

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ Senator Vale,

Jacob Sarretom - Represented Van Buren County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 7 Jul 1821 York County, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Anne Ref 31 Mar 1847 Jefferson County, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business Admitted to the bar in 1844, Jefferson County, Ohio

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer; Lawyer; Teacher

4. Church membership Pastor

5. Sessions served 13th, 14th Annual Assemblies 1870, 1872

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State He was a candidate for Iowa Governor in 1873 on the Anti-Monopoly ticket

C. National _____

7. Death 17 Feb 1875 Harrisburg Township, Van Buren County, Iowa; Buried Vale Cemetery,

8. Children George (died 23 Oct 1850); twin brother of Perry (born and died 5 Oct 1850); Martha Margaret; Benjamin Ref; Lydia Ann
age 3 days 18 Feb 1851; Mary Ann (died)

9. Names of parents John and Lydia Sarretom

10. Education He attended a few terms of school in Jefferson
County, Ohio

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He was 3 months old at his father's death. He then lived with his maternal grandfather until Jack was age 9. He then lived with his mother's brother, Daniel Gerritsen until age 19.

- Then he and his brother emigrated to Jefferson County, Ohio

- He later taught school in the district schools. He then spent a year in the Mt. Pleasant boarding school under the management of the Society of Friends and during the preceding 12 years he followed teaching. For 8 years he served as Principal of the Smithfield Public Schools.

- He studied law under Edwin M. Stanton who was Secretary of War under President Lincoln

- He was a candidate for Ohio State Legislature in 1847, but was defeated.

- He and his wife came to Iowa in 1850. He practiced law for his friends until 1860 and then became only a farmer.

- He located in Lee County in 1853. In 1856 he moved to Van Buren County and elected as a State Senator in 1869.

- His wife, Anne, born 25 Sept 1823 Grease County, Pennsylvania, died 17 Jan 1904 Bonaparte, Iowa

- His son, Benjamin Rep Tale, was also a legislator, serving from Van Buren County in the 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th General Assemblies 1888, 1890, 1892, 1894 as a Senator.

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Guy Torrance, son of F. G. Torrance
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We called upon our old friend, W. D.
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 has built himself a snug little shop on
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 sons who have any work in his line of
 Watch, and Clock repairing, to give
 him a call; he does his work well; his
 charges are moderate. We dropped in at
 the *Republican* office and found the
 Captain as polite and affable as he is
 ever wont to be. It was a short but
 pleasant visit, come up one and all, the
 ENTERPRISE family will greet you with
 a smile

DEATH OF HON. J. G. VALE.—Hon.
 J. G. Vale, died at his residence in
 Harrisburg Township, on Wednesday
 evening the 17th inst 7 o'clock, after a
 long illness. His death was a quiet and
 peaceful one.

The deceased was prominently den-
 tified with public affairs. He was elec-
 ted State Senator from the County in
 1869, and served one full term in that
 capacity. He was a candidate for Gov-
 enor of Iowa, in 1873, on the Anti Mo-
 nopoly ticket. The funeral took place
 at 10 o'clock on Friday last from the
 Harrisburg Church. The Sermon was
 preached by Rev. W. C. Pratt, of Bo-
 naparte.

The deceased was a half brother of
 Mrs John G. Brown, of this place.

Annual report of the Board of Direct-
 ors of the Independent School District
 of Birmingham, for the year ending
 March, 1875:

SCHOOL HOUSE FUND.

Amount on hand at last report,	\$159.91
March 13, 1874, Res'd of Co. Treas., tax	477.38
April 11, 1874, " " " "	78.70
May 19, 1874, " " " " for old cash	1.20
June 4, 1874, " " " " of Co. Treas., tax	230.84
Sept. 28, 1874, " " " "	81.31
Total,	\$1029.37
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Amount of Bond redeemed,	\$500.00
Interest paid on do. do.,	228.37
Total,	1028.37

Proof of Will

To whom it may concern:
 Notice is hereby given that on the
 February 1875, an instrument of
 writing purporting to be the last will and
 testament of John Smith, deceased,
 read and filed, and the same was
 hearing and probated, at the April
 Term of the Circuit Court,
 second day thereof, to wit: April
 persons interested will take notice
 themselves accordingly.
 RUSSELL JOHNSTON CL.
 Circuit Ct.
 By W. A. GERRARD

