

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ Senator SARGENT, (Capt.)
Elbert Marion

Served for Black Hawk and Grundy counties

1. Birthday and place 8 March 1840, Felicity, Ohio in Champaign County, Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place
Mary E. (Mollie) Hartley (Wis. 6 January 1850-8 Oct. 1919), 8 November 1870, Felicity

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business merchant, private banking also involved with farming, stork raising, lumbering, milling.

B. Civic responsibilities GAR

C. Profession _____

4. Church membership Presbyterian

5. Sessions served 26GA, 1896, SD 37, Black Hawk & Grundy Co.

6. Public Offices

A. Local Felicity, Ohio city council 4 ywears; school board 6 years.
Grundy Center city council two terms; school board 15 years.

B. State Local militia Felicity and Co I, 22nd Ohio Vol (3 mo enlistement);
Capt. Co K, 59th Ohio

C. National _____

7. Death 7 January 1904, Grundy Center, Iowa, after illness of over one year.

8. Children (1) Fred M. New Paltz, NY; (2) Amon M. (18 Nov. 1876 -24 Feb. 1918),
Cleveland, Ohio; (3) (Emma) Grace (Nov. 1880 - 1947), Cedar Rapids; (4) Mary (- d. 1889)

9. Names of parents William R. Sargent (19 April 1806 - 3 May 1864);
Mary C. Wells (19 September 1812 - Grundy Center, 2 April 1883)

10. Education local schools, Felicity, until age 14

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

Elbert left school at age 14 to work for father and others in farming, stock raising, lumbering, milling, and storekeeping. ~~Spent time flatboating to New Orleans, and to Leavenworth, Kansas.~~

~~Became clerk in store in Felicity in 1858, and introduced first kerosene lighting to town. In 1860 he and older brother opened general store in Chilo, Ohio; and by November had moved it to Felicity. After firing on Fort Sumter, as he was part of local militia he and his unit signed up for 3 month hitch April 1861 (he was corporal) Part of regiment serving in West Virginia. Returned home after mustering out, he received commission as 2d Lt in 86th Ohio, but before serving he was commissioned as Captain and to recruit a company, which became Co. K, 59th Ohio. This unit was part of many battles in Tennessee and Georgia. His Colonel reported to War Department that Captain Sargent was "a man who could be relied upon in any emergency." By end of war he had commanded the regiment several months, but refused any promotion; also refused commission in regular army.~~

~~His father and the older brother had died during wartime. He engaged in mercantile business in Felicity, to support mother and siblings; from 1871 to 1874 he was partner with two younger brothers. Became partner in a private bank, 1874-1879. Was Republican candidate for county treasurer 1877.~~

~~Moved to Iowa April 1879, and to Grundy Center in October 1879. Had owned farm land near Conrad, Iowa, from 1859, which he owned at time of his death. IN 1877 he and brothers had started in mercantile business in Grundy Center, which burned. He came there from Ohio 1879 to help rebuild business, and continued with it until he retired in 1896.~~

~~Candidate for representative in 1893. Republican state central committeeman from area 1899-1903. Never missed caucus or convention after 1872, if he could help it. Attended many party national conventions; was alternate delegate in 1896 and delegate in 1900.~~

~~Charter member of Grundy Center GAR post; first senior vice-commander; later commander, and for 15 years was quartermaster.~~

~~Survived by wife, two sons, one daughter, two brothers and two sisters.~~

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
Stork/Clingan, Legislators		x	sessions served
Grundy Republican, Thur 7 Jan 1904		x	dying
" Thur 14 Jan 1904		x	death, obit
Grundy County Democrat, Thur 14 Jan 1904		x	"
GAR Post #71 Records		x	bio
Ancestors & Descendants of Isaac Sargent			
	x		
Darnell, James Srgent of Md & Ohio		x	listing father & Elbert
Past & Present Jasper, Marshall & Grundy Co 1894			
	x		
WPA records GGrundy Co.--Rose Hill Cem.		x	Elbert, wf, and infnat dau
1880 Census	x		
1900 Census Grundy Co. 45/13/66		x	Elbert, wf and daughter

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Portrait

SARGENT, E. M.



THE OLD RELIABLE



Absolutely Pure
THERE IS NO SUBSTITUTE

Thursday, January 7, 1904.

Smoke Martin's Big Head 5c cigar.
Concert Friday night.
Reserve seats for Sweeney Jan. 12.
McCall Patterns at Bigelow's.
Bargains in underwear at Laybourn's.
M. A. Buchan is in Des Moines this week.
Oysters—fresh ones—at Hopkins'.
Mr. and Mrs. Mumper entertained relatives at New Years dinner.
Louis George went to Iowa City Wednesday to have his eyes treated.
Mrs. Geo. Morrison will entertain a party of young ladies this evening.
Storm sash and storm doors at very reasonable prices. C. L. KINNEY.
T. Hayes Robinson, mandolin virtuoso at Baptist church Friday night.
The Kings Daughters will meet with Mrs. Curkeet next Tuesday at 2 p. m.
Shoes on our Bargain counter from 29 cents up. Geo. A. Laybourn & Co.
Little Margaret Becker, who has been quite sick, is at present very much better.
Don't forget the mandolin and banjo concert at the Baptist church Sunday night.
A baby girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tschirgi last Thursday morning.
On page 2 of this issue will be found a full account of the great Chicago theater fire.
A party of young people enjoyed themselves at the J. F. Lynn home Wednesday night.
Henry Kramer held the lucky number that got the water set given away by N. W. Reynolds.
On Saturday, Jan. 9th our regular 6 cent manila we will sell for 4 cents. Geo. A. Laybourn & Co.
We are obliged to omit until next week the report of the meeting of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Co.
H. K. Snively, District Deputy, went to Reinbeck Wednesday to install officers of the Odd Fellows lodge.
Master Geo. M. Williamson has been very sick the past week with kidney trouble. He is better at present.
The Spoor trophy was won by the Ames college boys. Earl Stout of Grundy county, was a member of the team.

Captain Sargent is slowly dying at his home in this place. It is now only a question of a few moments. As we go to press his death is expected at any moment

Reserve seats for Sweeney Jan. 12.
The tax levy for 1903 is \$187,260.38.
An outing flannel at 4 cents this week at Laybourn's.
Concert at Baptist church Friday night.
A few pieces of flannelettes we are closing out at 6 cents. Geo. A. Laybourn & Co.
Joe Elliott is quite sick throat-ned with pneumonia.
New York sweet cidor at Hopkins'
John Gaffey is being treated for an abcess on his right hand.
Frost for photos.
The number of victims of the Iriquois theater now numbers 591.
New York sweet cidor by the glass, quart or gallon at Hopkins'

The whist club met with Dr. and Mrs. Lynn New Years night.
Dr. McCracken, Registered Osteopathic Physician, Office over First National Bank. Consultation free.
Chas. Kelley is now conducting the billiard hall on Main and Depot streets.
Miss Kate Lynch, who has been quite sick since her sister's death, is much better.
There is a good deal of sickness throughout the county such as tonsillitis and pneumonia.
E. G. Ensminger's horse ran away Wednesday and spilled him out of his buggy, but he was not seriously hurt.
Ira Wilson of Fairfield and Geo. Wilson of Cedar Falls were in town Tuesday.
Outing flannel gowns at low prices at Laybourn's.
We can save you money on your winter reading. Come in and get prices on papers and magazines taken with THE REPUBLICAN.

