

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative William A. Thurston Senator Thurston
William A. - Represented Lee County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 29 Dec 1808 East Greenwich, Rhode Island

2. Marriage (s) date place

Una/Euna L.

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business

B. Civic responsibilities

C. Profession Wagon manufacturer; Soldier

4. Church membership

Baptist

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

6. Public Offices

A. Local

B. State

C. National

7. Death 10 June 1870 West Point, Iowa. Buried West Point Cemetery, West Point Iowa

8. Children No children

9. Names of parents John and Susannah (Andrews) Thurston

10. Education

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

- His wife, Ursula or Eunice, born 27 Aug 1805, died 29 Mar 1893, born at West Point, Conn. It at West Point, Conn.
- In his early life he left East Greenwich, Rhode Island and moved to Rochester, New York where he lived 3 or 4 years.
- Then he moved to Pennycuik, New York for 3 years and then moved to Seneca Falls, New York for 3 or 4 years.
- In 1838 he moved to Lee County, Iowa locating in Pleasant Ridge Township where he lived 8 years.
- In 1845 he moved to Fort Madison, Iowa in Lee County, Iowa.

The Plain Dealer.

City News.

R. W. Pittman of West Point favored us with a call on Tuesday.

F. O. Dorr and Lady expect to start on their annual tour to the East in a few days.

The minutes of the proceedings of the late General Assembly of the Presbyterian church at Philadelphia will contain 450 pages. Five thousand copies are to be printed by order of the Assembly.

A meeting of the citizens will be held at West Point, Saturday June 18, on the Fair Grounds, to make arrangements for the Lee County Fair.

A general attendance is invited.

S. W. RAILROAD.—The work on the R. R. is progressing rapidly; as rapidly as laborers and teams can push it forward. The weather is favorable, and we are informed by Capt. Davis that more than one hundred men are employed on the line.

The Rev. Dr. Samuel Marcus Dill, Prof. of Theology in Magee College Londonderry recently deceased, was the twelfth in descent from father to son who occupied a high and honorable place in the ministry of the Irish Presbyterian church.

Fort Madison was visited Tuesday afternoon by a severe rain and hail storm. About the same hour we learn that there was a storm along the line of the Valley railroad. Two or three miles above Fort Madison, on the line of the C. B. & Q. railroad, there was little or no rain.

The man that does not advertise complains that business is very dull, but Stolwyk & Co., have added several new features to their establishment and there is a great rush to Second street. Among the novelties are Meerscham Pipes and Cigar holders, imported direct from the Manufactory at Lewego Prussia. Every article warranted.

We notice that there is to be a Teachers Business Institute in July at Bryant & Stratton's Business College, Chicago, to continue for six weeks.

And this reminds us that a Branch of the chain of Colleges, Bonsall & Lillybridge, Burlington, is in a very prosperous condition, and affords opportunities for students in the summer.

Fourth of July.—The committee on

IN MEMORIAM.

DIED—June 10, 1870, after an illness of three weeks, **WILLIAM A. THURSTON**, aged sixty-one years.

The funeral was attended from his late residence, on Front Street, Sunday, June 12, 8 A. M. Services by Rev. R. P. Gray.

The burial was at the West Point Cemetery.

Mr. Thurston was a native of East Greenwich Rhode Island. In early life he removed to Rochester, N. Y., where he resided three or four years, and thence to Pennyan, N. Y., where he resided two years, and thence to Seneca Falls, N. Y., where he resided three or four years. In 1838 he removed to Lee county, Iowa, and located in Pleasant Ridge Township, where he resided eight years. In 1845 he removed to Fort Madison, where he resided until the time of his death, so that he was extensively known as one of the Pioneers of the city and county.

Mr. Thurston was a prominent and active member of the Baptist Church, an earnest Sunday School worker, and for some years the Vice President of the Fort Madison Bible Society.

Mrs. T. is the only surviving member of the family.

He sleeps with the loved, not lost, who had gone before.

A Card.

For assistance and sympathy of inestimable value in the great trials of life, words are feeble and powerless to express the sense of obligation and of gratitude; still the recognition of such services is due to those who have rendered them; and in behalf of Mrs. W. A. Thurston we are requested to present her thanks to the friends of herself and family, who during the long and severe afflictions through which she has been called to pass, and in the hour of her great bereavement, have so kindly and earnestly manifested their sympathy and aid.

\$40,000.—A gentleman of Keokuk said to us the other day, "I guess you are beating us this season in the way of building, but we are ahead of you in religion. We are building a \$40,000 church." Our reply was, when you get a superabundance, we shall import of the surplus.

The church referred to is that of the Presbyterian church, Rev. Mr. Craig, pastor. It is built of stone, large, capable of seating 800 or 1,000 persons, well arranged and elegant. We do not suppose that \$40,000 will cover the cost by any means. With the Yankee privilege we guess, \$60,000. But after all, the largest church in the State is that now building at Fort Madison, the cost when completed, scarcely less than \$100,000, by volunteers and staff at the State

No objection—good churches are

All the Tea drinkers are invited to go to Stolwyk & Co., and try some of that Gun Powder, Young Hyson, or Imperial Tea, which they have just received direct from Sacramento, and is now offered at very low prices.

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Second street people are not dead, but have just come to life. If you want to be convinced, go to the Boston Grocery Store and you will see how lively they are, and thronged with customers too.

—Go to the Eureka Grocery for your Groceries, Queensware and Provisions.

Store Rooms and other property to Rent. Apply to Wm. LESLIE.

See advertisement of Dr. Butts' Dispensary headed Book for the Million—**MARRIAGE GUIDE**—in another column. It should be read by all. n8-ly.

Sweet Potato plants for sale at the Eureka Grocery.

Try Cream Yeast at Frow Abel & Co's.

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1850 United States Federal Census

Name: **William A Thurston**
 Age: **40**
 Estimated birth year: **abt 1810**
 Birth Place: **Rhode Island**
 Gender: **Male**
 Home in 1850 (City,County,State): **Fort Madison, Lee, Iowa**
 Family Number: **30**



Household Members:	Name	Age
	William A Thurston	40
	Uina L Thurston	43
	Jedindrick Thurston	27
	Samuel Thurston	20
	Harry K Thurston	17
	Adam Thurston	16
	Hugo C Thurston	17
	James Thurston	21
	Milda Thurston	29
	Washington Thurston	17
	Charles Brenter	34
	Margaret Brenter	25
	Rachel Brenter	63
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1860 United States Federal Census

Name: **William A Thurston**

Age in 1860: **50**

Birth Year: **abt 1810**

Birthplace: **Rhode Island**

Home in 1860: **Fort Madison, Lee, Iowa**

Gender: **Male**

Post Office: **Fort Madison**

Value of real estate: [View image](#)



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Household Members:	Name	Age
	William A Thurston	50
	Euna L Thurston	54
	Jennie B Bates	14
	Harman Hetzkorn	18
	Robert Hetzkorn	17
	Henry Myer	19

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1870 United States Federal Census

Name: **William A Thurston**

Birth Year: **abt 1809**

Age in 1870: **61**

Birthplace: **Rhode Island**

Home in 1870: **Fort Madison Ward 2, Lee, Iowa**

Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

Value of real estate: [View image](#)

Post Office: **Fort Madison**

Household Members:	Name	Age
	William A Thurston	61
	Una L Thurston	64

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THURSTON, Wm. A.

Born: 12/29/1808
Died: 06/10/1870
Cemetery: WEST POINT
Location: WEST POINT
County: LEE CO. - IOWA
Record Notes: WIFE ? AUG. 27, 1805 TO MAR.29, 1893, WEST POINT CEM.

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