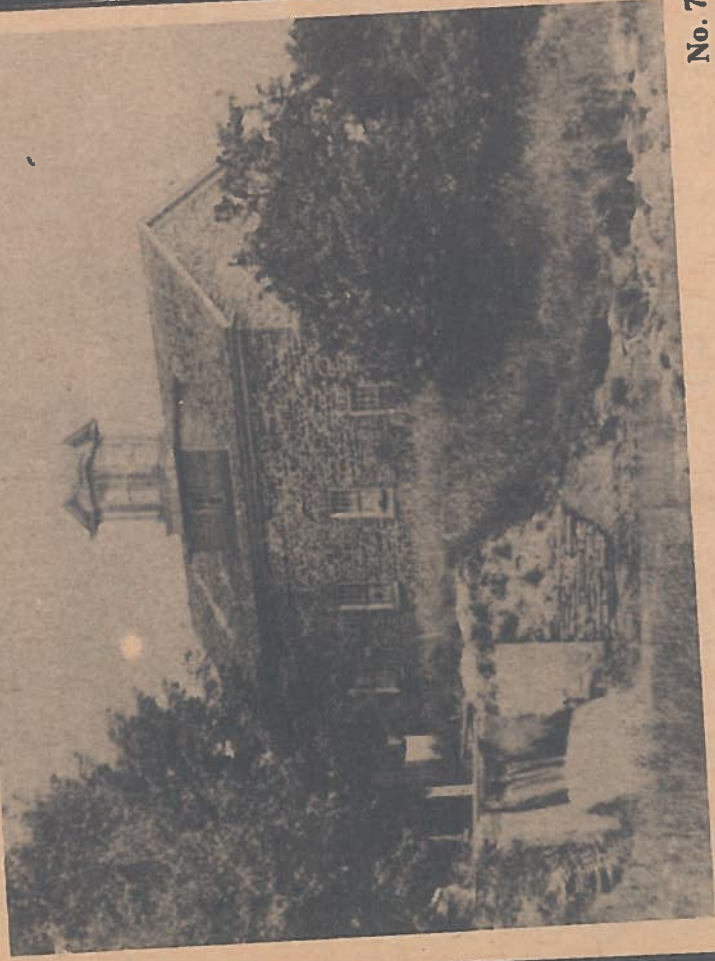


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## Shelby

The first settlement was begun by Alexander Coon, from Rensselaer county in 1810. Among the earliest settlers were Eleazur Fray, Henry and Robert Carter, David Demara, Joseph Ellicott, William Bennett, James Carpenter, Samuel Carpenter, David Hagerman, Elijah Bent and David Burroughs.

Shelby was formed from Ridgeway, March 6, 1818, and named in honor of Governor Shelby of Kentucky.

The first birth was that of Asa Coon, February 1, 1812. The first death was that of William Bennett, October 4, 1812.

The first church (Baptist) was formed July 25, 1818. The first school was taught by Cornelius Ashton in the winter of 1815-16.

The first sawmill was built by Joseph Ellicott on Oak Orchard Creek in 1812 and the first gristmill was built in 1813. The first inn was opened by David Timmerman in 1816. The first store was opened by Christian Groff in 1818.

## Kendall

The first settlement was made in 1812 by Samuel Bates, from Chittenden county, Vermont. Among the early settlers were Amos Randall, David Jones, Benjamin Morse, Nathaniel Brown, Adin Manley, John Farnsworth and Zebulon Rice.

Kendall was named in honor of Amos Kendall, Postmaster-General and was taken from Murray, April 7, 1837.

The first birth was that of Bartlett Morse in 1816. The first marriage was that of James Aiken and Esther A. Bates, March 2, 1817. The first death was that of a son of George Balcom in 1816.

It is said that the first Norwegian settlement in the United States was made in the town of Kendall.

The first religious service, conducted by Elder Stephen Randall, was held in the Spring of 1816. The first school was taught by Gurdon Balcom in 1819.

The first sawmill was built by Ammon Auger and Ebenezer Boyden in 1819 and the first gristmill was built by Ose Webster about 1824. The first tavern was opened by Orman Spicer and Reuben Roblee in 1827. The first store was opened by Gideon W. Burbank about 1829. An early gristmill at Kendall Mills is pictured herein.

## Clarendon

The first settlement was made in 1811, at the village of Clarendon by Eldridge Farwell, Benjamin Thomas, Alanson Dudley, Broadstreet Spofford, David Church, Elisha Huntley, John Cone, Chauncey Robinson, John Stephens and Abijah Dean were among the early settlers.

Clarendon was formed from Sweden, Monroe County, February 23, 1821. The first religious society (Methodist Episcopal) was formed as early as 1815. The first school was taught by Amanda Bills in the summer of 1813