F. J. Sessions was taken sick last week at Des Moines while attending the meeting of the State Teachers Association.
THE GRUNDY REPUBLICAN, Lippen-cotts magazine and the Cosmopolitan one year for \$1.30.
The curfew will ring tonight just after the clock strikes 9. Give the kids orders to be at home before the marshal gets them.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Hurdertmark died Monday of lung fever and was buried Wednesday in the Lincoln cemetery.

For Sale.
Poland China male pigs. Three miles east of Grundy Center.
D. S. DRAKE.

Lon McDonald, who works for L. E. Stuck, was called home to Marshalltown Saturday to care for his brother and father who are sick.

As we go to press the foreign dispatches indicate that the conflict between Russia and Japan will soon be on. It is only a question of who strikes the first blow.

An article on "Christian burial in the Catholic church," by Father Hogan were unable to get it into type in time for this issue. It will appear next week.

Stray Notice

Coming!

J. Hayes
ROBINSON
WORLD'S FAMOUS
MANDOLINIST

Refined, Finished and Up-to-Date
The Minneapolis Tribune says, "He has no peer upon the instrument of his choice and as a baritone he has no superior."

At the
Baptist Church
FRIDAY EVENING JAN. 8
at 8 o'clock
Admission 15 and 25 cents

Merrill Parks Wedding

On New Years eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Morrill occurred the marriage of their daughter Alice to Mr. Henry Martin Parks of Creston. A company of near friends and relatives were present to witness the ceremony.

Promptly at 6 o'clock Miss Myrtle Morrill took her place at the piano and the bridal party came in to the strains of a wedding march.

Dr. Storms, president of the Iowa State College, in a very impressive manner, performed the ceremony which made them man and wife, after which those present advanced to pour upon them their hearty congratulations.

The bride was beautifully dressed in a white silk crepon, and carried a bouquet of white roses. The groom wore the customary black. The decorations were in green and white, pines, holly, mistletoe, carnations and narcissus. Lighted tapers added a softened glow to the rooms. After the ceremony the guests from the college joined in giving the customary "yells" for Mr. and Mrs. Parks and Dr. Storms, ending with the old college yell. The company were then seated to a bountiful five course dinner.

Many beautiful and useful presents were left as expressions of good will which all bore toward them. The guests departed at an early hour wishing that the happiness of the New Year might be theirs through all their wedded years.

Mr. Parks has the position of assistant professor in the Mining Engineering Department at I. S. C. where he is widely known for his integrity of character. Mrs. Parks, having lived here all her life needs no introduction. We all know her worth to know her is to win a friend. She will finish her year's work as Prof. of Domestic Science at I. S. C. Their many friends on the campus join with those at their homes in wishing them the best of prosperity.

The guests from out of town were Dr. A. B. Storms of Ames, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Parks of Creston, Mrs. McMannus of Fredona, N. Y., Miss Hattie Pike, Olin, Iowa, Miss Ruth Morrison, Hedrick, Iowa, Mr. R. Dumphy, Ames, Mr. N. C. Rew, Corydon, Iowa, and Mr. McCullough, Oskaloosa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Snively entertained at dinner New Years day

CURFEW PASSES

City Council Passes Curfew Ordinance Monday Night.—Keiter Appointed Assessor
Council met at 7:30 p. m. Jan. 4, 1904. Mayor and members all present except Lamb and Koons.
Minutes read and approved.
Treasurer's report for December approved and ordered placed on file.
Resignation of E. V. McBroom as assessor read and accepted and Chas. I. Keiter was elected to fill vacancy.
Resignation of Chas. I. Keiter as city clerk was read and accepted to take effect Jan. 30
C. E. Butler was elected city clerk to fill vacancy.
On suggestion of fire chief J. F. Essig the fire committee was authorized to purchase an expander and three couplings for the use of fire company.
The curfew ordinance was taken up and passed on its second reading. By suspension of rules the ordinance was taken up and passed on its third reading and ordered published in the GRUNDY REPUBLICAN.
Election judges for the Interurban franchise election were selected as follows: J. R. Lamb, E. A. Cray and E. H. Dodd. Lee Koons was also selected as one of the clerks.

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A silkline suitable for comfortable for 7 cents at Laybourn's.

ORDINANCE NO. 35

An ordinance prohibiting persons under seventeen years of age from being on the streets, alleys or public places of the town of Grundy Center, Iowa, after certain hours of night.

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Incorporated Town of Grundy Center, Iowa:

Section 1 That it shall be unlawful for any person under the age of seventeen years to be abroad upon the streets, alleys or public places in the Town of Grundy Center, Iowa, between the hours of nine p. m. and six o'clock a. m. from October 1st to April 1st and between nine thirty o'clock p. m. and five thirty o'clock a. m. from April 1st to October of each year unless accompanied by his or her parent or guardian or by some one of lawful age appointed by such parent or guardian having such minor in charge, or unless upon some errand by permission of the said parent, guardian or employer.

Section 2 Any person violating any of the provisions of the first section hereof shall be subject to arrest by the town marshal; and upon such arrest such person shall be taken and delivered into the hands of the parent, guardian or employer of such person.

Up to a second or any subsequent arrest, such offender shall be taken before the mayor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five dollars.

Notice of the hours of nine and nine thirty o'clock as herein before specified shall be given in such a manner as shall be determined by the council from time to time.

To take effect on and after its publication in the GRUNDY COUNTY RE-PUBLICAN.

Adopted Jan. 12, 1904
Attest:
C. I. KEITER, W. R. LYNN,
Clerk Mayor

Sale on outing flannels all this week at Laybourn's.

Mr. Albert Writz of Salisbury, Pa., and Miss Emma Randolph of this city left Thursday Dec. 31, for Pittsburg where they are to be joined in marriage Jan. 6, 1904 at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. James Wlyner, uncle and aunt of the bride. Miss Randolph has lived near Pittsburg until 1897 when she came to Grundy county with her parents. Since her arrival in Grundy Center she has made many warm friends. The groom came from a very highly respected family of Salisbury where he has always lived. Mr.

Captain E. M. Sargent



Born March 8, 1840. Died January 7, 1904

The funeral services of the late Capt. Elbert Marion Sargent were held Monday after-noon.

A short service was held at the home at 1:30 followed by service at the Presbyterian church at 2:30.

A large number of people crowded the church to pay their last tribute to the deceased.

The floral offerings were most beautiful and elaborate; every organization with which the family was connected tributed some floral token of their sympathy for the bereaved and respect for the departed.

The music rendered at the services consisted of: "Some Sweet Day," "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me," "Crossing the Bar," "O Morning Land," and "Lead Kindly Light."

Rev. E. E. Hastings spoke in eloquent terms of the deceased and we have been permitted to give his words in full, as follows:

"In a former service I have endeavored to express to the loved ones who are today called upon to mourn such spiritual consolation as suggested itself to me from the comforting words of David in the twenty-third Psalm.

