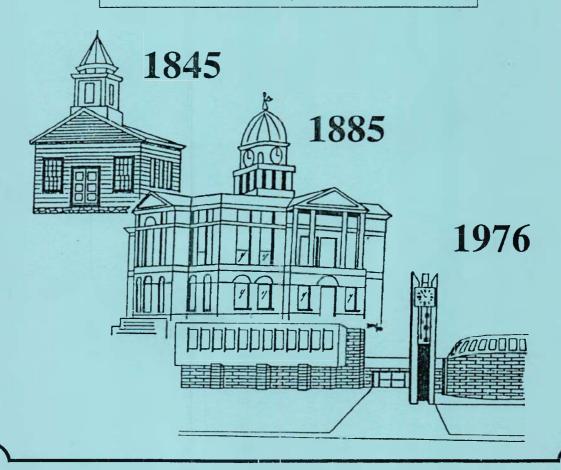
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EATON COUNTY **MARRIAGES**

EATON COUNTY, STATE OF **MICHIGAN**

Abstracted by Betty Goostrey and **Betty Polhamus** Spelling as written

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Date of Marriage: 25 April 1847

Groom: Mr. Mortimer Greeman, age 21

years

Residence: Convis, Calhoun Co., Mich. Bride: Jenette Depuy, age 17 years Residence: Bellevue, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: Town of Bellevue Offical preforming: N.S. Booth, Justice of

Peace

Witnesses: John J. Cook & Francis

Andrews et al

Recorded May 5, 1847 by A. D. Shaw,

County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 15 April 1847 Groom: Thomas Plamor, age 32 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Caroline Tubbs, age 24 years Residence: Town of Carmel Place of Marriage: At the house of Elijah Hall in the Town of Carmel Offical Preforming: Harvey Williams, Justice of Peace

Witnesses: Sarah Hall & Emeline Tubbs, both of the Town of Carmel

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Date of Marriage: 29 Nov 1846

Groom: Mr. Stephen R. Loomis, age 24

Residence: Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Miss Betsy Ann Hall, Age 18 years

Residence: Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: The school house in

District #3 of Tyler Offical Preforming: J. W. Smith, Minister of

Gospel Mr. Ephraim Hall & Mrs. Witnesses:

Cynthia Hall of Tyler

Oath was administred to Groom on 10 December 1846

Recorded May 5, 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 8 April 1847

Groom: Mr. N. J. Seeley, age 25 years Residence: Eaton Rapids, Eaton Co., Mlch. Bride: Miss Girzy Sterling, age 22 years Residence: Eaton Rapids, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: The house of Mr. Wm.

Sterling

Offical Preforming: J. W. Smith, Minister of Gospel who administed Oath to Groom on

15 April 1847

Recorded 5 May 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 31 December 1846 Groom: Mr. Daniel Palmer, age 23 years Residence: Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich.

Bride: Miss Mary Antoinette Covey, age

Residence: Eaton Rapids, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: The house of Mr. James

Offical Preforming: J. W. Smith, Minister of Gospel, who administed Oath to Groom on 15 April 1847

Witnesses: Mr. James Covey & Mrs.

Lorinda Covey of Eaton Rapids

Recorded May 5, 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 29 October 1846 Groom: Mr. Jacob L. Nickerson, age 25

Residence: Bellevue, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Isabel T. Corliss, age 18 years Residence: Town of Bellevue, Eaton Co.,

Offical Performing: Henry Harris, Minister of Gospel

Witnesses: Joseph Corliss & Margaret

Recorded 22 May 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 9 May 1847

Groom: Mr. Nicholas H. Squires, age 29

Residence: Penfield, Calhoun Co., Mich. Bride: Sally Ann Smith, Age 27 years Residence: Bellevue, Eaton Co., Mich.

Place of Marriage: Town of Bellevue Offical Preforming: N. S. Booth, Justice of

Peace

Witnesses: Wm. Kelley & Ephraim B.

Recorded 7 June 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 24 February 1847 Groom: Edwin D. Galusha, age 25 years Residence: Township of Essex, Clinton Co.,

Bride: Catherine A. Burgess, age 16 years Residence: Township of Brookfield, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Place of Marriage: House of Amos

Galusha

Offical Preforming: Jesse Hart, Justice of

Peace

Witnesses: Amos Galusha & D. R. Page Recorded 7 June 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 18 March 1847 Groom: George D. Parker, age 20 years Residence: Town of Delta, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Martha Mascho, age 19 years Residence: Town of Delta, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: Town of Delta Offical Preforming: Samuel Nickson, Justice of Peace Witnesses: John B. Sweet & David M. Philips both of Delta Recorded 7th June 1847 by A. D. Shaw,

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Date of Marriage: 30 May 1847

Groom: Pardon H. Fisher, age 26 years Residence: Township of Brookfield, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Bride: Phebe Thorp, age 24 years Residence: Township of Brookfield, Eaton Co., Mich.

Place of Marriage: House of Solom Whipple in the Township of Brookfield Offical Preforming: Jesse Hart, Justice of Peace

Witnesses: Solomon Whipple & Nelson

McArthur

Recorded 7th June 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 22 March 1847 Groom: Orson O. Janes, age 26 years Residence: Bunker Hill, Ingham Co., Mich. Bride: Mrs. Ann Archer, age 28 years Residence: Bunker Hill, Ingham Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: Eaton Rapids Offical Preforming: Nathan B. Darrow, Justice of Peace Witnesses: Horace Hamlin, Eunice Hamlin & Summer Hamlin all of the Town of Eaton Rapids Recorded 7 June 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 26 April 1847 Groom: Orin N. Hoisington

Residence: Town of Kalamo, Eaton Co.,

Mich.

Bride: Amy Jane Taylor

Residence: Town of Benton, Eaton Co.,

Mich.

Place of Marriage: The Residence of Wm.

Taylor in the Town of Benton

Offical Preforming: William H. Taylor, Justice of Peace who administered Oath to Groom on 12 th May 1847

Witnesses: William Taylor of Town of Benton and Aron Sloane of Town of

Windsor.

Recorded 16th June 1847 by A. D. Shaw.

County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 18 April 1847 Groom: Henry Verplank

Residence: Town of Benton, Eaton Co.,

Mich

Bride: Catharine McMullen

Residence: Oneida, Eaton Co., Mich. Place of Marriage: Town of Oneida Offical preforming: James Nixon, Minister Witnesses: Edward McMullen & Margaret McMullen both of Oneida

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Date of Marriage: 11 May 1847 Groom: David B. Hamlin, age 30 years Residence: Town of Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Ruby B. Jacobs, age 22 years Residence: Town of Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: Samuel Hamlin, Justice Witnesses: Mary Gallery & Warren M.

Pickett

Recorded 10 Aug 1847 by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 27 May 1847

Groom: **Mr. Samuel Mest**, age 25 years Residence: Town of Eaton Rapids, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Bride: Miss Roxy Ann Wellman, age 20

years

Residence: Town of Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: **Hiram Law**, Minister of

Gospel

Witnesses: M. J. Serley & Jerry Serley

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Date of Marriage: 30 June 1847

Groom: Mr. Frederick A. West, age 28

vears

Residence: Bellevue, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Miss Lydia H. Corlis, age 20 years Residence: Bellevue, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: H. T. Fero, Baptist Minister

Witnesses: Joseph H. Corlis & Miss Margaret M. Jarvis both of Bellevue

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Date of Marriage: 1 July 1847

Groom: William Barker

Residence: Benton, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Miss Haretta Thomas, age 18 years Residence: Benton, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: H. T. Fero, Baptist Minister

Witnesses: Roswell R. Maxon of Chester and Mr. Milford Barker of Oneida

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Dae of Marriage: 4 July 1847 Groom: Jesse W. Miller, age 42 years

Residence: Township of Eaton Rapids,

Eaton Co., Mich.

Bride: Mary H. Roe, age 18 years Residence: Township of Eaton Rapids,

Eaton Co., Mich.

Offical Preforming: Nathan B. Darrow,

Justice of Peace

Witnesses: Abijah Hutchins & Sarah

Hutchins both of Eaton Rpaids

Recorded 4 October 1847 by A. D. Shaw,

County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 15 July 1847

Groom: Leonard Trumbull, age 27 years

Residence:

Bride: Miss Harriet McCargar, age 26

years Residence:

Offical Preforming: H. T. Fero, Baptist

Minister

Witnesses: John M. McCargar and John

Davis all of Eaton County, Mich.

Recorded by A. D. Shaw

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Date of Marriage: 31 August 1947

Groom: Mr. Cornelius Dennis, age 48

vears

Residence: Springport, Jackson Co., Mich. Bride: Mrs. Lucy Wheaton, age 48 years Residence: Chester, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: H. T. Fero, Baptist

Minister

Witnesses: Jared Bouten & Jacob

Wheaton both of Eaton County , Mich

Recorded by A. D. Shaw, County Clerk

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Date of Marriage: 7th October 1847 Groom: Hiram Sowle, age 20 years

Residence: Roxand, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Sarah Boyer, age 17 years

Residence: Roxand, Eaton Co., Mich. Offical Preforming: **B. T. Garfield**, Justice of

Peace

Witnesses: Adam Boyer & Eliza Boyer

both of Roxand, Eaton Co., Mich.

Recorded 10 November 1847 by County

Clerk I. D. McCammon and Dep. County

Clerk. B. A. Winslow

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Date of Marriage: 11 November 1847

Groom: Mr. George W. Hall, age 25 years

Residence: Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich. Bride: Mary E. Lee, age 25 years

Residence: Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich.

Offical Preforming: Alpheus Hayden,

Minister of Gospel

Witnesses: Henry Underdonk & Sarah M.

Underdonk both of Tyler, Eaton Co., Mich.

Recorded 23 November 1847 by Co. Clerk I.D. McCammon and Dep. Co., Clerk B. A.

