

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ Senator Hanna

Thomas - Represented Muscatine County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 15 July 1820 Salena, Ohio
(Clinton, Ohio)

2. Marriage (s) date place
Elijah A. Connor 31 Aug 1842 Rome, Indiana

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was an originator of the Building and Loan Association in Muscatine serving as President of the Board of Directors

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Lawyer; carpenter

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 17th, 18th General Assemblies 1878, 1880

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 4 Nov 1881 Muscatine, Iowa; buried

8. Children Ethel (Mrs. T. R. Stitzgerard); Jane, Isabel, Katie; Hiram (died in 1867 from Civil War wounds); Mary (died in 1872); three additional children preceded their father in death

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Educated in the public schools of
Salem, Ohio

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information

Republican

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number of years.
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where he worked as a carpenter for a time
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devoted his energy to agricultural pursuits.
- In 1856, he came to Iowa, first locating at Hilton where he
practiced law.
- Two years later he moved to Muscatine and practiced law.
- In 1861 he was commissioned to take the vote of the Iowa
soldiers in the field.
- His death occurred before his term in the Senate had expired

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
- <i>Portrait and Biographical Album of Muscatine County 1889,</i>			
<i>p. 412</i>			
- <i>Recollections and Sketches by Stiles 1916, p. 412-413</i>			
- <i>The History of Muscatine County 1879, p. 605</i>			
- <i>Obituary - The Muscatine Weekly Journal, Muscatine, Iowa,</i>			
<i>Thu. Mar. 11, 1881, p. 6, col. 3</i>			

COMPLETE BLOCKADE.—Railroad entirely suspended hereabouts elsewhere—the last train arriving on the Southwestern passing yesterday at one p. m. No trains come from the east since Wednesday, and none, we understand, are coming to Chicago at present. The one left there Wednesday night is now bound somewhere over in Iowa. The train due here at 7:05 a. m., from Kansas City, is stuck in the deep cut this side of Des Moines, with five engines—powerfully equipped to extricate the train. Extending from Bartlett place to Fruitland on the Island, is a drift 2½ miles from three to five feet in thickness. Yardmaster Shafnit, with 30 men, went down there with pony engines this morning, and bucked into the drift till noon. Not much was accomplished, however, as the snow would not go behind the engine as it worked into the drift, and spoil what had been done. Mr. Shafnit telegraphed to Wilton for another engine, as expected this afternoon, but it was designed to go down and get stuck in the drift again with the two others. The Muscatine Western went out this morning and bucked into a drift a short distance from where it returned soon without accomplishing anything.—*Daily, 4.*

THE STORY OF A STAGE ROBBER.—The story from the *Denver Republican* of the 3d, sent to us by John F. Walcott, has an interest to many in this city.

Readers of the *Republican* will remember the case of William Leroy, the late Gunnison stage robber, whose complete and interesting confession appeared in these columns a short time since. It has been ascertained that an alias, and that the prisoner is a man named Thomas Claire

Death of Senator Hanna.

At five minutes of four this afternoon, Senator Thomas Hanna breathed his last. Though suffering greatly this morning, his dying moments were quiet and painless. He was conscious to the last, understanding what was said to him, though unable to speak. The sad news was telegraphed to Mr. Hanna's brother in Indiana and to other relatives.—*Daily, 5.*

From Saturday's Daily.

The JOURNAL of yesterday briefly announced the death of this distinguished citizen. Mr. Hanna was in the 61st year of his age, having been born at Salem, Eastern Ohio, on the 15th of July, 1820. While he was yet young his family removed to Indiana, where he was reared and educated. In early life he became inured to hard labor, but on account of an infirmity affecting his spine and incapacitating him from severe physical effort, he turned his attention to the law and was admitted to practice in 1852. In 1856 he came to Iowa, locating at Wilton, in this county. Two years subsequently, in 1858, he removed to this city, where he continued to reside till his death.