Inasmuch as this more public service is so largely attended by the friends and admirers of the late E. M. Sargent it seems to me eminently proper that I should seek to voice in a measure the sentiment of the community as I have been able to gather it. I should carefully avoid extravagant eulogy on this occasion even were I competent to eulogize the dead. Captain Sargent expressed the desire for simplicity and plainness in at least one particular connected with this service that I am aware of, and I am sure nothing would be more thoroughly distasteful to him, could he know it, than unwarranted and extravagant statements concerning his virtues and his deeds. He was a man who loved the truth and he would wish it spoken no place more than here. The facts of his life which I may refer to have been obtained from those who were best qualified to give them. The estimate of his character which I shall endeavor to express is mainly gathered from the tributes which his friends have volunteered to me in the weeks

himself the long business career in which he was so eminently successful.

The times in which he lived were feverish with excitement as the North and the South girded their loins for the approaching conflict. It was a critical period in the lives of young men and Captain Sargent's experience was that of many another liberty loving youth. His family were pronounced anti-slavery sympathizers and the Captain himself was a corporal in a local militia company.

When Ft. Sumter was fired upon he promptly left his business and volunteered for the three months service, his company being mustered in April 23, 1861, as Company "I" of the 22nd Ohio Volunteers. At the expiration of his term he returned home and after a few months received a commission as 2nd lieutenant in the 89th Ohio. Before being mustered in with that regiment however he was commissioned as captain in the 50th Ohio on August 14, 1862, and ordered to recruit a company. This he did and was mustered into that regiment in September, 1862, as captain of Co. "K." In this command he served to the end of the war, taking part in nearly all of the important engagements of the army of the Cumberland, including the battle of Stone River, Chickamauga, the Siege of Chattanooga, the storming of Missionary Ridge, the relief of Knoxville, the 100 days Atlanta campaign, the battle and capture of Atlanta and the final victory of Thomas at the battle of Nashville. He was entrusted on a number of occasions with difficult and important commands. At the close of the war he had been for some months in command of all that was left of his regiment. He refused promotion and also declined a captain's commission in the regular army. He was mustered out of service June 28, 1865.

The war being ended, Captain Sargent returned to his home and re-entailed business. He continued in the mercantile business until 1874, taking into partnership his two younger brothers. He then entered the private banking business with Capt. John L. Watson in which partnership he continued for five years.

He was a charter member of Wilson Post, No. 71, G. A. R. and its first senior vice-commander. He was later commander and for over fifteen years quartermaster of the Post.

He died at his home in Grundy Center, Iowa, on January 7, 1904, aged 63 years and 10 months.

Some years ago a fellow townsman while in the city of Washington, D. C., took advantage of the opportunity to investigate the official army records of a number of his old comrades in the late war. And there he found in the official report of Capt. Sargent's colonel of the War Department that "Capt. Sargent is a man who can be relied upon in any emergency." It seems to me this can be taken as the key note of his entire life. To him every day was an emergency and every day he could be depended upon. Every day of his life called for the best that was in him.

When the nation needed him he gave himself to its support. He was a loyal soldier in times of war and he was an enthusiastic supporter of the organization of old soldiers, the Grand Army of the Republic. His army experiences were fondly cherished and in the days of his illness his mind sometimes wandered away from the quiet of the home to the stirring scenes of camp and field. One by one the heroes of that great struggle are passing to the great beyond. And I recognize the sadness that is in the hearts of these remaining comrades as they follow the clay of their fellow soldier to the grave.

When the war was over Capt. Sargent came home with the conviction firmly wrought in his heart that the country that was worth facing death for was none the less worth living for. He realized that patriotic service is just as real and just as necessary in times of peace as in times of war, though it may assume a somewhat different form. He understood that the hope of a nation lies first of all in its manhood. His own life was clean and pure and wholly above reproach. Temperate in his habits, elevated in his thinking, as pure as a woman in his speech, he was the embodiment of upright manhood.

He served his town in responsible positions, both in Ohio and Iowa. He was fearless in discharge of his duties as a citizen. Some years ago as foreman of the county grand jury he was chiefly instrumental in bringing into the court nearly a score of indictments against illicit liquor dealers, an almost unprecedented thing. He was a partisan in politics but thoroughly conscientious in his convictions. As a state senator he brought to the problems of the general assembly in which he served an intelligent grasp of the issues at stake plus a sense of duty to his constituency that would not permit him to depart from the right as he conceived it. He was independent of the powerful influences of the lobby and in two marked instances gave evidence of the fact, one where he voted in the interest of the employes of a great railroad system in a controverted issue between the railroad and its employes, the other where he stubbornly opposed any and all efforts to enact more liberal liquor laws in the interest of manufacturers and dealers. Had he lived his life and his talents were bestowed on him by choosing him to other places of public trust for which his native talent so conspicuously fitted him.

commanding in his exterior he was notwithstanding tender and kind. He won his friends with ease and grappled them to his soul with hooks of steel. He maintained his dignity but was a stranger to egotism. He exercised charity for the opinions of others but clung tenaciously to his own convictions.

To say he was without faults would be as unjust to his memory as it would be untrue to fact. He shared with humanity at large the fallibility and the likelihood of error that belongs to the race. But his mistakes were of the head and not the heart. And because his mistake was a conscientious mistake he clung to it with the same tenacity that he held to a correct judgment and only surrendered it when he was thoroughly convinced of his error.

Because of the apparent strength of his personality the speaker frankly confesses that in the beginning he stood in great awe of Capt. Sargent, but when as a pastor he came into more intimate relations with him he grew to appreciate and admire him with others of his host of friends.

And now for myself, let me say that which most of all I delight to bear witness of. As his pastor I may say that Capt. Sargent believed thoroughly in God and loved the Lord Jesus Christ. He many times expressed himself either to me or to members of his family, and couched his hope to his physician that he might live a few days more, in the beautiful and expressive language of the christian heart, "if the Lord permit." He murmured not against the fatal malady that held him in its grasp. He once said he was thankful for the small amount of pain that he had suffered up to that time. He recognized the year and one month he was permitted to live after his being smitten upon the street as an evidence of God's graciousness to him. In his last hours of consciousness he testified that the comfort which Jesus was to him was the only thing that enabled him to endure.

Capt. Sargent was not afraid of death. He had faced it too often amid the shock of battle and in the life of the camp to be terrified by its approach. But like the sound man of judgment that he was he believed in making preparation for the great change. He understood death was a momentous crisis in one's experience. He was not willing to have it take him unawares. In spite of all the virtues which he possessed he did not trust to his own righteousness but confided entirely to the merits of Jesus Christ. Today while we mourn he is in the presence of the Christ. His pain has passed. His pilgrimage is ended. He has had an abundant entrance into his great reward. As we mourn today we have the consolations of his faith, and in the near or distant future when our summons come, may our passing be as victorious as was his.

At the close of the address by Rev. E. E. Hastings the G. A. R. held their burial service in honor of their departed brother, concluding with the long roll on muffled drums, and the remains were then taken to Rose Hill cemetery for burial.

WHEREAS: The resper death has visited the home and claimed as his own our comrade, Capt. E. M. Sargent, therefore

Resolved by Wilson Post No. 71, Dept.

