ABANDONED TOWNS, VILLAGES AND POST OFFICES OF IOWA

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(Continued from the July Number)

SAC COUNTY

CEDAR FORKS. Listed as a post office in Sac County from 1857 to 1858. Its location not found, but supposed to have been in Cedar Township.

Coon Valley. A place in section 18, Coon Valley Township. Post office, 1879-80.

ELK RUN. A post office (1877-79) in the southwestern part of Cook Township.

FLETCHER. The name first given to the present town of Lake View when it was platted in 1881. Fletcher was the name of the post office from 1880 to 1887.

LEOTA. A village platted in 1900 in section 10, Viola Township. Post office, 1890 to 1900, except one brief intermission.

Mercer. A C. & N. W. Railway station in the central part of Viola Township, about one mile west of the present village of Carnarvon. Post office, 1876-78.

MOUNT HOPE. A post office from 1875 to 1882 in the central part of Eureka Township.

New Albany. Platted as a town in 1857 in the northeast quarter of section 1, Wall Lake Township, about three miles south and one mile east of Sac City, but never developed.

NEW MUNICH. Laid out as a town in the southwestern part of section 19, Cedar Township, about one mile east of the present city of Sac City, and shown on maps of the 1850's at least two years earlier than any other place in the county. However, it was never built up. Sac City was laid out in 1855.

OLIVER. A post office in the northwestern part of Levey Township from 1875 to 1878.

Pettis. A post office from 1898 to 1902 in section 5, Coon Valley Township.

Philo. A post office from 1875 to 1877 in the central part of Clinton Township.

SCHOHARIE. A post office from 1871 to 1874 in the southwestern part of Douglas Township on the Raccoon River.

Southfort. Laid out as a town in the eastern part of Wall Lake Township in a very early day, but never built up.

WHEELER'S RANCH. A post office from 1875 to 1878 in section 14, Wheeler Township.

SCOTT COUNTY

ALLEN'S GROVE. A post office from 1850 to 1851 and from 1854 to 1902 in section 27, Allen's Grove Township.

AMITY. The name of the post office at the present village of Maysville, from 1851 to 1902.

Argo. A post office (1897-1902) in the southeast corner of section 8, Le Claire Township.

Balluff. A post office (1884-90) at a point which is now within the northern limits of the city of Davenport.

Barrwood. The name of a post office (1881-83) at the same location as was the Walnut Grove post office, which see below.

Berlin. The name of the post office at the town of Parkhurst, which see below, from 1839 to 1845.

Cadda. The name of the post office (1888-1895) at Carlson, which see below.

Carlson. The name of a former railway station and hamlet one and one-half miles west of the present station of Noels in Winfield Township.

Churchville. A post office in the early 1860's in the eastern part of Hickory Grove Township.

CLARK'S FERRY. A post office (1838-39) at or near the present town of Buffalo.

EAST DAVENPORT. Laid out as a town in 1852 about one mile east of Brady Street, Davenport, and now included within the present city of Davenport.

ELIZABETH CITY. The pioneer name of the present town of Princeton. It appears on maps from 1845 to 1860 as Elizabeth City.

FARMING GROVE. Listed as a post office in Scott County in 1843, but its location not found.

Gambril. The name of the post office (1884-1919) at Martin's Station, Butler Township.

GILBERT. The name of the village from the 1850's to the 1890's which occupied the site of the present city of Bettendorf.

GILBERTTOWN. A name commonly applied to the village of Gilbert, which see above.

GLENDALE. The name of a post office from 1839 to 1841 at or near the present town of Buffalo.

GREEN TREE. See Green Tree Tavern below.

Green Tree Tavern. A post office (1878-83) in the northern part of the west section 4, Davenport Township, five miles north and one mile west of the city of Davenport. It continued as Green Tree from 1883 to 1903.

HICKORY GROVE. A post office (1839-45) in the central part of Hickory Grove Township.

Husam. A post office in Blue Grass Township, from 1882 to 1883.
 Jamestown. A hamlet in the southeastern part of section 3, Buffalo Township. Post office, 1889-1904.

Kerr. Listed as a post office in Scott County from 1881 to 1882, but its location not found.

Le Claire Center. A post office from 1855 to 1856 in Le Claire Township.

LINN GROVE. A post office (1853-59) in the central part of Sheridan Township.

Linwood. A hamlet in section 24, Buffalo Township. Post office, 1880-89.

