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Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Heber,

Nicholas H. - Represented Hamilton, Webster and Wright  
Counties, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 15 Jan 1849 Iron County, Wisconsin

2. Marriage (s) date place \_\_\_\_\_

Emily Celina Rufford 12 Nov 1873

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Organized the first National Bank of Clarion, Iowa; he was  
admitted to the bar in Oct 1871

B. Civic responsibilities I.O.O.F.

C. Profession Lawyer, educator, real estate

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> General Assemblies 1886, 1888

6. Public Offices

A. Local Wright County auditor 4 years 1875-1879

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death Jan 1892 Clarion, Iowa; buried Evergreen Cemetery, Clarion, Iowa

8. Children Arthur Eugene; Howard L. Cora

9. Names of parents Nicholas H. and Sophia (Rudis) Heber

10. Education He was educated in the public schools in Iowa County, Wisconsin

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information

Republican

- His youth was spent helping his father in the baking trade.
- At age 7 he was run over by a train and lost his right arm.
- His father died when Nicholas was age 16, so taking care of the family became his duty.
- In the winter of 1864-65 and at the annual session of 1865-1866 he was a messenger for the Wisconsin Legislature.
- He moved to Iowa in spring 1866 and taught school for one year in Winneshiek County, Iowa.
- The following year he was principal of the Howard County School.
- He then entered Judge Corley's office and studied law until 1871.
- In 1870 he was clerk - began in the Iowa State.
- After being admitted to the bar he moved to Iowa Springs in Howard County Iowa until Mar 1871.
- He moved to Wright County, Iowa in fall 1871 and was elected County Superintendent.
- In 1880 he engaged in the real estate business.
- His wife, Emily Celine, born 1 Feb 1851, died 11 Feb 1934, also buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Clarion, Iowa.



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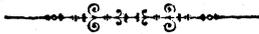
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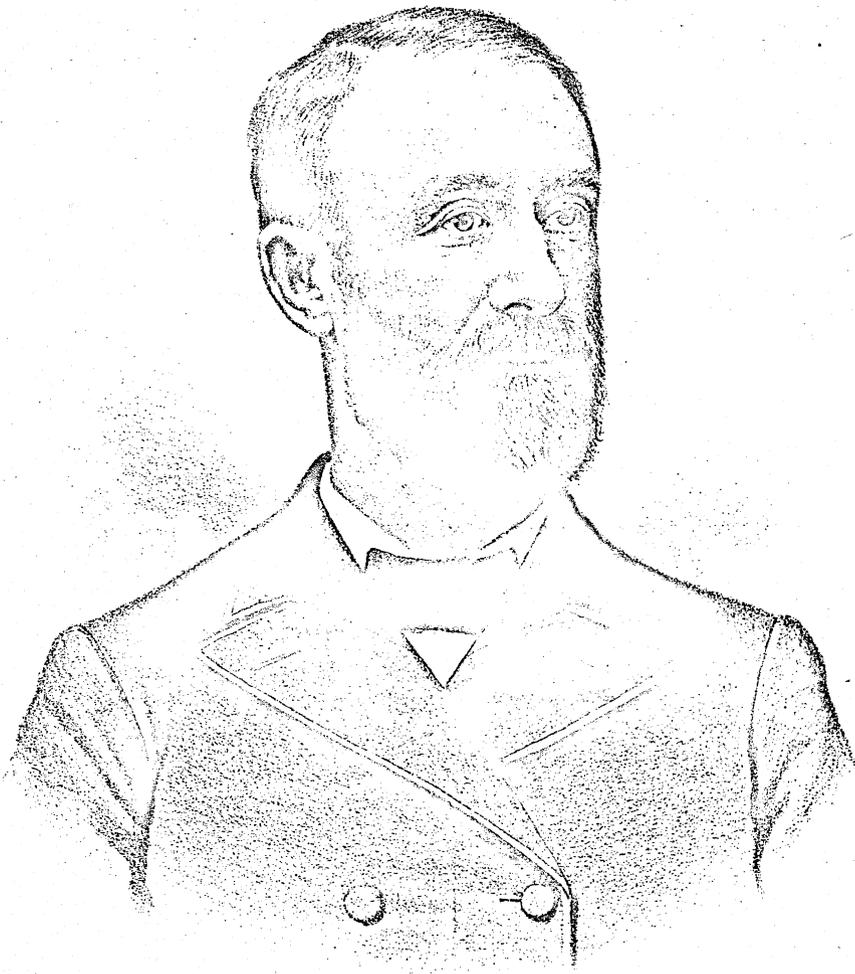
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until 1879, when he came to Dows. Mr. Hopkins is a Republican, a member of the Presbyterian church and an elder in the same and has been a great Sabbath-school worker for a number of years. He is a man cordial to all and has made many lasting friends.