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This well filled house is in itself an eloquent tribute. There is a recognition here to-day that a life valuable to the community and the state has gone out. I have been astonished at the very deep interest that was expressed to me from all quarters in Mr. Sargent's condition during his last illness. It would appear that his taking off was in many instances accounted a personal calamity. His circle of friends was large. His many sided activities, in business, politics and in social life brought him into touch with a large number of people. He had more than a state-wide acquaintance. And from many widely separated places on the map have come letters and telegrams, all telling one story of personal sorrow; all bearing testimony to one attitude of mind toward the deceased, that of highest admiration for his virtues and his talents.

Captain Sargent was exceedingly fortunate in his ancestry. He came into a goodly heritage with respect to birth. The blood of the sturdy Scotchman and the enterprising Englishman mingled in his veins. I have it from the letter of an old friend, writing in the confidence of friendship shortly before the Captain's death to a relative of the Captain but not of his immediate family, that in the opinion of the writer "Elbert always filled the place of his father" who was a man conspicuous for his "just, honorable and upright manhood."

Born in 1840 in the town of Felicity, Ohio, the second son of William R. and Mary C. (Wells) Sargent. Mr. Sargent attended the local schools of his native town until he was fourteen years of age when he engaged in the more practical trials of life. His venturesome and undimmed spirit led him to make extended trips south and west, once as a flat boat hand to New Orleans and again to Leavenworth, Kansas.

On his return to Felicity he engaged as a clerk in a store and in 1860 he formed a partnership with his brother at Felicity, Ohio, in the general mercantile business and there began for

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In April, 1879, Capt. Sargent moved to Iowa and in October of the same year brought his family to Grundy Center. Twenty years earlier he had made his first investment in Iowa land, trading a horse for 80 acres near the present town of Conrad, which he still owned at the time of his death. Several times before his removal from Ohio he made trips through Iowa. In 1877 he assisted his two brothers in locating in Grundy Center and starting the firm of Sargent Brothers. After the fire of January, 1879, which destroyed their building Capt. Sargent came west and assisted in rebuilding and thereafter engaged with the firm in the mercantile business, retiring in 1896.

During this time Capt. Sargent served two terms in the city council and fifteen consecutive years on the school board in Grundy Center. He was a candidate for representative in 1893 and was elected state senator in 1895, serving in the senate during the 26th General Assembly in both the regular session and the special code-revision session of 1897. In 1899 he was elected state central committeeman from the fifth district and was re-elected in 1901, retiring in June, 1903. He was active in politics, esteeming political work both a pleasure and a duty, never missing a caucus or a convention if he could help it. He attended most of the republican national conventions since 1876 and was an alternate at St. Louis in 1896 and a delegate to Philadelphia in 1900.

Capt. Sargent was married Nov. 8, 1870, at Felicity, Ohio, to Mary E. Hartley, daughter of Richard and Hannah Hartley. To them were born four children: two sons born in Ohio and two daughters born in Iowa. Of this family, wife, daughter and sons survive him, also two brothers and two sisters.

He joined the Presbyterian church in February, 1868, and after his removal to Iowa transferred his membership to the First Presbyterian church in Grundy Center to which he remained a member until his death.

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The business interests of the community will feel a distinct loss in the death of Capt. Sargent. In addition to the long years of his active business career as a merchant, in which he exhibited rare judgment and in which he employed the most honorable methods, he was one of the original stock holders and a member of the first board of directors of the Grundy County National Bank and he continued as a director from the time of his first election. Upon the death of J. S. King, first vice-president of this bank Capt. Sargent was elected to fill the vacancy and he also continued in that office to the time of his death. Capt. Sargent mingled in himself a fine combination of conservatism and progressiveness. He was careful to be sound in his judgments but he was withal fully abreast of the times.

Capt. Sargent lived in the most interesting period of our nation's history and singularly touched in his life in one way or another many of the things which have marked the growth of this great nation. He lived early enough to know and remember his grandparents who poured into his eager ears stirring stories of the days immediately following the American revolution. He was a young man in the exciting ante-bellum days. He participated in the greatest struggle of modern times. He witnessed the unrivalled growth and progress of our American civilization. As a clerk in a grocery store he introduced the first kerosene lamp into his native town of Felicity, Ohio. In his later years he was closely identified with the electric lighting plant of our town. He came into the middle west in the years when its marvelous wealth was just beginning to be appreciated. He entered into the spirit of the rising west and left his indelible mark of influence on the town, county, and state where he has lived for the last twenty-five years.

He was a man of striking appearance and a man of high individuality. He was all his own. Apparently severe and

shock of battle and in the life of the camp to be terrified by its approach. But like the sound man of judgment that he was he believed in making preparation for the great change. He understood death was a momentous crisis in one's experience. He was not willing to have it take him unawares. In spite of all the virtues which he possessed he did not trust to his own righteousness but confided entirely to the merits of Jesus Christ. Today while we mourn he is in the presence of the Christ. His pain has passed. His pilgrimage is ended. He has had an abundant entrance into his great reward. As we mourn today we have the consolations of his faith, and in the near or distant future when our summons come, may our passing be as victorious as was his."

At the close of the address by Rev. E. E. Hastings the G. A. R. held their burial service in honor of their departed brother, concluding with the long roll on muffled drums, and the remains were then taken to Rose Hill cemetery for burial.

WHEREAS: The reaper death has visited the home and claimed as his own our comrade, Capt. E. M. Sargent, therefore

Resolved by Wilson Post No. 71, Dept. of Iowa G. A. R. that in the death of Capt. E. M. Sargent the Post has lost one of its oldest and most valuable and efficient members.

That the Grand Army has lost an officer of the Union army, distinguished for his valor in many of the most important battles of the war; his country a high-minded and distinguished citizen and the community one of its most public spirited members, whose death is greatly mourned.

That the comrades of the Post extend to the widow and the family of the deceased our heartfelt sympathy in the bereavement and would console them with the reflection that our late comrade had already filled a large and honorable place in the affairs of his country.

That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Post and a copy be furnished to the family and that they be published in the county papers.

Respectfully submitted,
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S. H. KNAPP, }
Attest: C. W. REYNOLDS, Com.
(J. D. BURNS, Adj't.

On Saturday, January 16th we will cut the selling price half in two on every piece of fur in stock. Geo. A. Laybourn & Co.

Frost for photos.

The Palmer-Hubbard Co. of Independence and Waterloo, Iowa, have taken on the Sperry creamery taking possession Jan. 1st. The company comes well recommended. Cream will be paid for every fifteen days. First payment will be made Feb. 1st and every fifteen days thereafter. The Palmer-Hubbard Co. are the largest manufacturers of butter in the state and also handle about 25,000 cases of eggs annually. The company's creamery at Waterloo is considered one of the most modern plants in the west. Mr. J. H. Parsons will have charge of the business here. Mr. Parsons is one of the stockholders of the company and comes to us highly recommended.

GRUNDY CENTER, IOWA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1904.

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PASSING OF CAPT. E. M. SARGENT.

His Death last Thursday Removed one of the Most Prominent Men of Central Iowa.

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The services were conducted by Rev. Hastings who delivered a splendid eulogy on the life of Capt. Sargent. The church was unable to hold all who applied for admission.

At the close of the regular church services Wilson Post of G. A. R. held a special service. Capt. Sargent's war record was read after which the commander of the post, Mr. C. W. Reynolds delivered a short address.

