

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Mekeel, Arthur Michael Senator _____
Represented Linn County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 1 Aug 1831 Hester, Tompkins County, New York

2. Marriage (s) date place
① Laena Deane 20 June 1864

② Susan A. Plummer Mar 1868

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities Mason

C. Profession Farmer; raised and shipped livestock; mercantile business

4. Church membership Lutheran

5. Sessions served 15th General Assembly 1874

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National He was elected to the Territorial Legislature of the state of Iowa

7. Death 16 Mar 1886 Fairfax, Iowa; buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

8. Children Laena (child with second wife)

9. Names of parents Joshua and Hester (Bailey) Mekeel

10. Education Received a common school education

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Independent

- He farmed with parents until age 21, then engaged in the mercantile business
- He came to Linn County in 1856 remaining until 1859
- In 1859 he went with an emigrant train to California staying 2 1/2 years.
- He then went to the state of Nevada and was elected to the Legislature of the Nevada Territory.
- In 1864 he returned to Iowa, engaging in farming.
- First wife, Lucina, died 12 Nov 1865, buried Oak Hill Cemetery
- Captain of a militia company in 1864

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Daily Republican

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1886

Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—For the Upper Lake Region: Southerly winds; slightly warmer fair weather. For the Upper Mississippi and Missouri Valleys: Southerly fair weather.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Comings and Outgoings of Our People and Their Friends.

J. A. Wright is visiting relatives in Clinton.

Landlord Silloway left last evening for Council Bluffs.

M. B. Curtis (Sam'l of Posen) and wife are at the Northwestern.

Mrs. M. Shattuck will leave this morning on a short visit to Florence, Kas.

Dr. and Mrs. H. Ristine will start this evening for California. They will spend several weeks at Los Angeles.

William M. Krebs is in the north part of the state, looking after the interests of his firm in white bronze monumental goods.

M. G. Egloff, agent B. C. R. & N. at Cedar Falls, is in the city, conferring with the powers that be about matters and things.

Clayton Harrington, an attorney of Ankeny, who will be remembered as a former resident of this city, was in town visiting old friends yesterday.

Mr. Harry Noble, who has been visiting his sisters, Mrs. O. E. Capen and Mrs. Alex. Charles for the past six weeks, has returned to her home in Missouri Valley.

Messrs. Denecke & Yetter are represented in Chicago this week by the senior member of the firm, who has already complete stock of dry goods,

The sociable which was to have been given by the young ladies of the Second Presbyterian church on Thursday evening of this week, is postponed one week on account of the funeral of Mrs. A. R. Foote, which, it is expected, will be held on Thursday.

There will be a meeting of the fire department at the city hall this evening at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of reading the records of the past year and awarding prizes to the running companies, and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

Last night Rev. James Donaldson, of Barclay, preached the opening sermon of the U. P. Presbytery, in the Second U. P. church. The session of the Presbytery will continue to-day and interesting papers will be presented. This evening the meeting will close with a Sabbath school convention.

The Iowa Civil Engineers' association, which met and organized in this city a few weeks ago, will hold another meeting here to-day to perfect an organization. President C. W. Irish, of Iowa City, is already on the ground and it is expected that many engineers who did not attend the last meeting will be present and unite with the body.

C. A. Howe and S. H. Ford, of the Postoffice shoe store, raised \$12.75 in that block for Mr. Davis, mentioned in the REPUBLICAN Tuesday morning, and E. I. Foster sent coal to supply the present needs of the family. The REPUBLICAN has never yet made an appeal to the charitable people but that it was fully answered.

As the REPUBLICAN announced, George Foust, the murderer of his brother, John, waived preliminary examination yesterday and Justice Smith bound him over to appear at the next term of the district court. James Reed was substituted as his attorney in place of B. F. Heins, who withdrew. In the afternoon he was photographed and taken to Marion and confined in jail.

Judge Stoneman, of the superior court, yesterday ordered Helen Semence taken to the reform school at Mitchellville, and she will be taken there this morning by Marshal Healy. This is probably the best place for the girl, who is certainly drifting into a very disreputable life here. In the reform school she will at least be safe from the men who were leading her slowly to a public life of shame.

Muscatine Journal: The last Union Signal of Chicago has a glowing tribute to Muscatine from the pen of Mrs. M. J. Aldrich, of Cedar Rapids, late president of the W. C. T. U. of Iowa. As this lady has traveled over the entire state and had opportunity to make comparisons, her praise of Muscatine and the courageous and active moral sentiment at work here, especially in the temperance reform, is no common compliment.

