

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Newbold, Joshua Giddings Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Henry County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 12 May 1830 Fayette County, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Rachel Harzghar 2 May 1850 Fayette County, Pennsylvania

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Member of Henry County Bar Association

B. Civic responsibilities CAIR

C. Profession Farmer; merchant; 9<sup>th</sup> Governor of Iowa 1877-1878;  
Lieutenant Governor of Iowa; Director raising and delinquent

4. Church membership Methodist/Quakers

5. Sessions served 13<sup>th</sup> 14<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1870, 1872, 1874

6. Public Offices 18<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1880

A. Local Mayor of Mount Pleasant 4 years; Justice of the Peace

B. State 1875 elected Lieutenant Governor of Iowa; became Governor  
of Iowa 1 Feb 1877 filling remainder of Governor Kirkwood's term

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 10 June 1903 Mount Pleasant, Iowa; Forest Home Cemetery,  
Mount Pleasant, Henry County, Iowa

8. Children Emmaspione (Mrs. Beth & Dickson); Mary Allen (Mrs. C. S. Leamy); Joseph  
Honeaman (died in infancy); Alice E. (died in infancy); David C. (died in 1883)

9. Names of parents Borghilla and Catherine (Honeaman) Newbold

Newbold, Joshua H.

10. Education He was educated in public and select schools in  
Watersburg Co., Iowa

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was raised on a farm as a youth and at age 16 he  
began assisting his father in running a flour  
mill which he did for 8 years and also taught  
school as well.
- He came to Iowa in March 1854 locating on a farm  
near Mount Pleasant at age 16.
- One year later he moved to Cedar Township in Van Buren  
County engaging in merchandising and farming until  
1860
- He then moved to Hillsboro, Iowa in the same business.
- Military service - Civil War Company C, 25<sup>th</sup> Iowa Infantry  
Attaining rank of Captain.
- After the Civil War he returned to Mount Pleasant and resumed his  
merchandise business for 2 years and then engaged in farming and raising  
livestock.

Newbold, Joshua H.

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Applicability

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MT. PLEASANT, IOWA, FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1903.

## UNIVERSITY EVENTS.

Annual Lecture Last Evening by Rev. Boatman.

## CLASS DAY EXERCISES TODAY.

Alumni of the College Give Reception and Banquet Tonight.

### I. W. U. ALUMNI.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Among the number that the alumni association of the college are expecting for the banquet this evening are the following who have signified their intention of being here: Mr. and Mrs. Grant G. Giller, Donalson; Miss O. Wilson, Fairfield; F. Stafford, Muscatine; Mr. and Mrs. M. Antrobus, Burlington; Mrs. Spurgeon, Colorado City, Col.; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Book, Centerville; Miss Needham, Sigourney; Wm. Pedew, New Sharon; Mr. Hollingshead, Chicago; Miss Blom, Keokuk; Ralph E. Huston, Sperry, Iowa; Mrs. Ella M. Parker, Mediapolis, Iowa; Orson F. Van Cise, Wyoming. The invitation committee have letters from Dr. Wray Beattie of Newark, Ohio; Charles E. Shelton, president of Simpson college, Indiana, Iowa; Rev. Sam Murphy, Baldwin, Kansas, and numerous others regretting their inability to be present at the business meeting of the alumni and the reception Wednesday evening.

## GRADUATING PROCESSION.

An interesting feature of the I. W. U. commencement will be a grand procession given tomorrow morning. The procession is to be composed of the president of the college, the graduating class, faculty, the board of trustees and visiting ministers. The company is to meet in the west end of the first floor of the main building at 9:30 o'clock sharp Thursday morning. They are expected to wear college colors and bring along a goodly quantity of enthusiasm with them.

## ANNUAL LECTURE.

## A SUDDEN SUMMONS.

Ex-Gov. Newbold Dies Without Warning.

## AGED AND RESPECTED CITIZEN.

Seized with Sudden Faintness and Passes Away Before Medical Aid Can Be Secured—Was Prominent in State and Local Politics.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The news of the sudden death of ex-Gov. Joshua G. Newbold came as a grievous shock last evening to the people of Mt. Pleasant. At about 7 o'clock Mr. Newbold was out in the yard at his home on East Washington street, when he was seized with a sudden faintness. Prof. Antrim, who happened by at the moment, assisted the half unconscious man to the porch and immediately summoned medical aid, but in a few minutes afterwards Mr. Newbold passed away.

Telegrams were at once sent to Mr. Newbold's two daughters, Mrs. Butler Buchanan of North Platte, Nebr. and Mrs. Frank Keaman of Aurora, Nebr., and also to Mr. W. J. Newbold of Wellington, Kansas, a brother of our townsman, notifying them of Mr. Newbold's death. The funeral arrangements will be deferred until after their arrival.