Proof of will

To whom it may concern:
 Notice is hereby given that on the
 of December, A. D., 1874, an in-
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 testament of John Smith, deceased,
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Several pages in the report are devoted to answering the objection that the construction of the narrow-gauge will render a transfer of freight necessary whenever it shall connect with a broad-gauge. The report, when printed, will afford an interesting chapter to the history of the cheap transportation discussion, and will afford those interested in the construction of roads upon the new system some valuable statistics, and information having a practical bearing upon a question that now has the close attention of the people of the West.

DEATH OF HON. JACOB G. VALE.

Hon. Jacob G. Vale, Anti-Monopoly candidate for Governor in 1873, and a well-known citizen of this State, died at his residence in Van Buren county, last Wednesday evening. He had been in failing health for several years, and for some months past, we believe, has not been able to go beyond the limits of his own homestead. The deceased was in the fifty-fourth year of his age, having been born in York county, Pennsylvania, July 7, 1821. He had a liberal education, read law with the late Edwin M. Stanton, but soon returned his attention to teaching, and was for several years principal of the public schools of Smithfield, Ohio. In 1850 he came to Iowa, bringing with him his accumulations up to that time, amounting only to one or two thousand dollars, and concluded to devote his attention to farming. He first bought a farm in Lee county, and subsequently became a resident of Van Buren county, and quite a large land owner and a very successful farmer there. Pursuing a legitimate farming business, living generously, educating and starting his children out in life liberally, and doing his full part in all public and private enterprises, he still leaves an estate valued at \$100,000, demonstrating conclusively that farming in Iowa can be made both pleasant and profitable.

Strongly anti slavery in sentiment, Mr. Vale was an active Republican until 1869, when he was chosen as an independent candidate to the State Senate. While a member of that body, however, he acted with the Republicans on political questions, and took a prominent and creditable part in legislative business, being especially active in all matters relating to the public schools of the State, of which he was an ardent friend, agriculture, horticulture, transportation and kindred subjects. Two years ago he was nominated by the Anti-Monopoly State convention as their candidate for Governor. He accepted the nomination and made a good though un-

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who enjoyed his friendship to reflect upon,
and to commend to others who, like him, must
make their own way in the world, and become
responsible for their own success or failure.

DANGEROUS CUSTOMS.

A charming state of society Plymouth
Church must have presented in those happy
old days when Tilton was nursing his wrath
and plotting revenge, and Moulton was quietly
getting all the criminating documents out of
Beecher he could, and Beecher was going from
house to house weeping and talking gloomily
about strychnine, and death, and the cold,
cold grave and the rioting worm and other
pleasant topics. It seems that even Mrs.
Moulton, and possibly all the other women in
Plymouth Church had a way of kissing the
good, but watery preacher, and hugging him
in the frenzy of their sympathetic grief. And
that is just where they missed it. Because
the man isn't living who can be hugged and
kissed by an entire congregation of women,
without having some kind of deviltry grow out
of it. There used to be men who could stand
that sort of thing, but they died off and the
race is extinct. The last one of whom we
have any authentic record was Joseph,—we
forget his other name,—and he had to run
away without his baggage, and even then he
was the victim of "a statement." Whenever
women imagine that they have found a "good
old man" into whose lap they can creep and
whom they can kiss, and whose fatherly affec-
tion they can enjoy without harm, they are
morally certain to work mischief sooner or
later, just as sure as these Plymouth customs
did in Mr. Beecher's case. If a woman is
married, her husband can appreciate all the
caresses she has to hand round, and can give
her all the fatherly advice she can
walk away under, and if she is
single and under forty, it will be just
as safe, and a great deal more pleasant, for
her to creep into some wicked young man's
lap and ask for fatherly counsel, than to carry
out the same plan with a "good old man," we
don't care if he is the best and oldest man in
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appear to be "hocking together" with the
purpose of organizing a new erodus from
the Republican party. We have had two
such migratory movements before. The
first included Doollittle, Dixon, Randall,
&c., under the lead of A. Johnson; the
second was organized by Trumbull, Fen-
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Sumner afterwards joining. This last
migration was followed by the most tri-
umphant and sweeping victory the Re-
publican party has ever achieved. The
third "departure" holds no comparison
with the second, in the standing and abil-
ity of the persons concerned in it. Let
Garfield, Poland, Kasson & Co. proceed."

