

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Cutler Marsena Edgar Senator Cutler Marsena Edgar

Represented Iowa, Pottawamie and Mahaska Counties Iowa

1. Birthday and place 22 May 1833 Lowell, Addison County, Vermont

2. Marriage (s) date place

Helena Peck June 1857

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the bar in June 1855

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Lawyer

4. Church membership Congregational

5. Sessions served 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1864, 1866 - Senate

6. Public Offices 13<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, 1870 - House of Representatives

A. Local Prosecuting attorney for Pottawamie County 1857-1858

B. State Iowa Attorney General 1872-1877

C. National United States Senator in the 47<sup>th</sup> Congress 1881-1883

7. Death 1 Sept 1883 Oskaloosa, Iowa; buried Forest Cemetery, Oskaloosa Iowa

8. Children Nellie (died in 1883); Lizzie; Homer; Charles (predeceased his father in death)

9. Names of parents

Cutts, Marsena Edgar

10. Education Educated in common schools in his native  
village of Orwell, Vermont; attended the St.  
Lawrence Academy at Potsdam, New York

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

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He moved to Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin in 1853 where he taught  
school for 2 years and studied law at the same time
- He moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa in June 1855 where he lived until  
his death. In Oskaloosa he completed his law studies
- He began to practice law in Monticello, Iowa until August 1866  
when he moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa. He entered practice with H. H.  
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### DEATH OF THE HON. M. E. CUTTS.

Yesterday, Madison E. Cutts, United States Senator from the Sixth Iowa District, died at his home in Oskaloosa from the effects of that incurable disease, consumption. In his death the State has lost one of its brightest and best public men—a man whose political record was as pure and as true as the deeds of his daily life. He had made for himself a brilliant name and a fame that was not bounded by the confines of his adopted country. In the halls of legislation his voice was potent, and always heard on the side of right. The details of his death are lacking at this writing, but, judging from his life and his walks and talks among men, it must have been calm and peaceful—radiant with the hope of a glorious immortality beyond the limits of this wearisome and troublesome life.

Mr. CUTTS was born at Orwell, Addison county, Vermont, May 23, 1833. He received an academic education and removed to Iowa in June, 1855, where he resided up to the time of his death. He was prosecuting attorney of Poweshiek County from August, 25, to January, 1859; was a member of the State House of Representatives at the extra session in May, 1861; was a State senator from January, 1861, until he resigned in August, 1866. He was a member of the State House of Representatives from January, 1870, until January, 1872; was Attorney General of the State of Iowa from February, 1872, until January, 1877, and was elected to the Forty-seventh Congress as a Republican, receiving 18,017 votes against 17,911 for Cook, the Democratic Greenback candidate.

READERS of THE TIMES and everybody else in Iowa will be glad to learn that ex-Governor GEAR is getting on admirably with the gold mining enterprise. A private letter from him to

of the season. It is at period that he must fight. says: "In time of peas pre New Orleans Picayune.

A lady in Toronto amusing incident until sl Finally a doctor was called in quieting her. viously in good health, she ered in a critical condition.

Minnie Palmer burst cause the Edinburgh stud joining in her songs when on the stage. No wonder man believes it would mak hear a party of Scotch stud song.

"Please give me ten drink of whisky," implore money was given him, and later he was seen coming o with a loaf of bread under criminate charity is to b Post-Express.

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Clara Louise Kellogg a went to Paris to take mus undoubtedly needed all she be conceded that her best she has entered upon her se appears to be wine drinkin Annie Louise Cary.—Chica

Captain Rhodes has his preparations for swim publ. He has notified the ( and warned them not to Now, after he has similarly American police, the Captai tic to dive off. "Two or thi him; one can hold me."—Bu eye.

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# REPUBLICAN

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of the Campaign by

**H. Manning,**

or Lieut. Governor, who  
addresses the people on the  
principal issues of the  
day, at

**ALOOSA,**

383, at 2 o'clock P. M.

-AT THE

**Opera House.**

Everybody, and hear the au-  
thor at the School-House on every  
Wednesday, and no saloon in  
the valley."

Central Committee.

**T. F. SICK, Chairman.**

**REPUBLICAN MEETINGS.**

**The Ball a Rolling!**

Republican Meetings  
as follows:

LONGBRIDGE at New  
Haven, Tuesday, Sept. 12.

GLEASON and Dr. D. A.  
Big Windy school house  
Thursday, Sept. 13.

BLANCHARD at Fremont,  
Friday, Sept. 14.

L. CROOKHAM and T. C. G.  
Rose Hill, Friday, Sept. 14.  
Candidate for Senator,  
MALCOLM Esq. at Indian-  
lay, Sept. 15.

meetings will be held in  
at 7:30 o'clock. The com-  
mittees of the several townships,  
meetings are held, will see  
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that the same are opened  
at the proper time  
of Central Com.

**DR. KISSICK, Chairman.**

**Next Court Postponed.**

for term 1883 Circuit Court  
County.

Attorneys and W. R.

# EARTH TO EARTH

**The Death of Hon. M. E. Cutts, M. C.,  
for Sixth Iowa District.**

**The Funeral Ceremonies--Very Large  
Attendance--Action of the Bar.**

(From the Herald Extra, Saturday Noon.)  
CONGRESSMAN CUTTS DEAD.

