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PIGGOTT HEADS FARMER'S CLUB

Lebanon Farmer's Club was entertained at the home of Mr. & Mrs. George Kissane, December 11th. Opening song, "Old Folks at Home," followed by all repeating the Lord's prayer; roll call showed twenty-three members were present.

Under miscellaneous business the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A motion was made and supported that the money received for the flower fund that day be used to purchase flowers for Mr. & Mrs. Avery, former members of our club.

After dinner the election of officers for the ensuing year were as follows:

F.M. Piggott, President;
Flora Roberts, Vice-President;
Myrtie Jones, Secy. & Treas.

The delegate's report of the state institute at Lansing was given by rising vote of thanks, Mrs. Chas. Brown also gave a good talk along that line. The question for discussion, the advantages of winter dairying over summer, was well handled by several members all thinking it was more profitable in winter due to the farmer having more time for feeding, also better best and price.

Clara Parker gave a reading. After a short recess the question box

contained an unusual amount of questions and were all well disposed of.

The program for the next meeting was read and the meeting adjourned to meet with Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Fayrweather January 8. Program as follows: Music recitation, Maud Townsend; talk, Lawrence Ward; ...Mrs. Roberts. Meat committee, Alma Smith, Myrtie Jones, Mrs. Jenne, Kate Fayrweather. Myrtie Jones, Secy.

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The Granges of Clinton County

Pomona No. 26. F. W. RICHMAN, Maple Rapids, Master. O. L. PEARCE, Dewitt, Lecturer. ANNIE E. DILLON, Dewitt, Secretary.

| No. | MASTER | LECTURER | SECY. |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| 143-Banner..... | Levi Greenwood..... | Mrs. Lillie Ridenour..... | O. J. Munro |
| 235-Bougal..... | O. L. Shafley..... | Mrs. A. E. Harper..... | Pearl Hammond |
| 702-Bingham..... | Delta O. Tabor..... | Mrs. A. M. Peck..... | F. H. Ewor |
| 459-Dewitt..... | James Ranney..... | Charity L. Pearce..... | George Pike |
| 343-Eagle..... | H. O. Davenport..... | Mrs. J. H. Fish..... | W. H. Holmes |
| 202-Elain..... | John Fizzell..... | Mina Sotterington..... | M. I. Tillotson |
| 439-Essex..... | Jay Semous..... | Cora Sowle..... | Maud Scott |
| 1241-Eureka..... | George Andrus..... | Alice Beck..... | A. E. Jeffers |
| 877-Gunnsouville..... | Dan Stampfly..... | Ellen Stampfly..... | Eula Hubbersd |
| 1218-Mapleton..... | Frank J. Annis..... | Katherine Hall..... | Alice A. Annis |
| 358-Olive..... | Wm. Emmet..... | Bertha Larkins..... | Louis Carpenter |
| 1234-Ovid..... | Jud Carpenter..... | Mrs. Ella Balconi..... | A. H. Warren |
| 313-Riley..... | G. F. Ottmar..... | Mrs. Hannah Lanco..... | Lotand Landers |
| 456-South Riley..... | J. W. Hitchcock..... | May Daniels..... | Paul D. Shafley |
| 677-Victor..... | Lloyd Beckwith..... | F. W. Upton..... | Leroy Bond |

The total number of Granges in Clinton county is 15, with a membership of 750.

CLINTON COUNTY FARMERS' CLUBS.

In addition to the granges, Clinton county has four active farmers clubs. The Union, of Bingham; the Essex, of Essex township; the Lebanon, of Lebanon township, and the Looking Glass River Valley club, of Watertown. The last named is the youngest of the number. All have been active in promoting the welfare of the farmer. The reports of all the clubs have appeared in THE REPUBLICAN from time to time.

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CLINTON COUNTY
1850 MORTALITY SCHEDULE

*1 year prior to June 1850. Giving name, age, sex, month of death,
place of birth, cause of death, & occupation*

