

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Senator Rumples
John Nicholas William - Represented Iowa County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 4. Mar 1841 near Historical, Seneca County, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place
① Adeline L. Whitling 6 Dec 1866 Iowa County, Iowa
② Mary Helen Shepherd 7 Dec 1871 Iowa City, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of the Board of Regents of State University of Iowa; admitted to the bar in 1867

B. Civic responsibilities Mason; G.A.R.; I.O.O.F

C. Profession Lawyer; teacher

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 15th, 16th, 17th General Assemblies 1874, 1876, 1878

6. Public Offices

A. Local School board member; Marengo city councilman; Marengo city attorney; mayor of Marengo 1865-1866

B. State Curator of the State Historical Society

C. National Elected to the 57th United States Congress 4 Mar 1901 until his death

7. Death 31 Jan 1903 Chicago, Ill.; buried I.O.O.F cemetery, Marengo, Iowa

8. Children Child with the first wife - Adeline (Mrs. Little); child with the second wife, Paul (died at age seven)

9. Names of parents William and Mary Jane (Rosenberger) Rumples
Step father - Daniel Broome

Rumple, John Nicholas William

10. Education

Opportunities for schooling were very limited; he learned as he could; at age 16 he was able to attend an academy at Ackland in Wapello County, Iowa

11. Degrees

At age 17 he attended Western College in Lewis County, Iowa for 2 terms; State University of Iowa

12. Other applicable information

- Republican
- Military service - Civil War - Co. H, 2nd Iowa Cavalry, rank of Captain
 - He lived with his parents from until aged when they moved to Keosauqua
 - At age 11 his father died. His mother and the six children returned to Tiffin, Ohio staying for 2 years
 - In 1853 the family with relatives and friends went by wagon to Ohio where the mother opened up a farm.
 - He helped on the farms and got what education he could
 - After attending Western College he began to teach school and did until 1860
 - After the war he studied law in the office of J. H. Martin of Muskego, Iowa and 2 years later was admitted to the bar and became a partner of Mr. Martin.
 - Later he associated with C. S. Lake (when Mr. Martin moved from Muskego) until 1 Jan 1887
 - Later a Mr. Hedge joined the firm of Hedge, Rumple and Lake.
 - His first wife, Adeline K., died in 1870

GREAT FUNERAL MARCH

Masonic Brethren Conduct

The Last Sad Rites.

On arrival of the funeral train bearing the mortal remains of Capt. Rump, accompanied by a sorrowing wife and daughter, at 5:30 a. m. Sunday morning, a large delegation of citizens with committees of business men and Masonic fraters, were there to meet, receive and conduct to the home, that kindly hands had placed in readiness. The casket was carefully transferred from the car to the waiting hearse and thence to the residence parlors, under the direction of undertaker Ferguson. While Mrs. Rump and Mrs. Liddle, both of whom were sadly fatigued and greatly in need of rest and attention, were cared for by the friendly hands of old neighbors and friends. All day Monday, and Tuesday forenoon the casket lay in state, surrounded, covered and banked with flowers that had come as tokens of esteem and kindly remembrance from friends, and an endless number of old neighbors. Friends and citizens called to pay their respects to the living, and a last farewell to the one gone in spirit forever. The almost blinding snow storm of Tuesday morning, in which the flying flakes but grew more dense as the day advanced, served but to retard a few and the ladies and children. From all the county men were present, with large delegations from all surrounding towns, here to participate in and attend the last sad rites.

Promptly at 1 p. m. the Masonic fraternity, under the direction of E. N. Lieb, with J. D. Butler of North English, acting Master, emerged from the Masonic temple and moved down Court avenue to the Rump residence, countermarching and halting with the officers at the rear in front of the house. The G. A. R. post members, with fifty or more in line, then moved across from the court house and took position on the right of the Masonic line. The Iowa county bar, with Judge Clayton and the Marengo Savings Bank and Farmers' Savings Bank of Victor, officials, going to the right, with the city fire department leading.

The Congressional party and other distinguished citizens present, came from the residence and taking place at the rear were thus escorted to the

and tender hands lowered to the tomb and its final resting place, the casket containing the loved, admired, esteemed and honored citizen, soldier and statesman, quickly to be covered with a mantle of purest white by the drifting snow flakes, typically emblematical of that purity of thought and rectitude of conduct that had ever governed the one at rest.

Among the prominent men of the state attending the funeral, were noticed Joe Lane, George Metzgar and Senator Harward, of Davenport; Judge Wade, R. P. Howell, Milton Rem'oy, S. W. Mercer, S. A. Searle, Dave Brant, H. D. Overholt, A. E. Swisher, C. M. Dutcher, Judge Byington, Chas. Baker, Ralph Otto, M. Moon, W. W. Morrison, T. C. Carson, George W. Ball and G. W. Swords, Iowa City; William Hoffmann, H. J. Mabin and W. D. Burke.

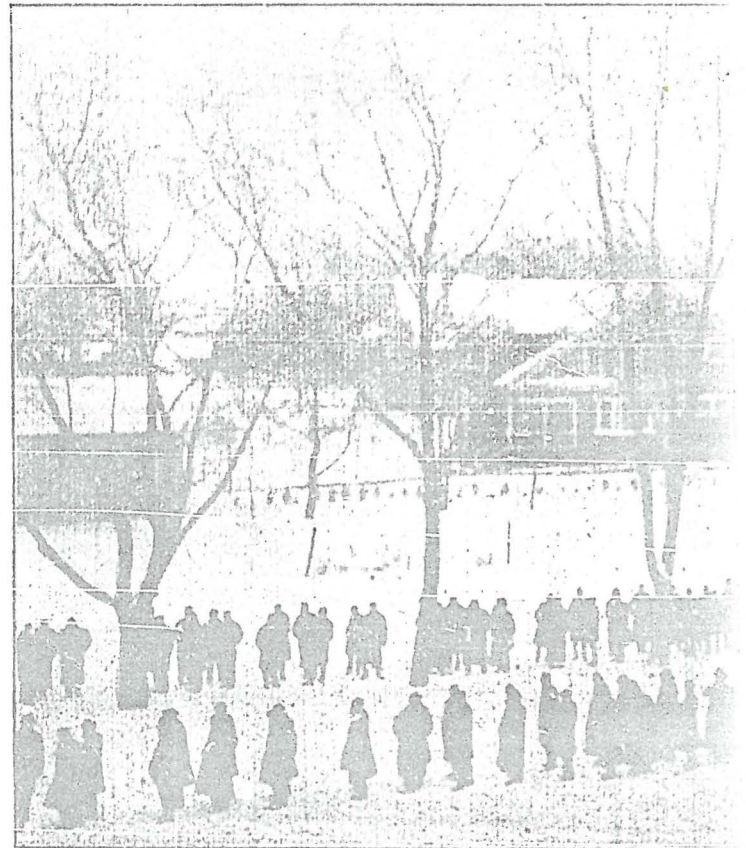
CONGRESSIONAL TRIBUTE

The Iowa Delegation Mourn

Their Soldier Colleague.

The Congressional committee designated by Speaker D. B. Henderson to attend the funeral of Congressman Rump, and who arrived here on a special car from Washington Tuesday morning, in charge of Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Col. Edwin S. Pierce, were:

- Hon. Walter I. Smith, Council Bluffs, Iowa.
- Hon. James P. Connor, Dennison, Ia
- Hon. Thomas Hedge, Burlington, Ia
- Hon. Gilbert N. Haugen, Northwood, Iowa.
- Hon. Lot Thomas, Storm Lake, Iowa
- Hon. George W. Prince, Galeburg



The casket being borne

PHOTO BY SPECHT.

with the city fire department leading. The Congressional party and other distinguished citizens present, came from the residence and taking place at the rear, were thus escorted to the Presbyterian church. On arrival at the church the column halted, and the long lines being in open order, the funeral party passed through to the entrance.

