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In 1869 Mr. Kitchel was united in marriage to Mrs. Lucetta Kester, of Jasper county, a daughter of Warren Roberts, a native of Allen county, Ohio. Five children blessed this union: Gertrude, now the wife of Charles Darling, of Rhodes, Iowa; Laura, now Mrs. John Jackson, who

is in charge of the old Kitchel homestead in Jasper county; Edward, a farmer of Collins township; Catherine, the wife of Andrew Stevens, also of Collins township; and Warren A., who recently purchased his father's farm but is still living in Collins.

Politically Mr. Kitchel has been identified with the republican party ever since he cast his first ballot and he has great faith in its ability to direct the destinies of the republic. He is an earnest friend of education and served for several years as a member of the school board, being instrumental in the erection of several schoolhouses in Jasper county. Socially he is connected with the E. H. Keys Post, G. A. R., of Mingo, Iowa, and is well known in many parts of the state on account of his ability as a public speaker, being often called upon to address meetings of the old soldiers and of the pioneers. He is a stanch member of the Christian church, to which he gives a willing service, and it is doubtful whether any other citizen of Story county stands higher in the estimation of friends and acquaintances than does Prince Albert Kitchel.