

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Merriam, Barnard Slater Senator _____

Represented Lee County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 25 Oct 1812 Pittsfield, Massachusetts

2. Marriage (s) date place

Emily J. Core 1849 Quincy, Illinois

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business _____

B. Civic responsibilities IOOF

C. Profession Harness and saddlery business

4. Church membership _____

5. Sessions served 10th General Assembly 1864

6. Public Offices

A. Local Kerkub city assessor; mayor of Kerkub 1852, 1853, 1854;
city recorder; city clerk

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 23 Apr 1891 Kerkub, Iowa

8. Children George Slater; Emily; Nellie (Mrs. J. Thayer)

9. Names of parents Nathan and Margaret Merriam

Merriam, Bernard
States

10. Education _____

11. Degrees _____

12. Other applicable information _____

Reputation
- That he was a young man business and not stopped including Illinois.
- After marriage, he and his wife moved to Grubbs, Iowa where
he lived until his death.

Merriam, Bernard
Slater.

Sources Log For Legislation Entries

Applicability

Source	Non Applicable	Applicable	Information obtained
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			Apr. 25, 1891, p. 8, col. 1

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ANOTHER GONE.

Our Loss of the Band of Keokuk's Sturdy
Pioneers.

At 12:40 o'clock yesterday afternoon occurred the death of one who has played a most prominent part in the history of Keokuk, **Bernard S. Merriam**. For some time he had been confined at home by feebleness of health and dissolution was due to general debility. He was a native of Tyeringham, Mass., and was born October 18, 1811. When quite a young man he came west stopping at Quincy, Ill. In that city, in 1849, he was married to **Miss Emily Core**. The following year they removed to Keokuk and since then he was one of the city's foremost citizens. At first he engaged in the harness and saddlery business, but soon afterward his ability was recognized and the greater portion of his succeeding life was devoted to political matters. In 1852, 1853 and 1854 he was mayor of the city and served with distinction. He was city clerk and collector for many years and for a long series of years continually served as assessor for city and county purposes. He was a staunch republican and one of the most untiring workers for party success in Iowa. His influence was great and was not confined to the city but he was equally potent in state politics and was consulted in all things. Mr. Merriam was one of the best read men in Keokuk and he acquired knowledge in all departments. In Odd Fellowship he was equally influential. He was a member of Keokuk lodge No. 13, and filled all the chairs in that subordinate body. In the grand lodge of Iowa and the supreme lodge of the United States he was widely known. He had been chosen to the highest position in the state body and also held several other important offices. He also represented the state in the supreme lodge.

Mr. Merriam is survived by his wife and three children as follows: George S., Mrs. E. J. Unger and Miss Emily. Funeral arrangements have not been announced but it is expected the services will occur Sunday and will be under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

The death of Mr. Merriam, the city's most honored citizen. But for that stalwart band, which laid the solid and deep foundations for the prosperous city of Keokuk and who have contributed to the substantial municipal structure that has grown upon those foundations, regarded their experience the most poignant sorrow at his demise. And the sorrow was shared in by citizens

Madison, secretary; C. I. Imes, Macomb, assistant secretary; H. D. McComb, Fort Madison, treasurer. Executive committee: C. V. Chandler, W. J. McCray, S. B. Montgomery, Henry Schmoldt and N. C. Roberts.

Keep it Before the People

To insure good health it is necessary to keep the liver in regular action, the blood in free circulation, the bowels free by gentle purgation, and the stomach cleansed of fecal matter, all of which the Maguire's Condurango will accomplish. 75 cents per bottle.

AMUSEMENTS.

RIP VAN WINKLE.

The Spooner company gave an excellent performance of Rip Van Winkle last night. Edwin Barbour was Rip, and while he in no way disturbed any reminiscences of Mr. Jefferson's idealization, yet his performance was a most creditable effort, and one deserving of much commendation. Miss Beth Somerville as Gretchen, Miss Edna Lytton as Meenie, and Wells Beldhame as Heindrick, were satisfactory in their respective characters. A large and pleased audience was present. Not the least interesting feature of these performances is the excellent piano playing between the acts, of Herbert Kerr. He is a pianist of more than ordinary ability.

The bill to-night is the old favorite, The Hidden Hand.