The services within the church were conducted by Rev. O. T. Langfit, pastor of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. J. M. McClelland, pastor of the Methodist church, and Rev. E. C. Brooks, now pastor of the Methodist church at Brooklyn, but who was for many years stationed here, and cooperated much with Mr. Rumble in his Masonic work at that time. Rev. Langfit took his text from John 11: 25, "I am the Resurrection and the Life," and delivered a masterly sermon, one that greatly impressed all the great audience that packed the building to its utmost capacity, with hundreds standing outside that made no attempt for entrance. Following Mr. Langfit, Congressman Gardner of Michigan, a brother of Mrs. H. E. Goldthwaite, and who for many years resided here, made a short address, alluding to the earlier citizenship of Marengo, when he with Capt. Rumble, Newt. Lieb, J. H. Branch, Henry Goldthwaite, C. S. Lake Judge Hedges and others were young men and boys. His remarks from opening to close being closely followed, greatly appreciated and fitting for the occasion. At the close of the services, and as the G. A. R. post escorting their past state commander, George Metzgar, of Davenport, started to leave the room. Len H. Wiley, assistant doorkeeper of the House of Representatives, with his bugle, accompanied by Miss Helen Gode on the organ, sounded the familiar notes of "Lead Kindly Light." Mr. Wiley was an army comrade with Capt. Rumble, and knowing this he was sent here by Speaker Henderson, and at the grave his bugle rang out clear and strong in sounding "taps."

Following the services at the church, the long line of carriages, with the different marching organizations, wended their way through the drifting and flying snow to the I. O. O. F. cemetery, where, under direction of the Master, J. D. Butler, the Masonic funeral ceremonies were conducted. The lectures as delivered by Mr. Butler being especially impressive for the

Muscatine; C. C. Horton, commandant of the Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown; George Christian, Grinnell; W. C. Evans, H. Wylie, West Liberty, Mr. Simmons, Ottumwa; C. S. Lake, Milo P. Smith, Cedar Rapids; James Johnson and Mr. Mills, Brooklyn.

Tuesday morning every business house, office and public building was draped in black; while flags were all at half mast, and in many of the store windows were large pictures of Mr. Rumble, tastefully decorated with black drapery. At noon all business and industrial labor was suspended, and a city, with its citizens, mourned its illustrious dead.

Many of the prominent men and citizens of Williamsburg were present, with several from North English, Belle Plaine and Blairstown.

A delegation of thirty came from Victor, among which were the officers and four directors of the Farmers' Savings Bank; of which Mr. Rumble was president. They were joined at Ladora with another large delegation composed of business men and farmers near there.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Congressman Conner introduced a bill to-day to grant a pension of \$30.00 per month to Mrs. Rumble. In view of the extraordinary circumstances it is believed possible to get the bill through congress at this session.

Congress will also provide for the payment of all funeral expenses.

There is no question of the sincere and genuine regret felt in congress over the death of the late Captain Rumble. In an amazingly short time he had succeeded in acquiring a large circle of friends of the staunchest and most loyal sort, notably on the committee on invalid pensions, at the state meetings of which he was unfailingly present. For a man who served in congress but one session Capt. Rumble left a record of work accomplished and a reputation that has never been surpassed in the history of that body.

Frank J. Stillman.

On the first and third Tuesdays of February, March and April, 1903, the Iowa Central Railway will sell excursion tickets for Homeseekers to points in the West Southwest, South and Southeast at the low rate of one fare plus \$2.00 for round trip; limited 21 days from date of sale. For full particulars inquire of any Iowa Central ticket agent.

Illinois.

Hon. Joseph B. Crowley, Robinson, Illinois.

Hon. James A. Hemenway, Boonville, Indiana.

Hon. Washington Gardner, Albion, Michigan.

Hon. Henry H. Alpin, Bay City, Michigan.

Hon. Archibald B. Darragh, St. Louis, Michigan.

Hon. William C. Adamson, Carrollton, Georgia.

Hon. Sereno E. Payne, Auburn, New York.

Hon. Charles H. Grosvenor, Athens, Ohio.

Hon. John Dalzell, Pittsburg, Pa.

Those present were Smith, Hodge, Crowley, Gardner and Darragh, accompanied by Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms Pierce, Assistant Doorkeeper L. H. Wiley; W. H. Topping, of New Hampshire, clerk of the Committee on Invalid Pensions, and Charles Spirk, private secretary. The remainder of the committee were detained by reason of urgent matters coming before the House and business engagements.

ALL PRAISE CAPTAIN RUMPLE.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—(Special) The death of Captain Rumble, although expected at any time, produced a very deep effect upon the Iowa delegation, every member of whom regarded their colleague with esteem amounting to affection.

Senator Allison said: "I knew Capt. Rumble for many years, and admired him for his strength of character, his uprightness and his loyalty. He was a large-hearted and kind-hearted man, continually doing good for others and harboring no resentments against his fellowmen. As a legislator he was faithful, industrious and painstaking, and the success achieved in his first term in congress gave promise of a long and valuable career here had his health and life been spared, as we had all hoped it would."

Senator Dolliver said: In the death of Captain Rumble a useful and honoring career has been cut off, but Iowa will always hold in loving remembrance his services in civil life and as a gallant soldier in the Union army. Captain Rumble made a notable success during his brief term in the house and would have risen in a few years to a position of great influence. He bore with Christian fortitude the awful bur-

den of physical disease and leave a stainless name as a heritage to his family. By his colleagues he was universally beloved."

Speaker Henderson said: "I have known Captain Rumple since 1864, when he commanded a body of cavalry in Tennessee. He was a noble earnest man, with one of the sweetest dispositions of any man I ever saw. He was an earnest republican, but above all his republicanism stood his unwavering patriotism and love of country. His death is a loss to his people, whom he served with great fidelity and ability, and a loss to the state of Iowa, where his counsel and high character were always of great value. He had won the universal respect of the house as well as the affection of those who knew him intimately."

Colonel Hepburn referred to his early acquaintance with Captain Rumple in

CONGRESSMAN RUMPLE.

Citizen, Soldier, Statesman Death Claims a Hero.

Congressman Rumple was born in Ohio, and came of Pennsylvania stock his father being a native of Washington county in that state. His mother was Mary J., the daughter of J. A. Rosenberger, who moved from Virginia to Tiffin, Ohio, where the marriage of his daughter occurred to the elder Rumple, Mr. and Mrs. Rumple, parents of the Congressman; went to farming near the home of Mrs. Rumple's father, and here on March 4, 1841, John N. W. Rumple was born. Here on the farm he lived until he was eight years of age, when he was taken by his parents to Fostoria.

removal of Mr. Martin from Marengo. The partnership with Mr. Lake was continued until Jan. 1, 1867, when Capt. Hedges, for a long time on the district bench, was secured as a member of the firm, the style of which became Hedges, Rumple & Lake. When Mr. Lake removed to Marion, the firm became Hedges & Rumple, and as such was known as one of the strongest combinations of legal talent in the state. Capt. Rumple's record as a lawyer was one that did honor to him and that was of service to his clients, and to the county and state in which he worked.

POLITICAL PREFERENCE.