It is with great sorrow we announce the death of Hon. M. E. Cutts, occurring at 11:45 to-day. The long struggle that Mr. Cutts waged with the disease is well known not only to our own people, but to those of the State, and who most deeply sympathized with him in the great and uneven battle made for life. Prior to the great campaign of 1880, Mr. Cutts was in the enjoyment of fair health, for a professional man closely confined to pressing duties. In that year the Republicans of the Sixth District chose him as their standard bearer, knowing that he was the man to lead the bitter contest that followed. Going into the battle with a majority against him in the District, he came out with a substantial victory, and was given the seat. A long and sturdy contest followed,—taxing much of his time and his patience. The result of the contest, we have always believed, and always shall believe, and in the presence of the dead, we declare, was an outrage on justice, and a deep and most wicked wrong against the rights of Mr. Cutts and a clear, unchallenged majority of the voters of this District. In the remarkable contest of 1880, Mr. Cutts was taxed too heavily. Willing hands and eloquent voices were on hand to aid him, but he chose the burden of work. Speaking from one to three times every day and night, traveling in all sorts of ways and conditions of weather, loss of sleep, and the continual excitement proved too much—and since the close of that memorable battle he has not had the enjoyment of a single well day, or scarcely an hour. It was at such an expense that he wrought out the contest. In the election of 1882 he was given the nomination by his party unanimously, at the Ottumwa convention. In the election that followed he was again chosen, having received 2,844 majority over James B. Weaver, and 3,112 over Col. C. H. Mackey—a sufficient endorsement after all the goodgraces of misrepresentation had spent their force upon him.

Mr. Cutts was a man of sturdy likes

experience. But alas for us! we are poor scholars; we know only the fact. Birth and death have many things in common. There is joy and sorrow alike in both. We come into life with a cry and the rejoicing of friends; we go out with the conflict against death and the wail of affection. We are cared for by tender, loving hands when we come into being; we are borne by tender, loving hands when we go out. On either side of the line—birth or death—society awaits us. Death is everywhere—universal. Not only that no human beings escape, but that nothing escapes—the tree, the flower, the bird, the beast, the man. When a tree dies another may be planted. The flowers die to leave a race behind them; we save the seeds of one season of beauty to increase the beauty and fragrance of the next. But man dies! no one takes his place; no one fills it.

When the wail goes up from the family circle—he is dead—and the lightning whispers it to other ears, and the press puts the intelligence in type and print and thousands read, he is dead, what does it mean? The news of the death of this man will go into almost every home, every house of business or pleasure, during this week. Men will read it and remark about the event. But what is the meaning—what is the meaning of this great assemblage of persons, this suspension of business for these ceremonies? Is it a new thing that has come to pass? Nay, verily; what can we know about it? One moment he was breathing; the next, gone. One day conversing with his friends; the next, silent and dumb. Once he walked these halls, this yard, these streets; now he is no more with us, or even of us. We say he is dead. He moves no more in political, business, or social circles. The physician said, as he placed his ear to his heart and as it ceased to beat, though breathing seemed to have stopped before, he said, "His house is closed; the occupant has moved." I watched that whole process of dying. I noticed the fact of the breathing growing feebler, and the seeming struggle of nature with an unseen foe. I saw on his face an expression that told of a fatal stab at the vitals. It was as the cloud thin and airy passes between us and the sun, a mere shadow and then gone. So as death came to him I thought I saw the shadow of his presence as he passed by, and when I looked my neighbor was gone; his eyes were sightless; his lips speechless; and he was cold. There was no change in the outside world. The sun shone as ever; the winds blew as soft from the south, as if to make the day's heat more pleasant. But in that room was the mystery of the world. A man died. This I know, that so far as his presence is concerned, we shall never be old it after to-day. His office shall invite him no more to its comforts or labors. The halls of Congress shall hear the voices of others in praise of his worth, but not his voice in behalf of his country. Possibly it is an accommodation to our poor understanding to say, "He is dead; but how much further is it to the other world than to another state or country?" Our friends leave us here and go away. We say they are gone but not dead. Ah! it is true as Longfellow said:

We see but dimly through the mists and vapors,  
Amid these earthly damps,  
What seems to us but sad, funeral tapers,  
May be Heaven's distant lamps.

There is no death! What seems so is transition;  
This life of mortal breath  
Is but a suburb of the life Elysian,  
Whose portal we call death.

There is no explanation of this matter, only to say that in the fleshly form, in the more material sense, our friends are gone. This world is full of life; not only in trees and flowers, but is full of human life. There is no such thing as getting the census of this world; you can find how many bodies but not how many lives. In carrying forward the great interests of society we do not see the chiefest agencies that move in them. Men live in their plans, in their achievements, in their deeds! James A. Garfield's body sleeps near the lake, where the waters almost kiss his feet. The flowers are fresh on his grave. We have written his biography. The reins of government have been taken by another, but Garfield lives in every state, in every heart in this nation. Being dead he yet speaketh. The voice of the dead is a louder voice than the living. A man is greatly incapacitated to speak until he is dead. We say we never appreciate our good until it is lost. We say that our joys and our dead as they look on us and speak to us from the other side of the grave; where we place them, are made beautiful

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COURT, KISSICK, Chairman.  
**It Court Postponed.**  
The term 1883 Circuit Court  
County Iowa, by agree-  
ment of Attorneys and W. R.  
Manning, of the Judicial District, will  
not be held until October 10th 1883  
morning—it being post-  
poned after the election of the  
electors.