The deceased had been in feeble health for some time, and yet had been able to come up town a few days ago. For four years Mr. Newbold was mayor of Mt. Pleasant, being the predecessor of Mr. Hourihan, the present incumbent. He was a member of the Henry County bar and had been prominent in both state and local politics. Mr. Newbold was in his 74th year.

## SALEM WILL CELEBRATE.

Salem citizens have been having public meetings for the purpose of determining whether to celebrate the Fourth. They have their committees at work, and will likely hold a celebration.

## ELECTED OFFICERS.

## NEWS IN TOWN AND COUNTRY.

The Day's Doings Here And Elsewhere.

## EVENTS OF A SOCIAL NATURE.

Other New Items and Happenings of Interest to Our Many Readers.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

## THE CITY COUNCIL.

The city council will hold a special meeting on Thursday evening to further discuss the proposed franchise for the electric railway. There was a full meeting of the councilmen Monday night and a free discussion, but on account of the disagreement over the time limit and some other material points they decided to appoint a conference committee from the council to meet with the representatives of the company and practically agree upon something to submit to the voters. The council will submit most any proposition the company desires to the people if they insist upon it, but they wish to submit something which they think will carry. Hence the delay in getting the proposed franchise in shape for the people to vote on. The electric company expect to defray all expenses in the special election.

## LOST A FINGER.

John Walsh, who has been working the past few weeks in a Burlington factory, had his index finger on his right hand crushed in some machinery a few days ago. It was necessary to amputate the finger. He is in the city for a few days, but expects to return soon to resume his work in Burlington.

## BUSINESS MEN VS. FACULTY.

The ball game between the business men and college faculty was played in the gymnasium yesterday afternoon, according to the schedule recently announced.

## THE CITY BARN.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)  
The solicitors for the summer concerts by the city have met with good success and have almost completed the list of business men who have agreed to contribute to the support of these concerts this summer. The list will appear in these columns in a few days. The next concert will be on Thursday evening and the weather does not interfere.

## BARN BURNED.

Asbury Jay had one of his barns burned yesterday at his place in Tippecanoe. He was out early in the morning with a lantern working about the barn when it exploded and set fire. The son Carl was burned in attempting to extinguish the fire.

## P. E. O. BREAKFAST.

Yesterday morning the P. E. O. held their annual June picnic and social at the home of Mrs. Worthington. This year a variety of the sisters met for a breakfast, and found it very pleasant one. Quite a number of out of town P. E. O.'s were present on this occasion. Mrs. Worthington was assisted in receiving guests by Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. and Mrs. Ball. At half past eight the company was seated and strawberries and cream, butter, and coffee. Miss Stahl, Van Cise, Walt, D. served these viands.

Two musical numbers which delighted all the company. Mrs. Edna Needham sang a solo, Miss Belden sang a duet on the piano, Miss played a Minuet by Schumann an encore number.

The committee on arrangements was Mrs. Max Babb, Mr. Mrs. Weir, Mrs. Drummond Hall and Miss Spahr.

## WILL BE TRIED MO.

Chas. W. Brown, who was charged with wife beating, was re-



Miss Emerson, Frank B. Maiken, Albertina Scheiwe, nture Reform, Preston M. Conant, gination, Axle E. Lute, piro, Burton Beck, made a short and class, in which m follow the pre- to them at different illege course, and the have received. bes and mortar boards d. The class of '03 to the world, and they rrong.

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held from nine until eleven o'clock. Ice cream, cake, coffee, cream pat- ties and salted pecans were served by Miss Gladys Satterthwait and several of her young friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith depart- ed for Chicago where they will make their home at 15 Elaine Place and will be at home to friends after August First. Mr. Smith is a valued employee in the well known Optical House of Chambers Inskeep & Co., of Chicago. Mr. Smith was in Ot- tumwa in former years so while he is a stranger to most of our people he is well and favorably known by hearsay, and none but words of com- mendation are given him. He is in- deed a fortunate young man in that he has won for his wife one of our brightest and most popular young ladies—for though Miss Satterthwait has been a member of the faculty of the State Normal at Cedar Falls for several years she still belongs to Mt. Pleasant.

Among the out of town guests at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Johns, of Chicago; Mrs. Ava Pick- el Reed and Mr. Thomas Harila, of Des Moines; Miss Jessie Harbin, of Waterloo; Miss Bertha Patt, of Cedar Falls; Mr. Ralph Stafford, of Musca- tine; Dr. and Mrs. Young and Miss Young, of Burlington; Mrs. Grant Keyhoe, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Key- hoe and four children, Mr. John Smith, and Miss Beatie Boude, of Ottumwa.