Politically Congressman Rumple was always a republican, and a prominent one. He was state senator in 1873, in the Fourteenth General Assembly, and was a member of the two succeeding general assemblies. Later he was a member of the board of regents of the state university, a member of the school board and the city council at Marengo, city attorney, mayor and the curator of the State Historical Society. In 1900 he was nominated for congress, and after a campaign memorable for its activity, he was elected over Hon. Henry Vollmer; one of the strongest democrats and most brilliant campaigners in the district. The vote was 23,202 for Rumple, and 21,727 for Vollmer. Captain Rumple carried all the counties except Johnson, and lost that by a nominal plurality for his opponent.

SUCCESS IN CONGRESS.

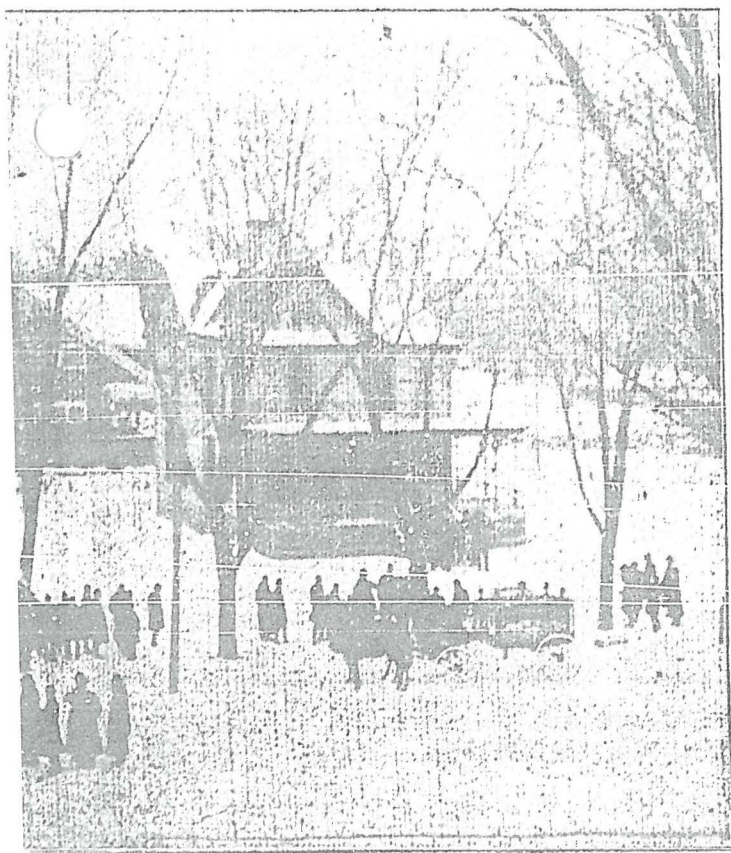
In congress the new congressman from the Second District of Iowa quickly made friends and accomplished things for his constituents. He was appointed on the committees of levees and improvements of the Mississippi river, invalid pensions, and expenditures of the state department. His record as a legislator, like his record on the farm, as a student, as a teacher, a soldier and a lawyer, was highly creditable to him and beneficial to those for whom he worked.

MARRIED TWICE.

Captain Rumple married Miss Adaline K. Whiting, Dec. 6, 1866, and to them a daughter was born. In 1870 Mrs. Rumple died. More than a year later Capt. Rumple married Mary H. Shepherd of Iowa City, and in 1866 a son, Carl, was born to them. The boy reached the age of seven years and died, casting a cloud of sorrow over the after life of the loving father.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Historical Society of Iowa Library, Des Moines, Iowa. the K. T. Commandery at Iowa City, the Masonic blue lodge, chapter and



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FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

Sir Knight Rumples was affiliated with the K. T. Commandery at Iowa City, the officers, and for many years was one of the most active craftsmen. He was a member of the Odd Fellows' organization, but in recent years had not been so much identified with the institution, although a great admirer of its lessons and workings. He had for many years been identified with the Presbyterian church, and enjoyed himself most in his efforts therein as a choir leader, this being because of his love for the church work and passionate fondness for music and singing.

DEATH DUE TO CANCER

Death came to Capt. Rumples through the ravages of cancer. It appeared first on his lower lip, and in July, 1892, he went to Indianapolis for treatment. Treatment did not stop the growth of the disease, however, and the cancer extended about the throat under the left side of the chin. While being treated by a specialist in Chicago last September, Capt. Rumples was taken sick with heart trouble, and was in the Presbyterian hospital in that city for some weeks, during which the treatment of the cancer had to be suspended on account of the weakness of the patient. He recovered from the temporary ailment, but continued to be afflicted more and more by the cancer, which at the beginning of the year rendered it necessary for him to be placed in the hospital in Chicago again. At St. Luke's hospital in that city he passed away on Saturday morning at 4 o'clock. He had endured his afflictions cheerfully and patiently, and his passing was peaceful.

NO ELECTION.

Having fully canvassed the situation and after consultation with representative men of the Second district, Gov. Cummins has decided not to issue a proclamation for a special election, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Congressman Rumples. A wise course that will be heartily concurred in by all Second district citizens. At best the one elected could but reach Washington for the closing days of congress, and be no service whatever, while the expense to the counties would be large with no corresponding benefit whatever. The seat will therefore remain vacant until

1861, his comradeship during the war, his success in the law and politics. Continuing he said, "Captain Rumples was a lawyer and possessed in a great degree the confidence of his fellow-citizens. While not a brilliant man he was reliable and safe, having the respect of everybody and the affection of all who knew him well. He served his people faithfully and well. He was a gallant soldier, a useful citizen, and leaves a name without a stain."

Judge Smith said: "Captain Rumples impressed everybody with whom he came in contact with his sincerity, cordiality and industry, and inspired respect and confidence. A bright future was before him until disease fastened upon him."

Captain Hull said: "No man could know Captain Rumples without entertaining great respect for him, and no one could know him intimately and not love him as a brother. He was one of God's noble men. In his death Iowa has lost one of her best citizens."

Judge Connor said: "During Mr. Rumples' brief service in the house he won the reputation of being a faithful and effective member. He was quiet though cordial, but always diligent in the interests of his people. I deplore his death which deprives Iowa of a distinguished citizen."

Major Lacy said: "I had known Captain Rumples intimately thirty-three years. He was a good soldier, worthy citizen and able man. His services in congress were of great value to his country. His patience and forbearance in the face of inexorable disease was marvelous."

Mr. Hedge said: "I knew Mr. Rumples as a lawyer in Burlington, where he made a reputation in his profession and secured the confidence of the people. He was a conscientious, industrious man, ever watchful of the interests of his people and at the time of his illness was steadily growing in influence and favor."

Mr. Haugen said: "I am greatly shocked at the death of Captain Rumples. He was one of the most honorable men I ever knew, always thoughtful of others and was making a splendid record in congress."

Judge Thomas said: "Captain Rumples possessed a very lovable nature and I believe he had the cordial good will of every member of the house. He was a man of splendid judgment and had special qualifications as a useful representative. I deeply deplore his untimely death."

Congressman Sullaway, chairman of the invalid pension committee, of which Mr. Rumples was a member, said: "Mr. Rumples will be much missed on the committee. He was a very active man in our work, and he was a noble man. He commanded the affection of every member of the committee. It is a matter of the deepest regard to me that he has been taken away."

