

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of **Representative** Perceé Thomas C. Senator _____
Represented Dallas County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 28 Oct 1808 Epping, Rockingham County, New Hampshire

2. Marriage (s) date place

Aurelia Colcord 26 June 1832 Epping, Rockingham County,
New Hampshire

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 16th General Assembly 1876

6. Public Offices

A. Local Justice of the Peace

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 30 Sept 1883 Perry Iowa; buried Violet Hill Cemetery, Perry Iowa

8. Children Elizabeth P.; George L.; Clara; Aurelia

9. Names of parents Chas. and Catharine Perceé

Norris, Thomas C.

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- He came to Perry from New Hampshire about 1873.
- He had lived in Massachusetts or the Maine before coming to Iowa.
- Wife, Amelia, born 21 June 1811 in Brentwood, New Hampshire, died 4 Jan 1894, also buried in Victrola Hill Cemetery Perry, Iowa
- He died of typhoid fever.

the Rock Island road and comes to Perry highly recommended.

—The speeches of Hon. J. A. T. Hull and Col. Gatch last Thursday evening are said to be the best ever heard in Perry. Mr. Hull's speech especially is spoken of as a splendid one.

—Frank Ford shipped last Tuesday 16 cars of cattle and 3 of hogs, of his own raising. It was the finest lot that has ever been shipped from here and netted Mr. Ford a handsome amount.

—It is announced that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen will give a grand ball on the evening of the 15th inst. The boys will undoubtedly receive good support from the lovers of the mazy dance.

—C. Thornburg started Monday for a visit to relatives in Hagerstown, Indiana. He has not seen them for 14 years, and we predict a pleasant visit for him. His wife's mother, Mrs. Wright, accompanied him.

—A small-sized "ruction" occurred in Perry of the cider shops Saturday evening, in which a Swede got stretched out by colliding with a flying cider glass. He stopped the glass, but it liked to ruin his left eye.

—Harvey Davis has sold his interest in the Perry Transfer Co., to his partners, Jas. H. Smith and J. D. McMichael. The boys will still run three teams and they have employed Joe Thornburg to run one of them.

—Robt. A. Lowry, one of the editors of the *Angus, Black Diamond*, was married in Chicago last week to Miss Anna Keeler. Bro. Lowry has done a sensible thing and we congratulate him in the union that we hope will bring him peace and prosperity.

—D. W. Payne of this place and T. N. Langdon, of Des Moines, have entered into a partnership with a Mr. Joy, and will engage in the wholesale dealing and grinding of spices, jobbers in tea, etc., at Minneapolis. Mr. Payne states that they have excellent prospects for success and we hope he, with his partners

Goff will devote his time to his extensive interests in Perry.

—The reported striking of the coal miners at Angus has not yet occurred and probably will not. We are informed by telephone by Mr. Lowry, of the *Black Diamond*, that the grievances have been left to a committee of five arbitrators, two selected by the miners, two by the operators and one by the miners and operators. The miners want higher wages and steady employment.

—The opposition is making every effort to defeat the republican candidates. The last story circulated is that John Diddy, candidate for sheriff, is a hard drinker of intoxicants. Now, there is a total abstainer on top of earth, John Diddy is one of em. Voters you can rely on the fact that John Diddy has not a blemish on his character, that he is a straightforward, honest working man, and just the man to make a capital good sheriff.

—Died, at his home in Perry, Sept. 30th, of typhoid fever, Thos. C. Norris, aged 75 years. Mr. Norris came to Perry from New Hampshire about 10 years ago. He was a member of the 10th General Assembly from this county, and was regarded by his constituents as an able and honest representative. He was an honored citizen and a good neighbor and was always held in high estimation by his acquaintances. None but kindly sympathy followed him to his last resting place, where he was laid away by his near neighbors and friends.

—The Perry Steam Grist Mills are again in running order. The new Roller Process has been put in the mill, together with many other valuable improvements. Mr. Kenworthy has spared neither money or pains since he came in possession of the mill to make it first-class in every particular. The Roller Process has cost him heavily, but he is able now to put a flour on the market that is second to none made. We are using a sack of flour that was made by the new system and our domestic supervisor pronounces it away up at the top. Give the flour a thorough trial and you

will see a good reason why it is so good, which shows that that air been place to Mr. Ford's foreman. Mr. Ford was suspicious and compared the sign Master with one he had and was genuine. The fellow said go to Cedar Rapids and watch the horses at that time. When he got to Chicago he met his man and the fellow showed him a conveyance the intelligence father had made an assignment to ship any more horses. He told Mr. Ford that it was use the horses, and that he would make a sacrifice than to take for the cold the horses back to for 25,000, but the keen Mr. Ford saved the trouble, and give the fellow his man and told him he would send from Perry. The fellow way to get his cash then and Mr. Ford said "nix." When he rived home he discovered scheme. The horse man had check on a St. Louis bank 1 zen's Bank, and the check was good by the name of "John" which was a guarantee to the Mr. Ford accepted the check they issued the certificate. During Mr. Ford's absence the check had been returned to the bank. The fellow had the check at the Palace, forged the name of Mr. Lowry and the horse man had not away and the whole scheme failed. The fellow showed money. He made a bargain with L. S. Bibbins and paid down. Mr. Bibbins is ahead is a good prospect for that away from Perry.

