

Some pioneer facts in Orleans

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The first court house and jail in Albion were built in 1828 and did service until 1858 when the present court house was built at a cost of \$20,000.

In 1865, oil wells were dug in Barre and some \$40,000 was spent before the promoters were willing to abandon the job as unprofitable.

As early as 1822, a library association existed in Kendall, and it was maintained until school district libraries were established by the state.

The first apple tree in Carlton was planted by Rachel Lovewell and the second by Matthew Dunham in 1809.

The stage lines on the Ridge were established in 1816 and the big stages made regular trips until 1850.

The first framed barn in Orleans County

a saw mill was built there in 1805, the first hotel was built in 1824 and a brewery was operated in 1827. The first church was the Episcopalian in 1827. The first newspaper, the Herald, was issued in 1832.

In 1864 a peat bed of 22 acres was operated in western Barre by Albion men and some 700 tons marketed. But the business was abandoned in 1866.

In 1798 Oak Orchard Harbor was known as Tonawanda Bay and was thus referred to in a letter by the famous Aaron Burr, who had contracted to buy some land in that section at \$.50 per acre. The deal was abandoned, however, before title was passed.

The town of Clarendon was established in 1821, and the first settlers paid \$8 to \$10 an acre for their land. The pioneer settler was Eldridge Farwell, who built the first sawmill in 1811, and

the first gristmill in 1813. The first school house in what is now Holley was built in 1815, and its teacher was Lydia Thomas. In 1815 a distillery was operated in Clarendon by Joseph Sturges.

Hulberton was originally named Scio and was changed to Hulberton in honor of I.H. Hulbert, the first postmaster. The first settler in Hulberton was Joseph Rudd in 1826.

The first log house in Knowlesville was built by William Knowles in 1815, and in 1825 he built the first framed house in that region.

Eagle Harbor was so named because an eagle's nest was found in a tree when the canal was surveyed.

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was built in Carlton by Moses Root in 1806.

History tells us that at one time previous to the opening of the canal, the settlers paid 75 cents a yard for sheeting and the same price for calico.

Rev. Simeon Dutcher, a Baptist preacher in Carlton in 1817 and later, was expelled from the church because he refused to renounce Masonry.

The first log cabin at Barre Center was erected in 1817 by Jesse O'Hara, and the first frame house was built in 1822 by Samuel Hathaway.

The first settlement in what is now Medina was made about 1812, although