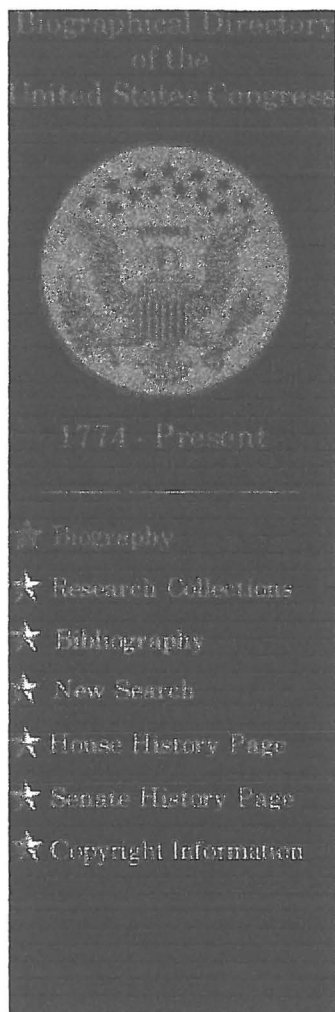
Three years later, on the return trip from Iowa, his father was taken sick with cholera and she and her children remained in Tiffin, the home of her parents, and remained there for two years. In 1853, in company with a number of relatives and friends, she and her family went by wagon to Iowa county, where she and her boys opened up a farm. Here the future Congressman, by this time getting to be quite a youth, did a man's work and helped himself to what little was to be had in the way of an education. Schools were few and what there were were poor facilities; in the case of a bright boy like this one. But in 1857, soon after the marriage of his mother to Daniel Broachey, he was sent to an academy at Ashland, in Wapello county. He was then 16 years old. A year later he was found at Western College, in Linn county, where he was in attendance for two terms before he returned to his home and began teaching school. He followed this occupation until 1860, when he entered the normal department of the State University. During the winter of that year and into the following year he taught school again.

ENLISTS IN ARMY.

Poor health in the spring of 1851, caused him to leave off study and work, and he rested until August 1st, when he enlisted as a private in Company H, Second Iowa Cavalry. He was mustered in at Camp McClellan, just east of Davenport. During the years that followed his career as a soldier were hard and honorable ones. He took part in many battles and skirmishes, was present at the taking of New Madrid, the siege of Vicksburg, Island No. 10, Rienzi and Birmingham, Gerson's raid, Grant's advance on Vicksburg, through Holly Springs, Oxford, Coffeyville, School Creek, Columbia, Franklin and Nashville, charge at Farmington, Iuka and Hood's retreat through Pulaski. During the war he was successively advanced to the rank of corporal, sergeant, lieutenant and captain, which position he held until he was mustered out in October, 1865.

A STRONG LAWYER.

Returned home from the service of his country in camp and field, Captain Rumples began the study of law in the office of the Hon. H. M. Martin, of Marquette, and two years later, being admitted to the bar, he formed a partnership with Mr. Martin. Later he associated



RUMPLE, John Nicholas William, 1841-1903

RUMPLE, John Nicholas William, a Representative from Iowa; born near Fostoria, Seneca County, Ohio, March 4, 1841; attended the public schools, Western College, Iowa, and the Iowa State University; enlisted in Company H, Second Iowa Cavalry, in August 1861 and remained in the Army until October 1865, when mustered out as captain; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1867 and commenced practice in Marengo, Iowa County, Iowa; member of the State senate 1873-1878; member of the board of regents of the State University of Iowa 1880-1886; curator of the State Historical Society of Iowa 1881-1885; member of the city council; mayor of Marengo, Iowa, in 1885 and 1886; attorney for the city council of Marengo 1896-1900; member of the school board; elected as a Republican to the Fifty-seventh Congress and served from March 4, 1901, until his death in Chicago, Ill., January 31, 1903; interment in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Marengo, Iowa.

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pany while yet obliged to use crutches, and remained on duty till the summer of 1863, when by reason of his wound he was compelled to resign and return home. Soon after returning from the army he was elected county judge of Benton county, Iowa, and reelected without opposition in 1865. In the fall of 1866 he resigned the judgeship, and accepted the office of clerk of the district court, to which he was reelected in 1868, 1870 and 1872, and in December, 1874, resigned in order to accept his present office, auditor of state. He now resides at Des Moines, the capital of the state.

Captain Sherman was married on the 20th of August, 1862, to Miss Lena Kendall, of Vinton, Iowa, a young lady of rare accomplishments and strength of character. The union has been happy in every respect, and her counsel has ever been characteristic of the true wife who desires the good name of her husband. They have two children: Lena Kendall, born in 1863, and Oscar Eugene, born in 1866. Mr. Sherman is personally popular with all classes of the people. Possessed of a quiet manner and generous disposition, he is surrounded by warm personal friends, with whom his relations, both of business and socially, are of the most pleasant character.

Politically, Judge Sherman has been a republican since the organization of that party. From early boyhood he was taught the fundamental truth that the people were the true sovereigns, from whom emanated all political power, and to whom should

be direct and certain responsibility. He has ever remained religiously true to that faith, and has contributed largely of his time and talents in promoting the success of those principles. He is decided and uncompromising in his views of political right and responsibility, and believes in the largest liberty to every citizen, compatible with good government.

As a public speaker, he is one of the ablest in the state; always clear and convincing, he never fails to interest his auditors. His services are in frequent demand, especially during the times of political canvassing, now so common throughout the country, in which he takes an active part, and from which he retires with honor.

As an officer, Mr. Sherman has been fortunate in every capacity in which he has served, and has made an enviable record. In his present prominent position of auditor of state he has fulfilled the expectations of his warmest friends. His office is, perhaps, the most arduous and responsible of the state departments, requiring constant care, and affording ample opportunity for the exertion of the best business ability; but his administration has been characterized by an efficiency eminently true of the man. Himself honorable and thorough, his management of public business has been of the same character, and such as has commended him to the hearty approval of the citizens of the state, by whom he is regarded as a prudent manager, a reliable officer, and a generous and conscientious man.

HON. JOHN N. W. RUMPLE,

MARENGO.

JOHN N. W. RUMPLE, state senator from Iowa county, and one of its ablest attorneys, dates his birth on the 4th of March, 1841, in Seneca county, Ohio. His parents are William Rumble, many years a hotel keeper in Ohio, and Mary J. Rosenberger. The Rumples are an old Pennsylvania family, the grandfather of John having been in his day a staunch Dunker, and a man of great firmness of christian character. The maternal grandfather of John immigrated from Virginia to Ohio in the youth of the latter state, and opened a farm in Seneca county. William Rumble died of cholera in 1851, and his widow moved with her family to Iowa, in 1853, and settled on a farm in Iowa county, near Marengo, where the subject of this sketch had a little experience in agri-

culture, but in two or three years left home for school.

He received his academic and preparatory education in Ashland Academy, Wapello county, and Western College, Linn county, and was attending the Iowa State University when the south took up arms to destroy the Union. This nefarious act excited his mind, unfitted him for study, and led him, in August, 1861, to enlist as a private in Company H, 2d Iowa Cavalry. He was in the service a little more than four years, and during that period he was promoted from corporal, step by step, to captain of the company. He was in more than a hundred skirmishes and fights, and received only a slight wound in the face.

In December, 1865, Captain Rumble entered the law office of H. M. Martin, of Marengo, and read until February 1867, when he was admitted to practice at the Iowa county bar. Here he has since followed his profession, with a growing reputation, particularly as a jury lawyer. He enters heartily into sympathy with his clients' rights, makes an impassioned argument, and has great power with a jury.

Captain Rumble was elected to the state senate, to fill a vacancy, in 1872; attended the adjourned session of the fourteenth general assembly, the fifteenth and sixteenth sessions, and as we write is preparing to attend the seventeenth. He was re-elected in 1875, and his present term will expire at the close of 1879.

He has been chairman of the committee on colleges for the blind, and was on the judiciary commit-

tee during every session. He is the father of the three-card monte bill, which became a law in 1876. As a legislator, he is attentive to business, and shows much practical good sense.