Township Caucus

There will be a Republic the engine house next Saturday past seven o'clock, P. M., candidate for township clerk, Trustee, and for the trustees, such other business as may come before the meeting.

THE
HISTORY
OF
DALLAS COUNTY,
IOWA,

CONTAINING

A History of the County, its Cities, Towns, &c.,

A Biographical Directory of its Citizens, War Record of its Volunteers in the late Rebellion. General and Local Statistics, Portraits of Early Settlers and Prominent Men, History of the Northwest, History of Iowa, Map of Dallas County, Constitution of the United States, Constitution of the State of Iowa, Miscellaneous Matters, &c.

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- and to this county in June, 1869; owns 200 acres of land; has held office of school director; he married Miss L. V. Stoner in 1851; she was born in Delaware county, Indiana; has ten children: Sarah, Emma, John, Joseph, Thomas, Melvin, Ora B., Florence, Arthur and May.
- Naylor, T. J., farmer, Sec. 30; P. O. Perry.
- NORRIS, THOMAS C.**, farmer, Sec. 9; P. O. Perry; born in New Hampshire Oct. 28, 1808; and after living in Massachusetts and Maine came to this county in 1870; owns 80 acres of land; he represented the county in the State Legislature, being a member of the 16th General Assembly; he has held office of justice of the peace; he married Miss Aurelia Colcord in 1831; she was born in New Hampshire; has two children: Elizabeth P. and George L.
- OTLEY, J. W.**, insurance agent, Sec. 15.
- Osborn, Charlotte, farmer, Sec. 27; P. O. Perry.
- Osborn, Alex., farmer, Sec. 1; P. O. Perry.
- PATCH, C. W.**, farmer, Sec. 4; P. O. Perry.
- PEASE, J. S.**, farmer and stock-raiser, Sec. 2; P. O. Perry; born in New York, in 1846; came to this county in 1866; owns, with his brother, 216 acres of land; he married Miss Allie Thornburgh, in 1870; she was born in Wayne county, Iowa; has two children: Albert and Willie.
- PEASE, GEORGE A.**, farmer and stock-raiser, Sec. 2; P. O. Perry; born in New York, in 1850; came to this State in 1866; owns, with his brother, 216 acres of land; married Miss Carrie Throckmorton, in 1873; she was born in Ohio; has one child: Grace.
- PETERS, P. J.**, farmer, Sec. —; P. O. Perry; born in Hamilton county, Ohio, in 1822; came to this State in May, 1855; owns 181 acres of land; has held the offices of town trustee and school director; he married Miss Mary Simpson, in 1841; she was born in Ohio; has seven children: Martha C., Styles, Frances E., Helen J., James E., Berthena J., David T.
- PETTY, ASA**, farmer, Sec. 16; P. O. Perry; born in Buffalo, New York, October 19, 1814; he was a sailor on the lakes for seven or eight years; he came to this State in 1844, and settled in Muscatine county, and came to this county in 1866; owns 165 acres of land; has held the office of town trustee; he enlisted in the Thirty-seventh Iowa Infantry in the late war, and served until the close; he married Susanna Lamb, in 1836; she was born in New York; has five children: Josiah, Rosilla, Libbie, Harriet J. and Chester.
- PHILLIPS, J.**, farmer, Sec. —; P. O. Perry; born in Erie county, New York, April 12, 1828; came to this county in 1855; owns 180 acres of land, and is largely engaged in stock-raising; he married Miss May Campbell, in 1867; she was born in Ohio, in 1846; has two children.
- Potts, Mrs. J. P., farmer, Sec. 11; P. O. Perry.
- REED, T. V.**, farmer, Sec. 9; P. O. Perry.
- ROBERTS, J. H.**, farmer, Sec. 16; P. O. Perry; born in Oneida county, New York, in 1819; came to this State in 1854; owns 120 acres of land; he married Miss Mary Shaw, in 1847; she was born in Ohio, and died in 1855; he afterward married Miss Mary McKeon, who was born in Missouri; has five children: Clarence, John L., Middleton H., W. Harris and George B.; lost two: Mary S. and Laura.

Family Group Record

FamilySearch™ Ancestral File v4.19

Husband's Name

Thomas C. NORRIS (AFN:G0J9-K9)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt. 1807 **Place:** <Epping, Rockingham, Nh>
Died: **Place:** Perry, , Ia
Married: 26 Jun 1832 **Place:** Epping, Rockingham, Nh

Father:

Mother:

Wife's Name

Aurelia COLCORD (AFN:G0J0-K2)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: 2 Jun 1811 **Place:** Epping, Rockingham, Nh
Died: **Place:** Perry, , Ia
Married: 26 Jun 1832 **Place:** Epping, Rockingham, Nh

Father: Ebenezer COLCORD (AFN:G0J0-GJ)

[Family](#)

Mother: Elizabeth Clifford PAYSON (AFN:G0J0-JV)