#### SCHOOLEY—RUSSELL.

A marriage license was issued yester- day to Walter B. Schooley, age 27, and Miss Nina B. Russell of Wayne township, age 24. They were married yesterday afternoon in this city at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. W. G. Wilson, and at once go to house- keeping in Winfield where the groom conducts a restaurant.

#### LARGE FISH.

Large fish are now being caught at various places on Skunk river. Some fine catches are reported at Mill- spaugh's Mill, Oakland, and Short's Island. A catfish weighing sixty pounds was caught a few days since at Lowell. Others, weighing from thirty to forty pounds each, have been taken recently at various points on the river.

As soon as the high water subsides, and the river become clear, there will be rare sport for all lovers of the rod and line, as the river fairly swarms with fish. For many years they have not been so abundant as at the present season:

Mrs. Twining Miss Schwenker and Mrs. Twining returned Saturday from an extended visit in Indiana and points in other states.

three years, resigning just before the war closed, on account of his dis- ability. During the last two or three months he served in the south, he filled the position of Judge Advocate with headquarters at Woodville, Ala- bama. He was with the regiment in the expedition against Vicksburg at Arkansas Post, Look out Mountain, and with Sherman in his march to the sea. After the war was over he returned to Hillsboro where he was in business for three or four years, then engaged exclusively in stock raising and farming.

Mr. Newbold was a member of the 13th, 14th and 15th General Assem- bles, representing Henry county. While in the legislature he held many important positions on committees. In 1874 he was temporary speaker. In 1875 he was elected Lieutenant Governor of Iowa on the republican ticket at the time Samuel J. Kirk- wood was elected governor. Gov. Kirkwood was elected United States Senator, and Mr. Newbold then be- came governor, taking the governor's chair February 1st, 1877, and holding it until the first of the next January when John H. Gear was elected gov- ernor.

He was married May 2nd, 1850, to Rachel Farquhar in Fayette county, Pa. Five children were born to them three of whom are dead. The sur- viving children are Mrs. Butler Buch- anan of North Platte, Neb., Mrs. Frank Isaman of Aurora, Neb.

For many years Gov. Newbold has been a resident of Mt. Pleasant and was considered one of its most fair minded, honored and leading citi- zens. His counsel was often sought and his advice was always considered excellent. He was a man of consid- erable means and had property in- terests which occupied his attention. He also devoted much time to look- ing after the property interests of others.

Last April he concluded a four years term of service as mayor of the city of Mt. Pleasant.

His health had been failing for some time. He was afflicted with Bright's disease, and he knew it was a question of but a few months until the end was likely to come. How- ever, no one expected to hear of his dying so suddenly as he did on last Wednesday evening while out walk- ing in his yard.

#### SUIT ON A NOTE.

Henry Melcher has brought suit against F. M. Walker and Z. T. New- comer for the collection of a note of \$200, given in June 1893, now amount- ing to \$393.17. This note was given to the Mt. Pleasant Road Grader Co. and the defendants were trustees of of Hamilton township, Decatur county, Iowa, at that time. In 1894 the Grader Co. assigned the note to P. Melcher.

#### SUIT TO QUIET TITLE.

W. S. Tarman and Christine Tar man have filed a suit in the district court to quiet the title to 30 acres in Section 12, Tippecanoe township. The defect consists in a lost deed. Robeson Morris entered the land from the government and when he sold it to Daniel Shuman the deed to the latter was never put on record and has been lost. This was over forty years ago and no one has ever made any objection to the title, yet it is such a serious defect that regular steps are being taken to remedy it.

#### MARRIED IN OMAHA.

Friends of Ralph E. Hobart will be pleased to know of his marriage to Miss Della Hughes of Tecumseh, Neb. The wedding occurred in Omaha Wednesday evening, June 10th, at 8 o'clock, Rev. F. Comble Smith, pastor of the First M. E. church officiating.

Mr. Hobart is well known in this city and for the past four years has been residing in Omaha where he is employed as Assistant Cashier in the offices of the Standard Oil Company. Miss Hughes has many friends in Omaha as well as Tecumseh where she has resided for the past year. The young couple will be at home after June 20th at 2104 Burt Street, Omaha, Neb.

#### NURSES' GRADUATION.

The sixth annual graduating exer- cises of the training school for nurses of the Mt. Pleasant State Hospital was held in the amusement hall of the institution this week, which was crowd- ed with interested listeners. The hos- pital band furnished very fine music for the occasion, and William Koehler gave a cornet solo. The opening pray- er was made by Rev. W. P. Nicholas, of the Presbyterian church, and ad- dresses to the class were made by the Hon. L. A. Palmer and the Hon. R. S. Galer, both of this city, after which the degrees were conferred by the Hon. John Cowfle of the State Board of Control. The following are the names of those in this year's grad- uating class: Sadie Gray, Clem An- schutz, Johanna Madsen, Agnes Ros- kuski, Agnes Lesler, June Wilson, Lou Barnes and S. M. Kistler.