Senator Rumble has served at home on the school board, and lends his influence and aid in local causes generally, which tend to the public good.

Politically, he has uniformly acted with the republican party.

He is a Royal Arch Mason, and a church-goer, but a communicant in no religious body.

Senator Rumble has a second wife. His first was Miss Addie M. Whittling, of Marengo; married in December, 1866. She died in February, 1869, leaving one child. His second wife was Miss Mary E. Shepherd, of Iowa City, chosen on the 7th of December, 1872. She has one child.

COLONEL WILLIAM T. SHAW,

ANAMOSA.

THE brick town of Anamosa, Jones county, the best built city of its size in Iowa, owes more of its beauty and solidity to Colonel Shaw than to any other ten men in the city. He is a town builder, a railroad builder and a rebellion smasher, and would be a man of mark in a much larger city than Anamosa.

William Tuckerman Shaw, a native of Maine, was born in Steuben, Washington county, on the 22d of September, 1822. His parents were William Nicholas Shaw and Nancy D. Stevens Shaw. His paternal grandfather was a distinguished officer in the revolutionary army: aid-de-camp to General Knox; was promoted to the rank of captain of artillery in 1780, and served until the close of the war.

Young Shaw was educated in the common schools of his native town, and the Wesleyan Seminary at Readfield, attending the latter institution two or three years. At nineteen he started for the west, spending one year in teaching a private school in Greencastle, Indiana. He then went to Harrodsburg, Kentucky, and continued teaching until the Mexican war broke out.

In 1848 Mr. Shaw strayed into Arkansas and the Indian Territory, among the Cherokees, Choctaws, and other tribes, and the next year found his way into California. He remained there, digging in the mines with fair success, until 1851, when he returned

as far eastward as Anamosa, then little more than a four-corners, on the banks of the Wapsipinecon river. Here he bought lands and opened a farm, with more "yellow boys" of the mines all the time before the eye of his imagination, and in 1852 he returned to the Golden State again by the overland route. Two years later he returned to Anamosa and speculated in real estate, being fortunate in many of his investments. He built the Dubuque Southwestern railroad from Farley to Anamosa, and was at work on this road when the rebellion broke out. For the last ten or twelve years he has been engaged in banking, real estate, and the building of brick blocks in Anamosa and railroads to help the town. The Iowa Midland road, running from Clinton to Anamosa, is the work of his hands. He is of the banking firm of Shaw, Schoonover and Co. Nearly every business block in Anamosa was put up by him. His energy, business tact and executive power are unmatched in Jones county.

In 1846 he enlisted as a private in the 2d regiment of Kentucky Volunteers, and remained with it till the close of the Mexican war. He was in the battle of Buena Vista, where both the colonel and lieutenant-colonel were killed. Mr. Shaw returned as a non-commissioned officer.

On the 24th of October, 1861, he was commissioned colonel of the 14th regiment Iowa Infantry,

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Robert G. was born, reared and attended school, getting his first schooling in the country district school. He commenced the study of law when he was seventeen years of age, going to Tiffin, Ohio, for that purpose. He took a college course at the same time. He was admitted to the bar in September, 1856, and in March, 1857, he came west and settled in Charles City, where he formed a partnership with his elder brother, G. G. Reiniger, in the practice of law, adding real estate, exchange and insurance as a part of the business. In 1858 Irving W. Card was admitted to the partnership, and the firm of Reiniger, Card & Reiniger continued until January 1, 1861. In May, 1861, Mr. Reiniger enlisted in the war for the preservation of the Union, entering the United States Volunteer service in July as first lieutenant of Company B, Seventh Iowa Infantry. His company was engaged in the battles of Belmont, Missouri, Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, Shiloh, Corinth, Iuka, second battle of Corinth, the campaign against Atlanta under Sherman, ending with the battle of Jonesboro, when Atlanta was evacuated. In 1862 Mr. Reiniger was promoted to be captain. In 1864, shortly after the surrender of Atlanta, he returned home and resumed the practice of his profession. In the fall of 1865 his brother removed to Missouri. Governor Stone appointed Mr. Reiniger judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, October 10, 1865, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Ruddick, who was appointed district judge. At the next general election he was elected to fill the rest of the unexpired term, and he was re-elected in 1872, 1876 and 1880. As a jurist he was cautious, conscientious and candid, and was among the few judges who would not use railroad passes. He speaks clearly and to the point and in his bearing is unpretentious and easy. He was elected to the state senate to serve in the Twenty-first and Twenty-second General Assemblies, after one of the hardest fought battles ever known in Iowa. It was claimed that the opposition spent over twenty-five thousand dollars to compass his defeat and failed, whereupon they precipitated a contest and carried it to the senate, only to be beaten there. He was re-elected and served in the Twenty-third and Twenty-

fourth General Assemblies. Mr. Reiniger made an exceptionally strong member of the senate. He was clear in his statements and forcible in his arguments, and at all times thoroughly honest. He has occupied many positions of honor in his county, as well as in his congressional and judicial districts. He has been a director in the Charles City Water Power Company, likewise president of the Twelfth District Legal Association, organized in 1871, and president of the school board at Charles City. He is a Royal Arch Mason and attends the Congregational church and society. Senator Reiniger has



always been a republican. He is reckoned well off and owns much property and a fine residence. In 1895 Mr. Reiniger was elected president of the Charles City National Bank and still occupies that position.

He was married November 18, 1867, to Mary E., daughter of Dr. William M. and Ann Palmer, of Charles City. She is a native of Maine, and is also an attendant of the Congregational church. Robert G. Jr., born in March, 1880, is their only child.

RUMPLE, CAPTAIN JOHN N. W., congressman from the Second district, having been elected in November, 1900, at the end of



a contest that was the hardest, from a republican standpoint, of any in the state. His father, William Rumple, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, and when a young boy removed with his parents to Seneca county, Ohio, near the town of Rome, now known as Fostoria. He was married to Mary J. Rosenberger, a daughter of J. A. Rosenberger, who lived near Tiffin, Ohio, and was a native of Virginia. After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Rumple settled on a farm near the home of William Rumple's father at Fostoria, Ohio. Here J. N. W. Rumple was born, March 4, 1841. When he was eight years old, he moved with his parents to the town of Fostoria. Three years later his father died of cholera, contracted on his return from a trip to Iowa by way of St. Louis and Cincinnati. The mother then moved with her six children to her father's home near Tiffin, Ohio, where the family remained two years. In August, 1853, in company with a large number of relatives, they started by wagon for Iowa, settling in September near what is now known as Genoa Bluffs, in Iowa county, where they opened up a farm.

In this new and sparsely settled country young Rumple spent his boyhood, with few

educational advantages at first, there being no school in the district for two or three years after the arrival of the family. In 1857, soon after his mother's marriage to Daniel Broachey, when he was sixteen years of age, young Rumple was sent to an academy at a place then called Ashland, in Wapello county. In the spring of 1858 he entered Western College in Linn county, and after attending two terms, returned home and taught school during the winter. He thus alternated teaching with study until the spring of 1860, when he entered the normal department of the State University, then conducted by Hon. David Wells. In the winter of 1860 he again taught the home school, having an average attendance of over eighty pupils, many of whom were older than their teacher. He did not teach or attend school the next spring, owing to poor health, and on August 14, 1861, he enlisted as a private in Company H, of the Second Iowa Cavalry, going into Camp McClellan, near Davenport. He was advanced successively to the rank of corporal, sergeant, lieutenant and captain, holding the latter position until he was mustered out in October, 1865. His service in the war was a very active one, and he took part in the engagements at the taking of New Madrid, Island Number Ten, the advance on Corinth, Rienzi and Birmingham, Grearson's Raid, Grant's advance on Vicksburg through Holly Springs, Oxford, Coffeyville, Shoal Creek, Columbia, Franklin and Nashville, Hood's retreat through Pulaski and numerous other raids and skirmishes.

