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The VanBuren County Pioneer's Association convened at Lawton, on Wednesday, June 6th. The day was most auspicious, and the meeting one of the most enjoyable ever held by the society. At quite an early hour in the forenoon, the members of the Association began to enter the village with teams, and at a little before eleven o'clock, a. m., the Toledo and South Haven train brought a large number of pioneers from Hartford, Lawrence, Paw Paw, and the adjacent country. The meeting was held in the beautiful grove which surrounds Lawton's fine High School building.

The assembly having been called to order by the President, Mr. Eaton Branch, of Lawrence, the exercises began with a song of welcome by a select choir, composed of some of Lawton's accomplished musicians. Prayer was then offered by the Rev. Mr. Dunham, of Lawton. After another song, the President announced that the Hon. Mr. Bitely had been expected to address the meeting, but was prevented on account of sickness; and that Judge Lawton had kindly consented to take his place.

The Judge then spoke substantially as follows:

"*Mr. President:*—The pleasant duty of bidding you welcome to this village and its hospitalities has been assigned to me. This welcome extends to all the members of the pioneer society, with whose gray hairs we associate so much of the early history of this county. Upon their advent in the great forest that extended hence westward, unbroken, to the great lake, they could hardly have noticed this spot, except as a portion of the oak openings forest, that then covered the hills and valleys about us. Then there were no suggestions that the pioneers would in after-time assemble upon it, and beneath the walls of a commodious brick edifice, where hundreds of school children meet daily, to acquire that education that you always highly prized and labored to secure for your descendants. The changes have indeed been many and great. We younger people share in it, we have lived to see the progress that the development of steam power, of electricity, and the public press have wrought, but you reach back to primitive days, to the dark, depressing forests, broken in upon by you in spots by clearings that you have lived to see extended into miles of fertile fields, fitted for the sulky plow and the reaper. You have lived to receive the loving tones of the voice of a friend, borne to you on a tremulous wire from a distance leagues and leagues beyond the farthest reach of the strongest voiced pioneer who ever hallooed his hogs in from the thicket at night, or drove his oxen on a breaking. We associate many things with your early life—mostly imagination—we conceive your venison suppers to have been the juiciest, and most delicious, never smoked, nor baked bitter, nor tough as hide. So with your wild game stews of squirrel, coon, and opossum. Even a roast of bear meat and acorns from the sweet acorn tree, makes our mouths almost to water; and then the coon roasts by the log-heap fires that were hardly allowed to cease through the years of clearing; but I am not to recall your experience, that is your privilege and enjoyment. I am only to bid you welcome here, and to wish you many pleasant years of life yet to come, and to ask you when you are wearied with the work of your association, to pause and invigorate yourselves upon a repast of oranges, ice cream, and rose leaves, which the ladies have abundantly provided."

The Secretary, Dr. Andrews, being absent, Mr. B. A. Murdock acted as Secretary pro tem: reports of Secretary and Treasurer were read and and adopted.

The roll of the Vice Presidents was then called, and several responded to their names by giving a list of deaths of old settlers in their respective townships.

The choir then sang "Rejoice in the Lord," and J. J. Woodman, by request, read a poem which was originally read by its author, Edwin Barnum, at the Pioneers meeting of 1873 After a song, a recess was taken until two o'clock p. m. A bountiful collation was spread in the grove by the ladies of Lawton and vicinity, of which those pioneers who were not otherwise provided for, were cordially invited to partake, and to which they did ample justice. At two o'clock the meeting was again called to order, the next thing on the programme being the election of officers for the ensuing year. This election resulted as follows:

Pres., Eaton Branch: Vice Pres., J. J. Woodman: Secy., B. A. Murdock: Treas., W. R. Hawkins.

Executive Committee—South Haven, C. J. Monroe: Pine Grove, David D. Wise: Almena, Asa Crofoot: Antwerp, C. M. Morrill: Bloomingdale, H. H. Howard: Waverly, Jacob Hungerford: Paw Paw, David Woodman 2d; Decatur, Wm. Anderson: Arlington, Albert Palmer: Lawrence, Eaton Branch: Hamilton, Solomon Hagar: Geneva, Irving N. Pierce: Bangor, John VanAuken: Keeler, Tobias Byers: Covert, John A. Hunt: Porter, Jacob Markle: Columbia, Jonathan Howard: Hartford, Luther Sutton.

The remainder of the afternoon was pleasantly occupied with five minute speeches by members, interspersed with music.

Many interesting anecdotes of pioneer life were related. The Hon. A. B. Copley opened this part of the exercises by a few very eloquent remarks, which were heartily applauded. Mr. Reynolds, of Arlington, gave some thrilling reminiscences of the time "when I lived in Porter," and M. L. Fitch paid a fine tribute to the pioneer women, for which he was afterward tendered the thanks of the ladies present. The feminine portion of the association was ably represented by Mrs. Hungerford and Mrs. David Woodman, both of whom proved themselves to be equal to the occasion by making some very happy remarks. Other edifying speeches were made, which we have not space to mention. By special and urgent request, W. R. Hawkins favored the audience with a fine rendition of "The Sword of Bunker Hill," which he sang with all his old time spirit and energy.

The next meeting will take place in Paw Paw, on the first Wednesday in June, 1884.

The meeting at Lawton may well be voted a success, from every point of view, and although, through a slight misunderstanding in regard to the trains, some of the members were obliged to accept for the night the hospitality of their Lawton friends, yet we think none regretted being there. By these meetings, and the social intercourse afforded by them, the spirit of energy and indomitable courage which animated the Van Buren County Pioneers, is kept alive, as is also the memory of those brave men and women who have passed away, to whom the present generation owes so much of its happiness and prosperity.

Waverly.

James Biddle has raised a barn 40x60.

We question if there is larger wheat in the county than Mrs. Lydia Glidden's.

Lakeview school seems to be in the hands of a good teacher this term.

Treat is painting his barn red and it takes lots of paint, as he puts a good and generous supply upon himself.

We can dimly understand why an old maid should have a pet dog or spider, but when it comes to a pretty little widow petting a toad, it is beyond our comprehension.

Notwithstanding sickness and other discouragements, Miss Thompson seems bound to carry her school through in the Brummel district. We wish her success in this, her first effort.

We overtook a couple of little girls on the road from school, and one little one says, "We've got a little boy brother at our house," and she looked *so* proud. We asked her how old it was, and she answered, "I don't know, we got it when it was born, and its name is Harry."

A Card.

We wish to thank the many friends who so kindly rendered aid and assistance in the last hours and burial of our wife, daughter, and sister, Mrs. Clara Tyrrell. It was her wish while living that when she died her casket might be filled with flowers, and to those who helped to carry out this request by furnishing such an abundant supply, we also extend our gratitude. By the fulfillment of this request we feel that the grave was robbed of half its gloom.

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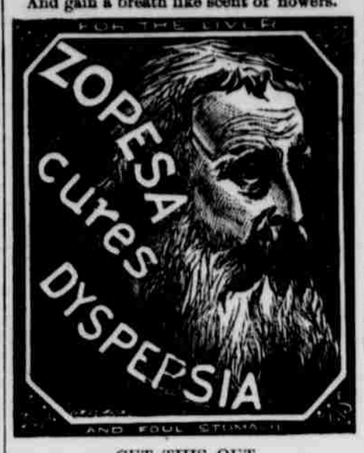

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