

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Mr. Charles Jackson Senator _____

Representative Henry County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 18 Aug 1824 Washington County, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place _____

Mary Augusta Johnson 27 Apr 1858

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Lawyer; newspaperman

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 5th, 6th General Assembly 1854, 1856

6. Public Offices

A. Local Jury trustee; secretary of the Board of the Iowa State Hospital for the Insane at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa

B. State Spoke of the House in 6th General Assembly that convened Dec 1856

C. National _____

7. Death 7 Dec 1862 Arkansas Buried in Forest Home Cemetery, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa

8. Children S. Clark; Marion J.

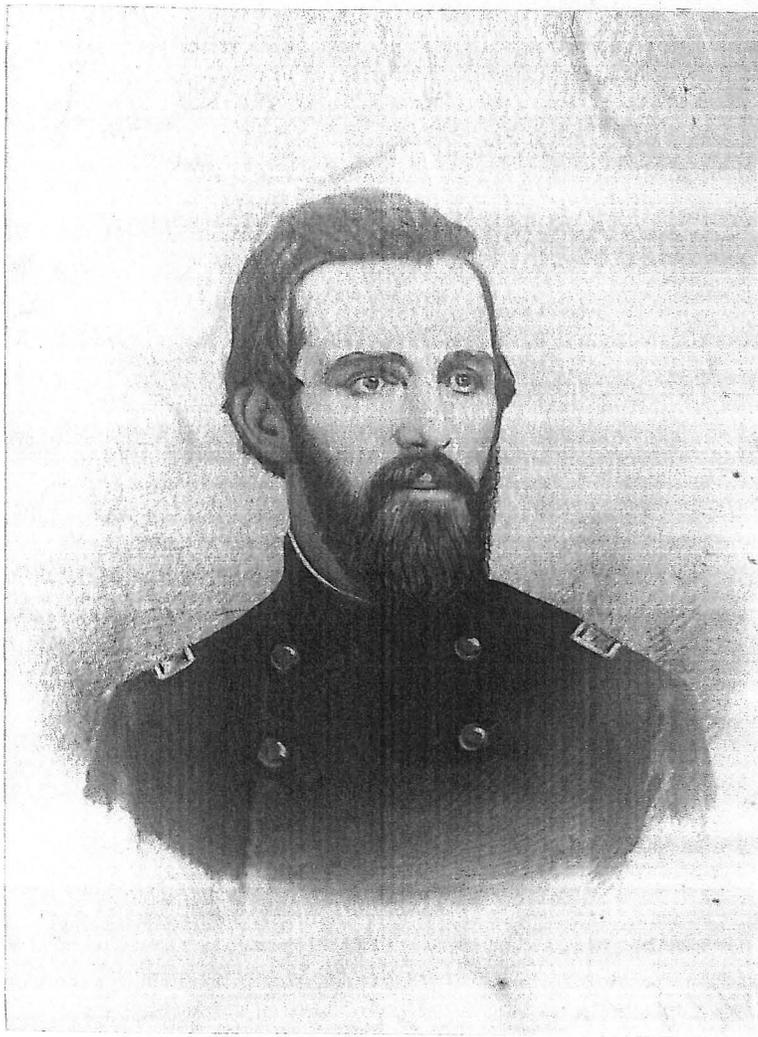
9. Names of parents _____

10. Education Educated in common schools in his
neighborhood; also attended an academy
in Washington, PA

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- Engaged in many successful businesses until 1854
when he removed to Mount Pleasant, Iowa
- Admitted to the practice of law in 1834
- Formed a law partnership in 1836 with Hon. S. G.
Palmer; entered a partnership with Hon. J. H.
Hobson until his death.
- Purchased the newspaper - The Mount Pleasant Observer
in 1854, wrote editorials and exhibited ability as
a journalist.
- He sold his interest in The Observer in 1857 to proprietors
of The Home Journal, and the two papers soon merged.
- Military service - Civil War, Co G 11th Iowa Inf.
- Commissioned Lt. Col of the 19th Iowa Inf. in Aug 1862
- Killed in action at Prairie Grove, Arkansas
- Wife, Mary, married Peter Melander, Cedar Falls, Iowa
after Samuel's death, born 1 Sept 1838, d. 29 Jan 1929
- At the outbreak of the Civil War, he raised the 11th Iowa Infantry.



Samuel McFarland.

Samuel McFarland ,

Born

Pennsylvania ,

A citizen of Mount Pleasant, Henry county, Iowa, when

commissioned, October 15. 1861

[1st.] Captain. G. Co. 11th Iowa Infantry.

