

Biographies of Notable Americans, 1904

Name:	George Whitman Hendee
Comments:	<p>HENDEE, George Whitman, repretative, was born at Stowe, Vt., Nov. 30, 1832; son of Jehial P. and Rebecca (Ferrin) Hendee, grandson of John and Hannah (Jacobs) Ferrin and of Roswell and Hopey (Terrill) Hendee, and a descendant of Nicholas Jacobs, who came to America from Hingham, England, in 1633, bringing with him his wife Mary and two children, John and Elizabeth. They first settled in Watertown, Mass. George W. Header was educated at the People's academy at Morrisville, Vt., and in 1852 began the study of law in the office of W. G. Ferrin, of Johnson, Vt. He was admitted to the bar in 1855, and began practice inl; Waterville, Vt., finally settling in practice in Morrisville. He was superintendent of public schools, 1853-58; state's[p.193] attorney for Lamouille county, 1858-59; represented Morrystown in the state legislature, 1861-62; served as deputy provost marshal, 1862-65; and was state senator in 1866, 1867 and 1868, being president pro tempore of the senate in 1868. He was elected lieutenant-governor of Vermont by the Republicau party in 1869, and became governor on the death of Governor Peter T. Washburn in February, 1870, and served until the close of the term. He was a Republican representative from the third Vermont district in the 43d, 44th and 45th congresses, 1873-79. He served on the committees on the District of Columbia and on private land claims. He was one of the projectors of the Portland and Ogdensburg railroad and was a director from the opening of the road in 1873. He was president of the Montreal, Portland and Boston railroad of Canada, 1887-89; director and vice-president of the Union Savings Bank and Trust company of Morrisville, Vt., 1890-97, and president from 1897; receiver of the National Bank of Poultney, 1880-81; and of the Vermont National Bank of St. Albans, 1883-92, and was national bank examiner, 1879-85. He was married, Nov. 17, 1855, to Millissa, daughter of Stevens and Caroline (Johnson) Redding. She died in 1861, and he was married a second time, Dec. 23, 1863, to Viola L., daughter of Loren and Fidelia (Paine) Bundy.</p>
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