Winslow

cont. 5

cont

4 Clyde Nathan PITCHER

Born: 27 Sep 1891 Piace. Charlotte. Eaton Co. MI Marr: 20 Apr 1924 Place Jackson Cty, MI Died: 25 Nov 1977 Place: Charlotte, Eaton Co, MI

8 Grant PITCHER

cont, 2 Born: 20 Dec 1864 Place: MI Marr. 20 Mar 1886 Place Charlotte, Eaton Ctv, MI

Died: 25 Jul 1937 Place Jackson, MI

9 Isabella Olive HORN

cont 3 Born: Mar 1867 Place: Carmel T, Eaton Cty. MI Died 7 Dec 1950 Place Melvindale, Wayne Cty, MI

2 Edwin Mason PITCHER

Born 28 Jul 1930 Place: Pulaski T, Jackson Co, MI Marr. 15 Jan 1948 Place: Mclvindale, Wayne Cty, MI Died: 18 Feb 1997 Place: Foote Hospital, Jackson Co. Jackson, MI

5 Marguerite BARTHOLOMEW

Born 18 Nov 1902 Place Smith Co, Tyler, TX Died 6 May 1975 Place: Wayne Co. ???, MI at Oakwood Hosp

10 Marcus Mason BARTHOLONEW

Born: 10 Nov 1874 Place Barry Co. Hastings, MI Marr. 27 Sep 1899 Place: Jackson Co., Parma, MI Died: 21 Nov 1908 Place: Jackson Co, Jackson, MI

1 Sheryl Lee PITCHER

Born: 6 Feb 1951 Prace: Garden City, Wayne Cty, MI Marr: 6 Jun 1969 Place Bellevue, Eaton Ctv. MI Died. Place:

James Wayne MCCRIMMON

6 Hilding Ernst KRUSELL

Burn. 4 May 1904 Place Mille Lacs Co, Milaca, MN Marr: 26 Jun 1926 Place Mille Lacs Co, Milaca, MN Died 17 Oct 1995 Place: ? Co, Sun City, AZ

12 Emil KRUSELL

Place: Tuscola Co, Caro, MI

11 Eda S. MILLER

Born 29 Nov 1871

Died 1954

cont Born Feb 1863 Place: Skaraborg, Sweden Marr: 1886 Place Skaraborg, Sweden Ded 1953 Place: Mille Lacs Co, Milaca, MN

Place: Jackson Cty, Looni T, Jackson, MI

3 Mary Jean KRUSELL

Born 9 Dec 1929 Place Pontiac, Macomb Co, MI Died Place

14 Nels SEDERQUIST

13 Margaret JACOBSEN

Born: Mar 1866

Place: Sweden Died 16 Sep 1937 Place. Mille Lacs Co, MN

Born: 15 Sep 1874 Place: Vormfard, Sweden Marr 30 Nov 1900 Place Mille Lacs Co, Foreston, MN Died. 24 May 1948 Place Mille Lacs Co, MN

7 Stella SEDERQUIST

Born 30 May 1904 Place Mille Lacs Co, Milaca, MN Died 30 Nov 1940 Place Ingham Co, Lansing, MI

15 Mary Matilda ANDERSON

cont._ Born 15 Nov 1883 Place. Wood Co, WI Died: 16 Apr 1946 Place: MN in St. Cloud Hospital

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		8 Nathan PHCHER	
		Born:	cont
		Place:	
		Marr:	
	4 Nathan PITCHER	Place:	
		Died:	
	Born 26 Apr 1805	Place	
	Place: Vermont	Prisce.	
	Marr:	9??	
	Place ?		cont.
	Died: 26 Doc 1891	Born:	
	Place Eaton Co, Charlotte, MI	Place:	
		Died.	
2 Edwin PITCHER		Place:	
Born Mar 1830			
Place Henrictta T, Monroe Co, NY			
Marr 14 Jul 1864			
Place Eaton Co, Charlotte, MI		10	
Died: 7 Nov 1900		Born:	cont
		Place.	
Place: Eaton Co, Charlotte, MI		Marr	
	5 Sophia Eliza STANDARD	Place:	
	•		
	Born: 31 Mar 1809	Died:	
	Place, Vermont (or May	Place:	
	Died: 27 Jan 1894		
	Place Eaton Co. Charlotte, MI	11	cont.
		Born	CONT.
		Place:	
		Died.	
1 Grant PITCHER		Place:	
Born: 20 Dec 1864			
Place MI			
Marr: 20 Mar 1886		40	
Place Charlotte Eaton Cty. MI		12	cont
Died: 25 Jul 1937		Born:	
Place Jackson, MI		Place	
		Marr:	
Isabella Olive HORN	6 Solomon WOLFE	Place.	
Spouse	Вин.	Died:	
	Place	Place	
	Marr	13	
	Place:		cont,
	Died:	Born:	
	Place:	Place	
		Died:	
3 Elizabeth WOLFE		Place	
Born 17 Jan 1829			
Place: PA per her obituary			
Died 20 Fcb 1911			
Place Charlotte, Eaton Co. MI		14	
Piges Charlotte, Lation Co. 111		Born	cont
		Place:	
		Marr	
	7 Elizabeth HOFFETT		
		Place:	
	Born:	Died:	
	Place:	Place	
	Died:		
	Place	15	77.77
		Born:	cont
		Place	
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No. 1 on this chart is the same as no. 9 on chart no. 1 8 John HORN cont Born. Place: York Cty, PA 4 Peter HORN Place Place: York Ctv. PA Place. York Cty. P.A. Marr: 25 Feb 1816 9 Unknown Place: York Ctv. PA cont ____ Died: Place: Place: Died: 2 David HORN Place Born: 3 Mar 1829 Place York Cty., Penn. Marr: 31 Jan 1854 Place: York Cty, Penn. in Little York 10 cont. Died: 23 Jun 1897 Place: Carmel T, Eaton Cty, MI Place Marr: 5 Barbara MARKEL Place Died Place. Place: York Cty, PA Died: 24 Scp 1864 Place MI or 21-Scp-1861 per Bosworth Cem Bom: Place Died: 1 Isabella Olive HORN Place Born: Mar 1867 Prace Cannel T, Eaton Cty, MI Marr 20 Mar 1886 Place Charlotte, Eaton Cty, MI 12 cont. Died 7 Dec 1950 Born: Place. Melvindale, Wayne Cty, MI Place Marr: **Grant PITCHER** Place Spouse Diad Place Place Marr: 13 Place: cont Died: Born. Place. Place: Died: 3 Sarah A. MCCOLEGAN Place Born: 15 Oct 1834 Place. Pennsylvania Died. 19 Feb 1907 14 Place: Carmel T, Eaton Co, MI cont _ Born. Place Marr Place Died Born: Place Place: Died: 15 Place cont ____ Born: Place Prepared 31 Jan 1998 by: Sher Brown 422 McClure Died:

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Place.

III TUTULU GARAGE AND		8 Moses BARTHOLOMEW	
		Born 2 Apr 1774	cont 6
		Place Kishicoquillas Creek, Frederic	k Co., MD
		Marr	
	4 John BARTHOLOMEW	Place Leesburg, Loudon County, VA	A
	Born: 1 Jul 1797	Died 22 Aug 1853	
	Place Loudon County, VA	Plece: Roscville, OH at 79	
	Merr. 22 Oct 1819	9 Elizabeth SEGUR	
	Place (cousin)	Born 2 Fcb 1773	cont
	Died. 27 Aug 1864	Place Lancaster Co. PA	
	Place:	Died Jul 1865	
2 Amos BARTHOLOMEW		Place: Adamsville, OH at 92	
Born 24 Jun 1827			
Place Union Co. OH Marr: 31 Dec 1851			
Place K'zoo Co, Climax T, Kalamazoo, MI		10	
Died.		Born:	cont
Place.		Place.	
1 IdiCo.		Магт:	
	5 Rosannah SEGUR	Place	
	Born 16 Mar 1804	Died	
	Place:	Place	
	Died: 6 Mar 1848		
	Place:	11	cont
		Born.	con
		Place:	
		Died	
1 Marcus Mason BARTHOLOMEW		Place:	
Born: 10 Nov 1874			
Place: Barry Co. Hastings, MI			
Marr: 27 Scp 1899		12	
Place Jackson Co. Parma, MI			cont.
Died 21 Nov 1908		Born:	
Place Jackson Co, Jackson, MI		Place:	
EJ. C MULED	6	Place:	
Eda S. MILLER Spouse		Died.	
	Boir).	Place.	
	Place. Marr:		
	Place	13	
	Died	Born	cont
	Place	Place	
		Died	
3 Mehitable JOHNSON		Place:	
Born: 29 Aug 1834			
Place: OH			
Died:			
Place.		14	conf
		Born	
		Place:	
		Магт	
	7	Place:	
	Born:	Died	
	Place:	Place:	
	Died:	45	
	Place	15	cont
		Born	
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		8 Father MILLER	
		Born:	cont
		Place:	
		Магт:	
	4 James D. MILLER	Place.	
	Born. 19 Jan 1816	Died.	
	Place.	Place:	
	Marr.		
	Place:	9 Ms. Blank?	
	Died. 14 Oct 1847	Born:	cont
	Place:	Place:	
	T ARGO.	Died:	
Samuel Peter MILLER		Place:	
		riace.	
Rom 23 Jul 1840 Place Jackson Cty, Leoni T, Jackson, MI			
Marr: 22 Jan 1863		10	
Place: Jackson Cty, Leoni T, Jackson, MI		Born:	cont
Died: 1910		Place.	
Place: Jackson Cty, Leoni T, Jackson MI			
	5 Charity UPDIKE	Marr:	
		Place:	
	Born. 1818	Died:	
	Place:	Place:	
	Died: 4 Jan 1881	11	
	Place: 68y 10m 2d	11	cont.
		Born:	
		Place.	
		Died:	
Eda S. MILLER		Place:	
Marr. 27 Sep 1899 Place: Jackson Co., Parma, MI		12 Stephen SMITH	cont.
Died 1954		Born.	
Place Tuscola Co, Caro, MI		Place Mass	
Marcus Mason BARTHOLOMEW	6 Oliver C. SMITH	Marr.	
Spouse		Place:	
operate	8om: 1814	Died:	
	Place: Seneca Cty, NY	Place:	
	Marr 12 Sep 1840	to Etimbath DICKELL	
	Place: Leoni T, Jax Cty, MI	13 Elizabeth PICKELL	cont. 7
	Died. 15 Mar 1858	Born 1785	
	Place, 43y 11m 22d	Place: NJ	
		Died: 13 Aug 1844	
3 Caroline E. SMITH		Place: in Jackson Co, Mt? at 59Y	
Born, 1844 Place Jackson Co, Leoni T, Jackson, MI			
Died 1930		14	
Place Jackson Co, Leoni T, Jackson, MI			cont
		Born.	100
		Place.	
	7 Matilda HENRV	Marr	
	7 Matilda HENRY	Place:	
	Born. 1820	Died	
	Place. NY	Place:	
	Died: 23 Jan 1861		
	Place: 45y 9m 27d	15	cont.
		Born:	COTIL
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Sher Brown		Died:	
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Pedigree Chart			Chart no. 6
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			cont.
		Born:	
		Place.	
		Marr	
	4	Piace.	
	Born:	Died.	
	Place	Place:	
	Marr:		
	Place:	9	
	Died.	Born:	cont
	Place:	Place	
		Diad:	
2 John BARTHOLOMEW		Place:	
Born: 1740			
Place, Lancaster, PA			
Marr: 1765		10	
Place			cont.
Died: 1823		Born	
Place Jefferson County, OH		Place:	
		Marr:	
	5	Place	
	Born.	Died	
	Place:	Place:	
	Died:	1	
	Place.	11	
		Born	cont.
		Place.	
		Died.	
1 Moses BARTHOLOMEW		Place.	
	-	race.	
Born: 2 Apr 1774 Place Kishicoquillas Creek, Frederick Co., M	n		
Marr:			
Place Leesburg, Loudon County, VA		12	
		Born.	cont
Died 22 Aug 1853		Place.	
Place. Roscville, OH at 79			
Elizabeth SECUD	* Cooper MORDEN	Marr	
Elizabeth SEGUR	6 George MORDEN	Place:	
Spouse	Born: 1715	Died:	
	Place: Near London, England	Place:	
	Мант. 1737		
	Place.	13	
	Died:	Born.	cont
	Place.	Place.	
		Died:	
3 Nancy MORDEN		Place:	
	"	r naoc.	
Born: 1745			
Place Born on Atlanta Ocean from England			
Died: 1793		44	
Place.		14	cont
		Born:	wit
		Place.	
		Магт:	
	7 Elinor ROBESON	Place:	
	Born: 1715	Died:	
		Place:	
	Ptace:		
	Diad		