FACTS ON WHICH FATHERLAND IS BASED

In 1886 the region to the east of Innsbruck, in the Tyrol, was the scene of disaster and death. During the spring freshet a mass of rock was detached from the mountain side just above the village of Helligkreuts, blocking up the Oetz River, that at this point is a perfect torrent. The consequence was, mighty waters made a new bed for themselves, and in their new course rushed through a thickly settled district, razing houses, drowning inhabitants to the number of 219, and utterly destroying cattle and fodder. The panic was terrible but times of trouble always bring out men of resources. Such was the case then. The same reason that enabled the inhabitants of this arcadia to retain the simplicity of their tongue, manners and costumes, left them also the manly courage and chivalry of Feudal times. Many were the instances of heroic daring, but none so great as that of Herman Leopold, the guide, who, at the peril of his life, saved from imminent death fourteen of his neighbors. It was--the women kissing him, the men hugging him, the children dancing

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HOWELL & CLARK, Proprietors.
Keokuk Iowa.

BEN HARRISON is the prince of off-hand talkers to a crowd.

South Carolina has at last got to where native white men are organizing the republican party and doing it strongly.

The two democratic leaders are CLEVELAND and HILL and one is against free silver and the other against free trade.

HENRY WATKINSON says the relations of BLAINE and HARRISON to each other are politics and mighty

it is doing. He is doing into a great productive system of labor and results. So too if he is connected with one of the strong and successful colleges that have become part of the organic and vital body of American education. But to be the executive head of a college that does not get this place, with which it is a hand to mouth struggle every year to live, where the president and teachers can never realize any of the results of a perfected and perfecting system, that must be very discouraging. It is better to be superintendent or principal of public schools than to be president or professor in any American college except the very greatest.

DEATH OF B. S. MERRIAM.

B. S. MERRIAM died yesterday. For more than thirty years he was one of the foremost men in Keokuk and a leading feature in the state conventions of Iowa republicanism. For more than a quarter century he never missed a state convention and the republicans of all parts of Iowa came to look with interest and pleasure to his reappearance among them at that gathering. Great in body and brain he was one of the greatest and wisest men we ever knew. He knew the history of American politics in the full and exact way that HORACE GREELEY did and that JAMES G. BLAINE did. In his vast memory he seemed to carry all that all parties had ever done. He was wise in council and utterly fearless in action. So long as he was strong enough to be about he was an encyclopedia about all the city had done in its city affairs and when any one wanted to know what the city government had done about anything at any time in the last forty years he asked B. S. MERRIAM and was told. He was a man of the noblest integrity and staunchness of principle. He was one of the great men who made the early history of Keokuk and he was the peer of any of them.

PRESIDENT HARRISON.

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with a raft yesterday.

Special sale on boys' and youths' shoes Saturday at Versteeg's.

Sheriff Kerr took Miss Jessie Rankin to Mt. Pleasant yesterday and placed her in the hospital for the insane.

Peterson Bros. carry a large stock of clothing. Everything new.

Very little objection to the assessments for city taxes is being made and the board of equalization is not rushed with business.

Dan Seelover, of Carthage, Ill., brought over a high bred roadster, yesterday. The horse will be shipped to St. Paul by steamer.

Matinee at 2 p. m. to-day. Prices 15 and 25 cents.

J. W. Ruckman is now conductor on one of the Keokuk & Western railway passenger trains, having succeeded W. G. Goodrich, resigned.

A farmers' team stuck in the mud on Thirteenth street, not five feet from Main, yesterday and the wagon had to be unloaded before he could get it out.

Peterson Bros. make a specialty of nice fitting, well made clothing.

The funeral of **B. S. Merriam** will occur from the family residence, No. 1227 Timea Street, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon and will be under the auspices of the Odd Fellows.

Rev. Wilbur F. Crafts addressed a large audience on the Sabbath observance question at the A. M. E. church last night. His remarks were along the line of his previous addresses in the city.

The last performance of the Spooner company will be given to-night.

A force of men began tearing up the old Rock Island tracks in the vicinity of the union depot yesterday. A portion of three tracks will be removed and Monday the work of grading the depot grounds will be begun.

Harry Bradford, a small boy, was knocked down and run over by a horse and buggy driven by a traveling man on Seventh and Main streets yesterday afternoon. No blame is attached to the driver and the boy was uninjured.

