

Jacob Henry Wolf

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and joined in practice with John T. Moffit as Wheeler & Moffit. In 1895 he removed to Cedar Rapids and was in course of time associated as a partner with N. M. Hubbard, J. H. Preston, and F. F. Dawley. In his latest practice he was a member of the firm of Grimm, Wheeler & Elliott. In his practice of nearly half a century he was engaged as counsel in many noted cases, the Jones County calf case, the Bever will case, and several big cases for the Chicago & North Western Railway Company being among them, he appearing both in trial and appellate work. He was regarded as one of the foremost trial lawyers in Iowa, if not in the Middle West. He excelled both in the examination of witnesses and in his arguments to court or jury. He did not aspire to political honors or position.

JACOB HENRY WOLF was born near Washington, Pennsylvania, July 3, 1841, and died in Primghar, Iowa, December 3, 1927. His parents were John H. and Maria (Altar) Wolf. In 1859 he entered the office of the *Washington Examiner* and for four years worked for his board and clothes while he learned the trade of printer. In 1863 he volunteered in Company H, Forty-sixth Pennsylvania Infantry, and served until July, 1865. On returning home he resumed work as a printer. In 1873 he removed to O'Brien County, Iowa, settled on land in Franklin Township two miles from where Sanborn was later located, built a sod house and with his little family established the second home in the township. In 1883 he bought the *Sanborn Pioneer* and removed to Sanborn. In 1894 he with Thomas Gravenor bought the *O'Brien County Bell* at Primghar, but bought his partner's interest a few years later and removed to Primghar in about 1897. He continued to conduct that paper until January, 1925, when he sold it to his son, Fred B. Wolf. While helping many others to political position, he did not aspire for himself. However, he held many local positions where he served his community, and was a member of the O'Brien County Board of Supervisors in 1879-81, and was postmaster at Primghar for eight years during the McKinley and Roosevelt administrations. He was an able newspaper man and a useful citizen.

LAURA V. (STONE) MORRIS was born at Wyoming, Jones County, Iowa, in 1862, and died in Des Moines, November 13, 1927. She early began as an office worker, was a clerk in the office of Buren R. Sherman during his administration as governor, and later worked as a clerk in a Des Moines insurance company. In 1891 she was married to Charles H. Morris, a coal merchant of Des Moines. In 1893 she entered the office of Charles Hewitt & Sons, wholesale grocers, and was entrusted by them with important business administration. She withdrew from business work during the infancy and childhood of her two sons, but on the death of her husband in 1913 she for a time managed his coal business, and selling that, returned to her former position with Hewitt & Sons, being

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