

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative McDermid Peter Senator _____

Represented Adair County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 28 Nov 1836 Ottawa, Canada

2. Marriage (s) date place
Anna Hetherington 5 Nov 1874 Fontanelle, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:
A. Business _____
B. Civic responsibilities Mason
C. Profession Physician

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 23rd General Assembly 1890

6. Public Offices
A. Local _____
B. State _____
C. National _____

7. Death 29 Mar 1899 Fontanelle, Iowa; buried Fontanelle Cemetery, Fontanelle, Iowa

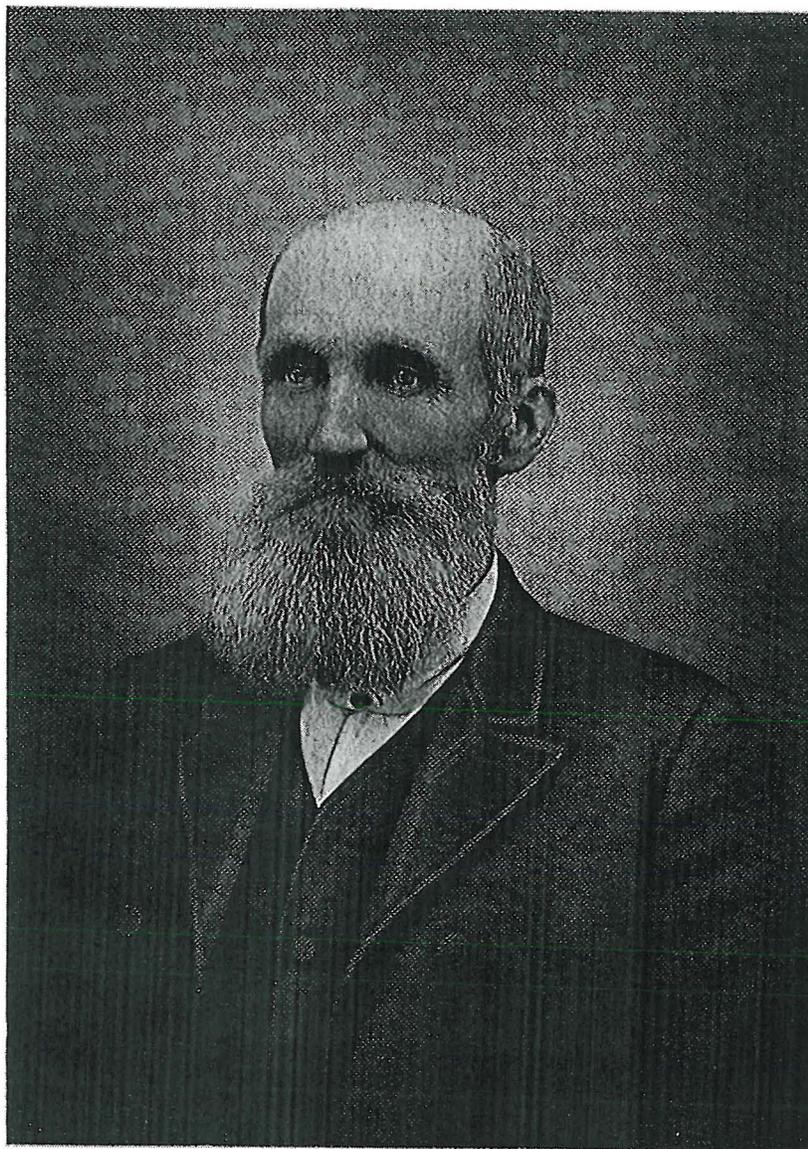
8. Children Pierre

9. Names of parents Angus and Anne (Livingston) McDermid

10. Education *Early education probably in schools near the family farm near Ottawa, Canada*

11. Degrees *At age 16 he went to Toronto, Canada and studied; in 1868 he graduated a physician; graduate of the Royal Medical College at Edinburgh, Scotland at 9 Apr 1869.*

12. Other applicable information *Independent / later Democrat*
- *His early years were spent on a farm, at age 16 he went to medical school*
 - *In fall 1869 he returned to Canada and practiced medicine with his brother for a few months.*
 - *He then moved to Monticello, Iowa, purchased a drugstore and gained a large medical practice*
 - *His son, Pierce, also served in the Iowa Legislature - the 36th General Assembly, 1915-1916.*



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DR. PETER McDERMID.

Death of the Well Known Pioneer and Patriot.

A Benefactor to His Race Gone to His Rest.