AN HONORED CITIZEN GONE.

Hon. A. M. Mekeel Dies at His Home at Fairfax after a Long Illness.

Hon. A. M. Mekeel died at his home in Fairfax at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, of Bright's disease. For four years past Mr. Mekeel has been gradually failing and during the last few months his physicians have had little hope of his ultimate recovery. The deceased was born in Hector, Tompkins county, now Schuyler, N. Y., Dec. 1, 1831, and was reared a farmer until he was twenty-one years of age. He received a common school education and went into the mercantile business. He came to this county in 1856, and remained three years, at the end of which time he went to California, remaining there two years and a half. From California he went to Nevada, and sat in the legislature of the territory. He returned to Iowa in 1864 and has been on his farm most of the time since. He was a captain of a company of militia in '64. In 1874 he was elected to the house in the Iowa legislature as an independent. Mekeel was one of three brothers, one of whom died several years ago. All three were equally successful in the struggle for a competency, and all were early honored with places in legislative bodies. As a friend and neighbor Mr. Mekeel was universally respected. He was a man of large means and used it to generous ends. A wife and daughter survive him.

The arrangements of the funeral have been about completed, and a special car will leave the C. & N. W. depot in this city at 9:30 Thursday morning for Fairfax and will return with the relatives and funeral cortege. The interment will take place in Mr. Mekeel's private lot in Oak Hill cemetery, and will probably be with masonic honors. The friends of the deceased are invited to accompany the car to Fairfax.

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with the following resolution passed by the school board, March 15th, 1886:

"Resolved, That the president be authorized to advertise for propositions and price for site of the proposed new school building in the seventh ward, near the vicinity of Oak Hill school, and the board meet at the office of the president on Friday, March 19, at 1 o'clock p. m., to open bids and examine locations offered."

All propositions and prices. All bids must be sealed and in my hands by 12 o'clock noon, Feb 17, 1886.

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	Startling. The announcement of socks for 5 cents has somewhat startled the public, who have been buying good hose for 3 cents or two pairs for a nickel, at The Golden Eagle One-price Clothing House.	Ello Penna uncle week, this r Mr. ing th Mr. grand- lutely Mia expect guest Mr. attend
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LICHTENBERGER, MARIA,

MRS., Sec. 2; P. O. Cedar Rapids; owns 240 acres of land, valued at \$40 per acre; she was born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., in 1821; came to this county in 1841. Her maiden name was Maria King; she married John Lichtenberger in 1840; he died in 1861; her children are Catherine, born in 1845; Joel, in 1850; Hester, in 1852; Lizzie, in 1854; Mary, in 1856, and Frank, in 1858. Lockhart, R., farmer, Sec. 3; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

Losey, I. M., far., Sec. 3; P. O. Fairfax.

MCDOWELL, G., farmer, Sec. 1; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

McDowell, W. R., far., S. 1; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

McELROY, WM. B., farmer, P. O. Fairfax; owns 160 acres of land, valued at \$40 per acre; was born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., Aug. 15, 1843; came to this county in 1866. He married Miss J. G. Lytle, Feb. 15, 1866; she was born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., December, 1845; they have five children—Hugh, born in 1867; James, born in 1869; Edward, born in 1871; Harry, born in 1874, and William, born in 1876. Are members of the Presbyterian Church. He enlisted in the 1st Penn. Cavalry in August, 1861; was discharged July 21, 1865; was in the following battles: Chancellorsville, The Wilderness, Spottsylvania, and with Gen. Sheridan through his campaigns and battles, except that of Winchester; was present at Lee's surrender; was twice severely wounded; went in as a private; came out Adjutant of regt. In politics, he is a Republican.

McGirk, M., far., Sec. 28; P. O. Fairfax.

McKINNON, DAVID, farmer, Sec. 11; P. O. Fairfax; has 217 acres of land, valued at \$40 per acre; was born in Scotland, in 1812; came to this county direct from Scotland, in 1846. He married Elizabeth Risk in 1838; she was born in Scotland, about 1840; they have five children—Jannett, born in 1860; George, born in 1862; Mary, born in 1864; Alexander, born in 1866; David, in 1868. He has held the offices of Assessor, and Justice of the Peace. Is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and a Republican.

McLaughlin, A., far., S. 18; P. O. Fairfax.

McLaughlin, I., far., S. 16; P. O. Fairfax.

McMully, T., far., Sec. 2; P. O. Fairfax.

McNulty, T., farmer, Sec. 2; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

Marble, G., far., Sec. 13; P. O. Fairfax.

Marble, W. G., far., S. 13; P. O. Fairfax.