#### SUIT SETTLED.

The Wayland News is authority for the statement that the damage suit which Daniel Wenger brought against Amos Wyse for slanderous remarks growing out of a dispute over some saw logs, has been settled by the parties getting together.

Prof. Handy was a Fairfield visitor Sunday.

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IOWA VOLUME.

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Gear for the speaker's chair, would reach it this time without opposition; and when the legislators convened, and the republican caucus was held, Mr. Stone was nominated by acclamation, and when the final voting came, only two or three members of any party in the house failed to vote for him, a degree of unanimity in electing a speaker rarely witnessed in any legislative body. The wisdom of this choice is seen in the promptness, accuracy and facility with which speaker Stone discharges his duties.

He has been actively and notably connected with the discussion of almost all the important questions in the legislature for the last ten years, and has taken a prominent and influential part in moulding the legislation of the state during that time. In 1872, while in the senate, he was chairman of the committee on congressional districts, and drafted the present law dividing the state into such districts.

He has always been a consistent, unwavering republican, and in 1876 was a delegate-at-large to the national republican convention which met in Cincinnati and nominated Rutherford B. Hayes. He was selected by that convention as the Iowa member of the national republican committee, which position he now holds.

The wife of speaker Stone was Miss Harriet Solomon, of Glenwood, Iowa; married on the 8th of January, 1868. They have one child, Clarence. In the latter part of August, 1876, Mr. Stone and his little boy Clarence, then five years old, were violently thrown from a carriage in the streets of Glenwood. Unable to save both, the father, with a promptness inspired by affection, disregarding his own safety, held the child up with both hands, and received the whole shock himself. In thus attempt-

ing to save the life of his child, at the risk of his own, his left limb was broken just below the knee; but he had the great happiness of seeing his darling escape unhurt. This was done at the opening of the political campaign of that year; and so necessary was it deemed that Mr. Stone should be on the stump, that long before the splints were taken off, and contrary to the orders of his surgeon, he was seen in different parts of his district making speeches sitting on the side of a table or bench; and here it may be added that he is one of the most effective canvassers in the state. His last contest for election was one of the most exciting and hard fought ever made in a county canvass. It attracted attention throughout the state. Concerning this notable engagement, a political writer of the time remarked:

His last triumph, in a series of victories, that of succeeding over a most unholy combination of elements in his own county to defeat his reelection to the house, was notable and brilliant. He had to meet the meanest, and the most determined, and the best organized fight ever made against a candidate in a county contest in this state. With the mettle and the genius of leadership, he met the combined opposition and routed them completely.

Speaker Stone has bluish-gray eyes, brown hair, a florid complexion, a nervous-bilious yet rather even temperament; is five feet and nine inches tall, and weighs one hundred and seventy-five pounds. His build is very solid, and his general appearance that of health in the efflorescence of early summer-time.

Socially, his qualities are of the finest order. He has great magnetism, and was made for a leader; he has intellectual powers of a high order, with reserved forces yet to be developed, and ambition enough to draw them out whenever occasion calls for it. The favorite of his party, with prudence on his part he may yet have higher steps to take.

## HON. JOSHUA G. NEWBOLD,

### MOUNT PLEASANT.

JOSHUA G. NEWBOLD, at the time of writing (October, 1877,) in the executive chair of the state, is a native of Pennsylvania, and his ancestors in this country were among the very early settlers in New Jersey. They were Quakers, and consequently none of them figured in the struggle for the independence of the colonies. Governor Newbold is the son of Barzilla and Catherine Houseman Newbold; was born in Fayette county, on the 12th of May, 1830, and reared as a farmer. When he was eight

years of age the family moved to Westmoreland county, where he was educated in the common school, and also in a select school or academy, the latter taught by Dr. John Lewis, now of Grinnell, Iowa. At sixteen he returned with the family to Fayette county, where he remained eight years, assisting his father in running a flouring mill, when not teaching. When about nineteen he commenced the study of medicine, reading a year or more while teaching, and then abandoning the notion of being a physician.



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*J. G. Newbold*





## Joshua G. Newbold.



OSHUA G. NEWBOLD, the ninth Governor of Iowa, is a native of Pennsylvania. He comes from that excellent stock known as the Friends, who very early settled in New Jersey. Joshua G. is the son of Barzilla and Catherine (House) Newbold, and was born in Fayette County, May 12, 1830. He was born a farmer's boy and was reared in the vigorous employment of farm work. When he was eight years of age the family moved to Westmoreland County, Pa., where, in the common schools and in a select school or academy, young Newbold received his education. When sixteen years of age he accompanied the family on their return to Fayette County. Here for the following eight years he assisted his father in running a flouring-mill as well as devoting much of his time to teaching school. When about nineteen years of age our subject began the study of medicine, devoting much of his time while teaching to his medical books. He, however, abandoned the idea of becoming a physician and turned his attention to different walks in life.