MIDDLETOWN. Laid out as a town in 1851 between Parkhurst and Le Claire, and later included within the town of Le Claire.

New Buffalo. Surveyors making the original survey in 1837 recorded in their notes that they found this town, and the description shows it on the same location as the present town of Buffalo.

New Hamburg. A post office 1869 to 1872 in the northern part of Hickory Grove Township.

PARKHURST. Surveyors making the original survey in 1837 record finding this town in section 35, Le Claire Township, and said it was prospering. It is now included in the northern portion of the town of Le Claire.

PINNACLE POINT. The name by which the present town of Princeton was first known.

PLAINVIEW. A hamlet at the common corners of sections 1 and 12, Cleona Township, and 6 and 7, Hickory Grove Township. Post office, 1873-1902.

POINT PLEASANT. A village laid out in 1839 in sections 4 and 5, Winfield Township, on the south bank of the Wapsipinicon River. Its life was brief. Post office, 1840-44.

Price. A post office in 1864 in the southern part of Sheridan Township.

ROCKINGHAM. A town laid out in 1836 in section 8, Rockingham Township, about four miles below the business section of Davenport. The first government surveyors of 1837 note its existence. It was a rival of Davenport for several years and contested for the county seat. Post office, 1844-47.

ROUND GROVE. A post office (1855-1904) on the north line of section 3, Cleona Township.

SPINNEYVILLE. A hamlet later known as Linwood, which see above. The post office was Spinneyville from 1872 to 1880.

 $V_{
m ALLEY}$ Crry. The name first given (1833) to the present village and railway station of Pleasant Valley.

WALNUT GROVE. A post office (1844-72) in the northern part of section 19, Butler Township.

West Buffalo. The name of the post office from 1841 to 1857 in a portion of the town of Buffalo.

WHITE SULPHER. A hamlet and former railway station in the southern part of section 13, Buffalo Township. Post office, 1889-1905.

SHELBY COUNTY 6

ALTAMOUNT. A post office (1868-74) in the eastern part of Fairview Township, about six miles southeast of Harlan.

BOTANY. A post office (1859-71) in the northwestern part of Jackson Township, about six miles east and a little south of Harlan.

Defiance. The post office of Defiance was in existence from 1875 until the establishment of the town of Defiance, which was in 1882, and was in the south part of section 14, Union Township, about one mile west of where the town now stands.

ELEHORN. The post office of Elkhorn was established in 1867 and was located in the northern part of section 15, Clay Township, about three miles southwest of the present town of Elkhorn. It was later removed to the village.

ITEN. An embryo town staked out some time in the early 1850's in section 4, Center Township, about three miles northeast of Harlan, on the West Nishnabotna River. It attained to one store, was a competitor for the county seat, but when that was settled in Harlan's favor in 1859, Iten vanished.

Mallory. A village established in the 1870's in section 6, Greeley Township. After the coming of the Milwaukee Railway in 1882 it had a post office and a railway station for a few years, when they were both discontinued.

Manteno. A village platted in 1856 in the northeastern part of section 18, Grove Township, on Mill Creek. Post office, 1856-58.

MARATHON. The name first given to the present town of Earling when it was platted in 1882, and which it kept a few years.

Pomo. Listed as a post office in Shelby County from 1881 to 1883, but the location not found.

Prairie Rose. A hamlet in section 3, Monroe Township. Post office, 1899-04.

RANTOUT. A place in the northwestern part of Clay Township, as shown on maps from 1861 to 1869.

ROACH. A Milwaukee railway station in the northern part of Cass Township in the early 1880's. It had a post office from 1880 to 1882.

ROCHDALE. The name first given the present railway station and village of Botna when it was established in the early 1880's.

ROCK RUN. A hamlet in the southwestern part of Cass Township, as appears on maps of the 1870's.

Samison. A post office and Milwaukee railway station from 1879 to 1882 in section 32, Cass Township.

SHELBYVILLE. A town platted in 1854 in the eastern part of section 27, Grove Township. This was the first town platted in the county and was the county seat from 1853 to 1859, when it lost to Harlan. Post office, 1854 to 1862 and again from 1875 to 1881.

SOMIDA. Mostly called Simoda. Platted in 1857 in the southeastern

⁶ Past and Present of Shelby County, Iowa, 1915, by Edward S. White, was a helpful source of information in the preparation of this material.

part of section 8 and the southwestern part of section 9, Center Township, about one and one-half miles east of Harlan, on the West Nishnabotna River. It was a rival of Harlan for the county seat, but when it failed in that in 1859 it quickly passed away. Post office, June 19, 1858 to July 16, 1858.