If the editor of the Times only held a
Federal office then a committee of our
Johnny's henchmen could punish such
malice as this by going to Washington to
help Johnny in having him removed.

DEATH OF HON. J. G. VALE

The Keokuk Gazette gives some addi-
tional items in the life of the Hon. J. G.
Vale, who died on Wednesday last. He
was born in York County, Pennsylvania,
in 1821. He moved to Ohio in his early
manhood, and read law under Edwin M.
Stanton. He removed to Lee Co., Iowa,
in 1850. In 1855 he took up his residence
in Van Buren County. He left an estate
worth \$100,000.

Hon. J. G. Vale, of Van Buren
county, died at his residence on Wednes-
day evening at 7 o'clock, after a rapid de-
cline of two days. His death was a quiet
and peaceful one. The deceased was at
one time a resident of Lee county, and
was well known throughout this section,
having been prominently identified with
public affairs. In 1859 he was elected
State Senator from Van Buren county,
and served one full term in that capacity.

The funeral will take place to-day at
10 o'clock, from the Harrisburg Baptist
church. The sermon will be preached by
Rev. W. C. Pratt, of Buena Vista.

Senator Vale had been for several years
falling in health. His last service in the
Senate was rendered when he was many
times really unable to perform his duties.
Two years ago, he was the Anti-Monopoly
candidate for Governor against Gov. Chas-
penter. He was a man of kindly temper-
ment, and had of all who knew him cordial
respect and high esteem. In personal
appearance he very much resembled Pres-
ident Lincoln. There are many people in
Iowa to whom the news of his death will
come with pain. His age, we should
judge, was about 65.

The Detroit Free Press is unkind to the
Vermont friend and ally of the intermit-
tent Republican that this District has in
Congress. It says he has lost 17 pounds
of flesh in the last three months, and the
very fierceness of his eyes has faded to a
catnip color. He has ascertained that he
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united in marriage with Miss Mary Jane Lanning, who was born May 21, 1822, and was a daughter of Isaac and Mary Lanning, who were of German descent. Their union was blessed with four children, two sons and two daughters: Samuel Irving, born in New Jersey, September 21, 1850, died in Van Buren County, March 19, 1881; Harriet, born April 11, 1852, is the wife of Thomas H. Dye, who resides near Cantril, Iowa; George, born March 23, 1856, married Mattie Snodgrass, and is now a member of the firm of Bell, Hill & Kays; Mary Elizabeth, born in New Jersey, August 22, 1857, is keeping house for her father. The mother of the family died in Milton, August 10, 1887.

Mr. Kays came to Keosauqua in the spring of 1857, and thinking it would prove a favorable location brought his family to Van Buren County in the spring of the following year. He purchased a steam flouring-mill, which he operated for some five years. About 1866 he removed to Milton, where he carried on business for twelve years with a partner, since which time he has been in the insurance business. He is a man of upright moral character, respected and honored by his fellow-citizens, but is not a member of any religious organization. In early life he supported the Whig party, but now casts his ballot with the Republican party.



HON. JACOB G. VALE, ex-Senator of Iowa, was born in the western part of York County, Pa., July 7, 1821. The family is of English origin. He traces his ancestry back to Robert Vale, a native of England, who followed a seafaring life, being captain of the ship on which William Penn made his second voyage to America. In order to induce him to locate in America, Penn gave him one thousand acres of land in York County, Pa., on which he settled. Soon afterward he married Anna Bula, a native of Ireland, but a Quaker in religious faith. They had a family of six children, including William Vale, grandfather of our subject, who married Miss Anna

Witherall, a native of Ireland. They became the parents of two sons and five daughters, the youngest son being John, who was born on the old homestead, and there lived until the age of thirty years. On attaining his majority he married Miss Lydia Garretson, a native of Pennsylvania, but of English-German ancestry, and the union was blessed with a family of four children.