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Born:

Place: Died: Place: cont ___

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			cont
		Born:	
		Place:	
		Marr,	
	4	Piace.	
	Born:	Died:	
	Place:	Place:	
	Marr:		
	Place.	9	
	Died:	Born:	cont
		Place:	
	Place:		
DECEMBER 1		Ded:	
PICKELL		Place:	
Sorn:			
lace			
Aarr:			
lace		10	
		Born:	cont.
Died:		Place:	
Mace			
		Marr:	
	5	Place:	
	Born:	Died.	
	Place:	Place:	
	Died:		
	Place:	11	
	T RIDG.	Born	cont
		Place:	
THE RESIDEN		Died:	
Elizabeth PICKELL		Place:	
3om: 1785			
Ptace: NJ			
Marr.			
Place		12	
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History of the Center Eaton Church

The Eaton Charge was established on October 12, 1825 at the Ohio Conference. The Detroit District was organized, consisting of the Detroit and Wyandotte Indian Mission with a total of 610 members. By 1830 there were six charges and 1,176 members. By 1840, there were five districts in Michigan with 11,423 members and 47 charges. By 1850, there were eight districts and 92 charges.

When **Benjamin Spotts** brought his bride to Michigan in 1853, they purchased eighty acres of wild land in section 28, Eaton Township. There were no roads and no improvements had been made on the land. Deer and wild turkey were plentiful, contributing materially to the tables of the sturdy pioneers. Their first two homes were log cabins. The first one was blown down by the wind, leaving only the puncheon floor. Also lost was a barrel of flour, a precious commodity in those days. The cabins had blankets covering the doors and windows, and a large fireplace for cooking and heating. Four children were born there.

The Hoffner family came to Michigan from Rochester, New York in 1869. The family consisted of Jacob Hoffner, his son Andrew, and wife Sarah, their children, Charles, Augusta, Cora, and Carrie. Charles Hoffner was 14 years old. Andrew and Sarah Hoffner were members of the Congregational Church in Charlotte. Mr. Hoffner took the first steps, and assisted in building the Center Eaton Church across from their home. He was a trustee of the church for a number of years.

In 1878, land was purchased for the sum of \$25.00 from **Benjamin** and **Catherine Spotts** for the purpose of building a church, with a stipulation that the land be used for church purposes only, and no longer. The deed was signed by **Elmon Scott**, and **D.P. Sagendorph**. **Daniel Dickinson** drew the stones which formed the foundation. He also planted the pine trees which surround the church and cemetery. The men cut and hewed the logs from the Spotts woods, and erected the church themselves. The church steeple was built by **Ezra Spotts** and **Jay Huber**. The first minister preached on Sunday morning, November 10, 1881. His name was **Rev. B.E. Paddock**. Prior to that time, services were held at the Miller School by a **Father White**, succeeded by **Reverend W. Knapp**, pastor of the Potterville charge, and **Reverend J.W. McAllister**.

Following Rev. Paddock was a procession of eighteen ministers, each staying 1, 2 or 3 years, until Rev. G.D. Chase came. He stayed seven years. On September 23, 1914, some of the young adults met at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Chase and organized an Epworth League. They elected the following officers: Pres., Byron Hoffner; 1st. vice president of Spiritual work, Mrs. G.D. Chase; 2nd vice president of Social work, Mrs. Leon Bryner; Secretary, Mrs. Ernest Roblin; Treasurer, Miss Helen Hoffner; Chorister, Arthur Tubbs; Pianist, Rev. Chase. It was decided to hold a devotional meeting the first Sunday of each month between church and Sunday-school, and a business and social meeting the first Friday after the first full moon of each month. It is interesting to note that when they added new members to their group, they had

to be voted in. Their dues were 25 cents, and their meetings were held in the members homes. Sometimes, they had as many as 67 members present. At one particular meeting, a nail driving contest was held for the ladies and the men had a sewing contest. At another meeting their refreshments were all day suckers.

Center Eaton can boast of one foreign missionary. **Miss Lulu Tubbs** was born here, and was a member of our church. In 1918 **Miss Tubbs** began her work in Southern Rhodesia, Africa. She spent about fifty years there, and was married quite late in life to a Mr. **Roberts**, also a missionary. She always spent her furloughs at home with her brother and sister-in-law, **Arthur** and **Jennie Tubbs**. She visited Center Eaton many times during those years. She has now retired and lives in Florida.

As the community grew, so did the need for more room in the church. A committee consisting of the minister, Rev. Richard Wearne; George Spotts, trustee; L.D. Dickinson, layman; Clara Cooley, president of the Ladies Aid Society; and Alice Hoffner, president of the Epworth League, visited the West Carmel Church to see their basement. Then they went to West Benton to see their annex. They decided that an annex would fit their needs much better than a basement and would be warmer. So in 1920, the men got busy and started building. L.D. Dickinson kept track of how much time each man worked on the project, and saw top it that everyone did his share. It was completed in 1921.

Center Eaton gained notoriety when the teacher of the adult Sunday-School class, Luren D. Dickinson was sworn in as Governor of Michigan. Rev. A.L. Wagley administered the oath of office in Mr. Dickinson's home. The church had been closed for three weeks because of the flu, and Dickinson and his wife were ill at the time. Dickinson, lieutenant governor was replacing Governor Frank Fitzgerald, the only Michigan governor to die in office. Church and Sunday-school resumed the following Sunday, and Mr. Dickinson returned to teach his class. Attendance had jumped from 33 to 120. Newspaper reporters, photographers, and curiosity seekers helped to swell the congregation. The governor continued to teach his class. One Sunday, seventy-five widows and children from Detroit visited Center Eaton Church, petitioning the governor not to cut their pensions. He refused the petition saying, "The Lord's Temple is no place for government business". However, he welcomed them to his class. The only man the governor ever pardoned, visited Center Eaton one Sunday. He was from Grand Rapids, and an alien. He had violated his parole when a train he was on went into Canada. Mr. Dickinson was elected seven times to the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Clara Cooley, mother of Jennie Tubbs and Osie Crozier, and Mrs. Murray, mother of Bernice Curtiss and Effice Cooley are credited with organizing the Ladies' Aid Society, which is now called The United Methodist Women. Center Eaton became quite famous in the Charlotte area for its chicken suppers. The society was divided into four divisions, with the head of each division responsible that her members donated their share of food. Nearly everything was home grown and homemade from the chicken, vegetables, noodles, and pies. The kitchen in the church contained a wood fired range, no

refrigeration, and no running water until October 1962 when a gas range and refrigerator were donated by the McKishnie family. Money earned from these suppers helped support missions, the Community House in Grand Rapids, pay fuel and light bills, Christmas baskets, graduation gifts, etc. Besides the suppers, the ladies held rummage sales, ice cream socials, made about 22 pies for Howard Riley's annual hog sale, and took turns doing the janitor work at the church. Every newly wedded couple could expect to be feted with a shower also.