Marquis, H. S., P. O. Fairfax.

MEKDEL, ARTHUR M., farmer, raiser and shipper of stock, Sec. 19; P. O. Fairfax; has 600 acres of land, valued at \$40 per acre; he was born of Quaker parentage in Hector, Tompkins Co., N. Y., Dec. 1, 1831; was raised a farmer till he was 21 years of age, receiving a common school education; he then engaged in mercantile business; came to this county in 1856; remained here until 1859, when he went with an emigrant train to California, where he remained two and a half years; from California he went to Nevada, where he was elected to the Legislature of that Territory; in 1864, he returned to Iowa; engaged in farming, in which business, except for short intervals, he has continued to the present time. He has been twice married; first, to Laena Sears, Jan. 20, 1861, who died November, 1865; in March, 1868, to Susan D. Plummer, who was born in Defiance Co., Ohio, Jan. 19, 1842; they have one child, Laena; born July 14, 1869; he was Captain of a militia company in 1864, and was elected to the Iowa Legislature in 1874; in politics he is Independent.

Metcalf, H., far., S. 23; P. O. Fairfax.

Miller, A., far., S. 12; P. O. Fairfax.

Mitchell, Wm., far., S. 11; P. O. Fairfax.

Moody, P., far., S. 2; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

Moore, Jno. L., far., S. 27; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

Moran, John, far., S. 28; P. O. Fairfax.

Moran, M., far., S. 32; P. O. Fairfax.

Murray, P., far., S. 10; P. O. Fairfax.

Matishka, J., far., S. 25; P. O. Fairfax.

NOLAN, W., farmer, S. 11; P. O. Cedar Rapids.

Nolan, Wm., farmer, S. 11; P. O. Fairfax.

Nonah, Frank, far., S. 35; P. O. Fairfax.

Noran, M., far., S. 32; P. O. Fairfax.

OLMSTEAD, W. T., farmer, Sec. 12; P. O. Fairfax.

Oliver, Geo. W., far., S. 3; P. O. Fairfax.

Osborn, C. P., far., S. 16; P. O. Fairfax.



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Compare With Your Tree

Children (1)

Laena Mekeel

B: 1869

Arthur Michael Mekeel

B: abt 1832 in Putnam, NY

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Parents

Joshua Mekeel
1795-1877Hester Bailey
1795-1846

Susannah Plummer B: about 1841 in Defiance, Defiance, Ohio, United States

1880 United States Federal Census

Name: **Arthur M. Mckeel**
 Home in 1880: **Fairfax, Linn, Iowa**
 Age: **48**
 Estimated Birth Year: **abt 1832**
 Birthplace: **New York**
 Relation to Head of Household: **Self (Head)**
 Spouse's Name: **Susan Mekeel**
 Father's birthplace: **New York**
 Mother's birthplace: **New York**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)
 Occupation: **Farmer**
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Race: **White**
 Gender: **Male**
 Cannot read/write:
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 Deaf and dumb:
 Otherwise disabled:
 Idiotic or insane:

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Arthur M. Mckeel	48
	Susan Mekeel	38
	Louise Mekeel	10
	Caleb B. Mekeel	55
	Charles Ossborn	24
	Josophine Shemany	18
	Charles Davis	17

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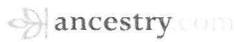
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Birth **abt 1832** in [Putnam, NY](#)
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- 1850**
Age: 18 [Residence](#) [Hector, Tompkins, New York](#) [1 source citation](#)
- 1880**
Age: 48 [Residence](#) [Fairfax, Linn, Iowa, United States](#) [1 source citation](#)
- 1885**
Age: 53 [Residence](#) [Fairfax, Linn, Iowa](#) [1 source citation](#)

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Family Members

Parents

- [Joshua Mekeel](#)
1795 – 1877
- [Hester Bailey](#)
1795 – 1846

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Spouse & Children

- [Susannah Plummer](#)
1841 –
- [Laena Mekeel](#)
1869 –

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1 citation provides evidence for **Birth, Name, Residence**

1880 United States Federal Census

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This citation provides evidence for Arthur Michael Mekeel

Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

1 citation provides evidence for **Name, Residence, Birth**

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 New York, USA
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Family links:

Spouse:
 Susannah Mekeel (1841 - 1923)*

Children:

Loena Mekeel Holt (1870 - 1913)*

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3-18-1886 Cedar Rapids Times

Added by: [The Pealers](#)**The Last Sad Rites.**

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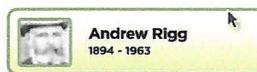
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