

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Penny, John Senator _____

Represented Des Moines County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 11 Sept 1802 Washington County, Pennsylvania

2. Marriage (s) date place

Rebecca Haddell 11 Sept 1822 Westmorden, Pa. Pennsylvania
Bostraven, Pennsylvania

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmers; miller

4. Church membership Baptist

5. Sessions served 2nd General Assembly 1848

6. Public Offices

A. Local Justice of the Peace; member of the Des Moines County Board of Supervisors

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 14 Dec 1886 near Latty, Iowa; buried Loper Cemetery, Sperry, Iowa, Des Moines County

8. Children Sarah (Mrs. M. H. Jackson); Joseph Haddell; Thomas Jefferson; Phoebe (Mrs. Alvin Judd); Lydia Ursula (Mrs. H. B. Raster); John Gott; Amanda; Lucretia

9. Names of parents David and Phoebe (Parson) Penny

10. Education

Educated in the common schools of
Des Moines County, Iowa

11. Degrees

12. Other applicable information

Democrat

- He came to Iowa in 1844 settling on a farm in Benton Township,
Des Moines County, Iowa after farming and milling in Pennsylvania.
- After marriage they lived on a rented farm and also engaged in
milling until 1844.
- In Benton Township they purchased a 225 acre farm. They
worked hard and soon became one of the finest farmers in the township.
His son, John Scott Penny, was in the Iowa Legislature, serving in
the 21st General Assembly 1886, representing Des Moines County, Iowa.

born in Rotherham, in the kingdom of
Württemberg. He was an active mem-
ber of the Turner Society and was
died this afternoon under their direc-
on.

—Xmas cards, most lovely, at Love's
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—St. Paul papers announce that a
mine recently purchased by Dennis Ry-
n of St. Paul, has proven the greatest
vestment that ever this lucky man ever
made. The mine, which is at Mullen,
Idaho, was purchased two weeks ago by
Dr. Ryan for \$200,000, and expert T. J.
Lovett, of Chicago, who has just re-
turned from an investigation of it, says
there are \$5,000,000 in sight. Mr. Ryan
is the head of the great drug house of
which Henry Squires is a partner.

—An elegant Xmas present, sleigh and
marriage robes at Taylor Bros.

—The Hannibal Courier says: A spe-
cial train arrived today on the St. L. K.
& N. W. R. R. The train was composed
of Superintendent Levey's car, which
was occupied by Richard Emmett as a
pay car, and the office car Lycoming,
occupied by J. C. Peasley, treasurer of
the C., B. & Q., and Howard Elliott, au-
ditor of the St. L. K. & N. W. It is
some time since the St. L. K. & N. W.
used a pay car. They have been in the
habit of paying by check. The Lycom-
ing, which is being used by Mr. Peasley,
was formerly the official car of the H.
& N. W., and it is the finest in the
country. It is no wonder that the C.,
B. & Q. management "gobbled" it at
the first opportunity.

—Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured thou-
sands of cases of rheumatism. This is
abundant reason for belief that it will
cure you. Try it.

—The Burlington, Cedar Rapids &
Northern Railway have decided to make
an excursion rate for the holiday season
of one fare for the round trip. Tickets
will be sold December 24th, 25th and
31st, 1886, and Jan. 1st, 1887, good going
one day from date of sale, and will be
limited for return passage until January
4th, 1887.

—It costs nothing to examine the ele-
gant Robes at Taylor Bros.

—The Peoples Union Mission Relief
Corps take this method of returning
thanks to the public for their generous
response to our call for assistance. Our
object in this work is not only to supply
the temporal wants of the poor and dis-
tressed, but also by this means to induce
them to send their children to the Sun-
day school and the older ones to come
to Gospel meetings, which a great
many cannot do for want of proper
clothing. The people have donated lib-
erally, for which we are thankful, for
by this means we have been enabled to
supply the immediate wants of quite a
number. We would respectfully ask a
continuing source of aid from our friends
and State legislators. We would respect-
fully ask you to heed the scriptural injunc-

guaranteed.

—Mufflers and silk handkerchiefs at
Gardner, Peterson & Co.

—A man whose name is said to be
Bellany, was brought to the police
station in a wagon, this afternoon. He
was beastly drunk and had a hole in his
head caused by a fall. He will recover.

—There is nothing more pleasing to a
friend than to make him a present of
those fine Pride of America at Holstein
Bros.

Death of John Penny.