Over the years many improvements have been made on the church and parsonage. May and Arlo Shumaker replaced the original windows with amber colored glass, Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Shumaker gave the pulpit Bible. Osie Crozier took up a special collection to buy the piano in 1921. Mrs. Bernice Curtiss gave the carpeting for the sanctuary. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sederlund started the fund for the organ in memory of their son John. When the new front porch was built, shrubbery and lighting were given by the daughters of Rev. G.H. Burge, in his memory. He was the minister from 1896 to 1898, and was the only minister to die while at Center Eaton. He is buried in the cemetery here. Mr. Verl McDonald, John Franks, Wally Bruce, and many others contributed their services and time to improve our church. The latest project was started in the fall of 1974 with a large addition built onto the parsonage. Added was a basement study, two bedrooms, and room for a future 2nd. bathroom. Ruth and Glen Stadel were major contributors to this project.

Some of our outstanding Sunday-school teachers were: Della and Luren Dickinson, Will Cooley, Charles Hoffner, Grandpa Shumaker, Jennie and Arthur Tubbs, Mrs. Chase, Osie Crozier, Lena Gibbs, Ruth Crozier, Mrs. Stanley Briggs, Mrs. Dawson, Howard and Ursula Riley, Katie Hoffner, Della Edick and Fred Shumaker.

Grace Holcomb, Berth Crozier Elliott and Bertha Reist among other, served willingly as pianists.

Ursula Riley and Dorothy Domres served in recent years as devoted choir leaders.

Jennie and **Arthur Tubbs** could always be counted upon as delegates to the annual conference at Albion.

One of the ways of earning money for the church a few years ago was to plant a Lord's acre. One farmer would donate the land to be planted, others planted and harvested, and the profits went into the church treasury.

Mr. and Mrs. Vivan Wollpert have donated a beautiful Christmas tree each year, cut from their farm. Everyone has contributed not only materially, but spiritually to the growth of our church.

Of the 47 ministers who served Center Eaton Church in it's ninety eight year history, three were women. Marjorie Hawkins 1948-50; Helen Jackson 1965-1967; and Miriam Demint 1970-1973. The largest family to live at the parsonage was the family of Rev. C.J. Kendall, who served in 1934-35. They had nine children, mostly girls. In 1951, Rev. Fricis Timbers, a native of Latvia, and a displaced person, pastored our church. His wife helped him with the English language, and he was losing his eyesight. Fred Shumaker's father, Rev. John Shumaker was pastor a short time, however his name does not

appear on the list. Several of more recent ministers were students in Divinity School and served Center Eaton as well.

Other histories of the church have been written in the past, but were somehow destroyed. It is the hope of the author that all facts presented are true, and that, this is the way it was at Center Eaton United Methodist Church, from 1878 to 1976, July 4th.

Written by **Frances Spotts** and read at the Heritage Day Program by **Eric Stanton**, July 4th, 1976.

Roster of Center Eaton Methodist Church Pastors

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		Years			Years
	Father White	?	1924	C.F. Pafford	1
	Rev. W. Knapp	?	1925-27	T.W. Thompson	2 2
Rev.	J.W. McAllister	?	1928-29	F.P. Frye	
1884-5	F.B. Bangs	2	1930	E.L.J. Hughes	1
1886	J.W. McAllister	1	1931-33	C.L. Schleuter	3
1887	L.B. Kenyon	1	1934-35	C.J. Kendall	2
1888	F.A. Sprague	1	1936-37	C.T. Wheaton	2
1898-90	W.W. Chatfield	2	1938-41	A.L. Wagley	3
18 91	W.J. Swift	1	1942-45	H.E. Wylie	4
1892-94	F.L. Niles	3	1946	S.J. Headley	1
1895	A.W. Simmons	1	1947	Rollin Reynolds	1
1896-98	G.H. Burge	3	1948-50	Marjorie Hawkins	3
1899	A.A Geiger	1	1951	Fricis Timbers	1
1900	L.B. Youngblood	1	1952-53	Gerald Salisbury	2
1901-02	A.L. Cook	2	1954-55	David Menchhofer	2
1903	Matthew Mullen	2	1956-59	Douglas Harton	3
1904-07	O.C. Bedford	4	1959-61	J. Robert Clark	2
1908	J.L. Marshen	1	1961-64	Robert Townsend	3
1909	R.C. Lord	1	1964	Harold Holford	1
1910-11	F.M. Cottrell	2	1965-67	Helen Jackson	2
1912	B.C. Parks	1	1967-70	John H. King	3
1913-19	G.B. Chase	1	1970-73	Miriam DeMint	3
1919-20	Rev. Alexander	1	1973-76	John Morse	3
1920-22	R.D. Wearne	3	1976-79	James Allred	3
1923	J. N. Price	1	1979-81	Robert Hundley	3
			1982-84	Robert Freysinger	3
			1984-88	Ronald Brooks	
			1988-90	Robert Roth	2
			1990-91	Isabel Deppl	1
			1991-94	Char Minger	2 1/2
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Dimondale By Vera Elsie Pray

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According to Track Book of said Eaton County---William Page was granted by United States of America Patent, Sections 14,15,22--Dated May 10, 1848 Recorded November 17, 1852.

Warranty Deed: William Page and wife Frances Page to Abel Beers and Isaac M. Dimond--January 28, 1837 Dimond and Beers 4,000 acres. Records reveal that Dimond went into Bankruptcy in New York in April 5, 1842. A Lawsuit was in the courts of Eaton County 1854, when it was settled he (Dimond) was to be allotted the dam river rights through Section 23-the mill on Grand River in Sec 15. Dimond had about 21 acres and excepting so much as is covered by Grand River Jan 31, 1856. The plat is dated October 27, 1859 and recorded Nov. 1, 1859 by I. M. Dimond. He deeded his wife 10 A.; 15 A. to his brother-in-law M. C. Crafts; 2 A. Margaret Sampson; 2 A. R. W. Gray another sister-in-law; 1 A. Dudcklee; 1 A.- Pollard; 2 A.-A. Crafts; 3/4 A.- D. S. Grant; 1/2 A.- D. Bunderson; 1/2 A. E. French 1/2 A. to each a lot; Punderson, Benham, White, Woods, Hoskins and Worden.

I. M. Dimond & M. C. Crafts established the first store on the West side of the River on the Underhill site. M. C. Crafts was a brother-in-law of Mr. Dimond.

Dimondale was called Dimondville until about 1870. By 1866 there were only 16 buildings on the West side of the village. In 1864 **Tyler Hull** and **D. S. Grant** operated a shoe store. Uncle **Harley Gilbert** was the first mail carrier. East Windsor Post Office was at **George Cheney's** tavern on M-99. **George Cheney** came from Watertown, N.Y. in 1855 & 1860, he built the Tavern 1/2 way between Lansing and Eaton Rapids. It was a popular spot in the Civil War. Stage coach with four horses travelled between Lansing, Eaton Rapids and Jackson. Mail came there on the stage, pony express or carried by friends. **Mr. Cheney** was the first postmaster and **Rev. Mr. McCarty**, Baptist minister, 2nd.

The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Rail Road came through in 1872 and Edmund W. Hunt, a Civil War Veteran received his commission as Postmaster in January 6, 1873.

The Baptist church was constructed of brick. Albert F. Baker cast the bell. The Methodist church was organized in 1868 and the church built in 1878. Before the church was built partitions were removed from house on the East side and meetings were held there until the church was finished. It was struck by lightening and burned in about 1900. This was located on the Potter property. In 1901 and 1902 Rev. Quinn begin the task of building a new church. A cheese factory stood on the NW corner of Jefferson at bridge (Stanton Imp. Store) it also burned. At one time a creamery graced this corner about 1898.

Peter Ashley enjoyed working in his cabinet shop, which stood behind the cheese factory. On the West passed **Vere Hetrick's**, the Windsor Grange built a hall and the grange was organized in 1875.

A slaughter-house was located on the NW corner of Canal and Bridge, turn north to cemetery on the grove of Mrs. Severy or better know as Sloan's Grove (Grafis) stood the first school on the West side. It was built about 1847, a certificate was granted to Miss Maria Louisa Potter. Mrs. Nell Flager Urie taught school in 1851 when 14 years old. Esek Pray was the first white child born in the township and he taught sometime between 1852 and 1859, as did his wife Alvina Torry in those same years, 1852 to 1859. She was the daughter of Aldis Torry who settled here about 1839. The first township meeting was organized at his home in 1843. Their home was located on W. A. Geisenhafer property. Other teachers were Alice T. Hinckly, Cordelia Jane Wright, Susan Skinner, Christina Weller, Elizabeth Hocum, Polly Lobdell, George Nierman & Mary Beadle. The new brick school was built in 1879 with Miss Addie Skinner as principal.

Starting on So. Jefferson and Bridge. A building known as **Spencer Building**. **Freeman G. Pray** operated a General Store with the Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief Corps using the rooms upstairs for their orders. The next lot was vacant. **Dr. Cameron** run a Drug Store. **Hudson** had a rake factory across from Uncle **Harley Gilbert's** farm, a book store, **Kate Waterman Baker** owned a Millinery Shop and **Pray & Mathews** has Storage for Evapories. Just before you came to another store. These all burned but this **one on the morning of October 12**, **1888.** A resident back of the **Spencer Building** owned by **Pray** could not be saved. Dimondale was almost wiped out by this fire.

The first bridge was built of logs in 1857. This was replaced by a better one in 1868. A wooden bridge was built in 1884 which cost \$1497. To reach other side of the river, it was forded below the Dam. In 1894 A. W. Strobel, township Highwas commissioner built the Iron Bridge. A foot bridge was built on the south side. In April 1932, The Jarvis Company set the old iron bridge 55 ft. up the river for traffic. The cement bridge was built. Back West on Bridge Street came the farm home of Uncle Harley and Aunt Sarah Gilbert, grand old people, around their farm was a high board fence with a flat boardnailed on top. Turning the corner on Jefferson Avenue, you came to the Oliver Building. Here was where Miss Chandler taught school while the new school was being built. (Methodist) Some of the old stones are there now afterwards it was made into a barn. Next was the brick Olmstead House. This was built by Isaac M. Dimond. He sold it to E. W. Hunt who in 1868, sold it to Albert H. Olmstead, a Civil War Vetern in Co. D. Seventh Michigan Cavalry. It burned in 1899 or 1890.