D. R. Moore, Clerk.  
W. R. Manning, Deputy.

Exc.—Bob McMurray, of  
Chicago, writes us a perfumed note  
on Sunday, September 9th.  
The Iowa Railway will run  
from the following points  
and return, for persons  
to attend the Friends' Yearly  
meeting that place: Story City,  
State Center, Montezuma,  
Wrighton, Ottumwa, Albia  
and other points.

Exc.—They were here at  
force. On Tuesday evening  
at the central depot C. A. East-  
man, lost a pocket book  
containing \$9000 in drafts and  
\$2000 in cash. His sister was re-  
sponsible for the loss of a  
pocket book and \$200; Dr.  
Eastman's wallet and \$15, and  
his pocket book. At  
the house depredations were  
committed by them, but no arrests

Exc.—The Hen-  
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injured by a human brute, who has  
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J. Krewson, and he was  
by Justice Hinesley on  
after some testimony had  
been given in the scoundrel waived  
and was sent to jail. The  
committee will meet to organize  
a union on Monday  
and hope it will protect.

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Mr. Cutts was a man of sturdy likes  
and dislikes. As a partisan he was un-  
compromising always. As a political  
orator but few men could equal him in  
forceful sarcasm. He was strong in  
debate—ready, quick and merciless.  
As a lawyer he stood at the head of  
the bar, when in health. His reputa-  
tion was made national in the "Granger"  
railway cases, when he, as Attorney  
General of Iowa, won for the peo-  
ple and for the State the right to con-  
trol these corporations. That great  
case alone was sufficient to place him  
at the front of the Iowa bar. Local-  
ly he was nearly always on one side or  
the other of all important cases. He  
gave to his profession that earnest in-  
dustry that always proves most taxing  
to the system, and made such a record  
that the best might feel proud to own.

—Since Mr. Cutts' health failed, death  
has entered his household and taken  
it from his youngest daughter,  
Nellie—a few months ago. This sad  
blow came at a time when he himself  
was most seriously afflicted, and when  
hope for his recovery had nearly fled.  
Yet he bore up under all this sorrow—  
a sorrow made doubly keen at the loss  
of a loyal son in 1880—and went on in  
his own strong, determined way, bear-  
ing his grief and bearing the pains that  
his disease brought in train. A few  
weeks ago he went to New Mexico, in  
the hope of bettering his health. He  
did make some recovery, but it was  
only an apparent one, and not real.  
He came home with his wife a week  
ago Friday, but came home only to die.  
Dr. Thrall, of Ottumwa, was called in  
consultation on Tuesday last, by Dr.  
Huntman, when the conclusion was  
arrived at that the end was nigh, and  
Mr. Cutts was so informed. There was  
no startling on his part. "If I were a  
little stronger I would run up to Chic-  
ago, and see what they said about it  
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grave where we place them, are more beautiful  
and worthy and wise? When is light so beau-  
tiful as when the sun's rays shine through the  
falling rain? When is the real flower or grain  
so beautiful and rich as when they come to us  
on the hither side of their graves. It is their  
resurrection body that is sweet and glorious.  
It is the dead grain of corn that multiplies  
itself an hundred fold.

How is it that human memory is refreshed  
with what seems to have been forgotten—of  
words and deeds of life when death comes—and  
with its great, long, bony finger says: "Read  
that, and then appears the life." How many  
acts of this man's life spring up as out of his  
dust! It is not out of mere sympathy for be-  
reaved ones that men speak of the virtues of  
this deceased friend. It is not out of regard  
for death that men tell only the good. No! It is  
because death intensifies a life.

My friends, all that may be said or written  
or wept can never express fully the reality and  
depth of this sorrow. Infinity bounds life and  
infinity bounds human wants and human hearts.  
The cry of pain comes from every part of the  
earth; from the worm that crawls and the bird  
that flies, on up to man that sits and sobs. Love,  
like a form of beauty, lies at the feet pierced  
with sorrow and grief. The print of my feet  
seem scarcely to have been swept away since I  
stood inside these walls to give a word of com-  
fort to the stricken ones. This is death. His  
face is familiar; his work is the same. His  
busy hands are touching the objects of our love  
and withering them to ashes. And yet it is not  
dissolution. Fire burns the building to ashes  
and leaves no remnant; the floods carry away  
all within the swell of their bosom; the earth-  
quake swallows a city or island at once, and, as  
if maddened, it sets going the volcanic fires as  
if to add horror to horror. But death is not  
desolation; it simply tears down the house to  
build one that remains forever. Whatever is  
possessed by man on this side, and that makes  
up life, in reality is untouched by death. Love  
is eternal; so are hope and faith. We can only  
infer what the other side must be to our friends  
by what we feel on this side in our own hearts.  
Death is the inevitable not the common lot. We  
must all die. "It is appointed unto man once to  
die." Neither life nor death is without the ap-  
pointment of God. Life is a trust committed to  
man. Death comes not to relieve him of the  
trust, but of the impediments and burdens  
which weigh one down. We all know how an  
infirmity, if but for a day, disqualifies us for  
the work of a day, and the night's sleep re-  
freshes us. So death comes to relieve us of the  
load. Think of the wearisomeness of life even  
amid its joys and pleasures if we are incapaci-  
tated to use them, and like a weary traveler  
who in the hour of his greatest weariness finds  
himself at home, to rest. So on the journey of  
life death comes to us.