Character Sketch by a Friend.— Obituary.—Resolutions.

Dr. Peter McDermid, a physician high in rank in his profession, was a native of Ottawa, Canada, having been born November 28, 1836, and was the son of Angus McDermid. The Doctor was the third son in the family, and his early life was spent on a farm but at the age of sixteen he went to Toronto, Canada, and commenced the course of study. In 1860 he graduated as a physician. He then went to Scotland, where he graduated at the Royal Medical College at Edinburg, on the 9th of April, 1869. In the fall of this same year he returned to Canada, and practiced with his brother for some months, after which he came to Fontanelle, purchased a drug store, and gained a large medical practice. Mr. McDermid was married on the 5th of November, 1874, to Miss Anna Hetherington, who, with their only child, Pierre, survives him. He was elected a member of the state legislature in 1889, and served one term. He was elected as a democrat in the face of a normal republican majority of 500.

Dr. McDermid died at the family home on Wednesday morning, March 29, at 10:30, after a six months illness of consumption. The funeral was held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, under the auspices of Fontanelle Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of which he has been a faithful member. The pall bearers were J. H. Hulbert, J. I. McCampbell and Geo. Rodgers, of Fontanelle, J. G. Hendry, of Bridgewater, Sylvester Shreves, of Orient and Dr. J. E. Howe, of Greenfield.

A large number of sympathizing friends attended the ceremonies at the home and accompanied the remain- to their last resting place. THE OBSERVER, with the many other friends of the sorrowing family, extend sincere sympathy to them in their sad bereavement.

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Dr. Peter McDermid, a William MacLure on Iowa soil, wearied with work, has gone to rest. Of the same sturdy stock as was the Doctor of Drumtochty, his character commanded as universal a love and respect—his death caused as universal a sorrow.

The end came not unexpectedly. For several years he has been in failing health, for several months his familiar form and face have been missed upon our streets. At his home the calm philosopher patiently awaited the Messenger which he knew too well must soon appear. When the summons came he recognized it, and with fortitude bowed to its decree. Surrounded by his sorrowing family, relatives and friends, his great brain clear to the last, he passed peacefully away, as "one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams."

He who died was no common man. Conceded by all to be the foremost in his profession in Adair county, no tinge of envy ever marred the regard in which he was held by his associates. Prominent in business and in politics, storms of municipal jealousy and political animosity have raged all about him, yet touched him not. With character firm as his native rocks, striking in his individuality, absolute in his integrity, independent in spirit like his ancestors, he lived and died without an enemy. A man of deep culture, of University breeding, his depth of thought, power of penetration, and lack of superficiality, formed him intellectually an aristocrat without a peer in this community. Yet his manner and mode of life, his entire lack of ostentation, his simple, sincere genuineness, made him the most democratic of men and endeared him to all. He shared his beloved Burns' hatred of sham, "A man's a man, for a' that," struck a deep and responsive chord in his being; none were too poor to enlist his respect and sympathy, or to procure his skill as a physician. His charitable acts need no mention in this community. In the service of others he became an old man long before he had reached the allotted term of years. In alleviating human distress he contracted the dread disease which slowly sapped his own life away.

In the ranks of the medical profession **Dr. McDermid will be sorely missed.** All

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though increasing infirmities have for years the past few years circumscribed his services to his patients, his advice was at the disposal of his associates almost to the last. In the consultation room his opinion was regarded by them as almost absolute; none knew better than they the value of his ripe judgment, and none better the lovable nature of the man. Grey-haired physicians mourn him as a brother gone, young physicians as one who with kindly cheer and counsel was to them like a father—who aided them with a pure unselfishness which knew no bounds. He will ever be regarded among his acquaintances as one who exemplified more than any other man the Golden Rule in professional life.

With malice toward none and charity for all, this Grand Old Man, this gentle, patient, kindly man, has for 27 years occupied a place in the hearts and respect of the people of Adair county which none can now fill. A friend to everyone and loved by all, his full worth was scarcely appreciated even by a few, and the depths of that great intellect were reached by none.

Words are futile to convey this man; another Ian Maclaren could transform our prosaic hills into a fitting background upon which to portray to the world the character of Dr. McDermid. He needs it not among us—where generations yet unborn will learn his name from loving lips, and tender memories of him will linger when local history shall have passed into tradition.

The following resolutions were adopted by Rustic Lodge, No. 98, Iowa Legion of Honor in commemoration of Bro. P. McDermid.

