

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Spencer, Benjamin Senator _____

Represented Clinton County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 6 June 1858 near Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada

2. Marriage (s) date place

Mary Ware 4 Jul 1838 Aurora, Ontario

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities _____

C. Profession Farmer; cabinet maker

4. Church membership Methodist Episcopal

5. Sessions served 13th General Assembly 1870

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 21 Apr 1895 Selma, Iowa; buried Mt. Hope Cemetery, Magnolia, Iowa

8. Children James H.; Benjamin A.; Mary E.; Emma (Mrs. Night); Joseph O.; Anna (Mrs. Hess); Edward B.; Arthur (died 1887); Esther D. (died 1891); an additional son predeceased his father in death; an additional daughter predeceased her father in death

9. Names of parents Adam and Ann (Corwin) Spencer

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

- He moved to Maguapita, Iowa in 1854. Five years later he
moved to a farm near Delmar, Iowa in 1859.
- He retired from the farm in 1899 and moved into Delmar, Iowa.

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—Warm meals always served promptly and in abundance at F. D. Burleson's.

—Allan S. Trimble, of Monmouth, was brought before the commissioners of insanity in this city Monday, and adjudged a fit subject for the independence hospital, where he was taken by the sheriff.

—Democrats of Chicago are so displeased with the Herald's change that they have organized a company with \$1,000,000 capital and will immediately start a new democratic daily and weekly to be known as the Enquirer. We hope to see the democrats of the northwest give it their support.

—You can have your pictures taken in all kinds of weather at Cundill's finely equipped gallery, but this is the sort of weather that the best pictures are taken and now is the time to have your work done. Call on Cundill.

—Fresh river fish, cat, pike, bass, etc., always on hand at the Delmonico market.

 **Half a cent buys enough
SHERWIN-WILLIAMS PAINT
for Two Coats on one
square foot of surface.**

Sold by D. N. LOOSE & CO.

—Ladies, if you want something new in beautiful lace curtains, portiers in chenille and tapestry, attend J. J. Miller's annual sale next Monday.

—New Oklahoma, is the name Senator Hurst has given to the country across the North Fork at 'tother end of that new bridge. He is populating it too, with new settlers by a very generous method. Every industrious workman at the kilns, who desires to be near his work, is given free use of a plot of ground as long as he likes by building a little home thereon. It is a sort of first addition to Hurstville.

—Major Evans complains bitterly because the Bellevue council will not allow him a little more than the fixed sum of \$20 a year for publishing the extra long proceedings that body have had the past year. It is picaunish on the part of your city dads, but think of the Maquoketa publishers and weep Major, yes, shed great crocodile tears when we privately inform you that the Timber City council does not, and has not for twenty years, paid one cent for publishing their proceedings. It is safe to say that it has actually cost the SENTINEL during that time \$500 to publish said matter. Surely corporations are soulless and the ungrateful man is nowhere in comparison.

—See adv. in another part of this paper of Miller's great lace sale April 29th.

—Dr. G. A. Isbell, who is noted for his skill in optical work and also as a tape worm specialist, made two good hauls last week without keeping his patients from their business duties for a single day. From W. K. Hurst and H. Follett he removed two long tape worms from their systems for years, and until recently they knew not what ailed them. Dr. Isbell's method is simple, pain-

—Tuesday John Arntsen, of Lere des Morts twp., brought eleven wolf whelp scalps to the court house to receive the bounty offered for them and Sewel Abrams, of Farmers Creek twp., brought in the same day three old ones and fifteen whelp scalps, a total of twenty-nine scalps in one day. They received \$67 for them.

—Ladies patent leather low shoes are the cutest of the new styles at Reid and Dove's.

—Be sure you plant a good quantity of Evergreen corn, black wax and lima beans, peas and tomatoes, as Clapp & Wyrick, at Baldwin, Iowa, are this year better prepared than ever to can vegetables and fruits at the lowest living prices and to the great profit of the grower. Remember the factory will start July first. 3-4t

Seed. Seed. Seed.

We are headquarters for good new garden seeds cheaper than ever.