What I have said in a general way, and true  
of men everywhere, has been realized by this  
our friend, neighbor, and fellow-citizen. He is  
gone. He is dead and yet he lives, and we are  
here to-day to weep; we are here to-day to be  
instructed. The old and young here find les-  
sons. His pale face speaks what he would not  
and could not have said. Let us learn that we  
are mortal and must die. That does not strike  
you as new, but an old truth puts on a new  
dress sometimes. It is the old lesson,  
thousands of years old. Dust thou art. His  
life repeats the story. Man born of woman is  
of few days and full of trouble. And because  
he has run the race we may stand before his  
presence and read the lesson. You who have  
been with him in professional and business life,  
heed the voice that speaks to you to-day.

To write his biography would be impossible.  
Only the outlying facts as the masses may see  
them can be given. No one may ever know the  
struggle of his life. No one can ever write  
the life of the struggling and rising men of this  
world. When we see men who rise from pov-  
erty to affluence, from humble life to promi-  
nence, we forget all that has made the affluence  
about it but never tell it. I can give you a few  
facts:

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ED.—Tuesday evening W. A.  
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of Sigourney, were of the  
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n they return to the dull  
eir usual village life.

NTY FUND.—Some dema-  
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ad to do was to redeem sev-  
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that has been issued in excess  
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id when first issued. Instead  
ly saying, "that fund is  
," to the holder of the war-  
as paid by check over the  
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for want of funds," deposited  
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nt. It is usual at this time  
r to d nearly all the funds  
l, or over drawn. It has been  
s county for several years.  
- Capt. Warren carried the  
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shows that Marcena E. Cutts was born  
in Orwell, Addison county, (formerly  
Rutland) Vermont, May 22, 1833. His  
education was such as could be obtain-  
ed in the common schools of that vil-  
lage, at Brandon Academy, and at the  
St. Lawrence Academy, at Potsdam,  
New York. He paid his tuition in  
these Academies by doing janitor work,  
and working for his board after hours.  
One of the earliest labors he engaged  
in was found in joining an expedition  
to survey and sub-divide townships  
into sections. At the age of twenty,  
and in 1853, he came west, and settled  
at Sheboygan, Wisconsin, and engaged  
in teaching school, reading law mean-  
while, for two years. In June, 1855, he  
removed to Iowa—Oskaloosa—and in  
August of that year was admitted to  
the Bar, finishing his reading in the  
law office of Loughbridge & Cassidy,  
and going thence to Montezuma, where  
he and a brother of A. M. Cassidy  
formed a law co-partnership. The  
firm of "Cutts & Cassidy" made a last-  
ing reputation for ability in that day.

Here he lived until August, 1866,  
when he removed to this city, and  
where he has resided ever since. He  
entered into a law co-partnership with  
Hon. W. H. Seevers, and which con-  
tinued most happily until the promo-  
tion of Judge Seevers to the Supreme  
bench. In 1858 Mr. Cutts was Prose-  
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To write his biography would be impossible.  
Only the outlying facts as the masses may see  
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about it but never tell it. I can give you a few  
facts:

Marcena E. Cutts was born in Orwell, Addi-  
son county (formerly Rutland county), Vermont,  
May 22, 1833. His education was such as could  
be obtained in the common schools of that vil-  
lage, at Brandon Academy, and at the St. Law-  
rence Academy, at Potsdam, New York. He  
paid his tuition in these academies by doing  
janitor work, and working for his board after  
hours. One of the earliest labors he engaged  
in was found in joining an expedition to survey  
and sub-divide townships into sections. In this  
work he acquired a practical knowledge of sur-  
veying, which served him well. At the age of  
twenty, and in 1853, he came west, and settled  
at Sheboygan, Wisconsin, and engaged in teach-  
ing school, reading law meanwhile for two  
years. In June, 1855, he removed to Iowa—  
Oskaloosa—and in August of that year was ad-  
mitted to the Bar, finishing his reading in the  
law office of Loughbridge & Cassidy, and going  
thence to Montezuma, where he and a brother  
of A. M. Cassidy formed a law co-partnership.  
The firm of "Cutts & Cassidy" made a lasting  
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resignation of Hon. Henry O'Connor, to which  
office he was regularly elected in 1874. At the  
general election in 1878 he was the choice of a  
large majority of the Republicans of the Sixth  
District for Congress, but declined to be a can-  
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have been made good by transfers from over plus funds. The county fund has to drafts for the general expense of the county, including criminal costs. Capt. Warren took charge of the fund, about one of the first things he had to do was to redeem six thousand dollars of outstanding warrants that has been issued in excess of the amount upon these warrants interdicted when first issued. Instead of saying, "that fund is low," to the holder of the warrants, he paid by check over the amount on the warrant then endorsed as "for want of funds," deposited in the bank, which bank received six per cent interest for the money paid on account. It is usual at this time to find nearly all the funds in the county for several years. Capt. Warren carried the warrants with Court House and the shortage was bridged until the new taxes came in. There is a certain demand for use of funds. There is now about \$20,000 on hand. The work of the court is progressing, and there will be a demand for about \$10,000 per day, for every working day. It can be seen that the balance of use of funds now on hand will be used up for brick work alone, by the end of October, making no account of stone work. It has been a matter with the Board for a long time to provide the money to pay for that will yet be done, after the amount on hand shall have been used on proper estimates. We can say, also, in a quiet way, that those now howling want to know the question of interest on that we probably can make more than ordinarily interdicted in doing so, will place Capt. Warren in the position occupied by the interest receiving County Clerk. It may be added here that warrants now out are being taken in at par. The six per cent on them is deemed safe and profitable as a small deal.

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### THE OBSEQUIES.

VERY LARGE ATTENDANCE—DISTINGUISHED PALL BEARERS—AN ABLE SERMON.