Sargent's early life was passed in his native town. He attended the local schools until 14 years old, at which time the inclination toward mechanical affairs asserted itself and he left school to go to work. During the next four or five years he worked for his father and others in various occupations such as farming, stock raising, bookbinding, milling and store-keeping—thus acquiring a varied and thorough education in business affairs. He declined opportunities to attend higher schools and colleges. His initiative and venturesome disposition showed itself even during this period, leading him to make extended trips to the south and west—once as a flat-boat hand to New Orleans and back, and again to Leavenworth, Kansas.

Returning to kinship he became a clerk in a grocery store when about 18 years of age. While so employed he introduced the first kerosene lamp into the town.

In the summer of 1860 he formed a partnership with his older brother under the firm name of Sargent & Brother and opened a general store at Ohio, O. On the night of Lincoln's first election they moved their store back to Feltcity where the business was continued until after the war.

During the years preceding the war Mr. Sargent's family were strong and active anti-slavery sympathizers and joined the Republican party in the early days of its existence. He took an active part in the first Lincoln campaign though not yet old enough to cast a vote.

When Ft. Sumter was fired upon Mr. Sargent was a corporal in a militia company at Feltcity. He at once left his business and volunteered for the three months service, his company being mustered in on April 23rd, 1861, as Company "I" of the 22nd Ohio volunteers, which regiment saw

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During this time Capt. Sargent served two terms in the city council and fifteen consecutive years on the school board in Grundy Center. He was a candidate for Representative in 1883 and was elected state senator in 1895, serving in the senate during the 26th General Assembly both regular session and the special code-revision session of 1897. In 1899 he was elected State Central Committeeman from the fifth district and was re-elected in 1901 retiring in June 1903. He was active in politics esteeming political work both a pleasure and a duty, never missing a caucus or a convention if he could help it. He attended most of the Republican national conventions since 1876, was alternate at St. Louis in 1885 and a delegate to Philadelphia in 1900.

Captain Sargent was married November 5th 1870 at Feltcity, Ohio to Mary E. Hartley, daughter of Richard and Hannah Hartley. To them were born four children, two sons born in Ohio and two daughters born in Iowa. Of this family his wife, a daughter and two sons survive him; also two brothers and two sisters.

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When the wind whistles you can whistle
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Now is a Good Time to Prepare
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Winter Underwear
We have the kind
That Keeps You Warm.

The Cygnus' are the best. We
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With ever purchase you have a chance
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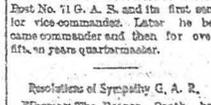
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NEW HARNESS SHOP

I have again opened up a harness shop in Holland and
invite my old customers and new ones to call and
see me. My stock is new and as big as any in Grundy
county.

Harness

Blankets
Robes
Whips
New stock. Low prices

I Make a Specialty of
Repair Work

Yours for Good Treatment
HENRY SINN
Holland, Iowa

Car of Portland Cutters

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED
A CAR OF PORTLAND CUT-
TERS, THE BEST ON THE
MARKET. A BIG SHIPMENT
OF THREE-KNEE BOB AND
OSCILATOR SLEIGHS.
NONE BETTER MADE

DIRKS BROS.

As the firm of Messrs. Evans & David-
son, who have been in business for over 40
years, either by sale or lease,
Holland, Iowa, at the residence of

The scene at the church where the
members of the G. A. R. looked
for the last time on the remains of their
veteran brother was touching in the
extreme and evoked the strong ties
of friendship that bind to each other
the soldiers of '61 to '65.

The members of the G. A. R. as a
guard of honor escorted the remains to
Bona Hill cemetery where the final
obsequies were held. The pall bear-
ers were Geo. Child, Daniel Kerr, C.
Reynolds, E. A. Allison, S. B. Bay-
zard, R. H. Finney, E. S. Beck-
man and M. A. Buchan.

The business houses in the city
were closed during the time of the
funeral service and the flag over the
building occupied by the G. A. R.
hoisted at half mast.

Telegrams of condolence were re-
ceived from all sections of the coun-
try. Secretary L. M. Shaw and Congress-
man Cousins were among the first to
send words of sympathy to the be-
trayed family. Senator Wm. B. Allison
in a touching letter next week
of condolence immediately upon being
apprised of Capt. Sargent's death.

Those from abroad who were pre-
sent at the funeral services were J. W.
Sargent, Omaha, Nebraska; Mr. and
Mrs. E. H. Wilcox, W. L. Coleman
and W. R. Boyd, Cedar Rapids; G.
H. Struble, Toledo; Miss Nellie Wat-
son, Conrad; E. W. Ladage, Waterloo;
Wm. H. Geo. Old and wife Glad-
brook; J. D. Harrison, C. J. Adams,
and W. W. Dewolf, Des Moines.

Edward Marion Sargent was born in
the town of Pellety, Clermont coun-
ty, Ohio, on March 18th, 1824, and died
at his home in Grundy Center, Iowa,
on January 7th, 1904, being 80 years
and 10 months old.

He was the second of the seven chil-
dren of William E. Sargent, a success-
ful merchant and miller and honor-
ed citizen of Pellety. His mother's
name was Mary C. Wells. His
grandparents, on both sides, were
pioneers of English and Scotch descent.

He had earned the money to buy
Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania,
about 1850, to make new homes in the
Ohio Valley and had been prominent
in the occupation of two years in the
business of the town of Pellety.

active service in West Virginia. At
the expiration of his term he returned
home and after a few months re-
ceived a commission as 2nd lieutenant
in the 80th Ohio. Before being must-
ered in with that regiment he was
commissioned a captain in the 50th
Ohio on Aug. 14th, 1862, and ordered
to recruit a company. This he did
and was mustered into that regiment
in September, 1862, as captain of Com-
pany "K." In this command he ser-
ved to the end of the war taking part
in nearly all the important engage-
ments of the Army of the Cumberland
in the decisive battles of Stones River,
Chickamauga, the siege of Chattan-
ooga, the storming of Missionary
Ridge, the Battle of Knoxville, the
one hundred days Atlanta Campaign,
the battle and capture of Atlanta and
the final victory of Thomas at the
battle of Nashville.

After the battle of Stones River his
colonel reported to the war depart-
ment that Captain Sargent was "a
man who could be relied upon in any
emergency." This high reputation
was maintained throughout his service,
being entrusted on several occasions
with difficult and important com-
mands, but declining promotion. At
the close of the war he had been for
some months in command of all that
was left of his regiment and refused a
captain's commission in the regular
army. He was mustered out June
28th, 1865.

Returning home Captain Sargent
entered business life again. His
father had died during the war and
shortly after his close his older brother
also passed away, leaving him the
majority of the family consisting
then of his mother and four younger
brothers and sisters. His continued
in the mercantile business taking in-
to partnership in 1871 his two younger
brothers. In 1874 he closed out and
entered the private banking business
with Capt. John L. Watson, in which
partnership he continued for five years.

During these years of residence in
Pellety Capt. Sargent served on the
town council for four years and on the
school board for six years and was Re-
publican in politics. In April, 1879, Capt. Sargent moved
to Iowa and in October of the same

year he brought his family to Grundy
Center. Twenty years earlier he made
his first investment in Iowa land,
buying a farm for eighty acres near
the present town of Grundy, which he
sold about the time of his marriage.
Several times before his removal from
Ohio he had made trips through Iowa.
In 1877 he established his home here
in locating in Grundy Center and
closing the firm of Sargent & Watson.
After the death of Mr. Watson, he
destroyed their building. Capt. Sar-
gent's care was not limited in re-
building and thereafter engaged with
the firm in the mercantile business in
Grundy Center until 1882.