Promoted, August 2. 1862

[1st.] Lieutenant Colonel, 19th Iowa Infantry.

In command of Regiment, and

Killed,

while leading a Charge on the enemy's batteries, at the

Battle of Prairie Grove, Ark.

December 7. 1862.

*McFarland Post N^o 20. G. A. R., and Womans Relief Corps N^o 33,
Mount Pleasant, Iowa,*

Named to perpetuate his memory.

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 We shall nobly save or meanly lose the
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 means may succeed; this could not fail.
 The way is plain, peaceful, generous,
 just—a way which, if followed, the world
 will forever applaud, and God must for-
 ever bless.
 (Signed.) ABRAHAM LINCOLN.
 WASHINGTON, December 1, 1862.

HOME JOURNAL,
 Official Paper of the City and County.
 MOUNT PLEASANT, IOWA:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1862.

Death of Lieut.-Col. Sam'l McFarland.

With a sad heart we announce the
 death of Col. Sam'l McFarland. He
 was killed in the desperate battle fought
 in Arkansas on the 7th instant. No par-
 ticulars of his death have been received,
 other than the brief announcement in the
 dispatch given in another column. The
 intelligence of his death has cast a gloom
 of sadness over this entire community.—
 He was respected and beloved by all who
 knew him. The details of his death and
 a fitting obituary of the deceased will ap-
 pear in a subsequent number of this pa-
 per.

Death of William Haynes.

William Haynes died, in this city,
 Thursday morning, Dec. 11th. He was
 taken sick on Friday, Dec. 5th, and suf-
 fered intensely until within a few hours
 of his death. His disease was *Purpura*
Hæmorrhagica.

Mr. Haynes has been a resident of Mt.
 Pleasant the greater part of his life. For
 the last nine months he has been in our

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 JOHN C. CULB
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Recollections and Sketches of Notable Lawyers and Public Men of Early Iowa

Belonging to the First and Second
Generations, with Anecdotes and
Incidents Illustrative of the Times

By

EDWARD H. STILES

For many years a member of the Iowa Bar; member of its House of Representatives, 1863-1864; member of its Senate, 1865-1866; Reporter of its Supreme Court, 1867-1875; author of Complete Digest of its Decisions from the earliest Territorial period to the 56th Iowa Reports.

"In old age alone we are masters of a treasure of which we cannot be deprived, the only treasure we can call our own. The pleasures of memory and the retrospect of the varied images which in an active life have floated before the mind, compensate, and more than compensate, for the alternate pleasures and cares of active life."—SIR ARCHIBALD ALLISON.

"Personal anecdotes, when characteristic, greatly enliven the pages of a biography."—SAMUEL SMILES.

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the midst of it a large snake of the blue-racer species appeared in the ring and was driven out, but appeared again. Some took its part and swore it should remain. There came near being a melee. Dodge requested order and suggested it should be unmolested, which was acceded to and the speeches went on.

Wallace possessed a venturesome spirit, and in 1853 removed to Washington Territory. In 1861 he was appointed Governor of that Territory, and afterward one of its delegates to Congress. He was subsequently appointed Governor of Idaho Territory, and was afterward elected one of its delegates to Congress. He finally returned to Washington Territory, where he died in 1879. His brother, Benjamin F. Wallace, was Secretary of the Council of the First Territorial Legislative Assembly. His subsequent career I have been unable to trace.

Joseph B. Teas and *George W. Teas* were brothers. Joseph B. was a member from Des Moines County, of the Upper House of the Wisconsin Legislature in 1836, while we were a part of Wisconsin, and Henry Dodge was Governor. George W. Teas was a member of the House, from Des Moines County at the same session. (There were then only two counties, Des Moines and Dubuque.) Their names quite frequently occur in the early Reports. J. B. and G. W. Teas were attorneys for the plaintiff in the first case tried in Washington County, which was that of Stonefield vs. Milo Holcomb; he was also the prosecuting attorney in the first criminal case tried in Des Moines County, that of the State vs. Richard Chaney, for stealing a barrel of eggs. George W. became a resident of Washington County, where he died and was buried in 1863. After some years of practice, he abandoned the legal profession for that of the ministry and became a Methodist preacher of considerable local note. Of this period, Hawkins Taylor says of him:

He was always a man of decided ability and earnest in what he did. During the session of the legislature in the winter of 1837 and 1838, he took offense at the action of some of the brethren in the legislature and smarting under the supposed insult, he published in the Burlington Gazette:

"Be it known from shore to shore,
That I'm a Methodist no more. G. W. Teas."