Our subject is the only survivor. He was but two months old at the time of his father's death, and he made his home with his maternal grandfather until the death of that gentleman, when Jacob was a lad of nine years. He then lived with his mother's brother, Daniel Garretson, until nineteen years of age. With his brother he emigrated to Jefferson County, Ohio, and after attending school for a few terms was engaged as teacher in the district schools. He then spent a year in the Mt. Pleasant boarding school, under the management of the Society of Friends, and during the succeeding twelve years followed teaching, and perfected his previous imperfect knowledge of the higher scientific branches. For eight years of this time he served as Principal of the Smithfield public schools, and also studied law under Edwin M. Stanton, Secretary of War under President Lincoln. He was admitted to the bar in 1844, in Jefferson County, Ohio, and in 1847 was a candidate for the State Legislature in a Democratic county in Ohio, where he was beaten by only twenty-one votes.

The same year Mr. Vale was united in marriage with Miss Anne, daughter of Benjamin Rex, a wealthy Ohio farmer, and unto them were born six children. They came to Iowa in 1850, after which Mr. Vale continued to practice only as an accommodation to his friends until 1860, since which time he has devoted himself entirely to the care of his farm. He first located in Lee County, where, in 1853, he was a candidate on an independent ticket for the Legislature but was beaten. In 1856 he came to Van Buren County, and in the fall of 1869 was solicited by representatives of both parties to become a candidate for the State Senate, and was elected by a fair majority, being the only independent Senator in the Thirteenth General Assembly. Politically he is a staunch Republican, and

religiously is a faithful Presbyterian. In his legislative labors he was conscientious, never advocating a measure until he was fully persuaded that he was right, and then it would require facts with the force of logic to turn him aside from the apparent path of duty. Opposite to his name in every enterprise, social, moral, financial or official, may be written the word "success."

a similar position with another uncle, James Manning, receiving \$10 per month as a compensation for his services. After five years, in which time he had mastered the business, he was taken in as a partner with a third interest. Aside from the knowledge gained concerning mercantile life, Mr. Manning acquired other information which proved of much value to him in after life. His uncle during his stay in Bethany, was elected Associate Justice and Recorder of the county, and Edwin became acquainted with the routine of those offices which knowledge proved of great benefit to him in after life in making plats, etc. In 1831, he left Bethany and embarked in business at Canton Corners, Bradford County, Pa., forming a partnership with J. C. Rose under the firm name of Manning & Rose, which connection was continued until the autumn of 1836, when he disposed of his interest and started for the West. He boarded a boat for St. Louis, then the metropolis of the West, and on reaching his destination Col. Benton advised him and his associates to locate in that city, but thinking his purse too light to invest much in real estate there, he pushed on to Lexington, Mo., where he made inquiries in regard to lands. On receiving information that he could obtain property in Saline and Jackson Counties, accompanied by his uncle and a Mr. Tyler he made his way to the places indicated and became owner of some real estate, of which Mr. Tyler was left in charge. Being opposed to slavery, he and his uncle proceeded northward up the Mississippi and Des Moines Rivers to St. Francesville, Lee County. That was in December, 1836. After making some investments they continued on to Ft. Madison, where they visited the wigwam of the noted chief, Black Hawk, who treated them in a friendly manner but appeared rather reticent in regard to giving information, seeming to realize that his power was fast being taken from him.

EDWIN MANNING, the honored pioneer, has for half a century made his home on the site of Keosauqua, Van Buren County, of which city he was the founder. This volume would be incomplete without his sketch for he has not only been long a resident of the county, but has been identified with its growth and progress and few have aided more in the advancement of its inter-

Mr. Manning was born in Coventry, Conn., February 8, 1810, and is a son of Calvin and Desire (Gurley) Manning who belonged to old New England families. They were parents of two sons and two daughters. Fannie the eldest, married James Preston and died in her native county; Edwin is the second in order of birth; William died on the old homestead at the age of thirty years, and Anna R., wife of Dr. S. W. Barrows, is living in Hartford, Conn. The parents, who were consistent and faithful members of the Congregational Church, died in Coventry, Conn., respected by all who knew them. Mr. Manning was a Whig in political sentiment and was honored by an election to the office of Commissioner of Des Moines River Improvement and also served in said office until its affairs were finally adjusted.