In May 1850 & 1851 Isaac M. Dimond started to improve water-power on Grand River near the center of Section 15, in Windsor Township. It took Mr. Dimond 1 1/2 years to complete this project, including the erection of the

saw-mill on the West side. In the spring of 1852, high water carried away a part of the dam and a part of the saw mill. Many times people were disappointed in not getting their logs sawed on time because work men had to repair the mill. Mr. Dimond sold the saw mill to Alexander Oliver who rebuilt the mill and assisted in repairing the dam. In time, the was inheired by his son Rann Oliver who continued in this line of business. Rann Oliver also built a feed mill and did a brisk job. (In later years Oscar Reynolds bought the feed mill of Bateman and Wes Andrews). And tore it down reselling it to W. Andrews to rebuilt his home. Bateman & Andrew used the timbers and salvage of the mill to repair the dam. According to A. Pray's diary 1875. Rann built a new mill. The power and light company is now owned the land, of Lansing.

The first mill crude thought was entirely sufficient for the times. One end rested securely upon the southwesternly bank & the other extending well into the midstream and supported the ponderous overshot wheel which furnished power to its saws. Booms constructed across the entire river shunted the logs coming down stream into the chutes which fed the mill itself. Plodding ox teams drew in loads of logs to the river from the surrounding country and they were piled in "hugh banks" at convenient spots along the stream. It was in inspiring sight when these banks were broken out in the spring and sent crashing into the Grand River. But Dimondale was not predestined to become a lumberman's town. Other saw mills on the Grand ran it close competition. It was easier to float the logs to larger markets then to finish the lumber and ship by the way of the wagon- road and ox-team. The near by 'moss-backers' had begun to shed their moss and no longer needed boards for their homes, but flour to fed the hungrey mouths of their growing families. Windsor had evolved as a agricultural paradise. The settler no longer "ran logs" but cleared acres (pulled the hugh trees into great banks and burned them) had began to yield dreams and potatoes and wheat that when 60 bushels to the acre. The old overshot wheel was lying idle more and more and the foundations of the saw mill were showing signs of an early decay.

It was the N on the East side that Mr. Dimond turned his eyes upon the possibilities of a grist mill. He saw that the location of the saw mill would never do for a grist mill for it could not be approached in high water. In 1856 he set about erecting a three story structure, 30 x 40 ft. and contained two runs of stone. It was built on the island extending at one side over the dam and running back onto the island. The farmer would drive their ox teams and wagons across the bridge (island) and to the mill to unload their wheat for flour. This venture seemed deemed to failure. Nearly every year spring floors (floods) would wash away a part of the dam and nearly topple the mill itself into the river. Mr. Dimond threw up his hands in despair, sold the whole property, after which he returned to New York where he soon died. Mr. A. C. Bruen the new owner untook to repair the dam and to put the mill on a more solid foundation. This being accomplished, it is said he resold the property, at a neat profit to Mr. Edumond W. Hunt. In 1869 became weary of repairing this mill so because business was on the increase he decided the best spot was one some 1,100

down stream, whereupon he caused a channel to be cut and dug through from the natural flow of the river, thus giving birth to the island, that trysting place of the romantically inclined and a bapismal mecca for many of the near-by churches.

The (mill) race was 40 rods in length. The new mill was built for a 'four-run' but contains two runs of sone only. The new mill was 40 x 60 ft four stories high and the contractor who, built this beatuiful edifice was Irving Holmes, father of the late Clarence Homes, former supt. of the Michigan School for the Blind at Lansing. It was 85 ft high run by water power, and one of the best in the state. This mill was owned by Edmund W. Hunt, Wentworth and his mechanic was Samual Roe; Dr. Sherman and George S. Sherman (the timber of the old mill had been used in the dam) A miller who worked for the above men was Phlyn Lapman and Elmer Aldrich. Mr. Sirine bought the mill before the Sherman, built his home and died. John Shively of Lansing at one time owned it, next in line was William J. Bateman and Weley Andrews (G.W. Sherman had replaced the roof with slate)

The community were up in arms when Bateman & Andrews cut the beautiful trees on the island to repair the dam. Merl Wilson was next owner. Manufacturing alfalfa meal. He tore the mill down in 1940 and 1941. In 1947 Ezra Good operated an alfalfa mill followed by George LaCoe and the last man by the name of Toni. The mill at the head of the island after it was relieved of making flour was taken over by Baker and H.A. French who put the floor in shape repaired the flume and wheel making the mill into a machine shop. This shop was in connection with their foundry on Bridge St. Here they manufactured the noted Maude S" pump and windmill.

Mr. E. W. Hunt built his home near his mill by the river about the time he bought this mill. (Edmund was the third son of Timothy and Phebe Hunt born October 14, 1828 in Lodi, Washtenaw Co., Mich.) He was a soldier in the Civil War of the 13th Michigan Infantry and Lieut. in the 1st U.S. Engineers. He was a director of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railroad. In 1869 he was selected to the Mich. legislature, also the first postmaster, 1873. The E. W. Hunt resident was sold. Chester Twitchell's grandparents once lived there. Mrs. Shep Trumbull and daughters and finially Brad Allen. Brad moved it to Bridge St. between Jenkins and Shivelys (Holladays). Mrs. Toni lives next in line. This was owned once by the George Rose family. Thomas Sloan's barn was remolded into Kathryn Vanderhoof's house.

Ed Clemons build a blacksmith shop and the family lived upstairs. Ed. C. rebuilt it into his home. He sold it to Eva Reynolds Smith. The corner of Bridge St. and Washington Ave. was owned by Schoonovers, the house was torn down. Apple trees were on the lawn. Here many ice cream socials have been held.

Came 1839

Chauncey Bohannon bought the property. He had two children-Reed Bohannon and Mrs. John Holmes. She inheired this corner and built the house in which G. Rider's now owns. Next toward the bridge was the A.W. Baker and H.A. French's Foundry. Next was a blacksmith shop owned by Al McCready, Next to the river. Think this burned up one night in about 1898.

Across the road on Bridge, next to the river another blacksmith shop. (Owned by) William and Anga Jickells were married about 1898. Her father (Moon) was an early settler in Delta.

Towards town Frank Skinner (father settled in about 1837/8) operated a livery barn. He had a hack and met all the trains (even the freights carried passengers) and carried the U.S. Mail to & from R.R. and P.O. This has been torn down.

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Rann operated a bakery where the tavern now stands.

H.J. Newcomb had a photo gallery in the next building with Fred Phinney living upstairs. Myra Spaulding and Fred were married. She was the daughter of Philetus Spaulding who settled in Windsor in the early days.

Norman H. Widger arrived from Eaton Rapids and married Amanda Lee. He built the opera house and with Ike North as a pardner run the corner general store. (Stu Warren's Gas Station) Ike North died of T.B. and Widger took over until he became manager of Ball Beese Parks, Hillsdale on the L.S. & S. R.R. Later the opera house was torn down but not before many good home talent plays were played and many dances held. One of the actors is alive & lives in Eaton Rapids, Mrs. Frank Widger.

There was a steam planning mill located here.

The first Doctor was **Sylvester Derby**- located in 1848. He treated the sick, made chairs and hunted wild game. In 1852 **Martin E. Munger** appeared, then **Dr. E. S. Walford** and **Dr. Tyler Hull**.

On the corner opposite Stu. Warrens's Gas Station, Charley Sloan established a Dry Goods store. Charley and Thomas M. Sloan were brothers born to Thomas J. Sloan who settled on the property now owned by Mrs. Icy Jackson. West Windsor (near Playtime Bar) then Sevastapol. T.J operated a store across from his home. This store burned before 1890. The foundation was there for years.

Charles J. Hutt, Sr. owned & operated a meat market his entire life. His son Fred continued in this business until retired to Detroit. Charles Hutt, Sr.'s Grandfather was Peter Hutt and his uncle Geo. Cheney who came from Watertown, NY in 1855 or 1860. He built the Cheney Tavern on M-99 about one mile south of the Cement Bridge. It was 1/2 way between Eaton Rapids & Lansing.

(Per **George Pray-** The **Hutts** had a Slaughter House on E. Washington near the river in **Hoehn's** grove. One of the wagons with a drop-out-bottom was rotting down there)

Stage Coach

It was popular in the Civil War time. Four horses were used on the Stage-coach. And at **Cheney's Tavern** they always changed their team. It was routed from Jackson, Eaton Rapids and Lansing, Carrying U.S. Mail and passengers. The Post Office was called East Windsor. The first postmaster was **George Cheney**. The second was the **Rev Mr. McCarthy**, a Baptist minister. Sometimes pony express or friends brought the mail.

Clarence E. Norton and Mr. James carried on an Implement Store for a number of years and the Nortons alone. Then Earl Miller and his father were dealers next.

Deforest Marvil owned the local Newspaper (He finially went 'hay-wire') Mr. Marvin was a Civil War Vet. At last he built himself a hut and covered it with tin to keep out the devil. This was located east of **Whitlocks**. A **Mr. Rogers** took over the editorship and in 1897 **E.C. Sibley** and then **Lio Russell** in about 1909. ?

Old Mrs. Rogers had a resident about where Emmor Rozell's barber shop stands. The Knights of the Maccabees with George Shepard, a charter member and first commander, organized in 1891 and the Ladies of the Maccabees with May C. Shepard, organized in 1892, was a Charter Member and commander. They held their meetings in the I.O.O.F Hall until they purchased the brick Bldg by Rozell's next to Masonic Hall.

In 1846 **Nathan H. Pray**, settled in the Twp. in 1837, organized the first regular church service at his home. **Joseph Warren Smith**, a Congretional minister from Eaton Rapids, presided. In 1875 of February the members and community started to erect The First Presbyterian Church.

