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January 4- Civil War Soldiers:

Spencer, Clinton-Enlisted May 1st,1861, as Private Co. H Michigan Infantry (for three months) made 1st Lt. February 22, 1862; wounded at Gettysburg losing right leg and disabling left arm. Discharged May 16, 1864.

Shier, Henry-Enlisted October 8, 1861; Sgt. Battery C 1st Light Artillery, made 1st Lt June 30, 1863. Mustered out December 19,1864.

Skinner, Prescott M.-Enlisted July 22, 1862, Sgt. Co. B Michigan 20th Infantry, made 1st Lt. May 12,1864; became Capt. April 5, 1865, Mustered out October 30, 1865.

Stanway, David-Enlisted July 5th, 1861, as Sgt. Co. A Michigan, 1st Infantry, made a 2nd Lt. March 10,1863; became Capt. January 1st, 1864; wounded at Battle of the Wilderness, May 5, 1864; disabled and mustered out October 4, 1864.

Thomas, John-Enlisted July 31st, 1862 as Sgt. in Commissary of Michigan 20th Infantry; made a 2nd Lt. March 11, 1865, mustered out May 30, 1865.

Van Cleve, Augustus- Enlisted as 2nd Lt. Michigan 20th Infantry, July 29, 1862; made a 1st Lt. October 14, 1862; Capt. November 28, 1863; mustered out January 12, 1865.

White, Nathan F.- Enlisted May 25th, 1863 as 2nd Lt. in Michigan 27th Infantry, mustered out April 22, 1864.

Whittlesey, Franklin M.- Capt. Michigan Infantry(three month enlistment) May 1st, 1861; became Major 1st Michigan Infantry August 10, 1861; Lt. Colonel August 30,1862; he was killed at Bull Run August 30,1862.

Wise, David A.-Enlisted as 1st Lt. in 1st Michigan Infantry May 1, 1861; Lt. Ouartermaster August 17, 1861; mustered out May 15, 1862.

Wortley, Clark S.-Enlisted August 4th, 1862 as Sgt. Major Michigan 26th Infantry, made a 2nd Lt. March 5th, 1863; 1st Lt. November 29, 1863; Quartermaster, July 20, 1864, mustered out May 30, 1865. January 22- Died, Mrs. Letitia Martin. She was born in Romulos County, New York, February 8, 1799. March 7, 1818 she married James Martin. In 1885 she came to Michigan Territory. They left Detroit taking the Saulk Trail, walking most of the way, until they reached Ypsilanti, or Woodruff's Grove as it was called then. There was only one building in Ypsilanti, The Godfroy Trading Post on North Huron Street. They bought a farm on the Chicago road west of Ypsilanti, the farm later was owned by Evan Begole.

March 26- Ad: Shimmel & Draper Grocery and Crockery, 208 Congress (Michigan Avenue) Union Block.

<u>April 2-</u> Ypsilanti to have the benefit of a Telephone Company, through the efforts of E. B. Greene and others, arrangements have been made to connect up Ypsilanti with the Telephone Company of Detroit.

Dr. McVicar has rented Mr. Bickfor's residence; House, Barn and 4 acres for 3 years at \$250.00 a year.

<u>April 16-</u> The 72 Committees, and 22 Township Committees appointed by the Pioneer Society to revise and correct the huge manuscript of the forecoming History of Washtenaw County, have at last finished their labors. Messrs. Chapman and Co., with their able historians are preparing 1500 pages of manuscript.

May 21- Died in Pittsfield Township, Catherine Aray, age 71 years, May 15th.

On this date appeared a Poem by William Lambie entitled "Spring".

A letter from Edward Batwell, to the City Council about the condition of various City Cisterns; the Ellis(Washteanw) Cistern has been filled 6 times since April 11th and now has not enough water for use by the new Pumper. The Cistern at the Depot has but a foot of water but the Stand Pipe of the Michigan Central Railroad can be utilized in case of fire. The Cistern on Cross Street east of the Depot is always full. The Reservoirs back of the Seminary, Ferrier, Fifth Ward School and those on Congress Street are all in good order.

AD: NEW GROCERY STORE-3rd door south of the Post Office (Pearl Street at North Huron Street)Charles Ely, Owner.

There appeared a listing of the Ypsilanti Men who were in the Civil War:

Daniel Kellogg, Capt. 3rd Calvary, enlisted September 7,1861, Discharged June 21, 1862.

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John S. Maltman, Enlisted August 4, 1862, Sgt. Co. E 17th Michigan Infantry. Became 1st Lt. June 30, 1864. Mustered out June 3, 1865.

James H. McCormick, Enlisted September 12, 1861. Sgt. Co. D 3rd Calvary, became 1st Lt. November 14, 1864. Mustered out February 12, 1866.

Samuel C. McQuaid, Enlisted August 21, 1862, as Principal Muscian 27th Michigan Division.

May 22- Died April 23, 1880, Mrs. Ruth A. Freeman, age 77. Born in Massachusetts but moving with parents to Caledonia, New York. Came with her widowed mother and brother to Michigan in 1824. Seven days it took them to get from Detroit to Ypsilanti where they settled in Woodruff's Grove. She was engaged by Mark Norris to teach school in the District whose home she was living in. After teaching two or three years she married David Freeman who was in the Boot & Shoe business with his brother Louis. In 1837 David died and in 1843 Ruth married his brother Louis. Again she was left a widow in 1867. The Freeman's lived on a farm east of Ypsilanti.