C. M. SANBORN & Co.

Married.

McCLOY-REED—By Justice F. C. Gregory at his office, in this city, April 17th, 1895, Mr. Robert McCloy, of Clinton county, to Miss Lena Reed, of Fairfield Twp., Jackson Co.

Died.

SPENCER.—At his home in Delmar, Sunday, April 21, 1895, of old age and general debility, Benjamin Spencer, aged 88 years, 10 months and 15 days.

Mr. Spencer was born four miles from Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, June 6th, 1808, and was married to Miss Mary Ware, who survives him, July 4, 1838, at Dundas, Ontario.

He removed with his family to Iowa in June, 1854, and settled in the new town of Maquoketa where he engaged in business for five years, and having in the meantime purchased a large farm near where the town of Delmar is now situated, moved onto it in 1859. In 1879 having acquired a competence he retired from active farm life and moved into Delmar to live and enjoy the fruits of his hard labor, and where he resided until death.

Mr. Spencer was always a very energetic man, and made it almost a daily practice to visit his farm until about a year ago, when his sufferings from rheumatic gout compelled him to remain at home. His genial, kindly face was occasionally seen upon our streets, and was warmly welcomed by the older citizens who knew him. Twelve children were born to him and his wife, eight of whom, with the faithful and loving wife, survive to mourn his death. They are James W., of Parkesburg, Ia.; Benj. A., of Maquoketa, Miss Mary E., of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Emma Hight, of Butte City, Mont., Joseph C., of Delmar, Ia., Mrs. Ella Cassin, of Delmar, Ia., Mrs. Anna Hess, of Lyons, Ia., Edward B., of University Park, Denver, Colo. A son and daughter died before he moved to Iowa, and a son, Arthur W., died at Delmar in 1887, and also a daughter, Esther A., at Delmar in 1891. Mr. Spencer has been an active and zealous member of the M. E. church for seventy years. The funeral services were held yesterday from his late home, and the remains were laid to rest in the family lot in Mt. Hope cemetery, this city. Rev. J. R. A. Hanner, of Delmar, and Rev. S. W. Heald, of Maquoketa, performed the last sad rites.

STRUBLE—At her home on West Platt street, of consumption, Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchinson Struble, Monday, April 23d, 1895, aged 72 yrs., 11 mos. and 22 ds.

Elizabeth Hutchinson was born in Trumbull Co., Ohio, May 24, 1822, and was married to Wm. Struble in 1842. In the spring of 1854, they moved west, going down the Ohio and up the Mississippi rivers and settled on a farm at Delmar north of town, where Mr. Struble engaged in the nursery business. They finally moved to town and settled on a farm west of Maquoketa, and started another nursery. In 1886 ill health compelled them to relinquish active work and they therefore leased their farm and built a large comfortable residence a few rods east therefrom, where they have since lived.

In 1892 they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. All their children and grandchildren were home in honor of the occasion. Seven children were born to them, of whom four are living—Mrs. Jane Morgan, of this city, Mrs. Lillian Morgan, of Maquoketa, Iowa, Mrs. Mary Ann, of Maquoketa, Iowa, and Mrs. Anna, of Maquoketa, Iowa. These children with the devoted husband and father are left to mourn her death. Mary, Sarah E. and Addie, have been dead a number of years.

Fin de Siecle Fashions.

Reid & Dove.



**DRY
GOODS**

of all kinds are very cheap. Perhaps never in the history of the country could good reliable goods be bought for the prices they can to-day. We are selling

- 46-in. fine all wool Henristas, former price \$1, for... 52c
- 36-in. all wool Dress Goods, formerly worth 50c, for... 26c
- 45-in. all wool Serges, formerly worth 75c, for... 42c
- 35-in. Jamestown Suitings, formerly worth 40c, for... 25c
- 36-in. Fancy Spring Mixtures formerly worth 65c, for... 42c
- Good dress style Ginghams, formerly worth 10c, for... 6c
- Apron Check Ginghams, formerly worth 8c, for... 5c

These are especial bargains and we have the goods to show you exactly as advertised above.

