

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Holmes, William H. Senator Holmes,
William H. - Represented Jones County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 27 Dec 1827 Woodstock, Madison County, New
York

2. Marriage (s) date place

Electa H. Brainard 1850 Madison County, Ohio

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Surveyor; farmer

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 5th to 10th General Assembly 1854, 1856 - House of Representatives

6. Public Offices 9th General Assembly 1862 - Senate

A. Local Justice of the Peace, Jones County judge; Shyoming postmaster

B. State State treasurer of Iowa from Jan. 1863 for 2 terms

C. National _____

7. Death _____

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents _____

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- At age 10 he moved with his parents to Medina County, Ohio
- In 1852 he and his wife went west hoping to locate a land warrant his father had received for serving as a soldier in the War of 1812
- They settled in Jones County, Iowa in spring 1852 near Hyonning, Iowa
- He worked as a surveyor for a few years
- After leaving the Iowa treasury's office he returned to Hyonning, Iowa
- In 1883 he moved to Nebraska settling on a farm south of Oakdale
- In 1887 he was elected county judge and moved to Neligh

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rent of regular customers. 1895

W. H. HOLMES.

The subject of this sketch was born in Woodstock, Madison county, N. Y., Dec. 27, 1827, and therefore lacked but a few days of being 68 years old. At the age of 19 he moved with the family to Medina county, Ohio, where, in 1850, he married Electa D. Brainard, and two years later the couple set out for the then far west, where Mrs. Holmes desired to locate a land warrant her father had received for serving as a soldier in the war of 1812. They settled in Jones county, Iowa, in the spring of 1852, near what is now Wyoming. For a few years Mr. Holmes did considerable surveying, but his neighbors decided that he was a fit subject for legislative honors and sent him to the lower house of the legislature in 1854. The State capital was then at Iowa City. He was returned to the legislature in 1856. In 1861 he took his seat as a member of the State senate at Des Moines and served faithfully during that session, but before his term as senator expired he was elected State treasurer and entered upon his duties in January, 1863. After serving two years he was re-elected for a second term. Of the many true men who have been in Iowa politics, none have left a cleaner record than he. No office was ever used by him for personal aggrandizement, and he held boodling politicians in supreme contempt. His official duties were faithfully and conscientiously discharged, not a dishonest or unearned dollar ever sticking to his hands. F. W. Palmer, who was State printer at Des Moines, afterwards congressman and still later government printer, writes of him as follows under date of Sept. 28: "He held a prominent position in Iowa politics when you and I were residents of that State, and I have always since had a high regard for his character."

On leaving the treasurer's office he returned to Wyoming to reside and during the remaining years of his residence in Iowa was successively justice of the peace, county judge and postmaster. In regard to his life and reputation in his home town, Dr. M. H. Calkins, for many years his family physician and an intimate friend of his family, writes: "He was one of the noblest works of God, an honest man. His name was without spot or blemish, and none said aught against him."

In 1883 he moved to Nebraska and settled on a farm a few miles south of Oakdale. In 1887 he was elected county judge and moved to Neligh, where he has since resided and where he was held in high esteem.

Converted in Ohio under the preaching of his brother, Rev. O. A. Holmes, he joined the Baptist church, of which he remained a member the remainder of his life. Justice N. Carr, who has officed with him for several years and been brought into very close relationship with him, has this to say: "I never knew a more exemplary man in his business and in all other relations than Judge Holmes. While very positive in his views, he was very charitable in his judgment of others who differed with him."

ness. We will be sorry to lose this very worthy family from our midst.

Miss Ava Kinney was able to be out to church last Sunday morning, the first time for several weeks. She has been at home with the whooping-cough. Quite a number of our young people have been suffering from the same malady. Among them are Lora Johnson and Minnie Wasson.

A certain weather prophet of our town—every town has one—remarked yesterday that he was well satisfied we would have a "green" New Year's. In about one hour afterward it was snowing faster than at any time this winter. Then he wished he had not said anything, as he wanted to say he "had felt snow in the air all the morning."

Christmas of 1895 is passed, and before the EUREKA reaches its many friends a New Year will be commenced, and next week we will date our items 1896.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let time go;
Ring out the false, ring in the new.

ANON.

Some Peculiarities of Our Friends Across the Sea.

[We take the following extracts from Mr. Robert Millikan's home letter, written at Berlin, Germany, where he is now taking two courses of lectures, one on electricity and magnetism and the other on the theory of heat. In referring to his environment he says:]

Berlin has more asphalt than any city which I have ever seen. That is perhaps one reason why the dogs can haul such monstrous loads here. One sees them drawing loads of coal about the streets weighing certainly one-half a ton, perhaps as much as a ton. I never knew that the canine tribe had such strength. Two dogs will pull about the load of one horse, and they are the most cheerful workers which are anywhere to be seen. They go barking along, pulling away like Trojans. Most of them are well fed and sleek looking. Their owners usually carry a rug along for them to stand on when they stop, and another to throw over their backs.

The Germans literally eat all the time. Between every hour at the University each pulls a sandwich out of his pocket and chews away upon it. In the library they eat while they read. At the theater they all have lunches with them, which are attended to between acts. The only wonder to me is that they don't have a lunch spell between the heads of the sermon. A man would be a little ashamed of himself in America if he were caught carrying about a slice of bread or two in his pocket; but here he is out of fashion if he doesn't do it. Well, I have heard that Americans eat "too much and not often enough." Maybe the German habit is as good as ours and maybe better, but it does look odd.

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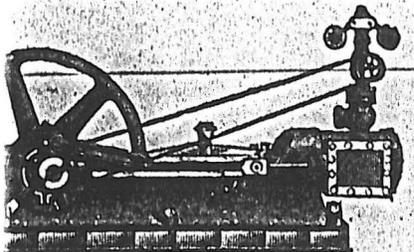
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