After his return home from the war, Captain Rumple began the study of law, December 1, 1865, in the office of Hon. H. M. Martin of Marengo. He was admitted to practice in 1867, and immediately formed a partnership with his preceptor and has been in active practice ever since; he is one of the leading lawyers in eastern Iowa.

Captain Rumple is a firm republican, and for many years has been prominent in the campaigns of Iowa county and the adjacent country. In 1873 he was elected senator from his district in the adjourned session of the Fourteenth General Assembly, to succeed Hon. J. P. Ketcham, and was also a member of the senate in the Fifteenth and Six-

teenth General Assemblies, after which he was chosen by the legislature as a member of the board of regents of the State University, holding that position for several years. He has since been a member of the Marengo board of education, and of the city council, has served as city solicitor and curator of the State Historical Society, besides holding numerous minor offices.

In 1860 Captain Rumble was, without opposition, chosen by the republicans of the Second congressional district as the most available man to lead them in their determination to keep the district in the republican column. It was regarded as a desperate fight and few men had the courage or ability to undertake it. But Captain Rumble had long been looked upon as the logical candidate. His long and valiant service to the party in the district entitled him to the nomination, and his able acquaintance, high character and conservative views gave him the confidence of the people. Wherever he went during the campaign, men of both parties came to his support because they felt sure they could trust him. He made a thorough and energetic canvass of the district, winning friends everywhere by the ability and candor with which he presented the issues. The district was the political storm center of the state, but Captain Rumble was elected by a large majority, receiving 23,202 votes against 21,737 for Henry Vollmer, of Davenport, the democratic nominee. His victory was all the more notable because of the popularity of his opponent and the fact that Mr. Vollmer was a German in a district having a very large German vote. But Captain Rumble carried every county but one, Johnson, where the democratic majority was very small.

Being a member of the Masonic fraternity, Captain Rumble is a Chapter Mason and Knight Templar, and belongs to the G. A. R. His religious affiliations are with the Presbyterian church, of which he is a member. Captain Rumble was married December 6, 1866, to Miss Adaline K. Whitting. To them was born one daughter, Ada R., December 11, 1869. The mother died in February, 1870, and on December 9, 1871, Captain Rumble married his second wife, Mary H. Stoddard, of Iowa City. One son,

Carl, was born to them, May 13, 1876. He died at the age of seven years.

SINCLAIR, THOMAS McELDERRY, the founder of the packing house of T. M. Sinclair & Co., of Cedar Rapids, was born in Belfast, Ireland, on May 14, 1842, and died in Cedar Rapids March 24, 1881.

Mr. Sinclair was the third son of John Sinclair, the senior partner of the firm of J. & T. Sinclair, pork packers of Belfast, Ireland. Though not a college man, Mr. Sinclair received his education—a good rudimentary one—in Belfast and English schools. At one time he wished to enter the English army, but finally decided to go into business. He was thoroughly trained in the packing house in Tomb street, Belfast, and afterwards was sent to Germany and then to New York in 1862 to establish a branch house. After some vicissitudes the business in New York was organized distinct from the Irish house, Thomas M. Sinclair and his cousin John being the partners in the new firm.

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he enlisted in Company E, Twenty-fourth Iowa Infantry, and was honorably discharged March 16, 1864. On his return from the war he began to practice his profession at Marengo.

Jerry B. Murphy was born in Iowa county in 1864. He received a good English education in the public schools of Marengo, and later attended the Iowa State University, and graduated from the law department of that institution in 1900. Since his admission he has practiced law at Marengo, Iowa.

R. G. Popham was born in Iowa county on a farm April 7, 1871. He was admitted to the bar in 1898, after taking a law course at the University of Iowa. He began to practice at Iowa City, and in May, 1899, he moved to Marengo, where he is now associated with Horace M. Havner in the law business.

John N. W. Rumpel was born near Fostoria, Ohio, March 4, 1841. He died at St. Luke's hospital, Chicago, January 31, 1903. He was educated in the public schools and Ashland Academy, Western College (now Leander Clark College) at Toledo, Iowa, and the normal department of the State University at Iowa City. While still a student in the University, in August, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Second Iowa Cavalry, remaining in the war until October, 1865, when he was mustered out with the rank of captain. He participated in the battles at Island No. 10, New Madrid, Corinth, Rienzi, Farmington, Juka, Nashville, Franklin, Columbia, etc. After the war he studied law in the office of Hon. H. M. Martin, of Marengo, Iowa, and was admitted to the bar in 1867. He was a member of the state senate at the adjourned session of the fourteenth and in the fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth general assemblies. He served six years as a member of the board of regents of the State University, and as curator of the State Historical Society. He had also held the position of mayor, councilman, city solicitor, member of the

school board, and other minor positions. He was elected to the fifty-seventh congress, but declined a renomination to the fifty-eighth owing to his impaired health. His death resulted from cancer of the lip, which had baffled every effort of general or special treatment. (Annals of Iowa, April, 1903.)

Thomas Stapleton was born in Bloomington, Ill., May 24, 1854. He came to Iowa with his parents when he was fifteen months old. He is a graduate of the State University of Iowa, and since his admission to the bar, June, 1878, has been engaged in the practice of law. He first began to practice in February, 1879, at Iowa City, where he continued till April, 1880, since which time he has been a practicing attorney in Marengo. In politics he is a democrat, and has been quite active in county and state politics, serving as prosecuting attorney of Iowa county from January 1, 1887, to January 1, 1891. He was elector on the Bryan ticket in 1896, and democratic nominee for judge of the supreme court in 1902. He has always had a good general practice and has also been called into the service of several banks and corporations, both as attorney and director.

THE PRESENT BAR.

Members of the Iowa county bar are J. T. Beem, J. D. Butler, J. M. Dower, F. K. Feenan, C. Hedges, J. F. Kirby, T. A. Lane, J. B. Murphy, R. W. Pugh, Popham & Havner, Thos. Stapleton, E. J. Sullivan, C. E. Vance, Yoss & Wallace.

JACKSON COUNTY.

HISTORICAL.

Jackson county was established in connection with Jones and Luin counties by act of the territorial legislature of Wisconsin in 1837, and the seat of justice for all three counties was located in Bellevue. It remained here until 1848, when it was removed to Andrew. In 1851 it was moved back to Bellevue, and in 1861 back to Andrew. In 1873 it was moved from Andrew to Maquoketa, where

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A. M., and Jerusalem Chapter, No. 72, R. A. M. In addition to his valuable farm he owns stock in the Iowa Mutual Telephone Company and he has gained a competence as the result of long continued and efficient work. His justice and fairness, combined with personal traits that win warm regard, have gained him the friendship of many.

GEORGE E. SWAIN.

George E. Swain is cashier of the Farmers Savings Bank at North English, Iowa, and is well known as a prominent representative of business interests there, his efforts having been an important element in the successful conduct of the institution with which he is now connected. He was born at Iowa City, Iowa, April 24, 1860, a son of E. O. and Emily J. Swain, who became residents of Iowa City in the year 1854. In 1881 George E. Swain removed to Iowa county, taking up his abode at Marengo, where he was employed in the Marengo Savings Bank until 1890. He has since been engaged in the banking business on his own account and since 1897 has been cashier and director of the Farmers Savings Bank of North English. As one of its executive officers he has guided its course and molded its policy and his comprehensive knowledge of banking has been one of the potent factors in the success of the institution.