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| ABBOTT, CATHARINE; 14, F, Aug, NY, Brain Conges | GILLOTT, ROXY; 47, F, Feb, NY, consumption |
| ALLEN, AMANDA; 12, F, May, MI, Inflam Rheum | GROPER, HORACE D.; 20, M, Apr, NY, horse kick; farmer |
| ALPORT, CAMILLA; 11, F, Mar, MI, Brain Dropsy | GUNDERMAN, DANIEL; 7 mo; M, Apr, MI, bowel inflam |
| BAILEY, MARTHA; 6, F, Mar, MI, Bowel Inflam | HOGLE, EUGENE; 1 mo; M, Aug, MI |
| BALDWIN, PERMELIA; 31, F, Oct, NY, Brain Dropsy | JOHNSON, VICTORIA; 5 mo; F, May, MI, diarrhea |
| BANCROFT, JESSE; 76, M, Apr, MA, Consumption, Farmer | JONES, HANNAH; 74, F, Mar, MA, dropsy |
| BOND, FRANCES E.; 1, F, Jun, MI, Dropsy | JOSLIN, MAHALA; 2, F, Jan, MI, brain fever |
| BROWN, DANIEL J.; 20, M, Mar, NY, Consumption, Farmer | LOTT, PETER; 59, M, Jan, NJ, intoxication; farmer |
| BROWN, SARAH M.; 6, F, May, MI, Inflam Rheum | MANSFIELD, JOHN; inf, M, Apr, MI |
| CASE, CAROLINE; 6, F, Sep, MI, Conges Fever | NELSON, MARY; 1 mo; F, Feb, MI, fitts |
| CASE, PANNAH/HANNAH; 6, F, Sep, MI, Conges Fever | NETTLETON, LUCY; 44, F, Oct, NY, consumption |
| CHAPPELL, MARY; 4, F, Aug, OH, Billious Fev | PAYNE, LOANA; 48; F, Feb, NY, brain fever |
| CLARK, CAROLINE; 30, F, May, NY, Consumption | PEARSALL, ANDREW J.; 3, M, May, MI, worms |
| CLARK, GEORGE L.; 53, M, May, IN, Lung Inflam, Merchant | PECK, HANNAH; 70, F, Oct, NY, dropsy |
| CLARK, ROXY; 4, F, Aug, MI, Putrid Throa | PUTNAM, JACOB; 11 mo, M, Feb, MI, croup |
| COBB, HANNAH; 50, F, Nov, CT, Consumption | ROWELL, SARAH; 32, F, Sept, NY, nursng mouth |
| COLLINS, CAROLINE; 45, F, Jul, NY, Consumption | SCOTT, SAMUEL W.; 36, M, Apr, NH, consumption, farmer |
| COY, CHANDLER W.; 35, M, Nov, NY, Liver Compl, Merchant | SELDEN, JOHN; 28, M, Apr, NY, consumption, farmer |
| CRONKHITE, JACKSON; 33, M, Jan, NY, Lung Inflam, Farmer | SHAFFER, ANTHONY, 19, M, Jan, GR, inflammation; laborer |
| CULVER, LUCY; 63, F, May, VT | SMITH, LUCY; 1, F, Jul, MI, croup |
| DANIELS, FRANCES; 35, F, Jul, EN childbirth | SUTLIFF, HENRY; 1, M, Oct, MI, smallpox |
| ELLIS, LAMONT; 75, M, Sep, RI, quick consum; farmer | TOWNSEND, LEVI; 40, M, Jul, NY, liver compl; lawyer |
| FISKE, WILLIAM H.; 1 mo; M, Jan, MI | VALLEAU, MARY; 40, F, Dec, NY, mouth |
| FRINK, JOSHUA; 60, M, Dec, MA, palsey; farmer | WEEBER, BETSEY; 69, F, Mar, MA, consumption |
| GALLIGAN, ELISA; 54, F, Apr, MA, palsey | WOOD, POLLY; 73, F, Nov, VT, consumption |

*Abstracted from the microfilm by
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MY FAMILY FACTS
HISTORY OF SAMUEL BUEL DAYTON

by Myrtie (Dayton) Reutter, ca
1890-1989, his great granddaughter
(abstracted from handwritten
manuscript)

[At Delta Twp., Eaton Co., MI]
meeting held April 4th, 1842,
Daniel Buel Dayton [was named]
Inspector of Elections. In 1844
Samuel B. Dayton was elected
supervisor and justice of peace.

Samuel B. Dayton raised large
flocks of sheep and let them out to
other small farmers to double their
flocks in 3 years. That's the way
many farmers got a start.

In later years great grandfather S.
B. Dayton bought several acres in
Clinton Co. [on what is] now known
as "old 16 road" about 10 miles
west from Lansing, covered with
thick forest of hardwood, only
trails. Then later plank roads
were built from rough logs. These
first roads were built from Detroit
to Portland.

A toll gate was east of a large
house called a tavern built by
Samuel B. Dayton about 1837 on
north side of road. It contained
many rooms: bedrooms, large dining
and living room; fireplace so large
it would take a 6-foot log; large
kitchen with large wood stove and
fireplace; long pantry and bench
with cover to keep baked foods in;
dried meats and vegetables and
fruits, drying apples hung from
ceiling; raised own meats and
vegetables; made apple butter in
large copper kettles; also soft
soap from lye made from wood ashes
and grease; made own salt pork and
smoked ham and sausage; home made
huge loaves of bread and pies by
the dozen to feed the travelers who
stopped at tavern on way back and
forth from Detroit.

Across road from this tavern was a
large barn to house the oxen and
horses.

This old tavern also contained a
large ballroom where many dances
and entertainment was held for
travelers, friends and family of
six children: George, Charles,
Otis, Mary, Louise, Silas, Rhoda.
Grandmother told me it was noted
for its dances for miles around.

This huge tavern was one large
upright with pillars in front, a
porch off second floor, and a wing
on each side of this for kitchen,
dining, [and] living rooms, and a
ballroom on west side; painted
white; green shutters that could be
closed; woodwork was painted dark
green; and papered or whitewashed
with large-figured wallpaper.

Grandfather bought the first spring
wagon in neighbor[hood], a
high-wheeled, 3-seated buggy
[which] was pride of family like
our new cars now and borrowed by
neighbors for funerals. Before
this [they] had used a lumber
wagon.

My grandmother inherited this home
after my dad's father (Samuel Otis
Dayton) died [aged] 59 years, and
raised her six children here:
William, Marion, Samuel, Loren,
Silas (died young), and one
daughter, Mary.

Later Grandmother Rosanna Dayton
remarried a Mr. Wixon who helped
her raise the family. He was a
well-educated man and taught the
Dayton School a mile west; later,
name changed to Star [Starr]
School.

Myrtie Dayton taught one year
there; had 12 pupils and all
grades; did not care for it;
received \$75 a month.