Starting at the corner Washington Ave. and Bridge. **Thomas M. Sloan** was Twp clerk in 1875. He had a General store--groceries, hats, shoes, shirts, etc.

E.W. Hunt was postmaster in 1873, as soon as the RR was finished, following him was Clark Sloan, Henry A. French, Clark Sloan, the second time, Thomas M. Sloan whose store was of brick and in 1880 the only one in the village. He was postmaster for years. In 1905 Bert Harris received that commission, then Earnest Van Osdell, C. E. Norton, Ray Burnett, and in 1942 Clara Burnett.

Sloan owned the lot next to him which was vacant save for his icehouse at the back.

The brick bldg next was brick and no one knows by whom it built but in 1890. O.D. Janes was dentist. A. W. Nisbet operated a jewelry store, notions etc, fishing tackle.

The Windsor Grange instituted a co-oerative general store in 1888/9 under the managment of Freeman G. Pray (Minta French Tiedgen's father) The Grange was organized in 1875. This co-operative store was in the next Bldg (Smith live)

When in 1897 W. J. Bateman purchased the Bldg. and started a General grocery store. The Grange looked for a place to have their store. They owned their Hall west of Vere Hetricks. So Mr. Pray and the Grange started to move said Bldg across the River on the ice. They hired the noted mover William H. Bailey who just didn't plan on the ice stength. It kept breaking through and down would go the Bldg. Finially Freeman Pray bought the corner lot at Jefferson Ave. at Bridge St of Uncle Harley Gilbert and installed the Bldg. In time Mr. Pray bought out the Grange and he finilly sold in 1910/11 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bramble.

Next to Bateman store. The C. E. Norton Bldg in line. Later P.O. and Edward's undertaker.

Next the I.O.O.F. bldg. upstairs. (And Bennett's pool room & card room.)

Next the Dimondale State Bank. Next Hutt's Meat Market.

Dimondale Bank.

Bert S. Harris, son of Edwin S. and Mary A. (Scott) Harris, was born July 1, 1874 in NY. An Exchange Bank instituted in 1895 by John Corbin, Edwin S. Harris and Bert S. Harris, named the Exchange Bank of Harris, Corbin & Co. Bert S. Harris was the Cashier. In 1898, he married Alice M. Anderson of Eaton Rapids. She was the daughter of George Anderson who built the Anderson House in Eaton Rapids. Mr. Harris was a member of the E. S. Harris Lumber Firm, The Dalton Lumber Co. of New Dalton, Mich. Was commissioned Postmaster and a member of the school board. They have five children-Alice Louise, Edwin, Mary Wilson, John, & Margaret. In July 1919 Dimondale State Bank was organized and went into receiver ship Aug 8, 1934, settling claims in 1940.

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Dimondale in the past years are indebted to these ladies for their beautiful poems. Mrs. Candice Bramble, Mrs. Myra Phinney, Mrs. Mildred North, Mrs. Etta Jones Pray.

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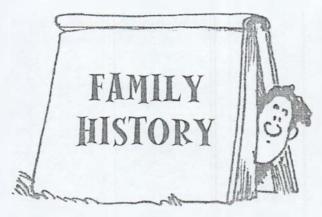
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Tid-Bits from Area Newspapers

By Drouscella Halsey

Grand Ledge Independent Thursday, March 24, 1960

Delta Center-Nixon Mrs. Floyd Nebolske

The Mt. Hope Farm Bureau will meet with **Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bassett** on Friday evening.

The Delteen Sunday school class will meet at the home of Mrs. Orin Meacham Thursday night, when plans will be completed for the trip to the Community home in Grand Rapids on April 12.

Mrs. Lillian Wight spent last week with her son and family, Ralph Wight in Portland. She is now in her own home after completing her series of x-ray treatments at St. Lawrence hospital.

Canada Settlement Mrs_Roy_Dixon

A large crowd attended the Ladies Aid at the home of Maurine Lutz on Wednesday. Marjorie Haueter and Joan Perry were co-hostesses. The April meeting will be at Verna Gillette's.

, Amanda Dixon spent last Wednesday night and Thursday with her daughters, Mrs. George Slee and family in the Johnson district.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dixon attended the Father and Son banquet in Mulliken Saturday evening. Bruce gave the welcome to the sons, and Beverly served.

Marjorie Haueter and Roger Perry were in Ann Arbor Thursday for their allergy tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Perry entertained on Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Boss and sons, Mrs. Emma Boss, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Starkey and family of Wacousta, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schaefer and family of Eagle and Mr. and Mrs. J. VanGansbeke and family of Mulliken. The party was to honor the birthdays of Harvey Perry and his Grandma Boss.

The Sunfield Sentinel Sunfield, Eaton County, Micigan Thursday, June 11, 1959

Observes 88th Birthday

The family of Mr. Fred Wilcox celebrated with him for his 88th birthday with a picnic dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wilcox.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Wilcox, James and Jerry, Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. Voight Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wilcox, and Kendall, Mr. Jack Wilcox and Mr. Roy Van Houten.

Mulliken News

L. E. Gates

Mrs. William Feasal and Shirley were Sunday afternoon and evening visitors of Mrs. Hugh Dodds at Saranac.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pearl and baby are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Vanalstine at Ithaca, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. William Crydaman of Detroit and Mrs. Frank Jones were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Doolittle.

Guy Patterson of Lansing was a Sunday caller at the Frank Doolittle home. He reports his brother Frank Patterson is gaining nicely following surgery recently. They were former Mulliken residents.

Mrs. Frank Doolittle and Mrs. Kenneth Merryfield attended a shower Friday night for Mrs. Robert Steward at the home of Mrs Charles Malcuit of Vermontville rural.

Dale Himinger of Williamston was a Monday caller, and Mr. and Mrs. William Crownerover of Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schavey of Grand Ledge were Sunday callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Eaton of Owosso and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Murdock of Middleville spent last Sunday at the Joe Eaton home. Mrs. Murdock has been in the hospital for several weeks but is better now. This Sunday callers at the Eaton home were Mrs. Eaton's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Putman of Owosso, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Putman and family of Lansing.

Robert and Ronald Overholt accompanied the bus drivers to Detroit Sunday where they met the seniors of

Sunfield school who had been on a trip to New York and Washington, D. C. Robert, Ronald and Donald Overholt and Richard Thrams came home by plane to Lansing where Mr. and Mrs. Howard Overholt and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Overholt met them.

Mrs. Donald DuBois spent Friday with Miss Sharon DuBois of MSU and shopped.

Mrs. Claude Barber and sons spent last week at Diamond Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald DuBois and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lumbert.

Lindy Root of the Watson district spent a few days with her sister Mrs. Donald DuBois and family last week.

WSCS MON'S NITE WELL ATTENDED SATURDAY

The opening program was led by mistress of ceremonies, Mrs. Marge Warwiernia, in group singing. Nancy Van DeVelde gave a tribute to the mothers, and Mrs. Florence Root gave the response to the daughters. Mrs. Guy Pierce was given special recongnition as the mother of the most decendents present.

The group was entertained by a vocal trio of Mrs. Jean McDiarmid, Mrs. Genny Schavey & Mrs. Marge Wawiernia, an accordian trio by Billie Feasal, Darrell Dixon and Jerry Fuller; a duet by Mrs. Elaine Merryfield and son Lynn; piano solos by Tom Oneil and Patricia Oneil; accordian solo by Pamela Wolf; vocal solo by Mrs. Jean McDiarmid; accordian solo by Mike Schavey: tap dance by Debbie McDiarmid; tap dance by Diane Greenhoe; tap dance by Diane Pierce; guitar solo by Danny Boucher; tap dance by Jane Pierce and Janet Crooks. Piano accompanists were Mrs. Dorothy Post and Mrs. Elsie Eckard.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wonser and family were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wonser in Battle Creek.

Frederick Holland came home from U of M and started working for Roy Wonser Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barker and daughters spent over the weekend at Rainbow Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Greenhoe and family spent Sunday at their cottage on Half Moon Lake.

Mrs. James Holton and family will entertain her sister Mrs. Barbara Russell and two children of Olympia, Wash., for an extended visit.

Hold Family Gathering

Mrs. Margaret Eberley entertained at a

family party of 40 Sunday.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Beech and family of Vesteburg, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Parshall and family and Mr. and Mrs. Burl Eberley and family of Williamston, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Parshall and family of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Hamner Butler and family of Sunfield, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Eberley and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Piercefield and family.

This is the first the family has all been together in about twenty years.

DODGE FAMILY GATHERS

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Overholt entertained Saturday 14 members of the Dodge family for dinner from Grand Rapids, Caledonia and Lansing and Mrs. Vern Dodge of Bradenton, Florida.

in the afternoon, Mrs. Nellie Kenndy of New York City, a cousin Mrs. Overholt had not seen for years, came as a surprise and Mrs. Mary Clemens and Mrs. Harry Clemens Jr. of Caledonia.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Ross Dodge of Pontiac came to take his mother Mrs. Vern Dodge to his home for a visit.

The time was spent visiting and singing with Mrs. Loren Guilford playing the organ for them.

Saubee Lake Mrs. Leon Van Buren

Joe Berriman of Midland was a weekend quest of his cousin Lynn Van Buren.

A number from this district attended the 25th anniversary open house for Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Trowbridge at the Bismark

Jackie and Sally Hager were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Hager and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Smith and Janet were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shipman and family.

Mrs. Beatrice Curtis who has been in the Lansing General hospital for some time

was able to return home Friday.

Mrs. Leon Van Buren, Kenyon Peabody, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peabody and Snow attended the graduation exercises at Ludington, Thursday evening. Their niece, Janet Campbell, was one of the graduates.

EATON RAPIDS JOURNAL

EATON RAPIDS, MICHIGAN WEDNESDAY, AUG., 12, 1959

Hubert Smith Dies After Heart Attack

A heart attack took the life of **Hubert Smith**, 55, at his home Tuesday afternoon. He had been in ill health for several years.