In the month of March, 1854, Mr. Newbold removed to Iowa, locating on a farm, now partly in the corporation of Mount Pleasant, Henry County.

At the end of one year he removed to Cedar Township, Van Buren County, there merchandising and farming till about 1860, when he removed to Hillsboro, Henry County, and pursued the same callings.

In 1862, when the call was made for 600,000 men to finish the work of crushing the Rebellion, Mr. Newbold left his farm in the hands of his family and his store in charge of his partner, and went into the army as Captain of Company C, 25th Regiment of Iowa Infantry. He served nearly three years, resigning just before the war closed, on account of disability. During the last two or three months he served at the South he filled the position of Judge Advocate, with headquarters at Woodville, Ala.

His regiment was one of those that made Iowa troops famous. It arrived at Helena, Ark., in November, 1862, and sailed in December following on the expedition against Vicksburg by way of Chickasaw Bayou. At the latter place was its first engagement. Its second was at Arkansas Post, and there it suffered severely, losing in killed and wounded more than sixty.

After Lookout Mountain it joined in the pursuit of Bragg's flying forces to Ringgold, where it engaged the enemy in their strong works, November 27, losing twenty-nine wounded. The following year it joined Sherman in his Atlanta Campaign, then on the famous march to the sea and through the Carolinas.

On returning to Iowa he continued in the mer-

cantile trade at Hillsboro for three or four years, and then sold out, giving thereafter his whole attention to agriculture, stock-raising and stock-dealing, making the stock department an important factor in his business for several years. Mr. Newbold was a member of the 13th, 14th and 15th General Assemblies, representing Henry County, and was Chairman of the School Committee in the 14th, and of the committee on appropriations in the 15th General Assembly. In the 15th (1874) he was temporary Speaker during the deadlock in organizing the House. In 1875 he was elected Lieutenant Governor on the Republican ticket with Samuel J. Kirkwood.

His Democratic competitor was E. D. Woodward, who received 93,060 votes. Mr. Newbold received 134,166, or a majority of 31,106. Governor Kirkwood being elected United States Senator during that session, Mr. Newbold became Governor, taking the chair Feb. 1, 1877, and vacating it for Gov. Gear in January, 1878.

Gov. Newbold's message to the Legislature in 1878, shows painstaking care and a clear, business-like view of the interests of the State. His recommendations were carefully considered and largely adopted. The State's finances were then in a less creditable condition than ever before or since; as there was an increasing floating debt, then amounting to \$340,826.56, more than \$90,000 in excess of the Constitutional limitation. Said Gov. Newbold in his message: "The commonwealth ought not to set an example of dilatoriness in meeting its obligations. Of all forms of indebtedness, that of a floating character is the most objectionable. The uncertainty as to its amount will

invariably enter into any computation made by persons contracting with the State for supplies, material or labor. To remove the present difficulty, and to avert its recurrence, I look upon as the most important work that will demand your attention."

One of the greatest problems before statesmen is that of equal and just taxation. The following recommendation shows that Gov. Newbold was abreast with foremost thinkers, for it proposes a step which yearly finds more favor with the people: "The inequalities of the personal-property valuations of the several counties suggest to my mind the propriety of so adjusting the State's levy as to require the counties to pay into the State treasury only the tax on realty, leaving the corresponding tax on personalty in the county treasury. This would rest with each county the adjustment of its own personal property valuations, without fear that they might be so high as to work injustice to itself in comparison with other counties."

Gov. Newbold has always affiliated with the Republican party, and holds to its great cardinal doctrines, having once embraced them, with the same sincerity and honesty that he cherishes his religious sentiments. He has been a Christian for something like twenty-five years, his connection being with the Free-Will Baptist Church. He found his wife, Rachel Farquhar, in Fayette County, Pa., their union taking place on the 2d of May, 1850. They have had five children and lost two. The names of the living are Mary Allene, Emma Irene and George C.

The Governor is not yet an old man, and may serve his State or county in other capacities in the coming years.