While living in Rome, Indiana, in 1843, he married Miss Eliza Conner, a native of Kentucky, who survives him, together with four daughters—Esther, (now Mrs. T. R. Fitzgerald,) Jane, Isabel and Katie. A much-beloved son, Hiram, fell a victim in 1867 to disease contracted while serving his country as a soldier during the rebellion. Mary, a married daughter, who resided at Fairfield, Ill., died in 1872. Three other children died before reaching years of maturity.

Mr. Hanna, soon after coming to Muscatine, took a prominent and commanding position at the bar, and the firm with which he was so long connected has done a large and lucrative business. He was noted more for

BAR MEETING

Resolutions in Reference to the Late Senator Hanna

COURT HOUSE, Muscatine, March 1st.

The members of the bar of this county met pursuant to a motion Judge Richman was placed in the chair and Jno. H. Munroe secretary.

The chair stated the object of the meeting—to take suitable acknowledgment to the death of Senator Hanna, and, on motion, Judge J. Carskaddan, D. C. Clough, S. Richman and Wm. Hoffman were appointed as a committee on resolutions and the committee, through the chair, Judge Brannan, submitted the following, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Divine Providence to remove from our midst Senator Hanna, one of the oldest and noblest members of the bar of Muscatine, one for whom not only we, his brethren, but the community cherished the highest esteem, and

WHEREAS, It is not only usual and proper, when death has taken with whom we have been so closely associated for many years, that, as members of the community, we should in some appropriate expression to our sense of the loss of a deceased, and of the loss which we sustain with the rest of the community, in his death—therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Senator Hanna, our late brother, the bar of this county has lost one of its most noble and honored members, whose life and integrity won for him the respect of all with whom he was brought in contact, and whose genial and kindly nature was a blessing to all with whom he was acquainted.

Resolved, That while we deeply regret the loss we have sustained in his death, we are assured that a life so pure and elevated, as that of our deceased brother, will leave a most salutary and beneficial example to the world, and that it will in another world be accorded to the just and true.

Resolved, That we tender to the family of the deceased our heartfelt condolences and bereavement which his death has caused them, and that as a mark of respect we will in a body attend the funeral.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and they be presented to the Judges of the District Courts to the end that they be spread upon and made part of the records of those tribunals.

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For the JOURNAL.

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fatal. Since then, though he recovered
and was able to go about and to make a
journey to Ohio, he attempted to do
very little business. His vital energies
seemed to be gradually ebbing away.
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do to alleviate his sufferings and
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Farm of 90 acres to rent.

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Muscatine voters are by no means ighened at any third-term bugaboo.

A young man who knows says that on court to caught is but a short ep.—*Philadelphia Chronicle*.

J. Q. Wing, Esq., of Davenport, will et at Wilton on the 14th. Subject "The Mound Builders of America."

S. S. Desbro' lost two fingers. Mon- ay, at Atalissa, by his hand unfortu- ately being caught in a corn sheller.

Our across-the-Avenue-neighbor still elieves Gen. Hancock is "superb." Well, we'll not have any dispute on hat point.

Mr. G. Grobel, 542 Canal street, Chi- ago, told us that he would not live ithout a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil; so ighly does he prize it.

Longfellow likes dogs. Those in uscatine having canines for sale will e interested in knowing that his ad- ress is Cambridge, Mass.

gressman Farwell has not yet re- igned the Collectorship of this District. ut will wait until John W. Green is uly appointed his successor.

And now comes J. B. Lester of wetland township, and tells us that

Cook and W. W. Gregg, in this city. Chicago Interior, 3d: "Dr. C. O. Waters, of the Presbyterian Board of Publication, has recovered, and is 'once more at his desk and depository.'"

J. A. Mathewson and his son Isaac returned home Saturday evening, hav- ing been absent since May last, acting as civil engineer on a new railroad in southeastern Illinois.