Mr. Smith was born Oct. 7, 1903 in Hamlin township, near Charlesworth, and had lived in this area all his life. He was a one time employe of the A. M. Smith Co., and the V.F.W. National Home but had not been able to work for some time.

He leaves his wife, Charlotte, a brother, Forrest, and his father, James

Smith, all of Eaton Rapids.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Aug. 14, at the Pettit Funeral home at 2 o'clock, the Rev. F. Willard Kime officiating. Burial will be in Rose Hill cemetery.

Boody District Mrs. Milton Fajnor

Correspondent

The Hall Ellsworths and David spent the week in northern Michigan.

The Vincent Hokes and Jean took Karen to the Methodist camp up north for a week. Donald will be staying with a friend in town.

Visitors at the Milton Fajnors were the George Beutlers and Butch, of Battle Creek, Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Murphy and children of Olivet Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lizzie Hoke went to Lansing with Mrs. James Gruber. They took Bethany Gruber to the bus station to see her off for Detroit where she will stay with her sister Evelvn for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McManus spent Thursday with the Arnold Johnsons in

Lansing.

Supper guests of the Henry Clarks were the Dan Judevines of tonia and Ed Halls Tuesday. Jimmie Clark was on TV Channel 10 last Thursday showing his insect collection. He also placed in the 4-H cattle judging at the Hillsdale fair with his cattle.

South Hamlin Florence Zeitz Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams of West Hamlin were Sunday evening callers on Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Pierce of Detroit were visiting the week with their son, Jerry Pierce and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Meda Towns called on Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gustafsen on Plains road Sunday.

Amy Osborne and Fred Blood of Charlotte visited her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fox, Sunday. In the evening they all called on Mr. and Mrs. Willard Fox on Canal road.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. John Southwick attended a reception for their grandson and bride, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grover. 225 attended at the Reo club house in Lansing.

Brookfield Mrs. Sadie Post Correspondent

Mrs. Grace Baker and son attended the funeral of Dr. Wayne Cochran of Jackson Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Logan and daughters Audrey Brainerd of Hanover and Grace Dick of Litchfield called on Sadie Post Thursday. Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilson and daughter-in-law Juanita and grandson of Lowell called on her and all drove to Leslie to visit a cousin, Erwin Powell and family from Oak Lawn, Illinois. They are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Todd.

Sandra Thuma of Eaton Rapids visited her grandma Eva Thuma this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sattrazahn are visiting her parents in Felton, Minn., for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Romeo Corbeil is caring for her grandchildren while their mother, Mrs. Donald Corbeil, is in the Mason hospital.

Recent callers on **Eva Thuma** were **Mr.** and **Mrs. Herbert Logan**, **Dean Thuma** and family of Eaton Rapids.

Wayne Beardsley and family spent the week end at Rose Lake.

Ina Sumeriz and daughter Joyce Dickie and children, of Charlotte, spent Thursday with her mother, Grace Baker and sons. Olive Goodrich and grandsons from Eaton Rapids also called.

Mrs. Albin Nelson who has been in the hopsital is now at the home of her daughter in Grand Ledge.

Mrs. Dorr Swan is in the hospital.

Mrs. Gay Swan is worse at the Island View Home in Eaton Rapids.

Marie Jackson and daughter-in-law of Lansing spent Friday with Ruth McClure.

Dick and Diana McClure of Charlotte are visiting her grandparents for a few days.

Ed Hendy and family are on vacation in the north.

Penny Kikendall had a birthday party

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Kikendall were in Ann Arbor last week in regard to their little son.

Eva Thuma is at the Duck Lake home of her daughter Verna Kelly, helping with the family, as Mrs. Kelly was taken to the hospital on Monday afternoon.

GRAND LEDGE INDEPENDENT THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE COUNTY PRESS THE OLIVET OPTIC

Mrs. Sandra Suzanne Lewis died enroute to Hayes-Green-Beach hospital recently following an auto accident.

A wedding took place last Saturday afternoon at the Wesley chapel in Albion when Miss Ann Okada, of Waimea, Kaui, Hawaii, became the bride of Charles Walter Sprandel.

Death claimed one of the county's well known men last Wednesday with the death

of retired Judge Emerson Boyles of Charlotte.

Bellevue Gazette

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Palmer will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 11, with an open house from 2 til 5 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Palmer, 217 East Van Buren, in Bellevue.

More than 43 years of railroading came to an end for M. J. (Mike) Branch, 69, of Rt. 1, Bellevue, locomotive engineer for the New York Central Railroad in Battle Creek, who retired Nov. 19.

Vermontville Echo

Funeral services for Mrs. Ethel B. Tieche, 82, were held Saturday, and burial was made in Kalamo cemetery.

Potterville News

Miss Joyce Ann Fogle and Dennis
Lee Page were united in a double ring
ceremony by the Rev. Father James
O'Meara at St. Mary's church at Charlotte
last Saturday. She is the daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Glenn Fogle of Charlotte, and Mr.
and Mrs. Ray Page of Potterville are the
parents of the bridegroom.

Do You Know..... ECGS Call: 300.12

On Aug. 17, 1836, the inhabitants of the Michigan capital turned out to see a ship that had been an enemy 13 years before. The vessel was the Detroit, built by Malden for the British fleet and commanded in the War of 1812 by Capt. Barclay. When Perry engaged the British fleet in a battle on Lake Erie the Detroit was batter in the fight and when down from American cannon balls.

In 1835 a group of shippers in need of ships raise the Detroit and had it repaired. They changed it from a fighter to a freighter and outfitted it with 16 berths for gentleman's cabins, 8 in ladies' cabin, 12 in steerage and two groups in two staterooms.

A Michigan newspaper commenting on the arrival of the Detroit wrote: "She sailed forth in proud assurance of victory--she returned in the proud and honorable employment of a merchant-man bearing a full freight for the 'far west.'....There were a number of Norwegians on board. A new class of immigrants for Michigan." Most Michigans settlers had been from eastern states, up to this time.

World Wide Web Genealogy Resources

General Search Engines:

http://www.altavista.com http://www.hotbot.com http://www.infoseek.com http://www.lycos.com http://www.yahoo.com

Genealogy Web Sites:

Allen County Public Library (Fort Wayne): htt://www.acpl.lib.in.us/Genealogy/genealogy.html Card Catalog for Allen County Public Library: http://www.acpl.in.us/cgi-bin/z3950acplsearch.pl

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Womens Club

This article was taken from a scrap book filed as ECGS Call No. CLUBS.1 Newspaper: Grand Ledge Independent Date: July 8,1904

Ladies over 65

Were entertained by the Woman's Club of Grand Ledge.

An Enjoyable Afternoon

Spent By the Ladies and Their Two Score Guests.

Thursday afternoon, June 30th, at the home of Mrs. Winslow Johnson on Pleasant street occurred one of the happiest gatherings ever held in Grand Ledge, the occasion being the observance of Pioneer Day by the Woman's Club of this city.

The club, which consists of 35 bright and energetic women, voted to observe the day by inviting every lady in the city, over 65 years of age, to be present at the meeting.

At 3:30 the parlor and spacious porch were filled and we found that forty-two women had responded to the call. Twenty-two were in their sixites, thirteen were in their seventies, and seven in their eighties, the oldest lady present being "Grandma" Aldrich, aged eighty-nine.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Mary Noyes, followed by a few well chosen words of welcome by Mrs. Grace Pierce, president of the club. Mrs. Vena Lett sang "We'd Better Bid A'wee", after which Mrs. Schlegal read a poem entitled "The Old Pioneer." Mrs. Lett then sang "Darby and Joan". after which the president invited each one of the pioneers to tell some of their experiences and trials of earlier days.

One lady made the remark that, although in print it always spoke of the pioneer as a man, at that assembly man was not "in it."

Mrs. Maria Smith told that in the earlier part of her life it was a far more

serious undertaking to prepare for marriage than it is now, for then they were obliged to catch coons and tan the hides to pay the minister for performing the ceremony.

Mrs. Sarah Covey recited a poem "Utima Veritas", by Washington Gladden, in a manner which leads us to believe that many of her seventy-three years have been

spent in reading good books.

Mrs. Nettie Barker, with her parents, came to this township from Oakland Co., When she was five and one-half years old and settled on a farm one mile north of this city, the nearest neighbor being one and one-half miles distant. At the time there was only a shanty on the north side of the river, and if one wanted to cross all that was necessary was to signal the man in the shanty and he would kindly ferry you across in a row boat.

Mrs. Deliah Longyear said she weli remembered the howl of the wolves and the day her father was chased by them. She also told of helping to build a stick chimney, which was quite the fashion at that time.

Mrs. Sarah Niles told of converting ashes into black salt, which was sold to pay taxes; also that the nearest trading point was Pontiac and the nearest mill being at Portland, which sometimes required ten days to reach it and return. They were always sure of a serenade at night time, the wolves taking the place of stringed instruments. She said one pair of shoes had to last a whole year and in order to make them do so they carried their shoes and stockings in their hands until in sight of their destination and then put them on.

Mrs. Anna Williams said she remembered grinding six bushels of buckwheat in a coffee mill, which would seem like work to some of us. Her husband killed the last wolf ever seen in Roxand.

Mrs. Helen Southworth, in acknowledging that she was only sixty-three was greeted with "put her out!"

Mrs. Sarah Pearl, who taught in the Pennington district, Eagle township, in 1841, declined to talk, on the plea that when once started she could not stop.

Mrs. Mary A. Ward told a little incident of "boarding around" to this effect. Upon sending word to a certain matron that she would like to board with her the next week she received a reply, saying it would be impossible as her husband would first

have to make some black salt to buy sheets for her to sleep in.

Mrs. Melvina Bonney went through the trials of an early settler near Oberlin, Ohio, her father blazing a trail to enable her to find her way to school. On account of ill health her parents came to Michigan forty-nine years ago, where she had a second seasoning of pioneer life.