During this time Capt. Sargent ser-
ved two terms in the city council and five
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board in Grundy Center. He was a
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(J. D. BURNS, ad.)
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Presbyterian Notes,
The collection next Sunday will be
a special collection. It will be the
occasion of taking the annual offering
for the Board of Aid for colleges.
Last year we gave to this Board the
sum of \$15.00. It is hoped we shall do
as well for this year. Let
every one come prepared.

Mr. Charles Rogers led the Prayer
Meeting very acceptable this week in
the absence of the pastor. The Prayer
meeting was held Wednesday night in-
stead of Thursday owing to the lecture
of General Sweeney.

The pastor is in Chicago. He wants
for the purpose of bringing Mrs. Han-
tings home who has been in the Pres-
byterian hospital in that city for a
month.

Six persons were received into mem-
bership four on confession of their
faith in Christ and two by letter.

The names of the entire com-
munion of the church goes out to the
members of the family of the late
Capt. E. M. Sargent. Mr. Sargent
fell asleep Thursday, January 7th.
He had been a Christian for many
years and was a member of the
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Notice to Settle
As the firm of Messrs. Evans & David-
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BERNARD MURPHY, STATE PRINTER
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The bill was read for information.

Senator Lambert moved that the rule be suspended, and that the reading just had be considered its third reading, which motion prevailed.

On the question, Shall the bill pass?

The yeas were:

Senators Bleakly, Brooks, Courtright, Dowell, Dunnam, Eckles, Elerick, Ericson, Gale, Garst, Gilliland, Hayward, Hopkins, Hughes, Jackson, Jones, Kinne, Lambert, Lewis, Lyons, Maytag, Molsberry, Newberry, Saunders, Smith of Des Moines, Smith of Mitchell, Spaulding, Stirton, Stookey, Stuckslager, Taylor, Warren, Whipple, Wilson of Fayette, Wilson of Clinton, Winne, Young of Calhoun, Young of Washington—38.

The nays were:

None.

Absent or not voting:

Senators Bruce, Crawford, Crossley, Harper, Hartshorn, Hasselquist, Hogue, Jamison, Kimmel, Turner, Wade, Young of Lee—12.

So the bill, having received a constitutional majority, was declared to have passed the Senate and its title agreed to.

The President announced that he had signed in the presence of the Senate, House files Nos. 316, 248, 180, 245, 141, 335, 361, 362.

Senator Courtright, from the committee appointed to prepare resolutions in memory of the late Senator E. M. Sargent of Grundy county, submitted the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT—Your committee appointed to prepare and submit resolutions in memory of the late Senator E. M. Sargent of Grundy county, beg leave to submit the following:

WHEREAS, Honorable Elbert Marion Sargent, a member of this body in both the regular and extra session of the Twenty-sixth General Assembly, departed this life at his home in Grundy Center, Grundy county, Iowa, on the 7th day of January, A. D. 1904; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate has learned with sorrow and regret of the death of Senator Sargent, and that in his death the State has lost an able and high-minded citizen and legislator, who at all times was a staunch and untiring advocate of the interests of the people and of his fellow-citizens.

As a business man, Senator Sargent achieved success; his high ideals of honesty and his fair dealing gave him not only the absolute confidence of his people but of the business world generally. As a legislator, his fairness and comprehensive views of affairs gave him the respect and confidence of his associates.

Resolved, That the Senate joins with his neighbors and friends in sorrow at his loss and hereby tenders to his family its sincere sympathy in this their hour of sorrow and bereavement.

Be it further Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Senate and that a properly engrossed copy, authenticated by the President and the Secretary, be sent to the members of his family.

O. B. COURTRIGHT,
WARREN GARST,
THOS. LAMBERT,
Committee.

Senator Courtright in moving the adoption of the resolution spoke as follows:

MR. PRESIDENT—It may be well to preface my remarks by giving in a few words a short biographical sketch of Senator Sargent.

Elbert Marion Sargent was born in the town of Felicity, Clermont county, Ohio, March 8, 1840. He was the second of seven children of William R. Sargent, a successful merchant. His grandparents were of English and Scotch descent, and crossing the Alleghany mountains in about the year 1800, settled in the Ohio valley.

With the exception of two years of his boyhood, which was spent upon a farm, Mr. Sargent's early life was spent in his native town. He attended the local school until he was fourteen years of age, at which time his inclination toward practical business affairs manifested itself and he quit school to go to work. For the next four or five years he worked in his father's mercantile establishment, and for others in various kinds of business, and thus acquiring a varied and thorough knowledge of business affairs.

When Fort Sumpter was fired upon he at once left his business and volunteered for the three months' service, and on April 23, 1861, his company was mustered in as company "I" of the 22nd Ohio Volunteers. At the expiration of his time he returned to Ohio and in a few days received a lieutenant's commission in the 89th Ohio. Before being mustered in with that regiment he was commissioned captain in the 59th Ohio. In this command he served to the end of the war, taking part in nearly all of the important engagements of the Army of the Cumberland.

Returning home Captain Sargent entered business life, engaging in the mercantile trade, and continuing in trade until 1874 when he engaged in the banking business, which he continued for about five years.

In April, 1879, Captain Sargent moved to Grundy Center, Iowa, and going back to his first love, again entered the mercantile business in which he continued until 1896.

In 1895 Captain Sargent was elected senator of the Thirty-eighth senatorial district, comprised of the counties of Grundy and Black Hawk, and served in both the regular and special sessions of the Twenty-sixth General Assembly. In 1899 he was elected Republican State central committee-man from the Fifth congressional district, and was re-elected in 1901.

Captain Sargeant was married on November 8, 1870, to Mary E. Hartley, and to them were born four children, two sons and two daughters. His wife, one daughter and the two sons survive him.

He joined the Presbyterian church in 1868, and was ever after a faithful and consistent member of that organization. He was a charter member of Wilson Post No. 71, G. A. R., in which he had, at various times, filled nearly every official position, and of which he was quartermaster at the time of his death.

Mr. President, you of this body who had the pleasure and honor of knowing Senator Sargent (I say honor, for I esteem it an honor to know a manly man such as he was), require no words from me to enable you to appreciate him at his true worth. He came from that stock which has made America and Americans famous the world around, and had inculcated in him those habits of sobriety, honesty, industry and courage that makes a man a man under whatever circumstances and in whatever clime his lot may be cast. While yet a boy we find him forsaking the schoolroom, and, led by his natural industry, acquiring a knowledge of affairs that enabled him in after life to maintain and provide himself and family with all the material comforts of life, and to leave his family in independent circumstances.