Tibbotrsville. A village of rather brief existence about one-half mile southwest of the business section of the present town of Irwin on the Botna River. It had a post office from 1880 to 1882.

SIOUX COUNTY

ATHOL. A post office (1875-86) in section 12, Lincoln Township.

Bell's Lake. The pioneer name of the present village of Middleburg. Calliope. A town laid out in 1860 on the Big Sioux River and less than one mile north of the business section of the present town of Hawarden. A portion of it is now included within the corporate limits of Hawarden and is still often referred to as Calliope. Calliope was the county seat from 1860 until 1872 when it was changed to Orange City. Post office, 1862 to 1863, and again from 1869 to 1911.

CORN VALLEY. A post office in the early 1880's in the northeastern part of Washington Township from 1877 to 1883.

Darlington. The name of the post office for a few months in 1875 at what was later the railroad station of Elm Springs, which see below.

East Orange. The name for a few years of its early existence of the present town of Alton. East Orange was the name of the post office from 1874 to 1882.

ELM Springs. A station on the Milwaukee railway for several years on sections 14 and 15, Settlers Township.

FARMER. A post office (1871-85) in the southwestern part of section 1, Settlers Township.

HIGHLAND PARK. A place in section 12, Eagle Township as appears on maps of 1900.

IRENE. A post office (1870-80) in the southern part of section 35, Sioux Township.

MAURICE. The name first given the present village and railroad station of Matlock in Grant Township when it was established in 1888, but the name was soon changed because of a larger town of the same name in Sioux County.

MAY BELL. A post office (1877-86) in the southwestern part of Lincoln Township.

Nekimi. A place in the southwestern part of Garfield Township on the Big Sioux River, as shown on maps from 1861 to 1878.

Oshkosh. A post office (1872-83) in the southeastern part of section 2, Reading Township.

PATTERSONVILLE. The name first given to the present town of Hull. It was soon changed to Winland, and later to Hull. Pattersonville was the name of the post office from 1878 to 1886.

RICKER. The name of the post office from 1882 to 1884 at what is now the town of Granville.

ROCK MILLS. A post office from 1877 to 1879 at or near the location of the present town of Rock Valley.

ROYAL RIDGE. A post office (1871-77) in section 24, Rock Township. Sheridan. The name of the present town of Boyden during a few years after its establishment in the 1870's.

WINLAND. See Pattersonville above.

STORY COUNTY

ASHURST. The name for a brief time of the present town of Zearing during its founding in the early 1880's.

BLOOMINGTON. A town laid out in 1857 in the central part of section 25, Franklin Township, about two miles north and one east of the business section of the present city of Ames. The first term of the District Court was held there. Its post office (1858-67) was called Camden.

BOARDMAN. A railway station on the Northwestern, and a post office from 1878 to 1883 in the southern part of Lafayette Township, about two miles north of Gilbert.

CAMDEN. See Bloomington above.

Colbyville. A post office from 1871 to 1875 in the southeastern part of Palestine Township, a short distance south of the present town of Huxley.

College Farm. A post office (1862-66) at the location where the state Agricultural College was established a little later.

Collegeron. Laid out as a town in 1863 in the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 9, Washington Township, now included in that part of the present city of Ames south of the State College grounds. It was expected the railway station would be located there instead of where it now is, at Ames.

COLLINS CENTER. A post office (1879-81) in the central part of Collins Township.

DAYTON. Laid out as a town in 1854 in the northwest quarter of section 9, Indian Creek Township, about one mile west of the town of Iowa Center, which see below. But little improvement was made there.

Defiance. A town laid out in 1856 in the northern part of section 36, Collins Township.

FAIRVIEW. The original name of the present town of Story City. Fairview was laid out in 1855, and the name changed to Story City in 1881.

Goshen. A post office (1854-58) in the northeastern part of section 21, Indian Creek Township.

IOWA CENTER. A town laid out in 1855 in the southeastern part of section 9, and the southwestern part of section 10, Indian Creek Township, three miles north and one mile west of the present town of Maxwell. It was a prosperous town, the second largest in the county, until after the coming of nearby railroads. Occupying the geographical center of the state, it had aspirations for the state capital. A store and a few dwellings remain. Post office, 1858-1913.