The subject of this sketch was reared in a manner similar to the majority of boys of his day and received his education in the primitive schools of his native State. When a lad of sixteen years he entered the store of his uncle, Royal Manning, as salesman, which position he held for six months, when he went to Bethany, Pa., where he accepted

In January, 1837, Mr. Manning, with James Hall, John Fuirman and John Carnes, purchased a claim to the land and platted the town of Keosauqua. Our subject then returned on a visit to Pennsylvania, but the following year again came to Iowa and attended the first land sale at Burlington, purchasing several small tracts of land for himself to-

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through snow and mud for a distance of nearly two miles, to attend school in a rude and comfortless log school-house, as William Butler had to do, was acquiring knowledge under difficulties. As he advanced in years he began to realize the great and many disadvantages under which he was laboring from the want of an education, and realizing the urgent necessity of having such, he applied himself diligently to study, and by so doing, aided greatly by experience, he succeeded in gaining in after years what was denied him in youth—a fair education—and as a reward of his diligent application to gain knowledge and a proof of his success, his name goes into the history of Iowa legislatures as being a member of the Thirteenth and Fourteenth General Assemblies.

From the first organization of the Republican party, William Butler has been a firm adherent to its principles, and in those great principles on which that party is founded he is a firm believer.

In 1861 he was elected to represent his township in the Board of Supervisors of Page county, which position he held for seven years, during which period he served as President of the Board for five years. Having been elected by the people of the Sixteenth Representative District to represent them in the Thirteenth General Assembly, he resigned his office as supervisor and took his seat in the legislature on the first of January, 1870.

Having performed the duties devolving on him in this new capacity, to the entire satisfaction of his constituents, they, as an appreciation of his service, re-elected him to represent them in the Fourteenth General Assembly.

By reference to the first portion of this sketch it will be discovered that the ancestors of William Butler were Quakers by profession, but he adheres to what is generally termed, the teachings of the Liberal Church.

In stature he is five feet eight inches in height, weighs one hundred and seventy-five pounds, and has black hair and hazel eyes.

In the sketch given of William Butler, a great portion of which is taken from the early records of the family, it may be seen how a poor boy possessed with firmness of purpose and good resolves, may rise from obscurity, to be a man of wealth, influence and distinction.

JACOB G. VALE.

STATE SENATOR.

In stature, Mr. Vale stands six feet four inches, and in avoirdupoise, turns the beam at 165 pounds. He has a strongly developed motive temperament, with a large, bony frame-work, encased with a spare covering of flesh—dense and firm. He is adapted to active life; is endowed with great physical power and is capable of enduring severe and prolonged exertion of body and mind. In character he is determined, energetic and steadfast. In figure he is tall and naturally erect, but yields under the severe pressure of the labor of years. He has a long face; high cheek bones; shoulders broad, and chest moderately full. Black hair, now tinged with grey; eyes and complexion dark. His features are strongly marked. His whole system is characterized by strength and toughness; is capable of great endurance and capacity for work. He is gifted with the faculty of being a leader in the sphere of active life; is more of an observer than a thinker, and would make a better army commander than forum speaker. He is firm, self-reliant and constant in friendship; executive powers large; inspired with ambition and unyielding perseverance. He has a natural love for conquest and power. As a speaker, he uses strong expressions; talks to the point, with few words—aimed directly at the mark. He has a large brain, tough and active—giving force and energy to all his faculties. His head is deep from individuality to firmness; broad between the organs of combativeness, with a full development of the moral sentiments; is combative without being querulous; has economy without parsimony; caution without timidity; force, with kindness and consideration.

He is strict in business and charitable in the bestowal of his gifts. In his legislative labors he is conscientious—never advocating a measure until he is fully persuaded that he is right, and then it would require facts with the force of logic to turn him aside from the apparent line of duty. His moral quality makes him a worthy legislator and his caution secures the quality of safety. These faculties give him a consistent record—directing all his labors in the same general channel. Opposite his name, in every enterprise, social, moral, financial, or official, may be written the unfailing word—success.