October 15-The old Catlin House opposite the Union School on Cross Street at Washington, has been remodeled by Mr. Varney, the Detroit Architect.

Hay & Todd are employing 45 hands, up to the full capacity of the factory. They use an average of 1500 pounds of wool daily.

October 29-S. W. Pattison, M.D., died in this City October 23, 1881 in his 85th year. Born Samuel Warren Pattison, in Kingsbury, Washington County, New York, June 28,1797.(Long history of this man on the front page of the Commercial.

There are three stores in Willis, including two in the eastern part of the town formerly called Eaton Mills where there is one of the best School Houses in Washtenaw County having two rooms and a belfry.

Paint Creek Post Office is no more, having been removed to Newcomb, one and a fourth miles East. People is eastern Augusta have gotten their mail there for 40 years. Aaron Childs was the first Postmaster. Eaton Mills is only a fraction over half mile from the Willis Station.

Malcolm MacVicar, Principal of Michigan State Normal College resigns after one year in October 1881 to become a member of the Faculty of the Baptist College at Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Daniel Putnam has been appointed Principal.

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November 19- The County Clerk has purchased 80 Tons of coal at 56.25 per ton for the Court House use. There are 75 cords of wood to be used also.

Died- Jonathan G. Morton, one of the Pioneers of Washtenaw County, died November 21, at his home in Ypsilanti, in his 80th year, having resided here 57 years. Morton was born in Ware, Massachusetts, March 22, 1802. Father was Thomas Morton. At age 17, Jonathan drove a Horse and Wagon to Michigan, selling 'Notions' on the way. Arrived at Ypsilanti in August 1824 and in 1825 kept a General Store in a log structure at the NW corner of Pearl and North Huron Streets. It was the first store in Ypsilanti. In 1826 he sold out and went to farming in Section 31. March of 1826 he married Alvira Gorton. He was one of the first Supervisors for Ypsilanti which then included Pittsfield Township.

December 3- The removal of the Detroit, Hillsdale & South Western Shop from our City to Elkhart, Indiana is not calculated to make us feel very pleasantly.

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May 21 List of Civil War Veterans: Samuel McQuaid, enlisted as Principal Musician, August 21, 1862, 27th Infantry, made 2nd Lt. November 17, 1864, Discharged March 14, 1865.

Peter E. Mead, enlisted as 2nd Lt. 1st Michigan Colored Infantry (102nd U.S.) December 2, 1863. Made 1st Lt. November 16, 1864. Discharged September 30, 1865.

David L. Northland, enlisted July 1, 1862, Sgt. Co. H Michigan Infantry. Made 1st Lt. May 26, 1865. Discharged June 3, 1865.

Cicero Newell, enlisted May 1, 1861, Sgt. Co. H Michigan Infantry, made Captain, April 1, 1862. Made Major 10th Calvary August 19, 1862. Wounded at Clifton, Miss., February 10, 1863. Discharged January 10, 1865.

Marvin Parks, 2nd Lt. Michigan Infantry May 1, 1861, for 3 months. Taken prisoner at Bull Run, July 21, 1861. Exchanged and mustered out January 21, 1862. Made 1st Lt. and Quartermaster 26th Michigan Infantry.

Charles Perry, enlisted as 2nd Lt. 1st Michigan Indantry, Agust 17, 1861. Mustered out August 8, 1862.

July 2- President James A. Garfield was shot by Jules Guideau who is said to have been in Ypsilanti, coming by train and then walking to Ann Arbor where he intended to enroll in the University of Michigan.

July 20- Sitting Bull shot and killed by his guards.

Booker T. Washington founded Tuskegee Institute for Negroes.

October 1- With pleasure we announce the appointment of Professor Gabriel Campbell to the Chair of Mental and Moral Philosophy at Bowdoin College, the leading College in the State of Maine, and is the best Chair. It is the Alma Mater of Longfellow, Hawthorne and a long line of worthies.

Helen Hunt Jackson published "A Century of Dishonor" about the mistreatment of the Indians.

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January 7- Cornelious Cornwell gives W.D. Hewitt \$1,875 for a lot, corner of Huron and Ellis(Washtenaw), 5 rods front and 100 rods deep. He proposes to build a palatial residence in the Spring.

January 28- Died January 22, 1882, William Cross in his 87th year. He was born March 9, 1805, in Honeyeye Falls, New York and coming to Ypsilanti in 1824. He owned the land on which the Michigan State Normal College stands. Bounded by Cross Street, Brower and Forest Avenue. He also owned the land on which the Fairgrounds were located on Congress Street which is now Recreation Park. He married Mary R. Hammond. He was a Presbyterian and he gave \$750 toward building the Church.

January 30- Franklin Delano Roosevelt Was born.

March 18- The Jamestown 'Alert' reports: Mr. Colby informs us that a party from the East will soon be here to make arrangements for building a Grist Mill at Ypsilanti, the new Town recently started on the banks of the James River, North Dakota, and 13 miles below Jamestown.

March 24- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow died.

March 25- Senior Class Officers at the Noraml: William A.McAndrew, President; Hattie McElcheron, Vice President; Nellie McIntire, Secretary; and Frank Wells, Treasurer.