JOHNSON'S GROVE. A post office from 1877 to 1880 in the eastern part of Richland Township.

NEW ALBANY. A town laid out in 1855 in the west half of the southeast quarter of section 18, New Albany Township, about two miles southwest of the present town of Colo. It vanished after the coming of the nearby railway.

NEW PHILADELPHIA. A town laid out in 1856 in the east half of the northeast quarter of section 6, and three blocks in the northwest part of section 5, Washington Township. Post office, 1859-69. It prospered as a town until the coming of the Northwestern railway in 1864 when a station was located about one-half mile to its north, and the town of Ontario was built up there. It is now embraced in the southern part of the village of Ontario. Post office, 1858-68.

Palestine. A town laid out in 1857 in section 14, Palestine Township.

PEORIA CITY. A portion of this important pioneer town was in the south edge of section 35, Indian Creek Township. See Polk County list.

POINT PALESTINE. A post office (1861-69) at the town of Palestine, which see above.

Prairie City. Laid out as a town in 1854 in the central part of section 31, Milford Township. It is said it never had but one house.

SHEFFIELD. A hamlet in the southwestern part of Howard Township. Post office, 1857-60.

SMAYVILLE. A pioneer hamlet in the northeastern part of section 31, Sherman Township. Post office, April 14, 1886 to July 28, 1886.

SMITHFIELD. A town laid out in 1854 in the central part of section 18, Howard Township. It was built up but little.

Story. A post office (1877-78) at or near Sunset, which see below. Summit. Listed as a post office in Story County from 1894 to 1901, but its location not found.

SUNSET. A place about two miles west of the town of Zearing. Post office, 1878-81.

WILLOW GROVE. A post office (1871-79) in the southeastern part of Lafayette Township.

TAMA COUNTY

BADGER HILL. A village established in about 1870 in the southern part of section 5, Spring Creek Township, about one mile northwest of the present town of Gladbrook. Post office, 1867-80.

BOVINA. A post office (1868-73) in the northern part of Buckingham Township.

BRUNER. A post office (1856-58) and hamlet a short distance southwest of Monticello, which see below.

BUCKINGHAM. A pioneer town of some importance from about 1856 to 1874 in the southeastern part of section 33, Buckingham Township, and the northeastern part of section 4, Perry Township, or two miles northwest of the present town of Traer. After the abandonment of the town a post office of the same name ran a few years in section 22,

Buckingham Township, and later yet the present railroad station and village of Buckingham was established in section 14.

BUTLERVILE. A town in the northeast corner of section 17, Indian Village Township, on the south side of the Iowa River, about two miles northwest of the present town of Montour. Post office, 1856-1901. It was previously called Indian Town.

CARROLL. A place in section 2, Carroll Township, as shown on maps of 1881.

COLDVILLE. A post office (1872-81) in the southwestern part of section 10, Lincoln Township.

COLLINS GROVE. A post office from 1857 to 1858 in the southeastern part of Crystal Township.

COLUMBIA. The name of the hamlet as appears on the maps where was located the post office of Ola, which see below.

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Connell. A post office (1872-75) in section 16, Grant Township.

CRYSTAL. A town and post office (1857-1902) in section 14, Crystal Township.

DRYDEN. A post office (1868-81) shown on some maps in Oneida Township near its southeast corner, and on later maps in York Township near its northeast corner.

ETTIE. Listed as a post office in Tama County from 1869 to 1873, but the location not found.

EUREKA. A town in the southeastern part of section 21, Richland Township. Post office, 1856-59.

EVERGREEN. A post office (1869-1900) south of the central part of Geneseo Township.

FAIRHAVEN. A post office (1872-91) in the western part of Crystal Township.

FIFTEEN MILE. See Fifteen Mile Grove below.

FIFTEEN MILE GROVE. A post office (1867-83) in the southern part of section 6, Lincoln Township. It continued as Fifteen Mile post office until 1900.

FISHERVILLE. A hamlet in the southern part of Carroll Township as shown on maps of 1869.

FORKS. A post office (1861-66) in the central part of Geneseo Township.

Geneseo. A post office from 1888 to 1895 in Geneseo Township.

HAVEN. The name of the village and post office (1870-1903) previously known as Eureka, which see above.

Heath. A post office (1859-61) in the southwestern part of Carlton Township.