WHEREAS, Our Brother, Dr. P. McDermid has been called from the activities of this life to pass beyond the veil which separates us from the larger opportunities which we trust await us when this mortal shall have put on immortality. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we desire to place upon record our appreciation of the fidelity with which our Brother fulfilled every national obligation during his long

Sweetson, of Bridgewater, was shipped a car of cattle which of D. Frese, from this place

G. C. Club entertained some of at the home of Miss Luella last Thursday evening. There sixteen present and everyone very pleasant time.

on Pierson is the owner of a stand colt as white as snow, a few white spots. It is 30 and 36 inches long, and is as little dog.—Corning Union.

dies Industrial Society of the have bought a new carpet for church. They will meet next afternoon to make the car home of Mrs. I. M. Taylor.

medicine show which held forth use last week finished its Saturday night and left for Monday. They played to houses all week, and Saturday gave away four sets of silverpersons who held the lucky

ak, which is always to the front, a genuine Jack-the-Hugger who operating there the past few his identity is a complete mys- l so far his victims have been here being but two—Miss Edith and Miss Myrtle Baker. If cap- will meet with rather rough

ceived last week a copy of the liner, published at Atlin City, Columbia, by Russell & Russell, proprietors are Hon. Ed C. Russell, proprietor of the Free Press of y, and his son, Ed Russell, and it noed that the material for the no n its way to Atlin City t th- paper will be published in until its arrival. The subscrip- ce is \$4 per year and the adver- ates are \$36 per inch per year. ere is quite a nice line of adver- too.—Corning Republican

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years of his membership in our Order;
and of his promptness in meeting every
claim upon him, thus aiding the Order in
its ministrations of hope and help in the
many homes made desolate by the de-
stroyer Death. In life he exemplified
the watchwords of our Order, "Confid-
ence" in mutual effort, "Prudence" in
protecting loved ones from future want,
and "Honor" in living up to the full let-
ter and spirit of his obligations. And be
it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolu-
tion be spread upon our records, and one
sent to the family of our Brother.

L. M. KILBURN,
G. S. KNOWLTON,
MRS. ELLA BROWN,
Committee.

MASONIC HALL, FONTANELLE, IOWA.
April 4th, 1899.

WHEREAS, The Omnipotent Architect
of the universe, in His infinite wisdom
has seen fit to exalt our worthy and hon-
ored brother, Peter McDermid, from the
checkered pavement of the lodge below
to The Supreme Grand Lodge above,
through whose gates we find an entrance
to that place of refreshment and rest,
where the designs upon the trestle-board
will be seen completed and where the
noon tide of bliss will eternally shine.
Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by Fontanelle Lodge, 138,
A. F. & A. M., and by St. John's Chap-
ter 73, R. A. M., that we extend our sym-
pathy and sorrow to the family and
friends of our deceased brother and com-
panion, realizing that the family has lost
a loving husband and an affectionate
father, while the friends have lost in the
death of Dr. Peter McDermid, a man
who stood among the peers of his pro-
fession. And be it further

RESOLVED, That we drape the em-
blems of the Lodge and Chapter in
mourning for the space of 30 days, and
that we hereby tender our thanks to the
visiting brothers and companions of our
neighboring towns for their aid and sym-
pathy so kindly rendered, and that we
present a copy of these resolutions to
the bereaved family of our departed
brother, and also, that a copy be spread
upon the records of the Lodge and Chap-
ter.
Geo. Rodgers, M. E. H. P.
W. K. KRITH, W. M.
S. SHOEMAKER, Sec'y.
Committee.

HISTORY
OF
Guthrie and Adair Counties,
IOWA,

TOGETHER WITH SKETCHES OF THEIR TOWNS, VILLAGES AND TOWNSHIPS, EDUCATIONAL,
CIVIL, MILITARY AND POLITICAL HISTORY; PORTRAITS OF PROMINENT
PERSONS, AND BIOGRAPHIES OF OLD SETTLERS AND
REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS.

HISTORY OF IOWA,
EMBRACING ACCOUNTS OF THE PRE-HISTORIC RACES, AND A BRIEF REVIEW
OF ITS CIVIL, POLITICAL AND MILITARY HISTORY.

