

### BENJAMIN T. NIX,

Representative from Union county, was born in Ohio county, Kentucky, September 15, 1840. Parents were natives of Tennessee, his father being an itinerant Methodist preacher. He was educated in the district schools, completing the course in Funk's Seminary at LaGrange, Kentucky. Taught two terms of school. When the war broke out he recruited a company, which was assigned to duty as Company B, Thirty-second Kentucky Volunteer Infantry, a nine months' regiment, but served a year, was mustered out by reason of expiration of service. Re-enlisted the company, filling it up to 101 men, and again entered the army as Company D, Fifty-third Kentucky Mounted Infantry, and served in the Army of the Cumberland until the close of the war. In the fall of 1868 he came to Iowa, stopping first thirteen miles west of Burlington. In 1870 he followed the Burlington route west, locating on a farm near Woodburn, in Clarke county, remaining there five years. In the spring of 1875 he moved to Union county, locating on a farm six miles south of Creston, in Platte township. In the fall of 1880 was elected clerk of the circuit and district courts of Union county, moving to Afton January 1, 1881. This office he filled for eight years. In January, 1889, he returned to his farm, remaining until 1892, when he moved back to Afton, going into the Citizens' Bank as assistant cashier, remaining there three years, when he moved to the farm on which he now lives, just east of town. He has a wife and one married daughter. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Masonic and I. O. O. F. fraternities at Afton, Iowa. Elected Representative in 1906. A Republican in politics.