

# Some more pioneer facts about Olde Orleans

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last week's column  
as well as this  
week's makes use  
of some pioneer  
history first compiled by

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In 1836, South Barre  
had an iron foundry, and  
threshing machines, and  
plows were made there.

The first log cabin in  
Barre Center was erected  
in 1817 by Jesse O'Hara  
and the first frame

house was built in 1822  
by Samuel Hathaway.

The first school  
teacher in Carlton was  
Peleg Helms in 1810

and the first merchant  
George Kuck in 1816.

Joshua Raymond and  
Davis Ketcham were the  
pioneer Barre innkeepers

and their hotels were at  
South Barre and did a  
big business, frequently  
accommodating as many

as forty teamsters in a day.  
The Town of Carlton  
was established in 1822,  
and until 1825 was known

as Oak Orchard. The first

settlement in the town  
was made in 1803 by the  
Walsworth Brothers.

The Town of Murray  
was established in 1812, and  
was named for a New York

merchant. The first store  
was opened at Sandy Creek  
in 1815. The first settler was  
Epaphras Mattison in 1809.

Ridgeway was estab-  
lished as a town in 1812  
and was the first town

in the county. The first  
settler was Seymour  
Murdock in 1810.

The Town of Shelby

was established in 1822  
and was first known as  
Northton, later taking

the name of Yates in  
honor of Governor Yates.

The first deed of land

was organized in 1818  
and was named for Gov.  
Shelby of Kentucky. The

first settler was Joseph  
Elliott, a surveyor, who  
built a saw mill in 1812  
and a grist mill in 1813.

The first iron foundry  
in the county was built  
at Shelby Center in 1821  
by John VanBrocklin.

The Town of Yates  
was established in 1822  
and was first known as  
Northton, later taking

the name of Yates in  
honor of Governor Yates.

The first deed of land

was taken by Preserved  
Greenman in 1810, and the  
first tavern was located  
in Yates Center in 1825.

Yates Academy was  
organized in 1841 and once  
had 338 pupils. It was the  
last academy in the county  
to surrender its charter.

The first steam railroad  
in the county now known  
as the New York Central  
was built in 1852.

In 1827 a law was  
enacted authorizing the  
building of a court house in  
Albion at a cost of \$6,000  
to be paid for in annual

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installments of \$500. The  
building thus erected was  
of brick, about half the  
size of the present court  
house. In the basement,  
cells were provided, thus  
making the structure  
do service as a jail.

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