The funeral obsequies of the deceased took place at three o'clock, from the residence, and were very largely attended, the spacious grounds and residence being filled with the assembled friends. Rev. John M. BAUGH opened the services with select reading from the scriptures, with prayer by Rev. J. E. SNOWDEN. The music was rendered by the choir of the Congregational Church assisted by other voices. Then Mr. SNOWDEN, who had officiated at two other similar occasions in the family, preached the following discourse:

### THE SERMON.

*My Friends:* These are solemn moments. They are instructive moments. Death is a great teacher, and has had a long and extended

of results. You know them. But of that campaign, with its bitterness gone, the results of the struggle are felt too keenly to be made the subject of speech to-day. Through it all he lived, and in feeble health he made the campaign of 1882, which brought its glory in the unquestioned honors of a Representative in Congress. To-day he sleeps the last sleep. Could you picture a sadder spectacle. Let us lay the covering of forgetfulness over it, and think not of those things which might have been but which are.

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Mr. CUTTS was a man who despised sham; he wanted no empty words, nor vain show. Coming as he did from New England stock, where little was known of the parade of life, he inherited from his father a distaste for anything like unmeaning display. He himself was plain in all his life. He was a man of much larger charity than his appearance or even his words would indicate. It is in vain to describe the character of men by what appears on the surface, or what is displayed in their professional acts of life. His sarcasm was withering, and yet no one could be nobler in his feelings, even toward an opponent. His purpose in life was to win, and many a false construction has been placed on his life because of his earnestness. Putting faults down where there were faults and virtues where there were virtues, his life is not without its nobleness and virtue. If I dared to step into the more private circle of his home and speak of him, I could only repeat the statement of the daughter: "He was an indulgent father."

Need I repeat to you the sorrow that has been his lot within eight years. He has buried father and mother, son and daughter—added to it his personal affliction, which no pen can describe. When Charlie died, he said to me: "Half of my life is gone." I need not repeat the steps of his journey, nor the places where he has stopped to weep. No one who saw him as he took his leave of his son as he lay in his coffin but will remember it. He stood alone, and looked and looked as if in utter forgetfulness of all else, and in his heart said farewell. When Nellie died he was most seriously afflicted. It was the prelude to this day of sorrow. His own feeble health, of which he was not really aware, is not the work of a day but of years, so affected his mind as to give him at times gloomy views of life. In times of despondency, when the spirit yielded to the body, he would say: "Life is not worth living."

About two months ago he went to New Mexico in search of health. He found it not. The best medical skill in New York, in this and other places were brought into requisition, but to no avail. A few days ago, 24th of August, he returned to this place, called a physician, then a

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council, and the close came Saturday, Sept. 1, at 11:30. The facts, as they have been revealed, while in a certain sense gratifying, are saddening. He was disappointed and deceived. When told by his physician, "You cannot get well," he said, "What am I to die of." It was unfortunate that his physician in New York did not know the real facts. There is no censure to be meted out. The facts are that he lived for months by force of will. The last few months of his life have been very trying to him. Having lost his voice conversation was not only made difficult but much of the time painful. But now it is all over, and we are ready to do as Abraham did, bury our dead out of our sight. His death speaks to men of note, of public life, that death is no respecter of persons. The members of the profession will miss him. The eminence to which he attained is open. Only one way to it. His life from beginning to end was a struggle against poverty, against opposition, against death. It is not to be supposed that with a man of his thought he came to the last without reflection. When told he could not live, he said, "It is not fear of death, my thought is about my family." His wife's devotion was an offering of all to him. God bless her and children. I draw a veil here. I dare not trust myself to speak even what I know. The honorable gentleman, his old partner in business, will miss him. Their friendship was never ended in the business separation. As a proof of this he commended his family to him for advice in all business matters. And now to this family I come. I have almost dreaded this moment. My voice is a familiar one to you. I have the same words. It is to God I commend you. You are nearer to God, nearer to us than ever. As your griefs and sorrows increase, so do sympathies grow stronger in our hearts. We all look to you today in your sorrow waiting to be kind. Our extended hands have tears in them. Our hearts are open and we give you peace. But God more than all. The remains were then exposed and the multitude took a parting view of the emaciated face. The family and friends having taken their touching farewell of the father, husband, brother, the pall bearers took charge. They were as follows: Hon. M. A. McCoid. Col. D. B. Henderson. Judge Rothrock. Judge SeEVERS. Hon. J. K. Graves. Hon. J. K. Johnson. Col. S. F. Cooper. John A. Donnell, Esq. D. H. Emory. Henry L. Bosquet. Hon. Wm. Loughbridge. Hon. F. T. Campbell. The procession formed with Major McMullen as Chief Marshal and Capt. Searle as assistant. The Mayor and City Council appeared at the head of the procession, followed by the Bar of Mahaska County, represented by the following members: Nelson, Blanchard, Kissick, Searle, Lafferty, Bolton, McCoy, Williams, Rice, Corral, Malcom, McMillen, Needham, Gleason, Haskell, Hedge, Crookham, Scott, Davenport, Morgan, Parkhurst, Downing, Mark, McNeilan, Thatcher, Hoffman, Phillips, Waggoner, Williams M. T., Lacey W. R., Lacey John F. and Herron—Deputy Clerk Weaver, Sheriff Barr, and Marshal Brown also appeared with the W. R. Manning, of Newton; Col.