**HON. NICHOLAS F. WEBER**, cashier of the First National Bank of Clarion, is a native of Wisconsin, born in Iowa County, January 15, 1849. He was the oldest of ten children of Nicholas and Sophia (Budia) Weber, who were natives of Germany and came with their parents and settled in Wisconsin when they were small children, and where they were married. Mr. Weber was a baker by trade, which he followed until his death. Of the ten children eight lived to be grown and still survive. Our subject's youth was spent in assisting his father in his avocation and attending school. When nine years of age he was run over by a train of cars and lost his right arm. When he was sixteen years old his father died, leaving the family in limited circumstances, and the duties of looking after their welfare devolved on our subject. Notwithstanding his disability he struggled bravely, working hard and, whenever opportunity offered, he attended the public schools. In the winter of 1864-'65, and at the annual session of 1865-'66 he was a messenger boy in the Wisconsin Legislature. In the spring of 1866 he came to Iowa and for one year taught school in Winneshiek County; the following year he was principal of the Howard and Cresco Schools (Howard County). He then went to Decorah and entered Judge Cooley's office and began the study of law, remaining until 1871. In 1870 he was door-keeper in the

Iowa Senate. He was admitted to the bar in October, 1871, and went to Nora Springs, Howard County, Iowa; remained there until March, 1871, and came to Wright County and was elected to the office of County Superintendent in the fall of 1871, which he held for two years. In 1875 he was elected to the office of County Auditor, which office he filled with honor to himself and credit to his constituents for four years. After January 1, 1880, he engaged actively in the practice of his profession and in the real estate business, which he followed successfully until the fall of 1887, when he organized the First National Bank of Clarion, and was elected its cashier. He was, in the fall of 1885, elected to represent the Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, comprising the counties of Webster, Wright and Hamilton, in the Iowa State Senate. He has had the office one term, four years, and is the present incumbent. In connection with his banking duties he manages the real estate and loan department. He was married November 12, 1873, to Miss Emily Gaylord, a native of Connecticut, and a daughter of Lyman Gaylord, of Floyd County, where Mrs. Weber was reared. By this union three children have been born to them, viz.: Arthur, Howard and Cora. He and his wife are members of the Congregational church. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Clarion Lodge, No. 225. Politically he is an uncompromising Republican. In coming to Wright County Mr. Weber traveled on foot, with only a good stock of energy and one hand. Here by hard work and good management he has accumulated a good property, which he uses to the best advantages in surrounding himself with all the comforts of life. He is, and always was, among the foremost to take an active interest in any enterprise that had for its object the best interests of the county or the community in



Yours &c  
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which he lives. His mother still resides in Decorah. He is one of the founders of the Congregational church at Clarion, and devotes most of his time and means to the church work, and is a strong worker and believer in the religious cause generally.

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**W**ILLIAM WILLIS, one of the representative men of Wright County, was born in Muskegan County, Ohio, July 2, 1848, a son of Robert Willis, one of the well-known and early pioneers of Cass Township, Hamilton County, Iowa, who was born in 1818, in Belmont County, Ohio, and a son of William Willis. Robert was but a young lad when his father removed to Muskegan County, Ohio, where Robert grew to manhood, and from his youth up was accustomed to pioneer life. Here he married Miss Louisa Stanger, a native of Germany. In 1843 the Willis family removed from Ohio to Louisa County, Iowa, and in April, 1856, arrived in Hamilton County, Iowa, settling on the White Fox Creek, where he improved a good farm of eighty acres, and there resided until death, October 5, 1865, leaving a widow and six children, viz.: Mary, wife of J. N. Lyons, of Webster City; Nancy, a successful teacher of Webster City; William, of Woolstock; Ella, wife of Dr. A. H. Hull, of Keith County, Nebraska; Carrie M., a teacher of Keith County, Nebraska, and Ulysses Grant, of Logan County, Colorado. Robert Willis was a Democrat until 1856, when he refused to support Buchanan; four years later he voted for Lincoln. He was a man well informed and a good writer, and frequently contributed to the Hamilton County *Freeman* in its early days. He was a man of strong and decided views as to right and wrong, honorable in all his social and business rela-

tions, he secured the confidence and esteem of all. William Willis, whose name heads this sketch, was a lad of eight years when his father's family came to Hamilton County. He was reared on the old farm and received his education at the log school-houses and at Webster City. At twenty he removed to Webster City and engaged at different work, mostly at the carpenter's trade. He was married February 8, 1872, to Miss Amanda Smith, of Webster City, Iowa. After his marriage he lived for three years on the old homestead, then removed to the "Averill Farm," one of the old farms of Cass Township. In March, 1883, he bought his present farm, which contains 160 acres of rich land, well adapted for stock or grain farming and is well watered by Eagle Creek. He has a good house, barns, and other good farm buildings, making it one of the best improved farms in the county. He is interested in blooded stock, consisting of horses, cattle and swine. Mr. and Mrs. Willis have three children, viz.: Lula Hermie, Ralph William and Mattie Louisa. Mr. Willis is a Republican, a member of the Masonic order, Acacia Lodge, Webster City, Iowa. Though but a young man he is numbered among the representative men of Wright County.