Mrs. Mary Rogers came to Eaton Co., sixty-six years ago and settled at what is now Eaton Rapids. her father built a house but it had neither doors, windows nor chimney and some of their neighbors were bears, wolves and Indians. She walked three miles to school, going three months in summer and three months in winter. Her father, being a blacksmith, made the first bolt for the first bridge in Eaton Rapids.

Many other ladies told experiences of their pioneer days, which, we regret, we were not close enough to hear. Nearly all responded in some way and it was suggested that they meet again next year.

The club ladies prepared beautiful boquets for those who were too feeble to attend.

At 5:30 a dainty lunch was enjoyed by all. The six oldest ladies having their refreshments served on plates over one hundred years old.

In behalf of the guests Mrs. Julia Wareham then thanked the ladies of the Woman's Club for their kindness and courtsey, and all left feeling it was, indeed, a pleasure to be sixty-five years of age.

The following is a list of the guest

present and their ages.	
Mrs. Ruth Allen	73 yrs
Mrs. Artimista Byxbee	85 yrs
Mrs. E.A. Hotchkin	
Mrs.Rose Smith	65 yrs
Mrs. Mary E. Boyce	69 yrs
Mrs. Louisa Swegles	76 yrs
Mrs. Mary Wallace	66 yrs
Mrs. Sarah Van Leuven	67 yrs
Mrs. Emily Hill	68 yrs
Mrs. Mary A. Ward	77 yrs
Mrs. Eunice Shane	73 yrs
Mrs. Julia Wareham	65 yrs
Mrs. Sarah Niles	83 yrs
Mrs. Lois Wallace	69 yrs
Mrs. Hannah Blanchard	83 yrs
Mrs. Sara Pearl	85 yrs
Mrs. Mary Noyes	65 yrs
Mrs. Barintha Foster	

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. 68 yrs
. 69 yrs
. 89 yrs

Obit Mrs. Barbara Sanders Dies Here Tuesday

Mrs. Barbara (Curtis) Sanders, 75, of 208 E. Shepherd St., died early Tuesday morning at the Eaton County Medical Care Facility, where she had been a patient two weeks. She had been in ill health several years.

Mrs. Sanders was born in Charlotte and had resided in this area her entire life. She was a teacher in the Eaton County rural schools and the Charlotte public schools for 28 years. She as the widow of **James Sanders** who died June 24, 1956.

There are no survivors.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Burkhead Funeral Chapel. Interment will be in Maple Hill cemetery

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Eaton County Michigan Death Records

Abstracted from Microfilm by Drouscella Halsey Spelling as written

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #1
Date of Death: December 23, 1867

Name: Austin S. Harmon

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married

Age: 55y 5m 5d

Place of Death: Chester, Eaton Co. Cause of Death: Consumption Birthplace: Massachusett

Occupation: Farmer

Parents: Johnathan Harmon Sarah Harmon

Their Residence: Ohio Recorded: May 11, 1868

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #2
Date of Death: October 7, 1867

Name: Ettie D. Rich

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: 15y 5m 24d Place of Death: Chester

Cause of Death: Heart Disease

Birthplace: Chester Mich.

Occupation: Farmers Daughter
Parents: Benjamin E. Rich
Rachel Rich

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1868

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #3

Date of Death: May 17, 1867

Name: Elva E. Rogers

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: 2y 2m 14d Place of Death: Chester, Eaton Co.,

Mich.

Cause of Death: Inflamation of

Bowels

Birthplace: Chester, Mich.

Occupation:

Parents: William A. Rogers
Lorinda H. Rogers

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1868

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #4

Date of Death: April 9, 1867

Name: Isaac Farrah

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Widowed

Age: 77v 6m 4d

Place of Death: Chester, Eaton Co.

Cause of Death: Heart Disease Birthplace: New Jersey

Birthplace: New Jersey Occupation: Farmer Parents: Sarah Farrah

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich

Recorded: May 11, 1868

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #5

Date of Death: May 9, 1867 Name: **Berklie D. Hall**

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: 1y 11m 9d

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death: Diptheria Birthplace: New York

Occupation:

Parents: Clarkson A. Hall Laura A. Hall

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #6

Date of Death: January 29, 1867

Name: Infant Child of W.

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single

Age:

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death:

BirthplaceChester, Mich.

Occupation:

Parents: James Wright
Augusta Wright

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #7

Date of Death: November 18,1867

Name: Mary Cole

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married

Age: 62y 1m 17d

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death: Cancer Birthplace: New York Occupation: Farmers Wife

Parents: John Mallory

Elizabeth Mallory
Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #8

Date of Death: July 28, 1867

Name: Ethel L. Wyble

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single

Age: 1y 8m 28d

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death: Dysentery

Birthplace: Chester

Occupation:

Parents: Anthony Wyble

Clairssa Wyble

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #9

Date of Death: February 7, 1868

Name: Freddie Wyble

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death: Birthplace: Chester

Occupation:

Parents: Anthony Wyble

Clairssa Wyble

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #10

Date of Death: May 22, 1867

Name: Daniel G. Waltersdoff

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married

Age: 54y ____m 5d

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co. Cause of Death: Heart Disease

Birthplace: Maryland

Occupation: Cooper

Parents: Daniel Waltersdoff

Elizabeth Waltersdoff

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1963

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #11

Date of Death: January 29, 1868

Name: Infant Child W.

Sex: Female Twin

Marital Status: Single

Age:

Place of Death: Chester Eaton Co.

Cause of Death:

Birthplace: Chester, Mich.

Occupation:

Parents: James Wright

Augusta Wright

Their Residence: Chester, Eaton

Co., Mich.

Recorded: May 11, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #12
Date of Death: November 3, 1867

Name: Charles A. Carman

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: 20m 15d

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Desentery

Birthplace: Windsor

Occupation:

Parents: Richard Carman Sarah Carman

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #13

Date of Death: July 15, 1867

Name: Sarah E. Wright

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single

Age: 2y

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Brain Fever

Birthplace: Windsor

Occupation:

Parents: Alfred Wright Mary Wright

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #14

Date of Death: October 16, 1867 Name: Johnathan Lockwood

Sex Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: 10m

Place of Death: Windsor

Cause of Death: Congestion of Brain

Birthplace: Windsor

Occupation:

Parents: J. Lockwood

Mary Lockwood

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #15

Date of Death: June 1, 1867 Name: John Hethorn, Sen.

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Widowed

Age: 95y

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Dropsey

Birthplace: Ireland Occupation: Farmer

Parents:

Their Residence:

Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #16

Date of Death: October 13, 1867

Name: Almira T. McDorthy

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married

Age: 52y

Place of Death: Windsor

Cause of Death: Gastric Fever

Birthplace: York State Occupation: Housewife

Parents:

Their Residence:

Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #17

Date of Death: September 17, 1867

Name: Willard D. Hyde

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: 6y 11m 19d

Place of Death: Windsor

Cause of Death: Dysentery

Birthplace: Delhi, Mich.

Occupation:

Parents: William Hyde

Harriet J. Hyde

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #18
Date of Death: December 20, 1867

Name: An Delong W. Lewis

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: 16y 5m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Consumption

Birthplace: Windsor Occupation: Farmer Parents: J.P. Lewis Orka Lewis

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #19

Date of Death: March 11, 1867

Name: Nancy Bell Sex: Female

Marital Status: Widow

Age: 78y 10m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Old Age Birthplace: Pennsylvania

Occupation: Parents:

Their Residence:

Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 1 Record #20

Date of Death: September 20, 1867

Name: Amelia Bohannon

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married

Age: 21y 10m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Dropsey Birthplace: Ingham, Mich. Occupation: Housewife

Parents:

Their Residence:

Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 2 Record #21 Date of Death: August 27, 1867

Name: Almira Johnson

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married

Age: 54y 8m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Dysentery

Birthplace: Vermont Occupation: Housewife

Parents:

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 2 Record #22

Date of Death: April 3, 1868 Name: Nettie Bringham

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single

Age: 4y 5m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Croup Birthplace: Plymouth, Mich.

Occupation:

Parents: M. Bringham

Jane Bringham

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

Volume 1 Page 2 Record #23

Date of Death: September 17, 1867

Name: Mary Schmidt

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single

Age: 2y 6m

Place of Death: Windsor Cause of Death: Fever Birthplace: Windsor

Occupation:

Parents: John Schmidt

Margaret Schmidt

Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 15, 1968

"Michigan may well be called the child of New York and grandchild of New England"-

Dr. Ethel Williams

Editors Page

You can now reach Drouscella by E-mail at home. drouhalsey@voyager.net.

Yes, we did goof!! There are 2 page 65. This is something that happened while stopping in the middle of the printing. We have to hand correlate our Quest. Our copy machine does not do the fancy work of new copiers. Please over look our mistake.

We have some exciting new books that are ready for sale. They are **Ancestor Charts Volume I and Volume II**. The price is \$9.00 for each plus tax for those of you in Michigan., and postage & handling of \$2.00 **The Burkhead-Green Funeral Home Book** is now ready. The cost is \$15.00 plus tax and postage & handling of \$2.00. We are still working on the next cemetery books and will let you know as they are being released.

Our Annual Workshop was a great success. Everyone who turned in a survey sheet said they enjoyed their day as a whole. I believe we had about 200 who signed up to attend for the day. We had 26 tables of vendors with a great selections of materials. Anyone who did not attend, really missed a great day.

By the way I just found out from a article in the AntiqueWeek, dated April 20, 1998. There are now fifty volumes of the Daughters of the American Revolution Lineage Books now available on Ancestry's Web site (http://www.ancestry.com) for subscribers to search. This a major release of genealogy records in electronic format. It contains thousands of references to U.S. Revolutionary War ancestors and their descendants. It was created from Lineage Books of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution from information submitted by tens of thousands of individuals.

Well, I am wishing all of you a great summer and lots of luck on those summer research vacations trips. If you are planning at trip to Michigan and plan on coming to our society library. Please let us know when you plan to be here. Please note that we are closed on Friday's except by appointment.

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