Mr. Swain was married in Marengo on the 5th of May, 1886, to Miss Elizabeth Hedges, a daughter of Christian Hedges, and they have become the parents of three children: Helen, now the wife of G. A. Yoakam; Russell Hedges, born in 1898; and Sherwood S., whose birth occurred in 1900. Mr. Swain concentrates his efforts upon his business affairs and he believes that every day must mark off a full-faithed attempt to know more and to grow more. Hard thinking always results in greater efficiency and Mr. Swain thinks hard with the end in view of advancing the interests of the institution with which he is connected. The story of his life is the story of honest industry and thrift.

HON. JOHN N. W. RUMPLE.

The record of Hon. John N. W. Rumble as representative of his district in congress was highly creditable to him and he not only commanded the respect of his fellow citizens because of his ability and integrity but his personal characteristics were such that he was also held in warm regard. He was born on a farm near Fostoria, Ohio, on the 4th of March, 1841, a son of William and Mary J. (Rosenberger) Rumble. The mother was a daughter of J. A. Rosenberger, who removed from Virginia to Tiffin, Ohio, where his daughter's marriage occurred.

Hon. John N. W. Rumble was eight years of age when the family removed from the homestead to the town of Fostoria. Not long afterward the father came to Iowa and purchased land but a few hours after his return home died of cholera. For two years thereafter his widow and her six children lived with

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her parents at Tiffin, Ohio. However, in 1853, accompanied by a number of friends and relatives, she came with her family by wagon to Iowa county, Iowa, and took up her abode upon a farm, which her sons operated. In 1857 she was again married and not long afterward our subject entered Ashland Academy in Wapello county. He was then sixteen years of age and as his previous schooling had been somewhat meager he applied himself assiduously to study as he was ambitious to acquire a good education. A year later he entered Western College, in Linn county, where he remained for two terms. Upon leaving that institution he began teaching and so continued until 1860, when he matriculated in the normal department of the State University of Iowa. Upon the outbreak of the Civil war he put aside his plans for the time being and on the 14th of August, 1861, entered the Union army, being enrolled as a member of Company H, Second Iowa Volunteer Cavalry. He was mustered in at Camp McClellan, near Davenport, and for more than four years served as a valiant member of the Union army. He was promoted in turn to corporal, sergeant, lieutenant and captain and proved an excellent commanding officer, his personal valor inspiring his men to gallant action and his natural leadership giving them confidence in his ability to command. He was mustered out in October, 1865, and upon his return home began studying law with Hon. H. M. Martin. After two years of preparation he was admitted to the bar and formed a partnership with his preceptor. Sometime afterward he became associated with Mr. Hedges, the firm being styled Hedges & Rumple. Its reputation extended all over the state and it was retained as counsel in much of the important litigation in Iowa. Much of its success and high standing was due to the marked ability of Mr. Rumple, who was recognized as a leader in his profession.

His knowledge of the fundamental principles of law and his familiarity with the conditions of his day, combined with his ability to foresee in a large measure the effect of a proposed plan or action fitted him for the work of a legislator and in 1873 he was elected to the state senate, succeeding Hon. J. P. Ketcham. He was a member of two succeeding general assemblies and his keen mind and power of forceful speaking were factors in securing the passage of a number of important bills that proved of value to the people of the state. In 1900 he was his party's nominee for member of congress and after a close and exciting campaign was elected over Hon. Henry Vollmer, one of the strongest democrats in the district. The vote was twenty-three thousand two hundred and two for Mr. Rumple and twenty-one thousand seven hundred and twenty-seven for his opponent. Our subject carried all of the counties of the district save Johnson county, which was lost by a nominal plurality. In congress he was appointed on the committees on levees and improvements of the Mississippi river, invalid pensions and expenditures of the state department. His record was one of which he had just cause to feel proud, and he possessed the power that is often lacking, of seeing things in large, of considering measures from the standpoint of their effect upon the country as a whole. He was painstaking and thorough in his work upon committees and when he addressed the house was lucid and convincing of speech.

Mr. Rumple was naturally one of the leaders in party plans in his town and county and has been mayor of Marengo, a member of the city council, city attorney and a member of the school board. He was for a number of years

on the board of regents of the State University of Iowa and in casting his ballot sought always to further the best interests of the institution and to build for its greatness in the future as well as to meet its needs of the present. He was also curator of the State Historical Society and in that connection did much to further the interest in the past of the state. He was one of the real republican leaders in Iowa and his advice was highly valued in his party's councils.

Mr. Rumple was twice married, his first union being with Miss Adaline K. Whitling, a daughter of John and Adaline Whitling. She became his wife on the 13th of December, 1866, and passed away on the 14th of February, 1870, leaving a daughter, Adelaide. On the 18th of December, 1871, Mr. Rumple married Miss Mary H. Sheppard, of Iowa City, and to their union was born a son, Carl, who died when seven years of age.

Mr. Rumple was a prominent Mason, having taken all of the degrees in the York Rite and belonging to the commandery at Burlington, Iowa. He was also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. For thirty-three years he was the leader of the choir of the Presbyterian church and was very active in all lines of church work. To him Christianity was a vital force and the guiding principle of his life. In whatever he did he was upright and honest, believing that if a thing required deceit or unfairness it were better left undone. Kindness was also one of his characteristics and there were many who remembered with gratitude some occasion when he had befriended them. His frankness and out-reaching generosity endeared him to all who came in contact with him and there were people not only all over the state of Iowa but in many parts of the Union who felt that they had lost a personal friend when he passed away on the 31st of January, 1903.

L. W. HATTER.

L. W. Hatter, who is cashier of the Millersburg Savings Bank and ex-treasurer of Iowa county, was born in Sigourney, Iowa, on the 29th of November, 1860, of the union of John V. and Catherine (Thompson) Hatter. The father was born in Ohio but was married in Indiana, of which state the mother was a native. Soon after their marriage, about 1858, they came west and located in Washington county, Iowa, whence they removed to Keokuk county and still later took up their abode in this county. For a short time they lived in North English, but in 1865 the father entered the mercantile circles of Millersburg and was a prominent business man of that town until his demise, which occurred in 1896. His wife passed away the preceding year.

L. W. Hatter was but five years of age when the family removed to Millersburg and here it was he received his education. For five years he was employed in his father's drug store and subsequently was a clerk in a general store owned by his father-in-law, E. K. Rankin. He remained in that connection until his father's death, after which he purchased the drug store from the estate and conducted it until his election to the office of county treasurer in the fall of 1902. He then disposed of the business to his son and removed to Marengo, the county seat. He served as treasurer for two terms, or five years, and on leaving that

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the Seventy-third Congress (March 4, 1933–January 3, 1935); unsuccessful candidate for renomination in 1934; appointed special assistant to the Attorney General of the United States on May 9, 1935, assigned to the criminal division of the Department of Justice, and served until August 1953; resumed the practice of law at Springfield, Mo., where he now resides.

RUFFIN, Thomas, a Representative from North Carolina; born in Louisburg, Franklin County (formerly a part of Edgecombe County), N. C., September 9, 1820; attended the common schools; was graduated from the law department of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1841; was admitted to the bar the same year and commenced practice in Goldsboro, N. C.; circuit attorney of the seventh judicial district of the State of Missouri 1844–1848; returned to Goldsboro, N. C., in 1850; elected as a Democrat to the Thirty-third and to the three succeeding Congresses (March 4, 1853–March 3, 1861); delegate to the Confederate Provisional Congress at Richmond in July 1861; during the Civil War served in the Confederate Army as colonel of the First North Carolina Cavalry; mortally wounded in action at Bristoe Station, near Alexandria, Va., and died while a prisoner of war at Alexandria on October 13, 1863; interment in the private cemetery on the Ruffin homestead, near Louisburg, N. C.