Children

1. Sex Name

F Clara NORRIS (AFN:G0J9-MM)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt. 1838 **Place:** <Epping, Rockingham, Nh>
Died: **Place:** Perry, , Ia

2. Sex Name

F Elizabeth NORRIS (AFN:G0J9-LG)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt 1836/1840 **Place:** <Epping, Rockingham, Nh>

3. Sex Name

F Aurelia NORRIS (AFN:G0J9-NS)

[Pedigree](#)

Born: Abt. 1840 **Place:** <Epping, Rockingham, Nh>
Died: **Place:** Perry, , Ia

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1850 United States Federal Census

Name: Thomas C Norris
Age: 41
Estimated Birth Year: abt 1809
Birth Place: New Hampshire
Gender: Male
Home in 1850 (City,County,State): Vienna, Kennebec, Maine
Family Number: 73

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Thomas C Norris	41
	Aurelia Norris	37
	Elizabeth Norris	16
	Clara Norris	7
	George Norris	4
	Cathaline Norris	71

Source Citation: Year: 1850; Census Place: Vienna, Kennebec, Maine; Roll: M432_257; Page: 367A; Image: 221.

Source Information:
 Ancestry.com. 1850 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.



Original data: Seventh Census of the United States, 1850: (National Archives Microfilm Publication M432, 1009 rolls); Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

Description:
 This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1850 United States Federal Census, the Seventh Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, age as of the census day, sex, color, birthplace, occupation of males over age fifteen, and more. No relationships were shown between members of a household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1850 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)



1860 United States Federal Census

Name: **Thomas C Norris**

Age in 1860: **51**

Birth Year: **abt 1809**

Birthplace: **New Hampshire**

Home in 1860: **Vienna, Kennebec, Maine**

Gender: **Male**

Post Office: **Vienna**

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

Household	Name	Age
Members:	Thomas C Norris	51
	Aurelia P Norris	48
	George L Norris	13
	Catharine Norris	81

Source Citation: Year: 1860; Census Place: Vienna, Kennebec, Maine; Roll: M653_440; Page: 671; Image: 153; Family History Library Film: 803440.

Source Information:
 Ancestry.com. 1860 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

Original data: 1860 U.S. census, population schedule. NARA microfilm publication M653, L438 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.

Description:
 This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1860 United States Federal Census, the Eighth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, age as of the census day, sex, color, birthplace, occupation of males over age fifteen, and more. No relationships were shown between members of a household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1860 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)



1870 United States Federal Census

Name: **Thomas C Norris**

Birth Year: **abt 1809**

Age in 1870: **61**

Birthplace: **New Hampshire**

Home in 1870: **Spring Valley, Dallas, Iowa**

Race: **White**

Gender: **Male**

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

Household	Name	Age
Members:	Thomas C Norris	61
	Aurellia Norris	59
	George L Norris	23

Source Citation: Year: 1870; Census Place: Spring Valley, Dallas, Iowa; Roll: M593_385; Page: 586A; Image: 442; Family History Library Film: 545884.

Source Information:
 Ancestry.com. 1870 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.



Original data:

- 1870 U.S. census, population schedules. NARA microfilm publication M593, 1,761 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
- Minnesota census schedules for 1870. NARA microfilm publication T132, 13 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.

Description:
 This database is an index to individuals enumerated in the 1870 United States Federal Census, the Ninth Census of the United States. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, age at last birthday, sex, color, birthplace, occupation, and more. No relationships were shown between members of a household. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1870 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)

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1880 United States Federal Census

Name: **T. C. Norris**
 Home in 1880: **Perry, Dallas, Iowa**
 Age: **71**
 Estimated Birth: **abt 1809**
 Year:
 Birthplace: **New Hampshire**
 Relation to Head of Household: **Self (Head)**
 Spouse's Name: **A. P. Norris**
 Father's birthplace: **New Hampshire**
 Mother's birthplace: **New Hampshire**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)
 Occupation: **Retired Farmer**
 Race: **White**
 Gender: **Male**
 Cannot read/write:
 Blind: [View image](#)
 Deaf and dumb:
 Otherwise disabled:
 Idiotic or insane:

Household	Name	Age
Members:	T. C. Norris	71
	A. P. Norris	69

Source Citation: Year: 1880; Census Place: Perry, Dallas, Iowa; Roll: 335; Family History Film: 1254335; Page: 142D; Enumeration District: 46; Image: 0288.

Source Information:

 Ancestry.com and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 1880 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010. 1880 U.S. Census Index provided by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints © Copyright 1999 Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved. All use is subject to the limited use license and other terms and conditions applicable to this site.

Original data: Tenth Census of the United States, 1880. (NARA microfilm publication T9. 1-454 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C.

Description:

This database is an index to 50 million individuals enumerated in the 1880 United States Federal Census. Census takers recorded many details including each person's name, address, occupation, relationship to the head of household, race, sex, age at last birthday, marital status, place of birth, parents' place of birth. Additionally, the names of those listed on the population schedule are linked to actual images of the 1880 Federal Census. [Learn more...](#)