Robert Vale was a native of England and followed a sea-faring life—being captain of the ship on which William Penn made his second voyage to America. In consideration of becoming a permanent resident of this country, Penn gave him about one thousand acres of land, in York county, Pennsylvania. Mr. Vale settled on the land and made him a home. Soon after his settlement he was married to Miss Anna Bula, a native of Ireland, but a Quaker by religious faith. They had a family of six children, five sons and one daughter. William Vale, the youngest son of this family, lived on two hundred acres of this land—given him by his father—married him a wife, a Miss Anna Witherall, a native of Ireland and an adherent of the society of Friends. To this union there was born two sons and five daughters. William died in about 1842, on the farm on which he spent the whole of his life.

John Vale, the youngest son in this family, was born on the old homestead, where he lived until his death at the age of about thirty years. At the age of twenty-one he married a Miss Lydia Garretson, a native of Pennsylvania, but of English-German ancestry. This union was blessed with a family of four children; the subject of this sketch being the only survivor.

Jacob G. Vale was born in the western part of York county, Pennsylvania, July 7, 1821. He was but two months old at the time of his father's death. He was taken home by his maternal grandparent, after

whom he was named, and with whom he lived until about nine years of age and up to the time of the death of his grandfather. He was then taken by his mother's youngest brother, Daniel Garretson, with whom he lived until his nineteenth year.

Up to this time he had received a limited education in the common schools of his native place, and with this knowledge, in company with his brother, he emigrated to Jefferson county, Ohio, where he lived for eleven years. He attended school for a few terms when he was engaged as teacher in a district school. He next entered Pleasant Boarding School, under the management of the Society of Friends; where he continued for one year. After this, he was engaged as teacher for some twelve years, during which time, he perfected his previous imperfect knowledge of the higher scientific branches. For eight years of this time he served as principal of the Smithfield public school. During these years he studied law under the instruction of Edwin M. Stanton, late Secretary of War. He was admitted to the bar in 1844, in the District Court of Jefferson county, Ohio, and continued in practice in the several courts of that State until his removal to Iowa in 1850, after which he continued to practice, only as an accommodation to friends, until 1860, since which time he has devoted himself entirely to the care of his farm. W. H. Pusey, now of Council Bluffs, was educated in the same school and followed nearly the same course of life, with the exception of abandoning the profession to engage in banking instead of agriculture.

In relation to Mr. Vale as an advocate at the bar, Geo. F. Wright, of Council Bluffs, says it is useless for a city lawyer to go in the country and take up a case against him as the farmers believe every word he says.

In 1850 he moved to Lee county, Iowa, and engaged in agricultural pursuits. After several years hard toil he moved to Van Buren county and located on the farm where he now resides. In Lee county, in 1853, he was also a candidate on an independent ticket, but was beaten. In the fall of 1869,

he was solicited, by persons of both parties, to become a candidate for the State Senate, and was elected by a fair majority—being the only independent Senator in the Thirtieth General Assembly. In 1847 he was a candidate for the State Legislature in a democratic county in Ohio, and was beaten by only twenty-one votes.

He was married in 1847 to Miss Anne, daughter of Benjamin Rex, a wealthy Buckeye farmer. To this union was given a family of six children, three having crossed the mystic river.

Politically, Mr. Vale is a Republican of the abolitionist stamp. Religiously, he is a member of the Presbyterian church and is conscientious in the denomination of his choice. As a legislator, he attends faithfully to his duty—guards well the interests of his constituents and is devoted to the well-being of the State. Had we more such men in the council chamber, there would be more honesty and greater prosperity, as the crowning glory of our State and Nation.

IRA ELLIS DRAPER.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE.