as he was appreciated the best, just as he was achieving that which he had sought in his early life, misery overtakes him. His favorite son is felled by the destroyer, his darling little girl is taken, and it seems as if death had never left him until now he is gone in the midst of his usefulness and power. We meet here to-day to place upon record our respect for him as a lawyer and as a citizen. And Judge SeEVERS is present, who knew him perhaps better than any of us, and who will now address us." HON. W. H. SEEVERS.—He thought it eminently proper that he should say a word or two in relation to Mr. C. He felt embarrassed and would have to be pardoned for saying that he doubted whether he would be able to say much that he ought to say. For 12 or 14 years he and Mr. C. had been associated together daily, hourly, and during all that time, as Mr. C. had said in his last sickness, and as he could testify, if there had been ever a hard word or thought he did not know it. Mr. C.'s career as a man, a citizen and a member of the bar is known. Mr. C. was an aggressive man, if he had a foe he knew it; there was no concealment in him. He had a vein of sarcasm and bitter invective that was calculated to estrange men from him that did not know him; but when you knew him, as the Judge thought he knew him, besides his intellect, he had a grand, big heart in him. He had more of charity in him than was thought. He ventured to say that there was no more indulgent creditor than he. Some men may have thought he was otherwise—some may have thought he was wanting in the milk of human kindness; but the Judge knows better, and does affirm it, and that there were hundreds that knew and appreciated his kindness. He did not mean this as eulogy; he spoke of it as a fact. He might not have expressed the feeling—he was not an effusive man—but if you want to know the facts go to some of the laborers of this town and enquire if they ever went to him for a favor that was not granted. That colored man that passed by him to-day and broke out into tears appreciated him. And why? Because he had been kind to him, and not only to him but to others. He never turned a deaf ear to one that was in want; and no greater epitaph could be inscribed on his tomb. To him Mr. C. had been a friend, a brother, and saying that he could say no more. HON. M. A. MCCOID could not help but lay one flower as a tribute of respect on the grave of the departed. When Mr. Cutts was elected to Congress—for he was elected—and when he went to Washington to take his seat, Mr. McCoid noticed his way of expression. He had gone through that severe campaign and at once a contest was begun that was carried forward

PERSONAL MOV Mrs. Judge SeEVERS r last Friday from her Pacific t Misses Emma Abrah Stumps attended the State F: Perlee Scott, after sev sence, is shaking hands her mates this week. Mrs. J. C. Harrington week from a seven months' vi of Worcester, Mass. Rev. Thomas Merrill returned from the West. Mr ill during his absence. Charles Leighton and bias Leighton and wife, retu from the Pacific Coast. Charles Sheppard is of visit at his old home, Port By Wells accompanied him. Charles Hutchinson a returned from mosquito wa lake, having had a lively tim Charley Huber has s 'Frisco dust and is now at he to be here, and so are the re Miss Carrie Lowe, Su City schools, spent a day in while on her way home from Normal. Mr. and Mrs. A. F. N Springville, Iowa, came dow in the Fair, the Yearly Me the hearts of parents and fr Mr. T. E. Warren and and Mr. J. H. Collins and wi Collins, of Bloomfield, were Mrs. J. W. Ryan last week. Col. Mackey, of Sigo yesterday. The Democratic nittee were here to meet I marching orders from him. Mrs. Dan O'Connell, her sister, Miss Julia Linns visiting with her, left for Des to attend the State fair and Perry Shriver dropp day last from the Concla pocket full of plums and ab dence that he had been the Mr. and Mrs. Morri gone to Rock Island and the return a reception will be t the parental home. We h will find life here congenial. Des Moines Registe Edgerton, a well known farm s in the city with his family Fair. They have a complete will be at home on the Fair Frank Rice has been d his mother and brother. I stalwart Republican boys,

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AT THE GRAVE.

Gathered at the grave the members of the Council and Bar formed a circle about it, and after a feeling prayer by Rev. Baugh and benediction by Rev. Snowden, each of the class named approached and dropped a beautiful bouquet into the grave and upon the casket. And so ended the obsequies of a man who had made a life a great success, but, just as he was about to enjoy the honors, was called hence to the silence of the tomb.

"So let him sleep his last, long sleep,  
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The true, the frank, the fearless dead."

BY THESE TESTIMONIES.

MEETING OF THE BAR--ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS--ADDRESSES BY JUDGE SEEVERS AND OTHERS.

On Saturday evening a called meeting of the Bar was held at the office of Lafferty & Needham, to take appropriate action. Judge Crookham was called to the chair. Messrs. O. C. G. Phillips, H. W. Gleason, John F. Lacey, John A. Hoffman and W. S. Kenworthy were appointed a committee on arrangements; and on resolutions, Judge Loughridge, John F. Lacey, L. C. Blanchard, G. W. Lafferty and F. M. Davenport. A committee on a floral offering was named, consisting of Messrs. W. R. Lacey, Robt. Kissick, W. H. Needham, W. W. Haskell and Ben McCoy. It was resolved that the Bar appear as a body at the funeral, and it so appeared, as is elsewhere reported. It was ordered that there be a public reading of resolutions and voluntary addresses,

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Appreciative and sympathetic remarks were also made by Judge Loughridge, O. C. G. Phillips, Judge Blanchard, George W. Lafferty, Ben. McCoy, W. W. Haskell, H. W. Gleason, and others. The reading of the resolutions, which we regret our space will not allow to insert in full. The audi-

Mr. and Mrs. Morris gone to Rock Island and the return a reception will be at the parental home. We hope will find life here congenial.