Another of the pioneer farmers and
prominent men has been called to his
fathers: Yesterday, at his home near
Latty, occurred the death of Deacon
John Penny, aged 84 years, 3 months
and 3 days. The deceased has been in
feeble health for several years. John
Penny was born in Washington county,
Pennsylvania, September 11th, 1802, and
came to Iowa in 1844, settling upon a
farm in Benton township, which has
been his home since. He was promi-
nent in public affairs, and in 1848 was a
member of the Iowa Legislature, elect-
ed as a democrat of the Jackson school,
and during his long life he has always
been an active and consistent member
of that party. He united with the Mis-
sionary Baptist Church at the age of 18,
and was a contributing member until
the time of his death. He was a mem-
ber of Pisgah church, to which he was
greatly attached, and was ordained dea-
con in 1840.

He married Rebecca Waddell, who
survives him, Sept. 11th, 1822, and had
nine children, of which seven are liv-
ing, all residing in Des Moines county
but Rev. T. J. Penny and Mrs. Alvin
Todd, who live at Ashland, Mo. He is
the father of Hon. John S. Penny, pres-
ent member of the Legislature from Des
Moines county.

On Sept. 12th, 1872, the deceased and
his estimable wife celebrated their gold-
en wedding, when there were represent-
atives present from six States, several
of whom were present at the wedding
fifty years before.

So another pioneer is laid away; an-
other man whose efforts in the early day
gave Iowa its strength and founded a
State that is peer of any in the Union,
where two millions of busy men have
followed hither the pioneers who are
now gone hence honored and revered
for their work well done.

The funeral will be held at one o'clock
Thursday afternoon.

—1,000 pounds! The Tea Man has
contracted for another 1,000 pounds of
Smith's mixed candy and will present
all his customers with a pound extra
from now until January 1st. He com-
mences early so as to give all his patrons
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ment with which the stores are filled,
make it easy to select presents for the
ladies, but it is more difficult to get
something for the men. As a general
thing a man, young or old, is satisfied
and pleased with something at once
handsome and useful, and may be found
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in the latest styles and all shades; ele-
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the prices very reasonable, and the goods
are the very best manufactured. If you
want to give presents that will be appre-
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1,000 rich and elegant new silk neck
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and his widow married Mr. Blanke. By this union there were eight children, six of whom are living: Charles, business manager of the Iowa Tribune Publishing Co. of Burlington; Samuel D. of this sketch; Lydia, wife of H. C. Wolking of Garfield County, Kan.; Emma, wife of A. W. Wehmeyer of Alton, Ill.; Theodore F. a medical student of Kansas; Martha, wife of Silas Wolking of Garfield County, Kan.; two died in youth.

Samuel D. Blanke, the subject of this sketch, received a liberal education, and at the age of seventeen was apprenticed to learn the carriage trade, serving his time and becoming a thorough workman. In 1876 he came to Burlington, where for a short time he followed his trade, but two years later, in 1878, embarked in the insurance business in company with Mr. Karmmermeyer. In 1880, he formed the existing partnership, and they have a business second to none in the city. They handle some of the best companies, and insure against fire, life, accident and plate-glass.



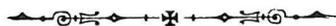
HON. JOHN SCOTT PENNEY, one of the leading citizens of Des Moines County, Iowa, residing on section 29, Benton Township, was born on the farm which is still his home. His father, **John Penney**, was born Sept. 13, 1802, in Washington County, Pa. He was reared upon a farm, and on the 12th of September, 1822, was united in marriage with Rebecca Webbell, who was born Dec. 21, 1804, in Westmoreland County, Pa. After their marriage Mr. Penney rented a farm, and also engaged in milling until 1844, when they decided to take up their residence in this county. Starting for the West they crossed the Mississippi Nov. 14, of that year, settling on section 29, Benton Township, which is still the home of our subject. A farm of 285 acres was purchased, the only improvements being a small log cabin and a few plowed acres. Immediately the work of cultivation was begun, and in a short time it became one of the finest farms in the township. Mr. and Mrs. Penney reared a family of seven children, two having died in infancy; Joseph, a resident of West Burlington, owns and operates a farm in Flint River

Township; Thomas J. is a Baptist minister at Ashland, Neb.; Sarah, wife of M. H. Jackson, a resident farmer of Benton Township; Phoebe, wife of Alvin Todd, a resident farmer of Plattsburgh, Neb.; Lydia, wife of W. B. Kaster, of Benton Township; Amanda, still at home with her mother; and our subject, who has charge of the home place.