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married to Jennie Raymer, December 20, 1864, Rev. Thomas Monnett, officiating. Thence he moved to Vermillion county, Illinois, and engaged in feeding and shipping cattle and hogs until the fall of 1868, his wife losing her health, together with reverses in business, became discouraged, sold out, and returned to Bucyrus, Ohio. Then he began the study of medicine under the instructions of Drs. Keller & Bevington, pursuing study until 1872. Thence moved to Columbus, Nebraska, where he took the benefit of his soldier's homestead right, locating near Columbus, pursuing school-teaching with the study of medicine, with Dr. S. A. Bonestele, tutor, until September, 1879. Sold out and removed to St. Joseph, Missouri, where he remained until he completed his education at the Hospital medical college, February 5, 1881. Moved to Fontanelle, Iowa, where he began the practice of his profession, without money or acquaintance, entirely exhausting his means during his collegiate course, and although he realized the embarrassment he was about to face, to-wit: to support his family by his profession, without the means even to buy a poney or fill his pocket-case with medicines, and he among strangers. But being proud of his profession, equipped with a good library, surgical instruments, and other paraphernalia, and a diligent attention to business and review of studies, he acquired a paying practice. November, 1882, he moved to this place (Orient) succeeding Dr. Richardson, who had just moved to Taylor county, Iowa, being no other physician here was "monarch of all he surveyed."

Shortly after his arrival here. R. A.

Greenfield, druggist, removed to Creston, being no other drug store here, he entered into partnership as above stated; is still engaged in business in connection with a lucrative practice.

The Doctor has five children—Evalena, Robert B., Osee M., John C. and Eugene. Is a member of the Iowa Legion of Honor and Congregational church. Politics, republican.

Dr. Peter McDermid, one of our best physicians, is a native of Ottawa, Canada, having been born November 28, 1836, and is the son of Angus McDermid. Angus was educated for a minister, but at the latter part of his life he was a farmer, and in the lumbering business. Peter was the third son, and his early life was spent on a farm, but at the age of sixteen years he went to Toronto, Canada, and commenced the course of study. In 1860 he graduated as a physician. He then went to Scotland, where he graduated at the Royal medical college, at Edinburg, on the 9th of April, 1869. In the fall of the same year he came back to Canada, and practiced with his brother for some months, when he came to Fontanelle, and purchased a large drug store, and has a large medical practice. Mr. McDermid was married on the 5th of November, 1874, to Miss Anna Hetherington, a daughter of James D. Hetherington. They have one child—Pierce. Mr. McDermid is a member of the Masonic order, and a member of the S. W. medical association.

Dr. T. M. Moore, of Fontanelle, is one of the oldest resident physicians in the county, having come to this place in 1856 or 1857 and continuing here ever since.

Dr. Calvin B. Scott is a native of Jef-

Biographical Index—Early Iowa Physicians

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McDavitt, Bertha ^{Schenck} Stecker (1878-1959) Burlington

Iowa M. J., XIX: Jan., 1913, p. 366.
Iowa M.J. 16: 16, Sept. 1909 (foll p 144)
J.Ia. St. M.Soc., 26:60, Jan. 1936, (member
St. Soc. Iowa M. Women 1911)

Married 1. Henry Freeman Stecker, Ph.D.
2. James Notley McDavitt

Data in reprints: Iowa-St.Soc.Ia.M.Women
Obit. JAMA Jan. 30, 1960, 471
Grad. St.Univ. Iowa. Med. Dept. 1907

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McDermid, Peter (1836-

Fontanelle,
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History Adair & Guthrie Co, Ia.
Continental Hist. Co., Springfield, Ill.
1884, 864.

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McDermid, Pierre
(1875-1922)

- Fontanelle

Adair Co.

J. Ia. St. M. Soc., XII:242, June, 1922
(death)

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Peter McDermid

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1899
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Age: 61

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Parents

[Angus McDiarmid](#)
1806 - 1873

[Anne Livingston](#)
1818 - 1869

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Spouse & Children

[Anny Hetherington](#)
1855 - 1910

[Pierre McDermid](#)
1876 - 1922

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Name: Peter Mcdermid
Birth Year: abt 1837
Birth Place: Canada
Gender: Male
Race: White
Census Date: 1895
Residence state: Iowa
Residence County: Adair
Locality: Fontanelle
Roll: IA1885_284
Line: 6
Family Number: 2
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Household Members:	Name	Age
	Peter Mcdermid	58
	Anna Mcdermid	39
	Pierrie Mcdermid	19
	James Leishman	79
	Huldah Witzke	20

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Birth: Nov. 28, 1836
 Death: Mar. 29, 1898 *1899*
 Married to Anna Hetherington in 1874

Burial:
[Fontanelle Cemetery](#)
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 Adair County
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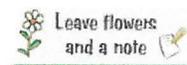
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