April 27- Ralph Waldo Emerson died at his home in Concord, Massachusetts.

April 29- Died, Lydia Gorton Comstock, born March 28, 1809, New Lisbon, New York. Married Nathan Comstock April 24, 1828. Came to Michigan in 1850 and settled on the Samuel F. Allen farm and then to a farm owned by the Moore Estate in Augusta Township. Nathan Comstock died in 1866.

May 8- Peter J. McGuerl proposed a Labor Holiday which is now observed as Labor Day, the first Monday in September.

June 17- Died Phoebe Samson, June 4, in her 86th year.

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Almond Vedder, Augusta Township, June 14, age 33.

Lucius Browning, June 15, Stoney Creek, age 65.

July 22- Long article by Philo Parsons about Pioneer Days: The first sermon he heard in Michigan was preached by Rev. Page in 1826 in an unfinished building at the corner of Congress (Michigan Avenue) and South Huron Street.

October 7- Report of Congregational Church Organization which was organized October 4, 1881.

Died, Alanson Ambrose, age 80.

November 8- Died, Honorable J. Webster Childs, age 56.

W. Edwin Willits, selected as Principal of Michigan State Normal College.

November 12-Died, George McDougal, age 81. The last link of the 13 who composed the Presbyterian Church of this City at its organization.

Born Mohkton, Ayrshire, Scotland on November 22, 1801. Came to America in 1828 and that fall to Michigan and Ypsilanti. Helped raise a millframe for Woodruff & Hardy- 19 men came from all over the County for the raising. This was the first frame Mill in Ypsilanti and had two runs of stone grinders. He ran the Mill for 25 years when it was owned by Norris & McIntire. In 1853 he bought 80 acres in Section 36 of Superior Township on what is now Ford Road. In 1828 in Rochester, New York, he married Mary Muir, sister of Anne Muir Campbell.

December 19-Died, Job Gorton, born February 22, 1804, Otsego, New York. He came to Michigan in 1827. Married Eliza A. Comstock November 8, 1828. He was a member of Friends Church.

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February 2- Died, John Starkweather, age 75. Born in Renselear County, New York, July 24, 1807. His father, Donald Starkweather, became a Captain in the War of 1812 and married Fanny Godfrey. They had 14 children. John married Mary Ann Newberry, daughter of Elisha Newberry. "The prompt payment of the Civil War Debt of Ypsilanti was mainly brought about by the influence of John Starkweather and Ezra D. Lay.

Ad: W.W. Worden-House and Sign Painting-Graining, Paper Hanging, Decorating of all kinds. Huron at Congress(Michigan Avenue) N.W. Corner.

Alva Worden & Bros. Mfg. Whip Sockets-37 South River Street.

February 17- George Moorman has purchased the Follett House Hotel as a speculation.

March 3- New Book Store-George W. Hough, Worden Block.

March 6- Mr. & Mrs. Phio Parsons will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

The purchase of the late Colonel Lee residence on Huron Street for \$6,250 by William Deubel is a fine value. The property has a very fine front and reaches to the River. 212 N. Huron Street.

April 4- Henry R. Scoville elected Mayor of Ypsilanti a second time.

April 21- Died Timothy Sherman, born April 25, 1796, in Hillsdale, Columbia County, New York. Enlisted in the Army near the close of the War of 1812. In 1815 he married Eunice Jones- She died in 1862. He then married his wife's sister. He came to Ypsilanti, May 5, 1834.

May 5- Capt. Wallace, C. M. Harris, Ean Begole and Henry Glover left for the Dakotas. Truly Ypsilanti is a beehive of speculators.

<u>May 8-</u> and Clark Cornwell, partners of the first party, and Issac N. Conklin, Robert Lambie, Daniel L. Quirk, and Charles King, partners of the second part. Moorman and Cornwell agree to erect a bathing house on the East side of North Huron Street to contain 48 bathhouses with Cornwell Mineral Water in the baths.

May 11- Buffalo Bill opened at Omaha, Nebraska his 'Wild West Rocky Mt & Prairie Exhibition.' Annie Oakley and Sitting Bull toured with the show, which was a great attraction universally. Buffalo Bill died January 10, 1917.

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May 19- A visit to the Seminary: 'Miss Elizabeth Lambie, the teacher in 4th grade with 41 pupils in attendance- age 9 to 11, Cornell's Geography and Olney's New Series Arithmetic-A good teacher makes good learners and here we certainly have it.'

June 9- Ashes of John Howard Pan, composer of 'Home Sweet Home', placed in Oak Hill Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

June 18- Susan B. Anthony fines \$100 and costs for voting in the Presidential electin of 1872 at Rochester, New Yorkshe never paid the fine.

June 30- Ads appearing: Soper's Bazaar, opposite Joe Sanders Clothing Store. Comstock and Ebling-Hewitt Block. Alban & Clark- Ready made men's clothing. Drury & Taylor- Paints. A. A. Graves- Grocer, 5 Congress Street(Michigan Avenue). Carson & Howell-Newest Grocery in J. C. Haven's old stand-17 Congress Street.

A petition appeared to place Marcus Woodruff's publishing business in Receivership.

Ypsilanti population 5,137; Ann Arbor 8,061.

July 21-Death of Charles Straton (Col. Tom Thumb) 46 years old. P. T. Barnum introduced him to the Public, December 8, 1842 and paid him \$3.00 per week and then advanced it to \$25.00 as Tom Thumb was such an attraction.

398 Students in the Michigan State Normal College.

<u>August 28-</u> Meeting of 'The Old boys in Blue' at Capt. Allen's office where they voted to organize a Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. 25 signed the petition.

October 22- The Metropolitan Opera House opened in New York City.

December 22- Ads appearing: Buckwheat Flour-Whitmore & Bess, West End of Follett Block.

Thorne Bros. (E. W. and W.D. Thorne) Tobacco, Cigars, Candies-7 Union Block-Congress Street.

N. Corday's Packing House-Meats-Near Iron Bridge, Congress Street.



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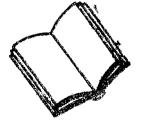
Need a gift ? For the person that is hard to buy for, give them a membership in the Ypsilanti Historical Society.

We have several available.



Mr. Carl Rodenberg





Black Silk Shawl(oil silk) Hand made edges, is over 100 years old. Mrs. Lucy Winters-Small trunk, Used for carrying party clothes so she could change after she arrived at a party.

Several doll dresses, hats, etc. Cross stitch picture-year 1800. Scrap book-Early 1900's Book-The Illustrated United States Navy-October 1909 Folder-Material on the Civil War. Scrap book of Misc Greeting Cards, Sara Clawson 1881 Commencement Class of Cleary College 1892 Announcement Invitation-Opera House- Saline 1897 Souvenir Book Ypsilanti Map -1926 Invitation to Union Ball-1829 Anniversary Dedication. Michigan State Normal School Closing Exercises-June 24, 1887 Booklet from January 1, 1911 Various Invitations. Post Cards: Old Nanvy Ships Knitting Mill in Ypsilanti Pease Auditorium Michigan State Normal College 1911 Hutchinson House Bible Club Birthday Books and Records.

Books:

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Stirrett of the Sudan Black Gems for His Crown Michigan Women 1701-1977 Brass Shotgun Shells Shell Loading Tools.



Mrs. Esther Fletcher

Fife-Used in the Civil War

Mrs. J. J. Woods

Cleary College

Pair of Red Lusters

Book- "OneHundred Years of Business" by Nancy Lynn Snyder

Mrs. Grace Thompson Several months ago Mrs. Thompson gave the Museum a beautiful Washbowl and Pitcher Set. The set is one of the handsomest we have ever seen. Our sincere apologies it did not get acquistioned. It is on display in the upstairs bedroom.

Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Brooks

Mr. Henry Rockwell

Picture of Roosevelt High School Football Team- 1912

3 Photographs of the Ypsilar Depot-July 1919. 2 Photographs of the Gardena at Depot Town.

Mrs. Grace Spratt

Denis Schmiedeke

Photograph of a "Wagon Trai Taken early 1900's

Photograph of 130 N. Huron S

January 2- Saw a great light in the sky at 3 in the morning. The boys and I went down and found the Farmers store burning and 5 others- a sad sight-this store 3 times robbed and now burned-we will lose by it-Robert did not get home until 9.

January 3- The boys helped get the safe out of the Farmers store-Insurance \$10,000 on \$15,000 goods. 4 bags of Clover seed from Thrashing-maybe 5 bushels and more than we expected.

January 8- Went to Ann Arbor to the meeting of Washtenaw Mutual Insurance Company and saw part of the new Court House-Boys sold Pork.

January 15-Paid Rexford \$5.50 for Church seat rental-middle of winter and living on buckwheat cakes and pork-Robert's old black sheep died.

January 17-Wife and I to Pittsfield and met John Campbell and his bride and a party of intelligent friends-a double feast-took Mrs. A. Campbell home and left wife to take care of sick Mrs. Wm. Campbell. Gave Julia Camp an order on Wm. Campbell for \$40.

January 19-Farmers store to get \$11,000. insurance.

January 25- Follett decamped with \$1,900.

January 31- More snow and the last of January and near zero.

February 1- Snow very deep-Paid Goodspeed \$20 for teaching.

February 9- Went to Farmers store meeting and it was decided to close the store and settle accounts in 90 days.

February 14-Wm. Campbell paid L.H. Graves interest etc. \$46.33 was glad to get it-I had doubts I would ever get it.

February 16-Paid Frank Smith \$2.40 for the Interior and \$1.40 for the Tribune.

February 18-Frank, Jerome and T. Casey killed 4 swine-Frank sold 4 hogs-902 lbs at $12\frac{1}{2}e=$ \$37.20- He got his wages and I got 10¢ for my share.

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February 22- Frank does not come home at night. Robert rode thru rain, snow and sleet and got the papers.

February 23- Frank got back not finding a better place than home- Walked to town with 7 dozen eggs the old way.

February 26- Got our checks on the Farmers store marked by Lawyer Crane- At Depot saw some ill looking ponies from Texas.

March 3- Sacrament-wet and muddy-only 3 new members and Jannett Waterbury one of them. Our old friend John Geddes failed to appear. Wm. Campbell took his place passing the Bread and Wine.

<u>March 6-</u> Went to Pioneer Meeting in Baptist Church-read a paper before full house.

March 8- Mary and I went to Pittsfield-found Mrs. L still Iame and using crutch. Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Campbell came at night from Mr. Aulds funeral and we heard of the death of Mr. Loveder(?) age 91.

March 9- Stayed over night at Mr. Clarke's until near noon looking over his beautiful home-his well kept farm and fine flocks and herds. Called on Mr. Sanders-the poor fellow will have a sad time lying on his back 3 months till his broken leg gets well.

March 11- Robert's birthday-15 years-May blessing and felicity ever hang around his pathway.

March 15- Went to see old friend Casey-Paid Elizabeth \$10 I owed her. Sold butter and eggs to Roberts old store. Mr. Campbell gave Mary a note on Mr. A. Campbell for \$62.

March 23- Sold eggs for 7 cents-bought Timothy Seed \$1.75. Paid Goodspeed \$16 for teaching.

March 27- Took 4 bags feed and 1 of wheat to the Mill. Paid Frank \$10-I seem to do the savings-he the spending. Wife and I went down for the Grist-

April 1st- Bell, Robert, the big Dictionary and school bell, 3 of T. Caseys children, 2 of Mr. Fletchers with books and dinner pails started for Bell's summer school. Frank went to a Town Meeting.

<u>April 3-</u> Wife and I had tea with Brother- a cold reception-Bell has 16 scholars.

April 5- 39 years since we left the old stone house in Strathavens and came to America-Got \$20 from Wm. Campbell-R. Campbell came and got trees.

April 7- At Church, A. Campbell's class discussing the Catholic question.

April 10- Too wet to plow- Walter Campbell came.

April 12- Elizabeth to Pittsfield to her School, Mrs. L and Robert going with her.

April 13- Mr. Campbell came. Wife and Marywent with him, Mary to her School.

April 15- My Birthday-57 years of my life past-3 girls teaching, I learning-Frank at the Oak to see sister Isabell-Robert and I had dinner alone. Bell has 20 scholars.

April 22- Now have 9 lambs- Paid \$1.50 for cleaning school-\$2 for improvements-Robert and I spreading manure and filling woodchuck holes.

April 27- Fields green and wet. Frank fishing-Jones helped dig big stones. Robert and Hiram Camp fishing.

April 30- Went to visit old friends Mr. & Mrs. Voorhees, visited Bell's School and found her doing her duty as usual-Walked around past the old Moon farm where the band that sailed and suffered and rejoiced together first pitched their tent in the wilderness in the woods and wilds of great America.

May 1st- Boys plowing and shooting Woodchucks. Mr. & Mrs. Clarke came with their new team- 24 lambs.

May 4- Went to the meeting to close the Farmers store after getting 20 percent for 6 years we now get 45 percent of what we paid in.

May 5- Walked to Church- John Geddes son dead, age 35- John left.

May 8- Heavy shower. The boys caught two big strings of fish-Got two bags of wheat ground for bread and 2 for feed- 39 lambs.

May 11- Have "Rural Notes" in the Tribune-Received \$30 out of the bank.

May 15- Wife and I to Augusta-pleasant visit with old friends-Frost- Walked with Mary to her School. Came home at noon.

May 16- Cut lambs tails- 38 in all-19 Ewes-19 Rams. Rats cut a hole in our cake safe. Boys were displeased because I would not buy a new wagonhave little wheat or oats to sell- Market low-The old wagon is stronger than my purse.

May 20- Went to Detroit-Called on Mr. Inglis(David?) took dinner with brother Frank-Called on Mother in Windsor-was not well treated-stayed over night with my friend David Inglis.

May 21- Went out to Rogers(?) Station and was kindly treated by my old friend John Camman-looked over his farm. The boys washed the sheep in my absence. Mr. Camman and I drove 10 miles to sister Isabell-pleasant memories of pleasant former days-Mr. C drove me to Detroitmet old friends and brother Frank and James and heard distressing news about John-returned home.

May 24- Sold butter for 11¢ 1b and eggs 10¢ a dozen.

May 28- The boys and I went to Mr. Tifleys(?) raisingthe biggest I ever saw being 36' X 100".

May 30- Drove the sow over to R. Fletchers. John Campbell and wife came.-Walked to Church at night to hear----on education. Anna among the Graduates-Last of May-worked on the road-Paid Frank \$10.

June 1st- Robert has 15 ducks-John Gilbert paid \$30 for our 6 shares in Farmers store.

June 12- Corn has to contend with cold, grass, chipmunks and worms. Roberts bought Frank's watch. Letter from brother Frank about John's sad failure-Wife, Anna and Robert went to Mr. Campbells.

June 21- Robert and Anna went to Pittsfield for the closing of Elizabeth's School.

June 26- Robert and I working in the corn-he rode the mower for the first time-looks like an iron chariot. Have "How to keep the Boys on the Farm" in the Tribune-Bell's School closed-Jerome paid \$3.50 for 141b wool on the 10 sheep-Paid him \$15. for painting and fixing the wagonhe helped rake and cock the hay Robert cut.

June 30- John Miller helped and we got in 7 loads of hayhard work and great heat. Wife's Birthday-Ben Voorhees came looking for Fred who had run away-95 degrees in the shade.

July 1st- Hope to get in all the Hay-Dan Miller helping with 10 loads-Rain at night-up to 98 at noon. Frank sent a Postal from Burlington, Iowa where he is harvesting.

July 3- Cleaned up 10 bags of wheat-Kept the cows in the stable, they vex us breaking the fences.

July 4- Wife sick in the night-Robert went to town to see the celebration-had new potatoes and peas for dinner. Mrs. L and Elizabeth went to Augusta late.

July 5- Mary and Elizabeth came home at 10-Robert mowing with machine in Clover Field and Dan mowed with the sythe-Sold 21 bushels Wheat for \$21-Was up at 5 and worked 17 hours.

July 6- Dan, Robert and I built a hay stack- the barn was about full of hay. Paid Dan \$5.

July 10- Clark and I bought a cradle for \$2.75-Colored man and Robert hoed and I set up around new apple trees. Sold the wool-481 lbs-1/3 off on the Rams fleeces and 10 heavy fleece at 22¢-whole amount \$135.36-30¢ lb for 370 lbs. Two men in the barn to work but too wet.Paid Clar \$2.

July 12- Fearful thunderstorm last night and the Brook running in the cornfield and on the Oats. It seems Nature was waring against the farmer. Many willing to eat but not to work. Pumray and Eban worked-Paid each 50¢ and later \$1 and \$5 for all the harvesting.

July 15- Wheat looks good-Harry's sheep trampled and hurt the Wheat-Too heavy to enjoy the Harvest.

July 17- Hot again-102 in the shade. Pumray cut last of Wheat and broke the old cradle-Drew in Wheat all day-Paid Faithful August \$5 and Pomray \$2. Anna had a letter from Mr. Stafford about the School. Robert, Lizzy, Bell and I got in all the Wheat-Pomray sick, August helping Voorhees-Hear Mr. Chidester's son drowned.

July 22- Much cooler-56 degrees-Got in all the rakings cleaned Wheat and drew Manure-Days getting shorter-Robert and Pomray helped Voorhees thrash. He paid about 16 men and a steam thrasher-had a pleasant visit with brother Robert.

July 25- Sold 18 bushels of old Wheat for 9.56 and 46 bushels of Oats to D. Wise for 26¢ per bushel- very cheap Oats.

July 27- \$13.60 for Oats. Saw the Show come in on the railroad- Robert and Pomray went to see the Show. Had 2 colored men harvesting-paid them \$1.50. Visit from D. LaFurge.

July 29- Frank came home before daylight from harvesting In Iowa-A wet cloudy day and Eclipse not seen.

July 31- Hauling Manure-Wife and I went to Belleville to Ann Campbell's funeral-A great display of grandeur in the house of the widow and fatherless-It must be difficult for them to meet expenses-Called on I. Phillips and sister.

August 1- Wife and I to Mr. Clarke's-he is not well-Very pleasant to wake up in Mr. Clarke's fine home. Robert and I bound Oats-Paid Pomray \$2.

August 5- Willie and Frank built an Oatstack before barn-Mowing machine working well-Frank cut all oats machines could not. Began to plow again for winter wheat. Elizabeth and Mary brought up brother Robert's horse and Wagon.

August 8- Robert raked the Oats with T. Casey's wheelrake. We stacked all the Oats. Thrashers came at 10-got 84 bushels of Oats and 160 of Wheat.

August 12- Heard of death of Mr. Swift-Finished thrashing had 247 bushels-expected 300-Some had twice as much to the acre and did not work their land any more carefully-Anna went to Manchester-Wife taking care of Fletcher's sick child-Eclipse on the Moon.

August 13- Wife and I went to Mr. Swift's funeral. Paid Pomray \$2 and he left. The Fletcher child died in the night.

August 18- Drew \$100 out of Bank-Went to Fletcher's little boys funeral.

August 24- Boys drew sand from Fifeleys-Bell and I went to town and thru the new Normal building.

August 28- Robert sprained his ankle and now uses a crutch. Took Anna and her trunk to the Depot- she is going to teach in Manchester.

September 2- Frank and the Mason working on the wall of the barn. Robert drawing stones. Built fire to try to crack big rocks. Went to School meeting- very few attended-Voted \$40 for incidentals. The Mason brought a jackscrew to raise the barn.

September 3- Gabriel Campbell came and stayed over night he seems to be one of the lights of the world. Finished the barn wall. 5 of us went for a grand picnic party under Wm. Campbells apple trees. It was like Eden and Paradise restored.

September 8- Willie Campbell helped dig potatoes-went in town to Farmers picnic on the Fair grounds-

September 11- The Jones Boy helped Robert and I cut corn-Frank getting a field ready for wheat-he sowed 12 bushels-

<u>September 13-</u> Wife and I went to the closing of Bell's school-her little pupils acquited themselves very well.

September 16- Got \$40 from Wm. Campbell.

September 17- Wife, Robert and I went to the State Fair in Detroit-great crowds of strange faces, stayed over night at Agnes' beautiful home-Robert and I went over the Blue water of the Detroit river to see Mother, and 2 sisters vexed me. James was not manly I had no reason to be proud of Canada. Had pleasant dinner with brother Robert in Frank's home-called on David Inglis and saw the babe.

September 23- Had Ague-sick and sad hearted-Very weak and could not accept brother Roberts dinner invitation. Dr. Ashley came to see me-the first time a Dr. has come to help restore my health since I was a wee boy.