John Penney departed this life Dec. 14, 1886, aged eighty-four years. He was a devoted member of the Baptist Church, always took an active part in Church work, and contributed liberally to the upbuilding of the cause of Christ during his entire life. He aided largely in the building of the old Pisgah Church, and labored faithfully in raising funds for its erection. From 1846 until the time of his death he served as Senior Deacon. Not only in religious, but also in educational matters he was greatly interested, and gave his children the best possible advantages. In his political views he was a Democrat, an earnest worker for his party, and by that organization was elected to the office of Justice of the Peace and to the Board of Supervisors. In 1848 he became a member of the General Assembly, serving one term. Mrs. Penney, the mother of our subject, is now in her eighty-fourth year, and is a remarkably well preserved lady. Since her childhood she has been an active worker in the Church and Sunday-school. The fiftieth wedding anniversary of this worthy couple was celebrated Sept. 12, 1872, at their own home, and was largely attended, people being present from six different States, and several were present who witnessed their union a half-century before. Their anniversary day has always been a glad day for their children, who have now all grown to be Christian men and women, and do honor to their parents' name.

Our subject, Hon. John Scott Penney, was reared upon a farm and educated in the common schools of this county. Being the youngest of the family he remained with his parents until his marriage with Miss Irene Hixson, which occurred Sept. 28, 1881. Mrs. Penney is a native of this county, and is a daughter of Leroy Hixson. Two children were born of their union—Eugene Guy and Hubert Graham. Mr. and Mrs. Penney are members of the Baptist Church, of which he is Treasurer. Politi-

cally he is a Democrat, and was elected by that party a member of the Twenty-first General Assembly in 1886. He was a candidate for County Recorder in 1880, but was defeated. Mr. Penney is a practical farmer and operates about 300 acres of land. He makes a specialty of raising small fruits, taking great interest in studying the habits of the plants, and every year ships several thousand quarts of berries to the North. Everything on his land denotes thrift and industry, and as a business man and citizen he receives the respect of all.



NIXON FULLERTON, Sheriff of Des Moines County, Iowa, and one of the early settlers of the same, was born in the County Tyrone, Ireland, on the 12th of July, 1827. His parents were John and Lucinda (Nixon) Fullerton, the father of Scotch and the mother of English descent. Nineteen children graced the union of this worthy couple, seven of whom are living, four daughters and three sons, all of whom hold respectable positions in the communities where they reside. In early life John Fullerton was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. Fullerton was reared an Episcopalian, but later both became members of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, dying in that faith.

Nixon Fullerton grew to manhood in his native country, receiving a liberal education in the public schools. When nineteen years of age, being quite an extensive reader, and hearing of the chances in America, he decided to try his fortune in a free country. Bidding his father good-by, he started out for the New World. Landing in Charleston, and passing through the Southern States, where he saw the negroes held in bondage, he came to the conclusion that if this was what they called freedom, he was ready to return to Ireland. He was then on his way to Burlington, but while passing through the Slave States, he settled one point in his mind, and that was that he would never vote the Democratic ticket, and to this resolution he has always adhered. He was among the first to advocate the Republican principles, and cast his vote in 1856 for Fremont.

Mr. Fullerton was one of the early settlers of

Burlington, taking up his residence there in 1846. Soon after coming to the city he was employed as clerk in the store of his brother John, remaining with him until, on account of the gold fever in 1849, the brother sold out and went to California. He soon after received employment with J. S. Kimball & Co., remaining with them until 1865. He was in the employ of C. B. Parsons for twenty years, from 1867 until 1887, at the end of which time he was nominated by the Republicans as Sheriff of Des Moines County, and was elected over the Democratic nominee by four hundred majority, overcoming a Democratic majority in the county of twelve hundred votes.

On the 11th of September 1855, the marriage of Mr. Fullerton with Miss Helen Clarke, a native of Louisville, Ky., was celebrated. She is the eldest daughter of Alfred Clarke, who came to this county some time in the "30's," settling near Danville. He subsequently removed to Burlington, where he was engaged in the mercantile and milling business. Mr. and Mrs. Fullerton have three living children—Margaret, Mary Grey and Jennie E. Mr. Fullerton is a member of the Irish-American Political Association and Vice President of the same. He is in every sense of the word a gentleman, honest, straight-forward, and ready to extend a helping hand in any good cause. He has a host of solid friends, who consider him in the light of an excellent host, and will doubtless remember him into the far future.

Mr. Fullerton, like the true-born Irishman he is, takes an active interest in all institutions calculated to ameliorate the condition of his countrymen in his native land and is an ardent supporter of home rule.