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**J**AMES RENNE, one of the intelligent and progressive citizens of Woolstock Township, came to the county in the year 1869. He was born in Greene County, New York, August 20, 1837; a son of Smith and Jane (Lockwood) Renne, who were natives of New York; our subject being the fifth child of three sons and four daughters. James was reared at farm work and received his education in his native county. There he resided until 1855, when he removed to

## Evergreen Cemetery - Clarion

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ADDELL, Mary S Chambers	1865 - 30 Nov 1883	11E d	
Thomas	May 1847 - 21 Jan 1910	11E e	
WAITE, George B	30 Jul 1823 - 22 Nov 1896*	181E a	
Lucinda Babcock	27 Dec 1827 - 7 Dec 1903*	181E b	
WALKER, Olive	9 Aug 1844 - 16 Jun 1906	200E b	
WATLAND, Grace Wilkin	5 Jan 1886 - 16 Jun 1972	165W b	
WATSON, Charles Lafayette	29 Sep 1857 - 8 Oct 1935*	149W d	
Ella	1864 - 6 Mar 1919	140W d	
Gertrude Mae	6 Sep 1880 - 16 Mar 1936*	149W a	
Luvine Myers	22 Dec 1856 - 1 Jul 1900*	149W c	
Saloma Koch (Mother)	25 Jan 1837 - 23 Oct 1922*	140W b	
Thomas	8 Aug 1833 - 17 Mar 1908	140W a	
WEBER, Arthur Eugene	27 Sep 1874 - 26 Oct 1949*	188E c	
Arthur Eugene Jr	19 Sep 1918 - 15 Jun 1924*	188E e	
Agnes Patten McCleery	9 Mar 1883 - 18 Nov 1949*	188E d	
Emily Celine Gaylord	1 Jul 1851 - 11 Feb 1934*	188W d	
Harriet McCleery	25 Dec 1880 - 24 Sep 1914	188E b	
Howard L	25 Apr 1878 - 15 Oct 1891	188W c	
Isabel	28 Feb 1909 - 7 Jan 1951	188E a	
Newell John	15 Jun 1908 - 19 Aug 1970	30W a	
N Frederic	1931 - 1948	30W b	
Nicholas F	15 Jan 1846 - 1 Jan 1892	188W e	
Nicholas F III	1 Mar 1906 - 16 Sep 1968	188W a	
WENOS, John Marion	15 Dec 1884 - 19 Jun 1925*	210E c	
John O	24 Jul 1856 - 1 Jan 1919	210E a	
Marie (Marie) Christina Meckelson	10 Aug 1849 - 27 Feb 1929*	210E b	
Martha Frances Mann	1 Jan 1892 - 1 Jan 1919	215W e	
WETTER, Gustavis A	1857 - 17 Sep 1908*		
WHEELER, Eliza Ann	1832 - 10 Jan 1892*		
Hattie E Kenison	24 Oct 1850 - 20 Aug 1908*	227E d	
Martha A	3 Sep 1839 - 18 Dec 1906*		
Solomon	25 Jul 1841 - 7 Apr 1914	227E ?	CW
W H	- 29 Jan 1898		
WHIPPLE, Dorothy Helen	5 Oct 1911 - 18 Feb 1912	21W d	
Harry	24 Jul 1895 - 10 Apr 1896	21E e	
Henry Frederick (Grandpa)	31 Aug 1830 - 8 May 1915	41E e	
Laura Bowen (Grandma)	24 Nov 1830 - 12 Jul 1896	41E e	
WHITE, Anna Mari Ford	7 May 1849 - 30 Sep 1943*	95W b	
Clarion	Apr 1885 - 7 Oct 1904	199E a	
Emory B	4 Apr 1847 - 5 Oct 1919	95W d	
Hester A Dugan	7 Nov 1840 - 31 Mar 1912	7W a	
Howard	30 Oct 1908 - 1 Nov 1908		
Ida Elizabeth Miller	11 Mar 1856 - 9 Jun 1944*	199E d	
Infant	16 Feb 1911 - 16 Feb 1911*		
Infant Son	- Jan 1886	95W a	
James Newton	21 Jan 1837 - 30 Mar 1923	157W b	
Jennie Mae Jones	4 Jun 1873 - 21 Aug 1907*	157E a	
Joseph Byron	27 Jan 1850 - 25 Jul 1915	199E e	CW



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<a href="#">N. F. WEBER</a>	Self	M	Male	W	31	WI	Lawyer	PRUSSIA	PRUSSIA
<a href="#">Emily C. WEBER</a>	Wife	M	Female	W	27	CT	Keeping House	CT	CT
<a href="#">Arthur E. WEBER</a>	Son	S	Male	W	5	IA		WI	CT
<a href="#">Howard L. WEBER</a>	Son	S	Male	W	2	IA		WI	CT

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