

I am sending a photograph of my great-grandparents – Nelson Taylor and Adeline (Champagne) Taylor. There is not date on the picture. I know little about Adeline except that she was born in Canada about 1838. The couple married in Momence in 1853. She bore 16 children between 1854 and 1875. She died in 1887. When Nelson died in October 1915, the Momence Press Reporter said he was Momence's oldest citizen at age 91 and had lived in the town for 80 years. He was born in 1824 at Napierville, Quebec, Canada, just outside Montreal. His birth name was Narcisse Terrien, but the family changed its name to Taylor after immigrating to Illinois. Just seven of his children survived him. I have more photos which I plan to send in the next few days.

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