RUGGLES, Benjamin, a Senator from Ohio; born in Abington, Windham County, Conn., February 21, 1783; completed preparatory studies; studied law; was admitted to the bar and began practice in Marietta, Ohio, in 1807; moved to St. Clairsville, Ohio; president judge of the court of common pleas for the third judicial circuit 1810–1815; elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate in 1815; reelected in 1821 and again in 1827 and served from March 4, 1815, to March 3, 1833; was not a candidate for renomination in 1832; presidential elector on the Whig ticket of Harrison and Granger in 1836; resumed the practice of law and was also interested in agricultural pursuits; died in St. Clairsville, Belmont County, Ohio, September 2, 1857; interment in Union Cemetery.

RUGGLES, Charles Herman, a Representative from New York; born in New Milford, Conn., February 10, 1789; completed preparatory studies; studied law; was admitted to the bar and began practice in Kingston, N. Y.; member of the State assembly in 1820; elected to the Seventeenth Congress (March 4, 1821–March 3, 1823); circuit judge and vice chancellor of the second judicial district of New York 1833–1846; moved to Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, N. Y.; member of the State constitutional convention in 1846; judge of the Dutchess County court; again elected a member of the State assembly; judge of the court of appeals 1847–1855; died in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 16, 1865.

RUGGLES, John, a Senator from Maine; born in Westboro, Mass., October 8, 1789; attended the common schools; was graduated from Brown University, Providence, R. I., in 1813; studied law; was admitted to the bar and commenced practice in Skowhegan, Maine, in 1815; moved to Thomaston, Maine, in 1817; member of the State house of representatives 1823–1831, and served as speaker 1825–1829 and in 1831; justice of the supreme judicial court of Maine 1831–1834; elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Peleg Sprague, and at the same time was elected for the full term beginning March 4, 1835, and served from January 20, 1835, to March 3, 1841; was an unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1840; framer of the bill for the reorganization of the United States Patent Office, which was enacted into law July 4, 1836; resumed the practice

of his profession in Thomaston, Knox County, Maine; also engaged as an inventor, orator, and writer; died in Thomaston, Maine, on June 20, 1874; interment in Elm Grove Cemetery.

RUGGLES, Nathaniel, a Representative from Massachusetts; born in Roxbury, Mass., November 11, 1761; pursued preparatory studies; was graduated from Harvard University in 1781; studied law; was admitted to the bar and practiced law in Roxbury, Mass.; appointed judge of the general sessions in 1807; chief justice of Massachusetts in 1808; was elected as a Federalist to the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Congresses (March 4, 1813–March 3, 1819); died in Roxbury, Mass., December 19, 1819.

RUMPLE, John Nicholas William, a Representative from Iowa; born near Fostoria, Seneca County, Ohio, March 4, 1841; attended the public schools, Western College, Iowa, and the Iowa State University; during the Civil War enlisted in Company H, Second Iowa Cavalry, in August 1861 and remained in the Army until October 1865, when mustered out as captain; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1867 and commenced practice in Marengo, Iowa County, Iowa; member of the State senate 1873–1878; member of the board of regents of the State University of Iowa 1880–1886; curator of the State Historical Society of Iowa 1881–1885; member of the city council; mayor of Marengo, Iowa, in 1885 and 1886; attorney for the city council of Marengo 1896–1900; member of the school board; elected as a Republican to the Fifty-seventh Congress and served from March 4, 1901, until his death in Chicago, Ill., January 31, 1903; interment in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Marengo, Iowa.

RUMSEY, Benjamin, a Delegate from Maryland; born in Bohemia Manor, Cecil County, Md., October 6, 1734; attended Princeton College; member of the Maryland convention of December 29, 1775; one of the committee to prepare instructions to the Maryland Delegates in Congress; member of the committee to raise supplies for the provincial forces; was appointed by the provincial convention colonel of the Lower Battalion of Harford County in 1776; member of the council of safety in 1776; Member of the Continental Congress 1776–1778; chief justice of the Maryland Court of Appeals from 1778 to 1805, when he resigned; died in Joppa, Hartford County, Md., March 7, 1808; interment in the Old St. John's Cemetery.

RUMSEY, David, a Representative from New York; born in Salem, Washington County, N. Y., December 25, 1810; attended school at Auburn, N. Y., and Hobart College at Geneva, N. Y.; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1831 and commenced practice in Bath, N. Y.; surrogate of Steuben County 1840–1844; held many local offices; elected as a Whig to the Thirtieth and Thirty-first Congresses (March 4, 1847–March 3, 1851); delegate to the State constitutional convention in 1867; member of the commission to propose amendments to the State constitution in 1872; appointed in 1873 as an associate justice of the State supreme court to fill a vacancy; elected to the same office in the fall of that year; died in Bath, Steuben County, N. Y., March 12, 1883; interment in private cemetery on the Rumsey place.

RUMSEY, Edward, a Representative from Kentucky; born in Botecourt County, Va., November 5, 1796; moved when a child with his parents to Christian County, Ky.; completed preparatory studies in Hopkinsville; moved to Greenville, Ky.; studied law; was admitted to the bar and commenced practice in Greenville; held several local offices; member of the State house of representatives in 1822; presidential elector on the Whig ticket of Harrison and Granger in 1836; elected as a Whig

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Event(s)

Birth: 14 Mar 1841
Fostoria, OH
Death: 31 Jan 1903
St Lukes Hosp, Chicago, IL
Burial:
I.O.O.F. Cem., Marengo, IA

Parents

Father: [William Rumble](#) Disc #28 Pin #875021
Mother: [Mary Jane Rosenberger](#) Disc #28 Pin #872533

Marriage(s)

Spouse: [Mary H. Sheppard](#) Disc #28 Pin #873105
Marriage: 7 Dec 1871
M.E. Church
Spouse: [Adaline K. Whitling](#) Disc #28 Pin #873100
Marriage: 13 Dec 1866
Iowa Co, IA

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| Age at enlistment: | 20 |
| Enlistment Date: | 30 Aug 1861 |
| Rank at enlistment: | 7th Corpl |
| State Served: | Iowa |
| Survived the War?: | Yes |
| Service Record: | <p>Promoted to Full 5th Corporal on 06 Nov 1861. Enlisted in Company H, Iowa 2nd Cavalry Regiment on 05 Sep 1861. Promoted to Full 6th Corporal on 10 Oct 1861. Promoted to Full 3rd Sergeant on 15 Oct 1862. Promoted to Full 2nd Lieutenant on 21 Nov 1862. Promoted to Full 1st Lieutenant on 25 Mar 1863. Promoted to Full Captain on 03 Apr 1865. Mustered out on 19 Sep 1865 at Selma, AL.</p> |
| Birth Date: | abt 1841 |
| Sources: | Roster & Record of Iowa Soldiers in the War of Rebellion |

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Birth: Mar. 4, 1841
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Des Moines, October 20, 1875.

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P. O. *Marion Iowa*
County *Iowa County*
Occupation *Lawyer*
Nativity *Ohio*
Married or Single *Married*
If in the Service: Regiment and Rank *1st*
2nd Iowa Cavalry
Years in Iowa *23 years*
Age *33 years*
Weight *175*

Herewith please find copy of Rules of the last Session, which, it is requested, you will preserve, owing to the scarcity of the edition.

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