OUR LINE OF

Spring Capes

is very complete and embraces all of the nicest and newest productions for the spring season. The prices are astonishingly low. A very pretty Child's Jacket for \$1.50.

**Geo. L.
Mitchell.**



no sincere Christian can find fault with it. The Congregationalists of Maquoketa made no mistake in the selection of a minister this time.

W. F. Dove was in Chicago on business for Reid & Dove the first of the week.

Bicycles on the installment plan at Tinker Bros.'

The Sentinel's attempt to hold Mr. Cooper alone responsible for wasting \$18 of the public money by paying it to the Record for those cuts is very silly. Are the other members of the board a lot of chumps? One member cannot allow a bill. THE EXORSLION never claimed that there was any crooked work about it, but imply that it was an unwise use of public funds. We believe that no one disputes this statement, but the board undoubtedly thought it all right at the time.

Genuine Coacholine axle grease at Bradley's.

The largest stock of millinery in the county at Mrs. Tinker's. Prices away down.

Helen Sanborn came up from Clinton last Saturday evening for a week's visit with her sisters and old friends.

Our stock of ladies' spring capes has arrived. The assortment is very complete, the styles very handsome and the prices very low. GEO. L. MITCHELL.

Dr. F. G. Potter, of Bellevue, was in town over Sunday to visit his folks.

We are exclusive agents for the genuine Glidden barb wire, galvanized, 2½ cent per pound. It is the best.

CARTER & RINGLER.

Congressman Curtis will deliver the address of welcome to the old soldiers who attend the State Encampment in Clinton next month.

Our tan shoes for men are the best that can be made, the styles are the latest and fit you all. REID & DOVE.

THE EXORSLION bill before the next meeting of the board and put one in just like it. "Where are you at," Mr. Harvey?

Bicycles are very cheap at Tinker's.

Miller's annual lace sales always attract careful buyers. Remember the date, April 29.

A. G. Henderson arrived in town Saturday night from St. Joseph, Mo., where he has been spending the winter.

Hand & Trout have the leaders in bicycles.

Benjamin Spencer died at his home in Delmar, Sunday, April 21, 1895, of old age. He was born near Niagara Falls, in Ontario, Canada, June 6, 1808, and was, therefore, nearly 87 years old. July 4, 1838, nearly 57 years ago, Miss Mary Ware, who survives him, became his wife. They moved to this city in 1854, and five years later onto a farm near the present town of Delmar. In 1879, they retired from the farm and moved to Delmar. Twelve children, eight of whom survive, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Spencer. The survivors are James W., of Parkersburg, Ia.; Benj. A., of Maquoketa; Miss Mary E., of Cleveland, O.; Mrs. Emma Hight, of Butte City, Mont.; Joseph C., of Delmar, Ia.; Mrs. Anna Hess, of Lyons, Ia.; Edward B., of University Park, Denver, Col. A son and daughter died before he moved to Iowa, and a son, Arthur W., died at Delmar in 1887, and also a daughter, Esther A., at Delmar in 1891. For seventy years Mr. Spencer has been an earnest and active member of the M. E. church. He was widely known and highly esteemed by all who knew him. Funeral services, held at the home Wednesday, were conducted by Rev. J. R. A. Hanner, assisted by Dr. Heald, and the remains were laid to rest in Mt. Hope cemetery, this city.

Tinker Bros.' guarantee to save you money on wall paper. Elegant new stock just arrived.

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state of things now presented, because so long as one man is licensed to sell, thousands will sell without license. The law is robbed of all moral sanction and force by the fact that it grants dispensations to some of that which is forbidden to others.

Father Murphy: Let a Christian dictate go forth anathematizing the manufacture and promiscuous sale of alcoholic intoxicants on the American hemisphere, and twelve million Methodists, seven million Baptists, five millions of Presbyterians, and ten million of other denominations will manfully, fearlessly, rejoicingly, and if need be aggressively, back this divine manifesto, which in its emancipation of the people will be grander and greater and more beneficent than all the Magna Charters of the world. Can it be done? It can. The churches must go with the people, or the people will leave the churches.