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lic and select schools. When sixteen years of age, he accompanied the family on their return to Fayette county, locating near the present city of Fayette. Here he assisted his father in a flouring mill, taught school and studied medicine. Later he abandoned the idea of becoming a physician and turned his attention to the law, becoming a pupil of Hon. Joshua Howell of Uniontown. Coming to Iowa in 1854, he located on a farm near Mt. Pleasant, and at the end of a year removed to Cedar township in Van Buren county, where he engaged in farming and merchandising until 1860. When the call for troops was made, he left the farm in the hands of his wife and his store in the hands of his partner and enlisted in Company C, Twenty-fifth Volunteer Infantry, of which he was made captain. After having served about two years, he was compelled to resign on account of disability. During the last three months of the time he was not able to perform active field service, so served as judge advocate of court-martial, with headquarters at Woodville, Alabama. He was in the expedition against Vicksburg, took part in the battles of Chickasaw, Bayou, Arkansas Post, Lookout Mountain and Ringgold, and was with Sherman in his campaign to the sea through the Carolinas.

At the close of the war he resumed the merchandise business, closing out at the end of two years to engage in agriculture and stock raising. His first political honor was an election to the office of justice of the peace, which led in turn to his selection as a member of the board of supervisors, both in Van Buren county. He became the logical candidate for the legislature in Henry county early in the seventies, serving in the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Eighteenth General Assemblies. He was conspicuous for his work as chairman of the committees on schools, appropriations and ways and means in different legislatures. He was made temporary speaker during the contest between Hon. John H. Gear and Hon. J. W. Dixon in January, 1874, at which time the house was in deadlock for two weeks.

He had the honor to be the candidate for lieutenant-governor on the republican ticket with Hon. Samuel J. Kirkwood, and defeated his democratic opponent by some

42,000 votes. Governor Kirkwood was elected to the United States senate during the session of the general assembly following his election as governor, so resigned the office of chief executive. In his position as lieutenant-governor, Mr. Newbold presided over the senate in the Sixteenth General Assembly, and on February 1, 1877, took the oath of office as governor. In his message to the legislature during the following year, when the state's indebtedness was more than \$90,000 above the constitutional limit, he said: "The commonwealth ought not to set an example of dilatoriness in meeting its just obligations. Of all forms of debt, that of a floating character is the most objectionable, and the uncertainty of its amount will invariably enter into any computation made by persons contracting with the state for supplies, material, or labor." Again in the same document, he said: "One of the greatest problems before statesmen is that of equal and just taxation." He then placed before the body an array of healthy suggestions for their guidance in levying a tax to meet the dire financial distress for the state treasury.

His first vote for president was cast for Winfield Scott. He has been affiliated with the republican party since its organization. He was married to Rachel Farquhar, May 2, 1850, in Fayette county, Pennsylvania. They have had five children, two of whom are living, namely, Mary Allen, who is the wife of B. F. Isaman of Amora, Nebraska, and Emma Irene, wife of Butler Buchanan, of North Platte, Nebraska.

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NOEL, DAVID WILSON, a successful lumber dealer in Rockwell City, was born near Redfield, Dallas County, Iowa, Feb. 28, 1851. His father, George W. Noel, was a native of Kentucky, but at about twenty-one years of age removed to Indiana, and in his early manhood to Dallas county, Iowa. This was as long ago as 1850. He was a member of the Thirty-ninth Iowa, and was captured near Corinth, Mississippi, by the rebels, after which no definite information could ever be obtained concerning his fate. It was the generally accepted belief of the members of his command that he, with six others, were



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# HISTORY OF IOWA

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TO THE BEGINNING OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

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SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA

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JOHN R. NEEDHAM was born on the 18th of December, 1824, in Washington, Ohio. He received a good education, studied law and was admitted to the bar at Cambridge, Ohio. In 1849 he came to Iowa, taking up his residence in Mahaska County, where he first engaged in teaching. On the 2d of July, 1850, Mr. Needham and Mr. McNeeley issued the first newspaper ever published in that county under the name of the *Iowa Herald*. The name was afterwards changed to the *Oskaloosa Herald*. In 1852 Mr. Needham was nominated by the Whigs for State Senator and elected, serving four years as one of the most influential members of that body. In 1857 he was nominated by the Republicans for member of the convention to frame a new Constitution but declined the position. In 1861 he was elected on the Republican ticket Lieutenant-Governor of the State and was an able and popular President of the Senate. In 1867 he was again elected to the State Senate for four years but died on the 9th of July, 1868. He was a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal church.

C. C. NESTLERODE, pioneer educator, was born in Center County, Pennsylvania, March 27, 1824, where his early education was acquired. He taught school several years in Ohio, and while visiting at Galena, Illinois, in December, 1854, learned that a meeting of the State Teachers' Association of Iowa was soon to be held at Iowa City. He walked the entire distance to be present at that gathering of the teachers of Iowa, and was so deeply interested in the enthusiasm of the pioneer teachers of the new State that he resolved to remain in Iowa. In 1856 he was chosen principal of the Union School of Tipton in Cedar County, the first school of the kind established in the State. He was an enthusiastic advocate of the free school system and in connection with George B. Dennison of Muscatine succeeded in inducing the Iowa Legislature to abolish the rate bills and provide by tax for the support of the public schools. Mr. Nestlerode held one of the first teachers' institutes at Tipton, in 1856; and served as president of the State Teachers' Association in 1857-8 and again in 1862. In 1858 he was chosen by the State Association, Institute lecturer for the State and public school worker, representing the Association before the State Board of Education. During that year of educational labor, Mr. Nestlerode held twelve institutes, attended the sessions of the State Board of Education for twenty days, traveled 3,700 miles, much of the way on foot, and delivered seven hundred twelve free school talks. He died at Fostoria, Ohio, December 29, 1900.