A few years later he again joined the church, and went to preaching in good square, hard earnest, when someone had it published:

"Know ye from Georgia down to Maine,
That I'm a Methodist again."

And he has been faithful and true since.

As will be seen from his sketch, Theodore S. Parvin makes mention of both these men. They were esteemed good lawyers and had quite a wide practice.

Samuel McFarland, Alfred Lotspiech.

Samuel McFarland was one of the early and able lawyers of Henry County, and represented it in the Fifth and Sixth General Assemblies. In the Sixth General Assembly, which was the last one that met at Iowa City, and which convened there on the first day of December, 1856, McFarland was chosen Speaker of the

House. "He did not make much noise as a rhetorician, but was much respected for his ability.* He was a lawyer of standing and attainments. His name will be found in connection with the early reports and the list attached to the Nineteenth Iowa Report. His death was as heroic as it was lamentable. On the outbreak of the great Civil War he raised a company, of which he became the Captain in the Eleventh Regiment of Iowa Infantry. This was one of the four regiments composing the famous "Crocker's Iowa Brigade." Having passed unscathed through several bloody battles, including that of Shiloh and Corinth, he was promoted by Governor Kirkwood to the Lieutenant Colonelcy of the Nineteenth Iowa Infantry, and while leading his regiment in the thickest of the fight, was killed at the Battle of Prairie Grove, Missouri, on the Seventh of December, 1862.

Alfred Lotspiech was also one of the early lawyers of Mount Pleasant. His name will be found in the list attached to Morris' report. He was born in Green County, Tennessee, in 1817, and came to Mount Pleasant in 1840. He was the first prosecuting attorney of Henry County, under the State Constitution, and was admitted to the bar at the first session of the State Supreme Court. In 1849 he got the gold fever and went to Sacramento, California, where he remained until 1852, when he returned to Mount Pleasant. In 1854 he removed to Ottumwa in Wapello County; was a Justice of the Peace there from 1858 to 1861, a member of the City Council at different periods, and a member of the Board of Supervisors for three years. He was County Treasurer from 1870 to 1874. Upon retiring from that position, he was again elected Justice of the Peace and served for several years.

His first wife, who was Rebecca A. Moore, accompanied him to California. In 1850 he sent her home, with an infant son, on the vessel *Meteor*, sailing from San Francisco to New York. The vessel, with all on board, was lost at sea. I knew him intimately while I was a young lawyer. I tried cases before him, and did business with him in his various capacities. He was one of the most cheerful men I have ever known. His good nature and readiness to crack a joke were perennial. He was not only an exemplary, but a highly useful citizen, whose offices, both public and private, did much toward moulding the affairs and promoting the prosperity of the City of Ottumwa and the County at large. He will be remembered pleasantly and affectionately so long as one of his contemporaries remains.

R. L. B. Clark, Theron W. Woolson, Leroy Palmer.

Rufus L. B. Clark was one of the early lawyers of Mt. Pleasant. He was a New Englander by birth. His sister acquired a wide literary reputation as a writer of that day, under the nom-de-plume of Grace Greenwood. He was a college graduate and a well-read lawyer; an accomplished, pleasant and genial gentleman. His manners were too refined to make him popular, and as a result, he did

* Iowa Historical Record, April, 1885.

Individual Record

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Samuel MCFARLAND (AFN: 15KH-15D)

Sex: M

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Event(s)**Birth:** 18 Aug 1824
Washington, Pa**Death:** 7 Dec 1862
Battle Of, Prairie Grove, Arkansas

Parents

Marriage(s)**Spouse:** [Mary Augusta WOOLSON](#) (AFN: 15KH-1WX)[Family](#)**Marriage:**

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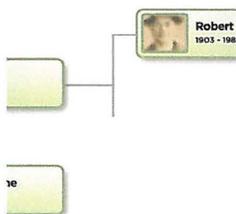
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Birth: unknown
 Death: Dec. 7, 1862
 Arkansas, USA

Lieut. Col. 19th Ia Inf
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 Gave his life for his country at the battle of
 Prairie Grove, Ark

Family links:
 Spouse:
 Mary A *Woolson* McFarland (1838 - 1929)

Burial:
[Forest Home Cemetery](#)
 Mount Pleasant
 Henry County
 Iowa, USA
 Plot: Cb row 41

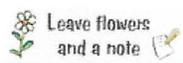
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