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Edgerton, a well known farmer in the city with his family at Fair. They have a complete set will be at home on the Fair ground.

Frank Rice has been doing well during the week, making his mother and brother. Frank a stalwart Republican boys, along with the column against an enemy.

Miss Kittie McQuiston, a pleasant visit with friends in Des Moines, has returned home accompanied by Lillie Wilson of Slater, Mo., a Guthrie Center, Ia., who will in the metropolis.

The many friends of Miss L. J. J. will regret to learn, that Miss J. is now blind, but ever recovering good sight. Her sisters, Prue and L. at the parental home.

Mayor Waterman, of Des Moines, to be the model Iowa mayor Tuesday, attending the meeting of the Iowa Agricultural and Mechanical Congress at Des Moines. Capt. Carr, of Fortuna, of the Bloomfield, Early, of Albia; and Mr. Yo were also in attendance.

Mr. L. Walker and family of Fairfield, California, their home. Mr. Walker has been a representative in the township for these twenty years. He is one of that class of men who are not afraid to do right. He promises to let his friends know through the columns which follows him to his new home.

Misses R. Anna McAycael have bidden good-bye to their friends in Des Moines. These two girls are "bringin' up," and have been teachers in our schools. Miss McAycael is now Principal in the schools, and Miss McAycael is now Principal in the High School with no small degree of pride. They will be glad to visit the schools of Des Moines, and such able and responsible teachers.

East Des Moines

The county fair drew a section, which, we think, we in any other part of the county. E. Jones has purchased his new home in Colorado. Mrs. Wm. Jenkins and moved to Colorado. Mrs. Frank Barnett has rheumatism of the heart. I will, treated her. Hugh Hughes will have a brother of Wm. Spence here. Many of our young folks meeting next Sunday. Corn is ripening very fast. Pastures are needing rain. Our young folks are waking. With few exceptions, good.

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ehard, G. W. Lafferty and F. M. Davenport. A committee on a floral offering was named, consisting of Messrs. W. R. Lacey, Robt. Kissick, W. H. Needham, W. W. Haskell and Ben McCoy. It was resolved that the Bar appear as a body at the funeral, and it so appeared, as is elsewhere reported. It was ordered that there be a public meeting of the Bar, for the reception of resolutions and voluntary addresses, on Monday evening, at the Old Charge church, to which place the Bar adjourned.

At the time appointed the church was filled to the last seat, after which a printed program followed. After prayer by Dr. Evans, and music by a volunteer choir, Hon. John F. Lacey, President, called for the report of the committee on resolutions. Judge Loughridge presented the following, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, in the course of the dispensation of Divine Providence, Hon. Marcena E. Cutts has been taken away from us, by the hand of death, and a great loss has fallen upon the bar of the county and of the State, therefore:

Resolved, 1. That by the death of Mr. Cutts the bar has lost one of its most admired, brilliant and distinguished members; one, who during a devoted, faithful and laborious practice of 28 years has written his name high on the annals of the bar of the State of Iowa and of the United States.

2. That by the death of Mr. Cutts, the state and nation have lost a statesman of great ability, the legal profession at large, a learned and thorough lawyer, and our local bar, an able and most valued member, who as a counsellor and an advocate has achieved the highest distinction, and has stood upon the time of his entry upon the profession in its foremost ranks.

3. That we believe that had Mr. Cutts been permitted to retain his health and life, after having been called by the people to the councils of the nation, he would have attained as distinguished a position in that sphere as he has at the bar and in all of the many public positions he has been called upon to fill, both legal and legislative.

4. That we here testify our respect for Mr. Cutts as a man, our admiration of his great power, as a lawyer and advocate of the bar, and his character as a man, a neighbor and a friend.

5. That we tender to the bereaved family of our lamented friend and brother, our sincere testimony of the worth of the deceased, and assure them of our sympathy and condolence in their affliction.

6. That copies of these resolutions be presented to the District and Circuit Courts of Mahaska county, Iowa, and to the Supreme Court, with the request that they be spread upon their records as a testimonial of our appreciation for him, as a brother in our common profession and our high regard for him as a lawyer and man, and to furnish a certified copy of the same to the family of the deceased.

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glad that he, Mr. Cutts, had been returned to Congress by an unqualified majority, thus having behind him the endorsement of the majority of the voters of his district.

Appreciative and sympathetic remarks were also made by Judge Loughridge, G. C. G. Phillips, Judge Blanchard, George W. Lafferty, Ben. McCoy, W. W. Haskell, H. W. Gleason, Liston McMillen, and W. S. Kenworthy, which we regret our space will not allow to insert in full. The audience was finally dismissed with prayer by Rev. J. M. Bough.

### THE AUTOPSY.

#### TUBERCULOSIS FOUND TO BE THE TROUBLE.

The illness that afflicted Mr. Cutts had been variously diagnosed by different physicians, both local and abroad,—one very eminent practitioner in New York giving it as his opinion that there was nothing the matter with the lungs, but that the trouble was wholly with the throat. A physician at Las Vegas, only a few days ago, pronounced his lungs perfectly sound, and as others had pronounced different, it was deemed best by his attending physician, Dr. Huntman, and the friends of the family, to hold an autopsy that would definitely settle the matter. It was held on Sunday morning, there being present Drs. Huntsman, Nugent, Barringer, and Wilkins, student Fitch, Hon. W. H. Seewers, O. C. G. Phillips, and a HERALD representative. Dr. Huntsman operated, and the following is the official report:

To the Editor of The Herald:—At the post mortem examination of the body of M. E. Cutts made 22 hours after death, the contents of the chest and abdomen were exposed. Within the chest was observed, as a result of disease, first, the pleuritic sack firmly adherent to the walls of the chest throughout its entire surface, while the lung within it was a mass of tubercular infiltrations with a few abscesses scattered over it, varying in size from a hazel nut to that of a walnut, filled with a mucopurulent substance. From the extent of the tuberculous matter and the extent of the adhesion, it was evident that they were old, of long standing, as time is an essential element in their formation and development. In the left lung was found the same diseased condition but not so extensive, and its pleuritic sack, upper portion, connected by pleuritic bands of more recent formation than the right. Within the abdomen the same tubercular deposits were found in the mesenteric glands. Liver healthy. The body was reduced to a mere skeleton.