JOSHUA G. NEWBOLD, ninth Governor of Iowa, was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, on the 12th of May, 1830. He was reared on a farm, attended the public schools and a few terms at an academy. He taught school several winters, assisting his father on the farm during



the summer. When nineteen he began the study of medicine but never became a practicing physician. In 1854 he came to Iowa and engaged in farming in Henry County. When the Civil War began Mr. Newbold raised a company which was attached to the Twenty-fifth Volunteer Infantry and he was commissioned captain. He served three years, a portion of the time as Judge Advocate at Woodville, Alabama. He participated in the battles of Arkansas Post, Lookout Mountain and Sherman's Atlanta campaign. After his return to Henry County, Captain Newbold was elected on the Republican ticket Representative in the House of the Thirteenth General Assembly and was twice reelected, serving six years. At the Republican State Convention which nominated Kirkwood for a third term as Governor, Captain Newbold was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor and elected. Upon the resignation of Kirkwood to accept the position of United States Senator, Newbold became Governor on the first of February, 1877. He made a good executive but was defeated for the nomination for a full term in the Republican State Convention by John H. Gear.

JOHN W. NOBLE was born at Lancaster, Ohio, October 26, 1831. He attended the common schools of Cincinnati, afterwards taking a course at Miami University and Yale College. He studied law with Henry Stansbery, afterwards Attorney-General of the United States, was admitted to the bar in 1855 and removed to St. Louis, where he entered upon the practice of law. In 1856 he removed to Iowa, locating at Keokuk, where he entered into partnership with Ralph P. Lowe, afterwards Governor of the State. Here he met at the bar in legal conflicts Samuel F. Miller, George W. McCrary and John F. Dillon, who attained the highest rank in the profession. When the Civil War began, Mr. Noble was one of the first to take up arms for the Union, taking part in the Battle of Athens on the Iowa border. He enlisted in the Third Iowa Cavalry and was soon appointed adjutant of the regiment. Mr. Noble rose steadily in rank from lieutenant to colonel, and was brevetted Brigadier-General for distinguished services in the field. He participated in the Battle of Pea Ridge, the siege of Vicksburg and the second Battle of Jackson. Colonel Noble served as Judge Advocate of the Army of the Southwest, and as Judge Advocate of the Department of Missouri. Returning to Keokuk at the close of the war he found his practice taken by others and removed to St. Louis where he was appointed United States District Attorney. He was offered the office of Solicitor-General by President Grant but preferred to continue in practice at St. Louis where he attained high rank in his profession, winning some of the most important cases in that section of the country. In 1889 he was appointed Secretary of the Interior in the Cabinet of President Harrison. In this important department of the Government, General Noble won new honors by the ability he brought to the public service. He is entitled to the credit of having reserved great



Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Newbold, Joshua Giddings  
Residence  
Occupation Merchant  
Date birth 12 My 1830 Fayette County Pa.  
Date death 10 Je 1903 Place Mt. Pleasant, Ia  
Cause Arrest home Place burial "  
War record Capt. 2 25 Iowa Inf.  
Rank Company Regiment State Organization  
Age 32 Res. Hillsboro  
Enlisted Appointed Captain Aug 9, 1862. Must  
Date Place  
Sept 11, 1862. Resigned Apr 4,  
1864

War

Battles, etc.

Nearest relatives

Father Barzilla Nativity  
Mother Catherine Houseman Nativity  
Wife Rachel Farquhar

Children

Mary Allene Isaman Amora, Nebr  
George C No. Platte, Nebr  
Emma Irene Buchanan "  
2 deceased

Sources Roster Ia. Soldiers  
Ex. Soldiers living Ia. 1836:--Mt. Pleasant. /  
Iowa Official register 1941-42 p.451

Discharged

Date

Place

Department of Iowa  
Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Newbold, Joshua G

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Post name	Post No.	Place	Date Joined
McFarland	20 (13)	Mt. Pleasant	14 N 1879

Was member of General Assemblies  
from Henry County 13th, 14th, 15th G.A.  
Became, elected Lt. Governor 1875  
Governor Feb 1, 1877  
Member-at-Large