E. B. Hanna, Esq., of Fairfield, Ill., brother of the late Senator Hanna, ar- rived Monday to attend his funeral; also, his sister, Mrs. Esther Small, of Stuart, Iowa. Mr. Hanna will remain till Saturday.

Rev. G. N. Power was snowed in five days at Riverside. Monday he at- tempted to walk home, 37 miles, but finally secured a conveyance to Iowa City, from which place he came home by the cars.

Dr. Robertson returned Saturday evening from Iowa City, where he had been snow-bound since Wednesday. It must have been decidedly pleasant to the Doctor, with his large practice, to be cooped up there four days. A man narrowly escaped with his life who asked him Saturday evening when he expected to go to Iowa City again.

Senator Hanna's funeral, this after- noon, was largely attended. The re- ligious exercises were conducted by Rev. A. B. Robbins, who alluded ten- derly and truthfully to the chief char- acteristics of the deceased and spoke of his upright moral character and re- verence for the teachings of the Bible.

The pall bearers were Jas. Jackson, C. Cadle, Sr., B. Beach, R. H. Mc- Campbell, S. M. Thompson, A. F. Dem- orest, S. B. Hill and Alex. Jackson.—*Daily, 5th.*

TRAINS.—Railroad tracks in this sec- tion are about clear again, and trains are resuming travel and schedule time. Three trains came in from the east Sat- urday evening—at about 7, 9 and 10 o'clock respectively—the first and third

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- Geo. W. Dillaway, R.
- Sam'l Cohn, D.....
- For Treasurer—
- C. Cadle, R.....
- Geo. Meason, D.....
- For Assessor—
- J. P. Lewis, R.....
- For Wharfmaster—
- Leonard Arnold, R.....

educational advantages, such as would fit them for the practical duties of this life. He was a man of progressive ideas, always ready to take a step in advance, and always did everything in his power to promote any enterprise for the public good. His death occurred while he was in Indian Territory in 1873. Thus one more of the pioneers passed away, and there are now but few to tell the story of frontier life as enacted in the early days of this county. Mrs. Gilbert is still living on the old homestead in Sweetland Township, where she is surrounded by many warm friends.



THOMAS HANNA, deceased, who was for many years a prominent lawyer of Muscatine, was a native of Salem, Ohio, where he was born July 15, 1820. He was the eldest son of John and Sarah (Cohn) Hanna, the former a native of Ireland, and the latter an American by birth but of German ancestry. Mr. Hanna grew to manhood in his native town, and received a liberal education in the public schools of that place, and then learned the carpenter's trade, at which he worked for a number of years. Arriving at man's estate he left Salem, and went to Rome, Perry Co., Ind., where he continued to work at his trade for a time.

August 31, 1842, at Rome, Ind., Mr. Hanna was united in marriage with Miss Eliza A. Connor, a native of Kentucky, and a daughter of Samuel and Sarah (Morrison) Connor, both of whom were natives of Virginia, and descendants of old Revolutionary families. To Mr. and Mrs. Hanna were born nine children, only six of whom grew to maturity: Hiram C., who served as a soldier in the late Civil War, in Company H of the 11th Iowa Infantry. He enlisted as a private in the fall of 1861, and was promoted to First Lieutenant. He participated in all the engagements in which his regiment took part, and was mustered out of the service at Louisville, Ky., Oct. 23, 1865. He died March 20, 1867, from disease brought on by exposure while in the service of his country. Esther E. is the wife of T. R. Fitzgerald, an attorney of Muscatine; Mary D. became the wife of Charles

Apperson, of Louisville, Ill., and died at that place, June 23, 1872; Jennie H. and Bell S. reside with their mother in Muscatine; and Kate G. wedded G. W. Weippeirt, and is a resident of Chicago.

While residing at Rome, Ind., Mr. Hanna was for several years Clerk of the court at that place, and devoted his spare time to the study of law. In 1850 he bought a farm near Rome, Ind., and for about five years devoted his energies to agricultural pursuits. In 1856 he emigrated to Iowa, and first located at Wilton and began the practice of law, and two years later removed to the city of Muscatine, and continued the practice of his profession with marked success.