Ira E. Draper is of English origin, his great grandfather having emigrated to America sometime previous to the Revolution. He settled in the State of Virginia, where John Draper was born, and lived until after his marriage, when he moved to Kentucky, where he lived until his removal to Indiana in about 1800. He was twice married, having a family of seven children by each wife. William H. Draper was the oldest child in the first family of John Draper. He is a native of Kentucky; was taken by his father to Indiana at the age of eleven, or twelve years. John Draper was a farmer and preacher; his son William followed the farming occupation of his father, and after his majority followed that occupation in Indiana. He was married in 1833, to Miss Nancy Means, a native of North Carolina, but for many years a resident of Indiana. In this family there were five children. Ira E. Draper being the

oldest, was born in Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana, January 4, 1834. He lived with his parents in the place of his nativity until his eleventh year, when he was taken by them to what was then known as the Indian Reserve, now in Howard county, and well improved, but then a wilderness, having to get their stores at Indianapolis, some fifty miles distant. In 1850 he accompanied his parents to Iowa, and settled in the southwest corner of Jasper county, where the town of Vandalia is now located. He labored on a farm until 1859, when he engaged as clerk in a store, until the year 1860, when he made a stampede for "Pike's Peak" gold mines, but failed to make his fortune, the fate of thousands, of like aspirations. In the fall of the same year he returned, and served a year as clerk. In the fall of 1861, he began merchandising on his own account, purchasing his first stock in Cincinnati. From this first start of \$2,000, he has now one of the largest farms in the county, owning nearly 1,000 acres of land, his taxes amounting to about \$800 per year. For several years he has been an extensive feeder of cattle, having now about 190 head, besides sixteen or twenty head of horses, and about 200 hogs. In the spring of 1871, he bought a residence in Prairie City, where he moved his family, and where he now lives, but still retains his store in Vandalia.

In the fall of 1863 he was married to Miss Amanda Pope, a native of Ohio, but a resident, from her infancy, of this State. A boy seven years old, and another seven months old, (in the spring of 1872,) comprise the family resulting from this union.

During his political life he has ever been a republican. He has held several local offices, nine years notary public, eleven years postmaster, besides other town offices. In the fall of 1871, he was elected to the State Legislature over Hon. C. Bundy, a former incumbent. After a spirited contest, and one of the most bitter ever waged in a local election, Mr. Draper came out triumphant. He made an active, a safe, and a profitable member. Being an expert and successful business man, he would conduct

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State of Iowa

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

Des Moines, Nov. 8th, 1871.

Hon. _____

Iowa.

DEAR SIR:

It has been the custom of each House, at the commencement of every session of the General Assembly, to cause to be prepared and published, a table, showing certain statistics in connection with the names of the members thereof. This is usually done in much haste, hence is frequently incorrect; especially in the orthography of names. In order to prevent errors of this kind, and to have the table in print at the commencement of the session, I transmit you this circular, with a request that you will fill up the blanks found below, and return to this office as soon as practical. You will please give the first name in full, and write plainly.

Name..... *Jacob G. Vale*
P. O. Address..... *Bonaparte*
County..... *Van Buren*
Occupation..... *Farmer*
Nativity..... *Pennsylvania*
Married or Single..... *Married*
Religion..... *United Presbyterian*
If in the Service; regiment and rank.....
Years in Iowa..... *Twenty two*
Age..... *Eighty*
Weight..... *165 lbs*

I send herewith a copy of the rules of last Session of the General Assembly, in which you will see the table above referred to.

Yours truly,

ED WRIGHT,

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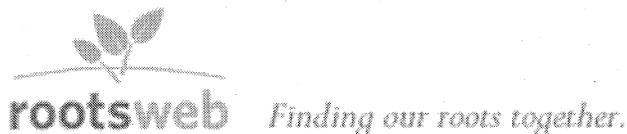
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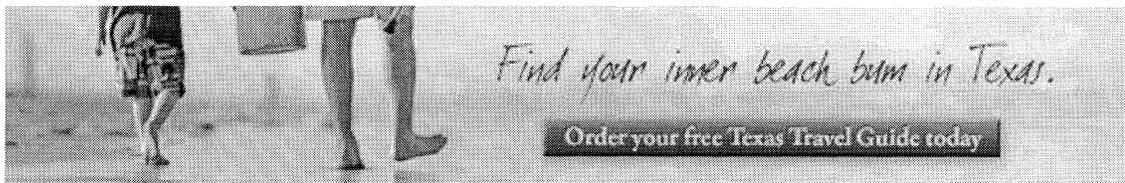
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- Name: **Jacob Garretson Vale**
- Given Name: Jacob Garretson
- Surname: Vale
- Sex: M
- _UID: 6C16769E08048F4EA44B5E42032C241374FA
- Change Date: 26 Feb 2008 ¹
- Birth: 7 JUL 1821 in "The Barrens", York County, Pennsylvania ¹
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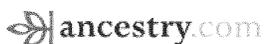