Year	Date Paid	Amount	Year	Date Paid	Amount
					Nov 2
Had brothers	Cyrus, Co F 14 Iowa	- Rejected	1861		
Joseph H	Co F 14 Iowa; Jacob C	Co C 25 Iowa			
Was	Governor of Iowa born May 12, 1830	Governor, 1877-			
	1878- died June 10, 1903				
	Grand nephew, Cyrus Newbold, grandson of Cyrus in				
	office G. A. R. 21 Jan 1943				

Year Date Paid Amount  
when Governor Kirkwood went to  
U. S. Senate

Post #20 Desc Book: Merchant

Suspended

Died

13 Date of birth, *Aug 12<sup>th</sup> 1830*  
 Date and place of capture,  
 Place of confinement,  
 Date of release,  
 When and in what engagements wounded,  
 Nature of wound received,  
 Name *W. B. Newbold*

*Clark*  
**W. B. NEWBOLD**  
**TAKEN BY DEATH**  
**WAS KNOWN HERE**

\* W. B. Newbold Sr., 76, prominent Keosauqua attorney and long time civic leader in Keosauqua, who was the father of Cyrus M. Newbold, of Centerville, died Monday of a stroke suffered in his office.

Mr. Newbold had visited at different times with his son and family here and many local people knew him. They mourn his passing.

Mayor of Keosauqua from 1936 until last March, Newbold served as Van Buren county attorney from 1911 to 1915 and 1919 to 1923. He was a past president of the second judicial district Bar association and current president of the Van Buren County Bar. He also served on the school board.

He was graduated from the State University of Iowa in 1898.

He is survived by his wife, Emily, who also is a member of the law firm and also served as county attorney, three sons and two daughters.

They are Cyrus, Joseph Newbold, former Van Buren county attorney and now chairman of the county OPA board; W. B. Newbold, Jr., Keosauqua attorney; Mrs. Harry Berg, Durham, N. H.; and Miss Katherine Newbold Keosauqua.

He was a nephew of the late Joshua Newbold, former governor of Iowa.

The first automobile trip across the United States, in 1901, took 61 days.



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U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles

**Name:** Joshua G Newbold

**Residence:** Hillsboro, Iowa

**Age at Enlistment:** 32

**Enlistment Date:** 8 Sep 1862

**Rank at enlistment:** Captain

**State Served:** Iowa

**Survived the War?:** Yes

**Service Record:** Commissioned an officer in [Company C, Iowa 25th Infantry Regiment](#) on 11 Sep 1862. Mustered out on 04 Apr 1864.

**Birth Date:** abt 1830

**Sources:** Roster & Record of Iowa Soldiers in the War of Rebellion

**Source Information:**  
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*U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865*

**Name:** Joshua G. Newbold

**Side:** Union

**Regiment:** Iowa

**State/Origin:**

**Regiment Name:** 25 Iowa Infantry

**Regiment Name Expanded:** 25th Regiment, Iowa Infantry

**Company:** C

**Rank In:** Captain

**Rank In Expanded:** Captain

**Rank Out:** Captain

**Rank Out Expanded:** Captain

**Alternate Name:** Joshua J./Newbold or Joshua/Newbold

**Film Number:** M541 roll 20

**Source Information:**  
 National Park Service, *U.S. Civil War Soldiers, 1861-1865* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2007.  
 Original data: National Park Service, Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System, online <<http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/>>, acquired 2007.

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Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934

Name: **Joshua G. Newbold**

State Filed: **Iowa**

Widow: **Rachel F. Newbold**

Source Information:



National Archives and Records Administration. *Civil War Pension Index: General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2000.

Original data: *General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration. T2888, 544 rolls.

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### Joshua Gaskill Newbold

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- 1850**  
2 May  
Age: 19  
[Marriage to Rachel Farquhar](#)  
Fayette, Pennsylvania, USA [1 source citation](#)
- 1850**  
Age: 20  
[Residence](#)  
Washington, Fayette, Pennsylvania [1 source citation](#)
- 1850**  
Age: 20  
[Marriage to Rachel Farquhar](#)  
[1 source citation](#)
- 1880**  
Age: 50  
[Residence](#)  
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- 1903**  
10 Jun  
Age: 73  
[Death](#)  
Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA  
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**Birth:** 12 May 1830  
Fayette County, Pennsylvania  
**Death:** 10 Jun 1903  
Mount Pleasant, Iowa

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### Parents

**Father:** [Barzillai Newbold](#) Disc #149 Pin #3371003  
**Mother:** [Catherine House](#) Disc #149 Pin #3371011

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### Marriage(s)

**Spouse:** [Rachel Farquhar](#) Disc #149 Pin #3371188  
**Marriage:**

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### Personal Information

**Occupation:** 1 Feb 1877  
Iowa 10th Governor

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