In 1864 Mr. Hanna was commissioned to take the vote of the Iowa soldiers in the field. In the fall of 1877 he was elected to the State Senate, and his death occurred March 4, 1880, before the expiration of his term of office. He was a staunch Republican in politics, and was a supporter of that party from the time it was organized. During his long residence in Muscatine all worthy public improvements and enterprises received proper consideration and encouragement at his hands. As a professional and business man, he possessed the entire confidence of the people throughout the county with whom business or social relations brought him in contact.



GEORGE D. MAGOON, a pioneer settler of Muscatine, is a native of Ware, Hampshire Co., Mass., born Feb. 11, 1825. His parents were Isaac and Hannah (Shaw) Magoon, a very old family who traced their ancestry back to Isaac Magoon, who emigrated from the North of Ireland to America in the year 1727, and settled at Ware, Mass., and was the founder of this branch of the Magoon family in America. The parents of our subject had born unto them a family of ten children, four sons and six daughters, viz: Isaac A., who died in Warsaw, Ill., in 1839; Selencia married Abial Fry in 1840, and died at Muscatine in 1858; Maria, who became the wife of Andrew J. Fimple, now deceased, one of the early settlers of Muscatine, is now living at Muscatine; Eliza mar-

but was a superior office lawyer and counselor. His inherent Quaker propensities prompted him to conciliation and compromise whenever it could be properly effected. He had a good clientage and represented some of the large business interests of his city. He was particularly distinguished for his interest in the cause of education and public schools. He was an earnest advocate of popular education, of new and better schoolhouses, of higher standards of scholarship; increase of teachers' salaries. For several years he agitated and urged the erection of a new high school for Muscatine and upon this issue in 1873, he was elected President of the Muscatine Board of Education and continued to be elected to that position for many years. He was a highly honorable and useful citizen who left a lasting influence upon the public institutions of Muscatine. I used to meet him at the Davenport terms of the Supreme Court whither the appeals from Muscatine County went, and conceived a high opinion of him.

Thomas Hanna I also used to meet at the Davenport terms and it was there that I became acquainted with him. In appearance, he was quite unlike Mr. Broomhall, for he was short and stoop-shouldered, but he was a close, well-read, conscientious and honorable lawyer. The clear statement of a case is a great point to be gained, and one that it seemed to me, Mr. Hanna very well accomplished in the opening of his cases.

He was born in Salem, Ohio, in 1820, was reared and educated in Indiana where he studied law, and in 1852 was admitted to the bar. He located and commenced practice in Muscatine in 1856. He was universally respected by the people of Muscatine County, and in 1877 was elected its State Senator. In that body he took an honorable and influential position. Among his associates were many prominent men, such as Judge D. D. Chase, Judge Henry L. Deshiel, Alfred Hebard, John L. McCormack, John T. Stonemen, Ezekiel Clark, William Larabee, Judge N. W. Rumble, John S. Wilson, Moses M. Ham, Aaron Kimball and James M. Shelley. He was successful in the profession, built up a respectable practice and enjoyed the confidence of the bar and of the courts. During the Civil War he was appointed by the Governor, one of the commissioners to take the vote of Iowa soldiers in the field. He performed faithfully and well every duty placed upon him.

Henry Jane, as will be seen by reference to the sketch of Judge Brannan, studied law under, and subsequently became a partner with the latter. He was a Pennsylvanian by birth and came with his parents when a lad, and settled in Scott County, afterwards removed to Muscatine County where he received his education. He was an active and efficient lawyer for many years in Muscatine and adjoining territory. His partnership with Judge Brannan continued until the latter went on the bench, but after Judge Brannan's first resignation, the partnership was resumed, and subsequently enlarged by taking into it William Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman was