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## Albion

The first settlement was begun about 1811 by Anthony Tripp. Among the early settlers were Lansing Bailey, Oliver Benton, Nathan Whitney, Jesse Mason and Allen Porter, Philitus Bumpus and Nehemiah Ingersoll pictured above who was donor of the land for the County Square and Court House.

The name of Albion is derived from the ancient name of the largest of the British islands. The township of Albion however, was not set off from Barre until 1875.

The first religious services (Methodist) were held by Rev. Joseph Sheppard in 1818.

The first sawmill was built by Dr. William White in 1816, on Sandy Creek and a gristmill was built about 1824 by a Mr. Caswell. The first tavern was established in 1815 by Abram Mattison and in 1818 a store was opened by Abiathar Mix.

## Murray

The first settlement was begun by Epaphras Mattison in 1809. Among the early settlers were Daniel Wait, Joshua Rockwood, Peleg Sisson, Simeon Daggett, Chauncey Woodworth and Darius Sprague.

Murry was formed from "Northampton" (now Gates, Monroe County) April 8, 1808, and named in honor of John Murray, a merchant of the city of New York who owned much of the land within the original boundaries of that town.

The first birth was that of Betsey Mattison in 1811. The first couple to be married were Solomon C. Wright and Tryphena Farnsworth. The first death was that of Mrs. Daniel Reed in 1814.

The first church (Congregational) was formed January 5, 1819 by Rev. John F. Bliss. Fanny Ferguson taught the first school in the summer of 1814.

The first sawmill was erected at Sandy Creek by Simeon Daggett in 1811 and the first gristmill was erected by Perry W. Luce in 1816. The first inn was kept by Epaphras Mattison in 1809 and Isaac Leach opened the first store in 1815.

Salt production from salt springs began at Holley, in 1814.  
Barre

The first settler was supposed to have been Stephen Paine in the autumn of 1815. Other early settlers were John D. Holland, George W. Holland, Joseph Langley, Nathan Bragg, Hezediah Ross, Elijah and Lemuel Blount, John Maxfield, Joshua Raymond and John Lee.

Barre was formed from Gaines, March 6, 1818 and is the largest town in land mass in Orleans County. Its name was given by the Hon. John Lee an early settler, who was born in Barre, Mass. and named this town after the place of his nativity.

The first church (Congregational) was organized November 5, 1816. The first school was taught by Sally Lee in 1818-19.

The first sawmill was built by Artemas Houghton about 1817. Joshua Raymond established the first tavern about the same year.