September 27- Rested and took 11 pills before bed time. Old Mrs. Voorhees was buried witout my being able to pay last respects.

September 30- Some better and could eat breakfast.

October 2- Sold 3 barrells of Pippens for 75¢ per barrell-

October 7- Picked Russet and Bellflower apples. W. Smith helped in the afternoon.

October 10- Apples plentiful and cheap. Received \$36.85 for them from Ainsworth-54 barrells. Sent 5 barrells to sister Agnes.

October 14- Pomray husking- Frank drew lumber from the Dentons. Sold 40 bushels cider apples to Burt \$4. Sent a barrell of apples to Anna in Manchester.

October 17- Brother Robert brought sister Agnes and her son James, his wife and her Mother. We went to Roberts for fine dinner. Agnes and James came home with us and stayed over night. I was cheered and comforted communing with them. Frank brought all the framing timbers for the barn addition from Dentons.

October 19- Agnes and I walked to the old farm.

October 21- Sold 32 bushels cider apples at 10¢ paid Denton \$33.50 for framing timbers. Gathered some nice Baldwins-Frank helping D. Wilber to thrash-Two Pomrays and Robert husking.

October 24- Received a fine letter from Kate Inglis. Corn a good crop.

October 26- Owe Frank \$24.39-He received \$50 from Wm. Campbell. Sick again-Food won't digest.

October 28- Mrs. L and I both sick but improving. Paid B. Thompson \$4 for fixing two wheels on the buggy.

October 30- Sold 7 sheep (culls) to B. Voorhees for \$10 and two calves for \$18-killed a sheep for Mutton.

November 1st- Had some of the neighbors help lay the barn sills and sleepers-heavy work. Paid Dr. Ashley \$5 for coming to see me 3 times he did little good-too much medicine-for pay he offered to take 2 swarms of bees- one was enough. Paid Pomray \$4-Frank and Carpenter and Dr. all to pay.

November 4- Robert and I went to Rawsonville with 7 bushels Wheat and got a grist-Old Sally the horse I plowed with 25 years died. We buried the old willing beast in the orchard beside her mate-I got her from Father when she was a foal.

November 7- About 20 men came to raise addition to the Barn. The Carpenter Frank hired made a botch of my nice lumber and we had to cut the top of a post after it was raised-The rafters were another blunder-16 men for supper who were friendly.

November 8- After hard work we got the rafters in order and the plates bolted and part of the building boarded up Samson sold us 33 lbs nails for \$1.00-Republican victories in the elections-Frank got \$75 of Mary's Money from Wm. Campbell.

November 11- Article in the Commercial about the new railroad-Settled with Frank-Owe him \$10.

November 15- Wife and I went to her Fathers-Mr. & Mrs. Clarke came to dinner at the old Campbell Home-made each other glad.

November 16- 29 years since we married-how fast time rolls on.

November 21- Mr. & Mrs. Clarke came have been down to the trial of Mr. Murry, the minister-a bad woman accusing him of immoral conduct.

November 26- Frank, Dan and I took the hay out of the old barn and tore it down. Rain came right after we got the stalks and Hay in the new barn. Paid Frank \$31 for wages and shingles-all I owe except to owe Dan Miller \$7.50 for work.

November 28- Thanksgiving-Wife and I went to Clarke's for Tine dinner and pleasant party gathering-The Glasgow Bank Failure and the Murry scandal threw a shade of sorrow over our Thanksgiving and Scotch feelings-Wife came with Wm. Campbell to J. Tailers child's funeral-Ann and Elizabeth came home with me.

November 30- Paid Dan Miller \$5.50-Mrs. L and Robert going to see Mrs. Camp-Anna to her School in Manchester.

DEcember 2- Robert and Elizabeth started at daylight for her School in Pittsfield-Set up stanchions under new barn and got the cows stabled-

December 3- Walked to town-letter from Isabel from the Oak.

December 4- Heard the sad tidings that our good friend Mrs. John Clarke died suddenly last night. Mrs. L went with her brother Robert Campbell to sympathize the afflicted over in the beautiful desolate home.

December 5- Frank and I drove over the rough road to the Stoney Creek Church.

DEcember 7- Paid \$1.80 doe Insurance.

December 10- Killed 3 spring pigs-pork \$2.75 cwt-Food abundant-Bell to the Normal again.

December 13- Anna's Birthday-our home is not so poor and desolate as when she was born-Went to old Mrs. Hamilton's funeral. Frank paid our taxes \$26-heavy Taxes and low Markets

December 20- Wife and I went to Pittsfield-found Mr. Clarke dejected-had pleasant visit with the Robert Campbells. Eliza and I went to the Saline Junction to meet Anna but she did not come-Mr. Clarke did not ask us to stay and we came home after dark. (Mrs. Clarke was Elizabeth Campbell, sister of Mary Campbell Lambie.)

DEcember 21- 3 went to the Depot in the cutter and brought Anna home-Frank got the School Money \$224.83.

December 22- Mr. Richmonds babe died last week and there is sickness in his family.

December 25- Comfortable under the barn and in the house-two below outside.

Christmas and 10 years since Father died. Wife and I went to Episcopal Church. Our old friend asked us to commune with them. Received a nice box of presents from dear Sister Agnes-Willie Campbell came up with us for dinner and the youngsters sang with glee. December 26- 8 went to Mr. Campbells in the long sleigh and left me alone. Paid Miss Crippen \$20 for teaching. Had 2 teeth pulled- a sore job-FRank loaned \$100 to Mr. Thorne-Wm. Campbell collected all Mr. Crane owed me.