Father: [John Vale](#) b: 16 JUL 1792 in Warrington Township, York County, Pennsylvania

Mother: [Lydia Garretson](#) b: 11 JUN 1796 in Warrington, York County, Pennsylvania

Marriage 1 [Anne Rex](#) b: 25 SEP 1823 in near Jefferson, Greene County, Pennsylvania

- Married: ABT 31 MAR 1844 in Jefferson County, Ohio ¹

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Name: Jacob G. VALE
Given Name: Jacob G.
Surname: Vale
Sex: M
Birth: 7 Jul 1821 in Warrington, Bucks, Pennsylvania
Death: 17 Feb 1875 in , Lee, Iowa
Ancestral File #: 17S6-DST¹
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Father: [John VALE](#) b: 16 Jul 1792 in Warrington, Bucks, Pennsylvania
Mother: [Lydia Jane GARRETSON](#) b: 11 Jun 1796 in Warrington, Bucks, Pennsylvania

Marriage 1 [Anne REX](#) b: 25 Sep 1823 in Jefferson, Greene, Pennsylvania
Married: 31 Mar 1847 in , Jefferson, Ohio
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Children

[Benjamin Rex VALE](#) b: 4 Jun 1848 in Smithfield, Jefferson, Ohio
 [George Hussey VALE](#) b: 2 Oct 1850 in <Primrose, Lee, Iowa>
[VALE](#) b: 2 Oct 1850 in <Primrose, Lee, Iowa>
 [Lydia Anne VALE](#) b: 8 Nov 1853 in Primrose, Lee, Iowa
 [Mary Jane VALE](#) b: 15 Feb 1856 in <Primrose, Lee, Iowa>
 [Martha Margaret VALE](#) b: 10 Apr 1857 in Near Bonaparte, Van Buren, Iowa

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Born: 7 Jul 1821 **Place:** Warrington, York Co., Pa.
Died: 17 Feb 1875 **Place:** , Lee Co., Ia.
Married: 31 Mar 1847 **Place:** Jefferson Co. Oh

Father: John VALE (AFN:17S6-DN1)[Family](#)**Mother:** Lydia Jane GARRETSON (AFN:14XJ-VBX)**Wife's Name**Anne REX (AFN:QKNK-FK)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 25 Sep 1823 **Place:** Jefferson, Greene Co., Pa.
Died: 17 Jan 1904 **Place:** Bonapart, , Iowa
Married: 31 Mar 1847 **Place:** Jefferson Co. Oh

Father: Benjamin REX (AFN:QKNK-7J)[Family](#)**Mother:** Anne BARCLAY (AFN:QKNK-8P)**Children**1. **Sex Name****M** George Hussey VALE (AFN:1R6W-6KH)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 2 Oct 1850 **Place:** <Primrose Ia>
Died: 23 Oct 1850 **Place:**

2. **Sex Name****M** VALE (AFN:1R6W-6LP)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 2 Oct 1850 **Place:** <Primrose Ia>
Died: 2 Oct 1850 **Place:**

3. **Sex Name****F** Mary Jane VALE (AFN:1R6W-6N4)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 15 Feb 1856 **Place:** <Primrose Ia>
Died: 18 Feb 1856 **Place:**

4. **Sex Name****F** Martha Margaret VALE (AFN:1R6W-845)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 10 Apr 1857 **Place:** Bonapart Ia
Died: 13 Apr 1908 **Place:** Beaver Falls Pa

5. **Sex Name****M** Benjamin Rex VALE (AFN:1R6W-6J9)[Pedigree](#)

Born: 4 Jun 1848 **Place:** <Jefferson Co. Oh>

6. **Sex Name****F** Lydia Anne VALE (AFN:1R6W-6T5)[Pedigree](#)

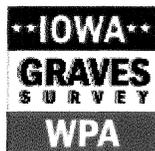
Born: 8 Nov 1853 **Place:** Primrose Ia
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