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We receive the Register on Thursday morning, N day 2 o'clock, and THE o'clock. The friends of like it as early as possible Chicago or Pella?

The friends of Mrs. Te know she is getting better.

We have had very cool Corn will be safe in ten Small grain is being t by the thousands of bush!

The teachers are at the Normal.

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By invitation one of our Sunday-school at the co much interested while speaks highly of the sun and of the music, Miss way we have a grand St

Rev. Shelton is pre There would be no objection again—hope Bro. Schriber Peoria, August 27, 1883.

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H. C. HUNTERMAN,  
Attending Physician.

We, the undersigned practicing physicians, were present at the above named post mortem examination and fully concur in all the statements made therein.

W. R. NUGENT, M. D.  
A. C. WILKINS, M. D.  
J. C. BARRINGER, M. D.

The diagnosis made by Dr. Huntsman, when he was first called, was substantially endorsed by the examination. A member of the family also warrants the statement that it was Dr. Huntsman who first directed their attention to the condition as found. It is probable that some of the eastern doctors made their opinion to suit that desired by the patient, for on no other ground could they have been so sadly mistaken. One thing is certainly made apparent in the case that doctors differ now as much as ever, and that the element of mere guess work is not yet eliminated from the profession. Mr. Cutts was doctored for throat trouble when all the time he was suffering from consumption, and that was the cause of his throat difficulty.

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Mrs. Wm. Kindig sta to her father in Cowley We bespeak a good Union township for the September 3, 1883.

**BIRTHS - DEATHS**

ADAIR-DILLON.— of August 28, at the b township, Mahaska co and Miss LOU DILLON, ing.

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JACKSON-WOODS Kansas, on Wednesd HARRY W. JACKSON, CORA WOODS, daught formerly of this count

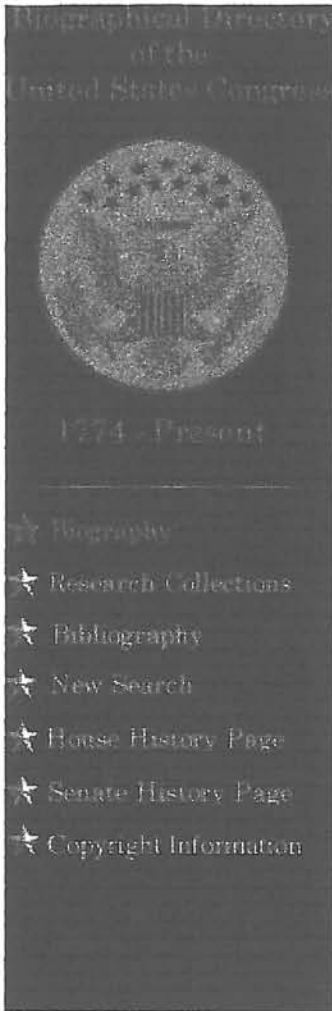
Mr. Jackson is we member of the firm this city, and one of t business men of the e for his wife a most wo will do her part, to ma domestic happiness, a will not be found wa that is kindly and ge will make a tour up t then return home in next Friday evening.

Step into H. S store on west Hig finest line of Cr They are Bremner

Buy your BOO John M. Jones & and shoe house.

**Oskaloosa**  
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The following are which rate there were BUTTER—per pound EGGS—per doz., 15 POTATOES.—per bushel CORN—per bushel, OATS.—per bushel, CHICKENS—per d HOGS—per 100, 4.4 HAY—per ton, 6.50 APPLES—per bush




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## CUTTS, Marsena Edgar, 1833-1883

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CUTTS, Marsena Edgar, a Representative from Iowa; born in Orwell, Addison County, Vt., May 22, 1833; attended the common schools of his native village and St. Lawrence Academy, Potsdam, N.Y.; moved to Sheboygan Falls, Wis., in 1853; taught school for two years, at the same time studying law; moved to Oskaloosa, Iowa, in June 1855 and completed his law studies; was admitted to the bar in August and commenced practice in Montezuma, Iowa; prosecuting attorney of Poweshiek County in 1857 and 1858; member of the State house of representatives at the extra session in May 1861; served in the State senate from January 1864 until August 1866, when he resigned and returned to Oskaloosa; again a member of the State house of representatives 1870-1872; attorney general of Iowa 1872-1877; presented credentials as a Republican Member-elect to the Forty-seventh Congress and served from March 4, 1881, to March 3, 1883 (the closing day of Congress), when he was succeeded by John C. Cook, who contested the election; elected to the Forty-eighth Congress and served from March 4, 1883, until his death in Oskaloosa, Mahaska County, Iowa, on September 1, 1883, before the assembling of the Congress; interment in Forest Cemetery.