December 31- Last of 1878-Robert drawing wood.

Happenings by your Board of Director's

January 3, 1985

Final bills from Indoor Comfort and Durant Construction, Co. for basement rehabilitation, have been paid.

Plans for the Annual Business Meeting, to be held January 20, 1985 have been finalized.

Ann McCarthy, Museum Director, reported that two chairs needed repairing. It was voted to have them properly repaired. The Lewis House needs work, therefore bids are needed for pointing up foundation walls and work on basement floor.

February 7, 1985

Paul Jamison repaired the chairs. A letter of appreciation is to be sent to him. D Doris Milliman reported that the Heritage Festival will be August 23-25, and that the Committee is already hard at work.

New working Committees were established. Chairpersons: Membership-LaVerne Howard

Program-	Don Racine
Finance-	Gordon Cahours
Public Relations-	-Marion Vorce
Museum grounds-	Bill Ealy
Gleanings-	Renee Burgess

A Life membership for John Burton, from the Historical Society was approved.

March 7, 1905

Treasurer William Ealy reported that he had invested \$10,000.00 in a Certificate of Deposit, per the Boards Instructions.

Doris Milliman reported that Dale Hooker hopes to find a suitable place for the Society to hold its Heritage Festival Trash and Treasure Sale, as we can no longer use the carriage house next door.

Foster Fletcher pointed out to the Board that 1985 is the 25th year the Historical Society has been in existence. The Board approved the purchase of 1000 Anniversary stickers to be used on our mailings.

A One year Honorary Membership to Tom Augustus was approved by the Board.

April 11, 1985

Reports were received from Committee Chairpersons concerning status of Committees. Fresident Gauntlett urged all to finish filling out positions and start working towards goals. Further discussion was held concerning the Heritage Festival Activities and the Society's participation in it.

The Quarterly meeting of the Historical Society will be held May 19, 1985 staring at 2:00 P.M.

LaVerne Howard will again check with the City Maintenance Department concerning the renovation work that is desperately needed on the outside of the Museum-Flat Roofs, Scraping, Painting and Repairing woodwork, Tuck-pointing bricks where required. Ypsilanti is fortunate in having a man with the artisic talent of Arthur J Howard.

Art was born in Ypsilanti, graduated from the local schools. He received his A.B. Degree from Michigan State University and then went to Kansas State University where he earned a degree in Landscape Architecture. His first big project was to plan and layout the Waterloo Recreation area of 25,000 acres.

He is not only an artist but a great photographer and rose grower.

The Museum has some of his art on display and well worth a special trip to see it. It is one of the finest displays we have ever had.

He married Deci Watkins and they recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

He also can tell you the best parts of beef and pork cuts as he worked for years with his father in the Howard Meat Market and later had his own Market on Whittaker Road at Huron River Drive.

The following items have been copied from an IBM advertisement:

In 1909 a Black man was on top to the world. The man was Matthew Henson. As a member of Admiral Perry's Expedition, he planted the American Flag at the North Pole, April 16, 1909.

The 2nd book published in America was written by a black woman. Phyllis Wheatley in 1773. She was commended by President Washington.

In 1893 at Provident Hospital in Chicago, Dr. Dahiel Hale Williams performed the first successful heart operation.

Seventeen years ago, Thurgood Marshall was appointed Justice of the Supreme Court by President Johnson.

REQUESTS

Our Museum is in need of Roosevelt High School Year Books (The Echo- Hillcrest) for the Years 1934, to 1946. Also 1948, 49 and 1950.

Mr. Bill Ealy, Chairman of the Grounds at the Museum would appreciate any one that would like to help in the area of helping to take care of the shrubs, flower beds etc. (No cutting of grass). Please call and leave word at the office.

Kathryn Howard hopes to have some one donate:

Oil Lamps Candlesticks-Silver, Brass or Crystal

Set of Antique Dining Room Chairs

Thanks to all who responded and called and paid their dues. There are still a few that owe, so please pay them so that we may get our books cleared and up to date.

Billie Zolkosky, Secretary

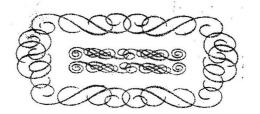
\$3.00 - one person 5.00 - per family \$10.00 - Contributing

25.00 - Institutional 50.00 - Sustaining

100.00 - Life Membership.

If you move, please let us know because the 'Gleanings' can not be forwarded. There is an extra charge when it is returned to us, and then when we mail it to the new address it must go First Class and this is about 90cents. So please give us a call or drop us a note. Thanks.

Billie



- Calendar: Looking Ahead
- April 18- School Tour of Museum
- April 19- School Tour of Museum
- April 20- Ann Arbor Doll Club Meeting
- April 25- School Tour of Museum
- April 27- May Basket Workshop for Children
- May 6- Museum Tour- L'Anse Cruse Antique Group
- May 9- Board Meeting- Historical Society
- May 13- Museum Administration Committee
- May 19- Historical Society-Quarterly Meeting
- May 30- School Tour of Museum (2)
- June 19- Luncheon for Museum Guides

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