Honest to that extent that his Bible was the Golden Rule, he believed in doing unto others as he would that they would do unto him. He was ever a kind, indulgent, loving husband and father, and always met his fellow man, no matter what his station, with a hearty handshake and pleasant smile that made him the friend of every man and every man his friend. His hand was never empty if the other happened to be in needy circumstances, being generous almost to a fault. He ever had the courage of his convictions. We find him almost the next morning after the flag of his country had been fired upon by an armed foe tendering his services to his country and his flag, and for more than four long years, or from April, 1861 to August, 1865, at the front fighting the battles of his country. I have not the time, Mr. President, to recount the experiences of this noble man at the battle of Stone River. Sufficient is it to say that after this severe and bloody engagement his Colonel reported to the War Department: "That Captain Sargent was a man that could be relied upon in any emergency." Nor have I the time to tell you of the part he took at Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Missionary Ridge, Knoxville, nor of the numerous fights and long marches on the Atlanta campaign and of the final victory of Thomas at Nashville. At the close of the war he had for several months been in command of what there was left of his regiment, and was offered a captain's commission in the regular army, which he refused. He did not join the army because he

loved war, but for the love of his country, and it was this same love of country, love of liberty and equal justice for all men that lent him courage and strength to the hardships and privations, and gave him courage to lead his men through the roar and smoke of battle and midst carnage and death to a glorious victory at the end.

When the roar of cannon and the rattle of musketry was no longer heard in the land and when the dark cloud of war and smoke of battle had rolled away and the white wings of peace were again hovering over the sunny Southland, no man rejoiced more than Captain Sargent. And when in after years he wandered over the old battlefields and saw that all evidence of those fearful days of blood and carnage were rapidly disappearing, and that where once the hillsides had been covered with rifle pits and streams had run red with the blood of America's sons, he saw the peaceful herds feeding upon the hillside, the growing grain waving in the valley, and instead of cannon belching forth smoke, he saw the tall smokestack of factory and furnace, and heard the sound of the anvil and the hum of the spindle, he was indeed happy. He ever rejoiced with those who were happy and prosperous and grieved with those who sorrowed. It is fitting to say of him, in the language of Ingersoll, —

“This brave and tender man in every storm of life was oak and rock; but in the sunshine he was vine and flower. He was the friend of all heroic souls. He climbed the heights and left all superstitions far below, while on his forehead fell the golden dawning of a grander day. He loved the beautiful and was with color, form and music touched to tears. He sided with the poor, the weak and wronged, and lovingly gave alms. With loyal heart and with purest hands he faithfully discharged every trust and duty. * * * He added to the sum of human joy and were everyone to whom he did some loving service to bring a blossom to his grave he would sleep beneath a wilderness of flowers.”

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Senator Ericson moved the remarks made by Senator Court-right be printed in the Journal.

Carried.

Senator Hayward moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Carried.

Senate adjourned.

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Department of Iowa
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Veteran's name Sargent, Elbert Marion
 Residence Grundy Center, Ia.
 Occupation Merchant
 Date birth 8 Mar 1840 Place Felicity, Ohio
 Date death 7 Ja 1904 Place Grundy Center, Ia.
 Cause Rose Hill Cem Place burial " "
 War record Capt. K 59 Ohio Inf.

Rank	Company	Regiment	State	Organization
Age 22				

 Enlisted 14 Ag 1862
 Date Must. Out with company, 28 Je 1865
 Place Service 3 years
 Roster Ohio Troops: Sargeant, Elbert M
 Age 21. Enl. Apr 24, 1861 for 3 months.
 -Discharged Appointed Sgt. Apr 27, 1861,
 in Co. I, 22 Ohio Inf. Place
 Must. out with company Aug. 19, 1861.

War
 Battles, etc.
 Nearest relatives
 Father William R. b. 19 Ap, 1806 Nativity Felicity
 d. 3 My 1864, bur. Family vault, " - Chi
 Mother Mary C. Wells, b. S. 19, / Bur. " "
 1812, d. Grundy Center, Ia Ap 25, 1883
 Wife Mary E "Mollie") Hartley, b. 6 Ja, 1850
 LaCrosse, Wis.; m. 8 N. 1870, Felicity
 Children Ohio; d. 8 Oct. 1919, Cedar Rapid
 Fred M (Lura Sanborn) New Paltz, N.J.
 Amor Hartley (Grace Wätwer), Atty.,
 Cedar Rapids, Ia Ia.
 Grace (single) 1621 1st Ave. Cedar R
 Sources Ex. Soldiers living Ia. 1886:-
 Grundy Center./
 Family hist. given by Bertha Sargent niece,
 Oct. 26, 1940
 Roster Ohio Sold.: (Elbert M)

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Grand Army of the Republic

Veteran's name Sargent, Elbert Marion

Record Membership and Dues Paid

Offices of honor in G. A. R.

Post name	Post No.	Place	Date Joined
Wilson	71(10)	Grundy Center	22 Mr '82 Age 40

Member-at-Large

Year	Date Paid	Amount
Amor at Cedar Rapids	in 1947	
Fred living with daughter Marian in	New Paltz, N. Y.	1947
Grace Sargent died	Dec 31, 1947	
at Cedar Rapids, Ia, burial Grundy Center		
Born	Nov 11, 1880	Grundy Center, Ia
Suspended		Died

Year	Date Paid	Amount	Year	Date Paid	Amount
Grandchildren: Fred has only one dau. Marian (Mrs. Wm. J.) Lane, Variety store, New Paltz, N.Y.					
Amor's ch.: Harriette (Harry) Graefe, Des Moines					
Dau. Susan					
Mary (Geo. F) Karch, Cleveland, Ohio					
(Captain Elbert Marion Sargent and Mary Hartley were married by Sylvester Weeks, (his wife Maria)					
Desc. Book Post #71: Enl. first as Prvt. I, 22 Ohio Inf. Re-Enl. as Capt. K, 59 Ohio Inf.					

Nov 11, 1900 Grundy Center, Ia
Died
ended

Sargent Services.

Services for Miss Grace Sargent, a Cedar Rapids resident for 43 years who died in a Cedar Rapids hospital Wednesday, will be conducted in the Turner chapel at 10:30 a.m. Saturday by Dr Theodore G. Lilley and Dr Robert Little. Burial will be in the Grundy Center cemetery, where brief services will be conducted at the graveside at 1 p.m. Saturday. Friends may call at the chapel.

DEATHS

Grace Sargent Dies After Sudden Illness

Miss Grace E. Sargent, 67, of 1621 First avenue SE, died in a Cedar Rapids hospital at 11:50 p.m. Wednesday following a sudden illness.

A resident of Cedar Rapids for 43 years, Miss Sargent was born at Grundy Center Nov. 11, 1830. She was graduated from the Grundy Center high school in 1898 and later attended Coe college.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian church and taught Sunday school in that church for more than 25 years. She was a former state corresponding secretary of the P.E.O.

She is survived by two brothers, Fred M. Sargent of New Platz, N.Y., and Amor H. Sargent of Cedar Rapids.

Services will be conducted by the Rev. Theodore G. Lilley, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, in the Turner chapel at 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Burial will be in the Grundy Center cemetery.