AP. CALDWELL, a retired farmer residing in Burlington, Iowa, was born in Indiana County, Pa., May 26, 1840, and is a son of Robert and Hannah Caldwell, who were natives of Ireland, and the parents of four children, two sons and two daughters. His boyhood days were spent on a farm in his native county, and his early education was received in the common schools. About the year 1854 he removed with his parents



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John Penney

Born: 11 Sep 1802
Washington, Pennsylvania, USA

Died: 16 Dec 1888 *1886*
Nine Miles North Burlington, Iowa, USA

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Spouse

[Rebecca Weddell](#)
Born: 30 Jan 1805 in Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, USA
Died: 4 Oct 1889 in Iowa, USA

Marriage: 12 Sep 1822 in Salem Church, Rostraver, Pennsylvania, USA [View Info](#)

Children	Sex	Birth
Sarah Penney	F	1 Apr 1830 in Pennsylvania, USA
Joseph Weddell Penney	M	30 Jul 1823 in Pennsylvania, USA
Thomas Jefferson Penney	M	1 Sep 1827 in Pennsylvania, USA
Phoebe Penney	F	1 Sep 1832 in Pennsylvania, USA
Lydia Ursula Penney	F	16 Oct 1835 in Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, USA
Amanda Penney	F	2 Dec 1843 in Pennsylvania, USA
Lusetta Penney	F	1843 in Pennsylvania, USA
John Scott Penney	M	22 Feb 1847

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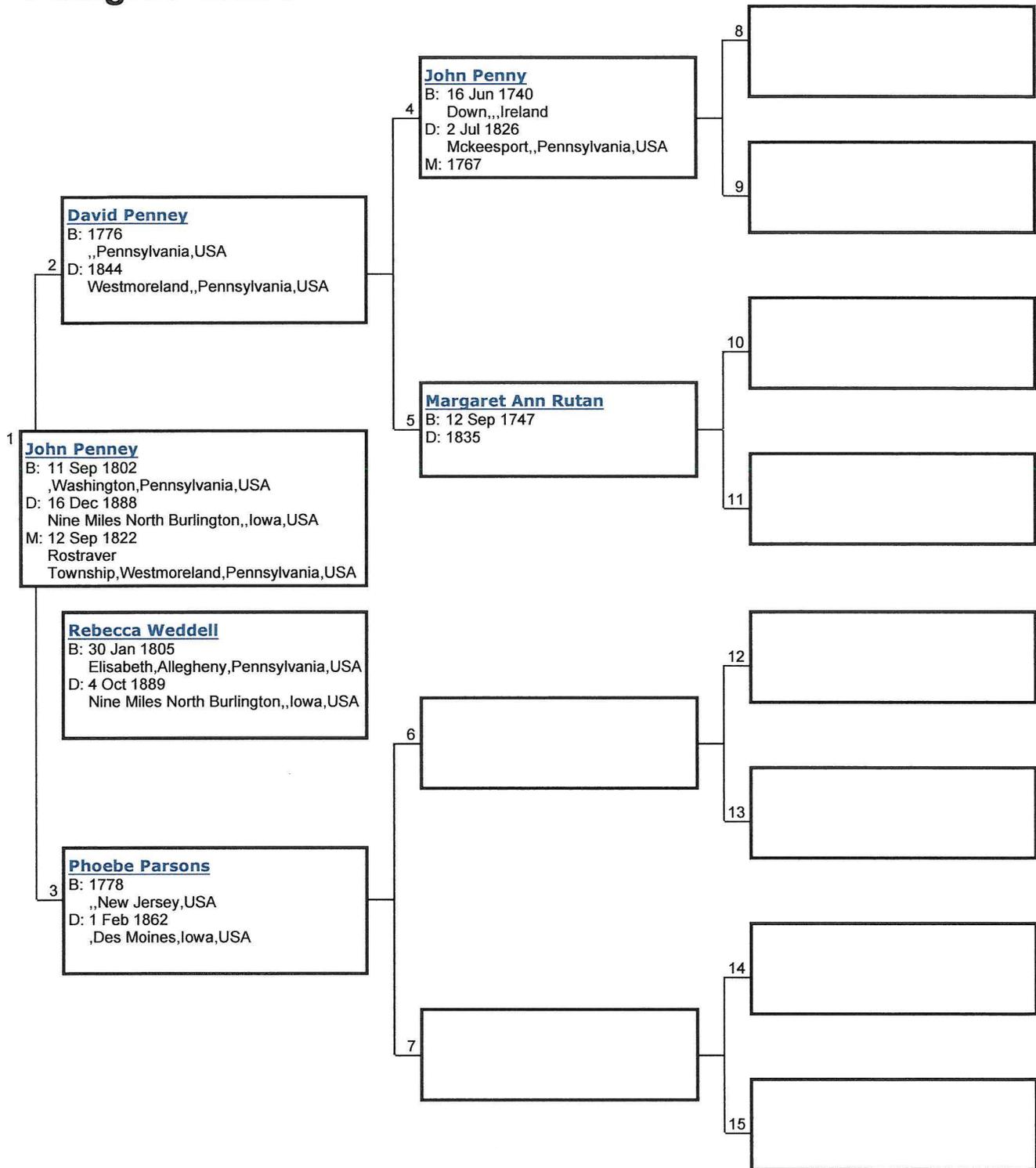
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