At a great temperance meeting in New York one speaker said: "The labor question lies right across the path of temperance and prohibition." So do. The temperance question, and what, too, in the form of prohibition, lies directly across the path of the labor movement. It is not so much more pay, but more sobriety, that the poor man needs. Double compensation and less hours will only increase the wretchedness of the drunkard's home. Save an industrious man from liquor and he gets rich.

When a man has outlived his enthusiasm he has passed "the deadline" indeed. Zeal is a prime requisite of success and usefulness. One must be full of high and practical ideals, and be able to communicate his fervor to others, if he is to be of any account in the world. It is the live worker who is in demand. The enthusiastic spirit keeps things moving, and when the fire has died out of a man he will soon be set aside as an available force.—Philadelphia Presbyterian.

W. Carroll D. Wright, the well-known statistician, recently stated that facts show that "for every dollar the people receive from the nation they pay out twenty-one."

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IOWA NEWS.

—The census of Fairfield just taken shows the population to be 4,020, an increase of 639 in five years.

—Lon H. Boydston has been appointed postmaster at Montezuma, vice Allen T. Underwood, deceased. Boydston is a Democratic editor.

—The \$15,000 elevator of F. H. Hancock, of Davenport, located at Hancock, Pottawattamie county, burned on the 23d. The building was well insured.

—Ray Dixon, formerly a railroad fireman, has been sent to the insane asylum from Louisa county, he being the man who is supposed to have buried the dwelling of the Elliott sisters at Morning Sun.

—Dr. A. W. Chilcote, president of Washington National bank, died Thursday night, having been in failing health for some time. He was one of the wealthiest of Washington's citizens. His wife survives him.

—Clark Howard, a stock buyer at Jolley, Calhoun county, killed himself with a revolver Thursday night. Dependency caused by losses sustained in the shipment of hogs is supposed to have been the cause of his rash act.

—Hon. B. Spencer died at his home in Jackson county on the 21st, aged 87. He represented that county in the General Assembly of 1870 and his daughter, Mary, was enrolling clerk of the House, being the first female ever filling a legislative office in this State.

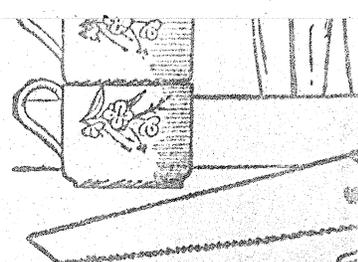
—Rev. Alexander Story, formerly U. P. preacher at Columbus City and for ten years editor of the Washington Gazette, died on the 23d in New York, where he was visiting. His home for a few years past has been at Monmouth, Ill. He was a good man and much respected.

—The coroner's jury in the case of Michael J. Shotts, the man killed by Perry Friel in a quarrel near Sioux City, Sunday, 20th, returned a verdict that Shotts came to his death while attempting to kill Friel, and that the latter's action in shooting him was justified.

Lots in South Muscatine.

R. B. HUFF, Agent.

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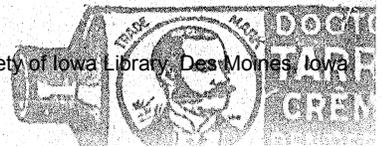
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1870 United States Federal Census

Name:	Benjamin Spencer	
Birth Year:	abt 1808	
Age in 1870:	62	
Birthplace:	Canada	
Home in 1870:	Bloomfield, Clinton, Iowa	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Value of real estate:	View image	
Post Office:	Grand Mound	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	Benjamin Spencer	62
	Mary Spencer	53
	Emma Spencer	18
	Joseph Spencer	17
	Ella Spencer	15
	Arthur Spencer	13
	Anna Spencer	10
	Edward Spencer	7
	Eta Wess	84

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- 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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SPENCER, BENJAMIN, Maquoketa,
(Jackson Co.) Clinton Co.; farmer;
born in Canada; married; Metho-
dist: 15 years in Iowa, 61 years
old, weighs 165 pounds,

*Taken from The Maquoketa
Excelsior, Maquoketa, Iowa,
Hurs. Jan. 21, 1870, p. 1, col. 4, 5, 6, 7*