For anything in the millinery line call on M. & H. Solomon.

Afternoon a special train arrived over the Rock Island railway from Des Moines, bearing the famous United States Marine band, of Washington, D. C. They took dinner at the Hotel Keokuk and spent the intervening hours until the departure of the Weasel for Quincy, where they gave a concert last night, in viewing the sights of the city. There were fifty of the musicians and they wore blue fatigue uniforms with trimmings of red.

During Thursday night Wm. Waters and Wm. O'Brien, two beggars who occupied cell No. 4 in the city prison, dug a hole through the north wall with a piece of an iron rake and made good their escape. The city jail will not hold anybody who makes an effort to get out and Marshal Trimble is trying to induce the council to build an addition on the east side. In it might be placed two iron cells for important prisoners. The jail is small and exceedingly unhealthy. It will have to be thoroughly renovated soon, and those acquainted with its condition endorse the marshal's plan.

NOTICE!

Special Sale of Infants' and Children's Wraps.

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Massachusetts, Town Vital Collections, 1620-1988

Name: **Barnard Slater Merriam**Birth Date: **25 Oct 1812**Event Type: **Birth**Event City: **Pittsfield**Father Name: **Nathan Merriam**Mother Name: **Margaret****Source Information:**

Ancestry.com. *Massachusetts, Town Vital Collections, 1620-1988* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2011.
Original data: Town and City Clerks of Massachusetts. *Massachusetts Vital and Town Records*. Provo, UT: Holbrook Research Institute (Jay and Delene Holbrook).

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1860 United States Federal Census

Name: **Barnard S Merriam**
Age in 1860: **48**
Birth Year: **abt 1812**
Birthplace: **Massachusetts**
Home in 1860: **Keokuk Ward 1, Lee, Iowa**
Gender: **Male**
Post Office: **Keokuk**
Value of real estate: [View image](#)

Household Members:	Name	Age
	Barnard S Merriam	48
	Emily J Merriam	40
	Jerry S Merriam	1
	Catharine Chelson	20

Source Citation: Year: 1860; Census Place: Keokuk Ward 1, Lee, Iowa; Roll: M653_330; Page: 162; Image: 164; Family History Library Film: 803330.

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. 1860 United States Federal Census [database online]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

Original data: 1860 U.S. census, population schedule. NARA microfilm publication M653, 1,438 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.

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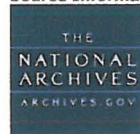


1870 United States Federal Census

Name: **B S Merriam**
Age in 1870: **59**
Birth Year: **abt 1811**
Birthplace: **Massachusetts**
Home in 1870: **Keokuk Ward 4, Lee, Iowa**
Race: **White**
Gender: **Male**
Post Office: **Keokuk**
Value of real estate: [View image](#)

Household	Name	Age
Members:	B S Merriam	59
	E J Merriam	50
	G S Merriam	11
	Emily Merriam	7
	Nellie Merriam	5
	Martha Bland	17

Source Citation: Year: 1870; Census Place: Keokuk Ward 4, Lee, Iowa; Roll: M593_404; Page: 296B; Image: 217; Family History Library Film: 545903.

Source Information:

Ancestry.com. 1870 United States Federal Census [database online]. 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.

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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: **B. S. Merriam**
 Age: **68**
 Birth Year: **abt 1812**
 Birthplace: **Massachusetts**
 Home in 1880: **Keokuk, Lee, Iowa**
 Race: **White**
 Gender: **Male**
 Relation to Head of House: **Self (Head)**
 Marital Status: **Married**
 Spouse's Name: **Emily J. Merriam**
 Father's Birthplace: **Connecticut**
 Mother's Birthplace: **Massachusetts**
 Neighbors: [View others on page](#)
 Occupation: **City Assessor**
 Cannot read/write:
 Blind: [View image](#)
 Deaf and dumb:
 Otherwise disabled:
 Idiotic or insane:
 Household Name: **B. S. Merriam**
 Members: **68**
 Emily J. Merriam
 George S. Merriam
 Emily Merriam
 Nellie Merriam

Source Citation: Year: 1880; Census Place: Keokuk, Lee, Iowa; Roll: 350; Family History Film: 1254350; Page: 378B; Enumeration District: 023; Image: 0438.

Source Information:



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