Individual Record

FamilySearch™ Pedigree Resource File

Elbert Marion Sargent Compact Disc #18 Pin #921729
Sex: M

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Event(s)

Birth: 8 Mar 1840
Felicity, Clermont County, Ohio
Death: 7 Jan 1904
Grundy Center, Grundy County, Iowa

Parents

Father: [William R. Sargent](#) Disc #18 Pin #921725
Mother: [Mary Clark Wells](#) Disc #18 Pin #921727

Marriage(s)

Spouse: [Mary Elizabeth Hartley](#) Disc #18 Pin #921985
Marriage: 8 Nov 1870
Felicity, Clermont County, Ohio

Notes and Sources

Notes: None
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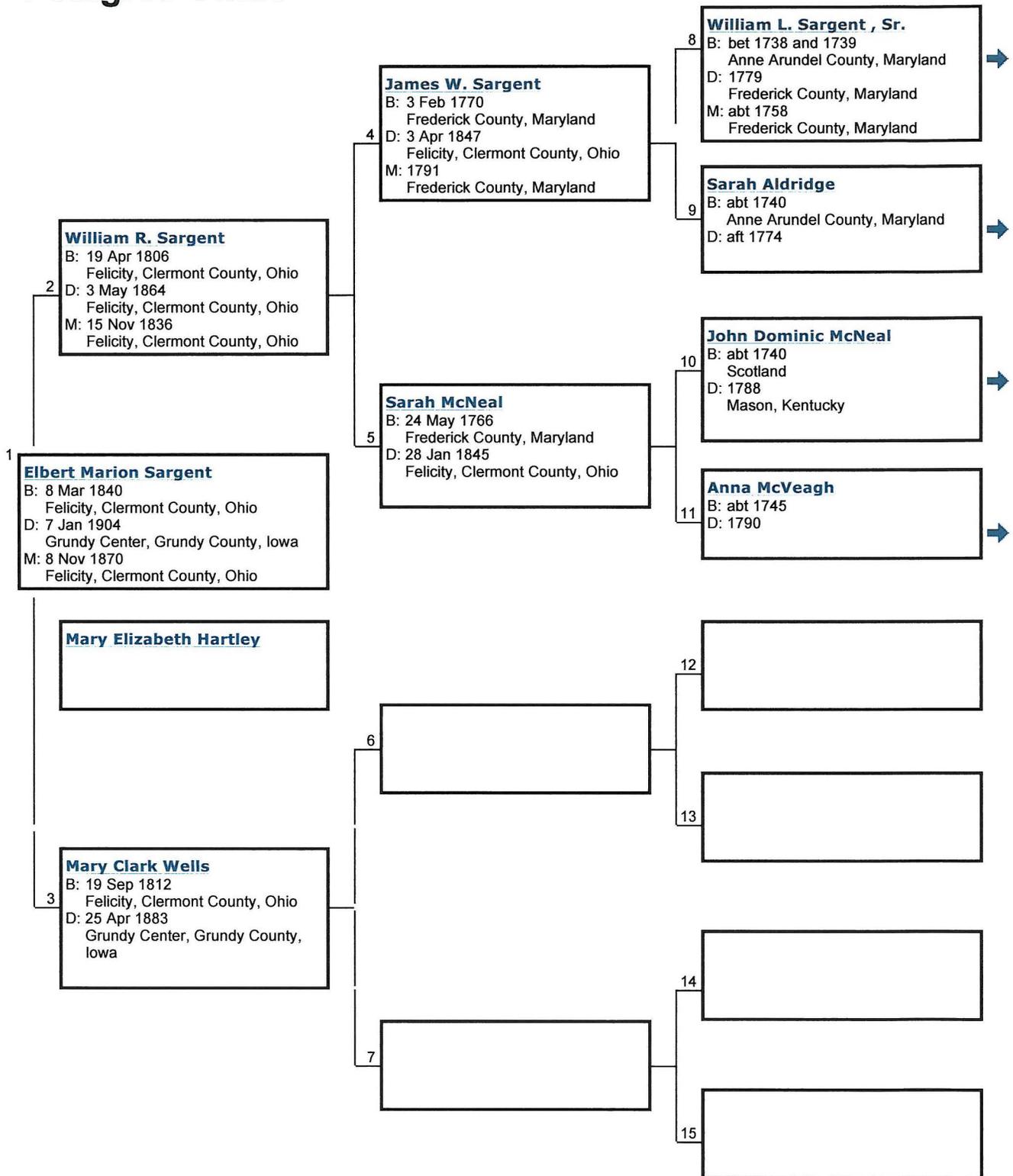
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You searched for **E. M. Sargent** in **Iowa**

1880 United States Federal Census

Name:	E.M. Sargent
Home in 1880:	Grundy Center, Grundy, Iowa
Age:	40
Estimated birth year:	abt 1840
Birthplace:	Ohio
Relation to Head of Household:	Self (Head)
Spouse's name:	Mary E.
Father's birthplace:	OH.
Mother's birthplace:	OH.
Neighbors:	View others on page
Occupation:	Dry Goods & Groc. Mcht.
Marital Status:	Married
Race:	White
Gender:	Male
Cannot read/write:	
Blind:	View image
Deaf and dumb:	
Otherwise disabled:	
Idiotic or insane:	

Household Members:	Name	Age
	E.M. Sargent	40
	Mary E. Sargent	29
	Joseph W. Sargent	29
	Wm. C. Sargent	26
	Stella G. Sargent	24
	Fred M. Sargent	6
	Amos H. Sargent	4

Source Citation: Year: 1880; Census Place: Grundy Center, Grundy, Iowa; Roll: T9_341; Family History Film: 1254241; Page: 458,3000; Enumeration District: 235; Image: 0707.

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Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925

Name:	E M Sargent	
Birth Year:	abt 1841	
Birth Place:	Ohio	
Gender:	Male	
Marital Status:	Married	
Census Date:	1885	
Residence State:	Iowa	
Residence County:	Grundy	
Locality:	Grundy Center	
Roll:	IA1885_190	
Line:	30	
Family Number:	195	
Neighbors:	View others on page	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Mary Ruell	47
	John Deniah	20
	E M Sargent	44

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1900 United States Federal Census

Name: **Elbert M Sargent**
 Home in 1900: **Palermo, Grundy, Iowa**
 Age: **60**
 Birth Date: **Mar 1840**
 Birthplace: **Ohio**
 Race: **White**
 Gender: **Male**
 Relationship to Head of House: **Head**
 Father's Birthplace: **Ohio**
 Mother's Birthplace: **Ohio**
 Spouse's name: **Mary E**
 Marriage Year: **1871**
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Years Married: **29**
 Residence : **Grundy Center Town, Grundy, Iowa**
 Occupation: [View on Image](#)
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household	Name	Age
Members:	Elbert M Sargent	60
	Mary E Sargent	50
	Emma G Sargent	19

Source Citation: Year: 1900; Census Place: Palermo, Grundy, Iowa; Roll T623_434; Page: 13B; Enumeration District: 45.

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Iowa Cemetery Records

Name: **Elbert M. Sargent**
Death Date: **1904**
Page #: **341**
Birth Date: **1840**
Cemetery: **Rosehill**
Town: **Palermo**
Level Info: **Grundy County Iowa Grave Records**

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Birth: Mar. 8, 1840
Clermont County
Ohio, USA

Death: Jan. 7, 1904
Grundy Center
Grundy County
Iowa, USA

Parents: William & Mary Wells Sargent
Married: Mary Hartley Nov. 8, 1870
Children: Amor, Fred, Mary, & Grace

He was a captain in the civil war.

Burial:
[Rose Hill Cemetery](#)
Grundy Center
Grundy County
Iowa, USA
Plot: Section A, Lot 33, Space 3

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