
meetings his voice has many times been
heard, and he belonged to the order of
the Loyal Legion of the United States,
also fraternized with Pioneer Lodge No.
22, A. F. and A. M. His legal ability
was generally recognized and his prac-
tice has been largely outside of local
courts and more particularly in suits in-
volving extensive landed interests.

Colonel Gatch was to have placed in
the hands of Hon. Charles A. Smith the
material for a sketch for the forthcom-
ing biographical dictionary in progress
of compilation by Conway & Shaw,
but had not done so. The main facts

A meeting of the executive commit-
tee having in charge the raising of funds
for the Home for the Aged was held at
the Grant club rooms last night and
reports received from the various sub-
committees. It was learned that about
\$30,000 of the \$50,000 desired remained to
be raised. As an extension of one
month had been granted by Messrs.
Callanan and Slimmer, plans were dis-
cussed looking to the securing of the
balance yet to be raised. It must be
done by August 1 and prompt and vigor-
ous work must be done. Mr. Hubbell
suggested a plan to take real estate
subscriptions and said he would be one
of twenty or twenty-five citizens to
form a syndicate and purchase all lands
donated to the aid fund, the value of
said real estate to be fixed by judges
named by the committee.

Mrs. Durley was present and urged
that the men take a more active inter-
est in the raising of this money. The
members of the committee were en-
couraged at the outlook and renewed
efforts will be put forth to secure the
\$30,000 remaining to be subscribed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The C. W. B. M. of the Central Christ-
ian church will hold its regular meet-
ing in the church at 3 o'clock Friday.

The deaconess board of St. John's
Lutheran church will give an ice cream
social in the church parlors Friday
evening. A good program will be giv-
en. Admission 15 cents.

The regular meeting of the Irish-
American Allison Republican club will
be held in Trades Assembly hall to-
night. A large attendance is desired.
M. T. Scanlan, secretary.

The Missionary society of the Central
Presbyterian church will meet Friday
afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. T. N.
Newell, 1724 Seventh street. Take Ninth-
street car, as Sixth is being paved.
"Life Among the Choctaw Indians"
will be discussed by Rev. Mrs. Scher-
merhorn, who spent some time among
them. "The Missionary Spirit," by Mrs.
Samuel George, also a reading by Miss
Lucy Allbach.

'REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

The primaries for the Third precinct
of the Seventh ward will be held, at the
fire house, corner of Eighteenth and
Walnut streets, on the evening of July
10, 1897, from the hour of 5 until 8 p. m.
for the purpose of selecting delegates to
county convention.

GEO. W. KEMP, Committeeman.
The republicans of the Fourth pre-
cinct of the Sixth ward will hold a pri-
mary Saturday, July 10, in the Webster
school building, corner of East Twelfth
and Lyon streets, to elect thirteen
delegates to the county convention July
17, 1897. Polls open from 5 to 8 p. m.
Also any republican in this precinct
who desires to be a delegate must hand
his name to me on or before 3 p. m.
Tuesday, July 6, so the name can be
printed on the official ticket. Amos W.
Brandt, committeeman.

Silenced the Ringleader.

The head teacher in a Sunday school
was much worried by the noise of the
scholars in the next room. At last, un-
able to bear it any longer, he mounted
a chair and looked over the partition.
Seeing one boy a little taller than the
others talking a great deal, he leaped
over, hoisted him into a chair in his
room, saying:
"Now, be quiet."
A quarter of an hour later a small
head appeared round the door and a
week little voice said:
"Please, Mr. you've got our teacher."
—THE BUREAU.

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Legislator played role in growth of Des Moines

By RENDA LUTZ
REGISTER STAFF WRITER

Col. Conduce H. Gatch, a senator in the Iowa Legislature, played an important role in the growth of Des Moines.

The capital city was a mere eight square miles prior to 1890. Des Moines was bounded roughly by the Des Moines and Raccoon rivers on the south and University Avenue on the north. The city stretched about 12 blocks east of the Capitol and Drake University marked the city limits to the west.



C. Gatch

Gatch introduced a bill in the Legislature in 1890 that eliminated eight suburbs surrounding Des Moines by extending the city's corporate boundaries 2½ miles in all directions. The plan was originated by city leaders and the Commercial Exchange, the forerunner of the Chamber of Commerce.

Gatch introduced the successful annexation bill during his second term in the Legislature. He earned the reputation of being a municipal reformer. An attorney by trade, Gatch was a man who made a mark wherever he was.

Born on July 25, 1825, to a well-to-do farmer in Clermont County, Ohio, Gatch attended school only in the winter months. He entered Augusta College in Kentucky at age 17. He later studied law in Xenia, Ohio, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1848.

Within a few years he was elected prosecuting attorney. Gatch was a member of the Whig political party in his early life. He was one of the first Republicans and served as a delegate to the first National Republican Convention in 1856. He was also a delegate in 1884.

Gatch was elected to the Ohio Senate in 1858 when he was 33. Three years later he was commissioned as captain of an Ohio infantry in the Civil War. He participated in successful



SPECIAL TO THE REGISTER

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campaigns that resulted in the capture of Bowling Green, Nashville, Murfreesboro, Shelbyville and Huntsville. He worked his way up to colonel of Ohio's 135th Regiment.

Gatch moved his wife, Mary, their son and four daughters to Des Moines after the war in 1866. They settled into a large 2½-story home at 816 Seventh St. Mary Gatch was respected as a homemaker. The Des Moines Tribune reported, "Her home was her castle, very beautiful, too, under her tactful ministrations, with its atmosphere of refinement and cheer and warm hospitality."

Mary Gatch's interests stretched beyond the home. She was a charter member of the Des Moines Women's Club and in its early days an active board member. She was a supporter of the women's suffrage movement. The entire family was very involved in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Col. Gatch was twice a delegate to the church's national general conference.

Gatch served as the District Attorney of Polk County for a few years. His main focus was the law firm of Gatch, Conner and Weaver — one of the leading law firms in Iowa.

Gatch died in 1897, shortly before his 72nd birthday. His wife continued on in their family home for two more years, before she moved to her daughter's home in Pasadena, Calif. Mary Gatch died on Nov. 21, 1919.

The Gatch family home remained a private residence for decades, even when many of the neighboring homes on Seventh Street between Center and Crocker streets were converted to apartments in the 1940s.

The large home was torn down around 1961. All the homes on the block had been removed and the land became a parking lot by 1971. Front steps leading from the city sidewalk are all that remain of several of the neighboring homes.

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