Helena. A town in the southeast corner of section 9 and the southwest corner of section 10, Richland Township. Post office, 1856-96.

Homan. A place in the central part of Howard Township, as shown on maps of 1868 and 1869.

Hotona. A post office in the southeast corner of section 4, Richland Township, on the south side of the Iowa River, as shown on maps of 1875.

Howard. A post office during 1868 in section 2, Howard Township.

INDIAN TOWN. The earlier name of the village of Butlerville, which see above. Indian Town was also the name of the post office from 1854 to 1856.

İRVING. A village in the northeast corner of section 1, Salt Creek Township. A portion of the village was on the east side of the Benton County line. The original village is gone, although there is now a railway station and a village grown up near by, and also a post office, all bearing the name of Irving.

IUKA. The name by which the present city of Tama was known from its beginning in 1862 for a few years. Iuka was also the name of the post office from 1863 to 1866.

JANESVILLE. A place in the eastern part of Otter Creek Township about six miles east of Toledo, as shown on maps of 1856.

Kars. A post office from 1877 to 1880 in the southeastern part of Carlton Township.

Kinisaw. A post office (1854-64) shown on the earlier maps in the western part of Salt Creek Township on the north side of the Iowa River about one mile southwest of the present town of Chelsea, but on later maps on the south side of the river and about two miles southeast of Chelsea.

Midland. A post office (1888-1902) in section 6, Geneseo Township. Monticello. A village in the southeast corner of section 33, Howard Township, three miles north and one mile west of Toledo, as shown on maps from 1856 to 1885.

Mooreville. A village in the eastern part of section 24, Genesco Township. Post office, 1871-1900.

Oakwood. A post office for a part of 1868 in the southern part of Lincoln Township.

OLA. A post office (1854-63) in the northern part of Columbia Township, and about two miles south of the present city of Tama. See Columbia above.

Order of the present town of Montour. Orderd was also the name of the post office from 1865 to 1871.

OTTER CREEK. Another name for the present town of Chelsea, as appears by maps of 1863.

POTTER. A post office (1882-1906) in Indian Village Township.

RAMONA. Listed as a post office in Tama County from 1888 to 1890, but the location not found.

REDMAN. A village in the eastern part of section 25, York Township, on the Benton County line. Post office, 1854-63.

SALT CREEK. A post office (1893-94) and hamlet in the east central part of Salt Creek Township, near the Benton County line.

Spring Creek. A post office (1857-60) in section 32, Spring Creek Township.

TAMAVILLE. A post office (1855-63) in the southeastern part of Otter Creek Township, about seven miles east of the present city of Tama.

UNIONVILLE. A place in the southwestern part of Spring Creek Township, as appears on maps of 1862.

VINEYARD. A post office (1870-77) in the eastern part of section 29, Carlton Township.

Waltham. A hamlet in the central part of section 3, York Township, three miles northwest of the present town of Elberon. Post office, 1863-94.

WEST IRVING. The name of the post office from 1858 to 1875 at the village of Irving, which see above.

WEST UNION. A village in the central part of section 11, Perry Township, about one mile east of the present town of Traer, as shown on maps of 1875.

WOLF CREEK. A post office (1857-73) slightly northeast of the central part of Perry Township, and a short distance southeast of the present town of Traer.

TAYLOR COUNTY

Brushy. A post office (1858-61) in the northeast quarter of section 24, Mason Township.

BUCHANAN. A town in the central part of section 8, Polk Township. It was a thriving town in the 1860's and 1870's.

Dan. A post office (1870-78) in the southeastern part of section 10, Holt Township.

Enon. A post office (1894-1901) in the southeastern part of Jackson Township.

Gravity. A country post office by this name existed a mile or two west of the present town of Gravity, except two short intermissions, from 1855 until the coming of the railroad in 1882 and the establishment of the town.

Grove. Listed as a post office in Taylor County from 1855 to 1856, but the location not found.

Guss. A post office (1883-1907) in section 14, Nodaway Township.

HARMONY. Listed from 1868 to 1871 as a post office in Taylor County, but the location not found.

HENSHW. A post office (1899-1903) on the south line of section 17, Nodaway Township.

Holf. A post office from 1860 to 1892 and again from 1898 to 1903 in the northwestern part of section 33, Holt Township.

JENKS. Another name in an early day for the present town of Conway. Jenks was the name of the post office from 1867 to 1870.

Lands. A post office (1899-1902) in the southwest quarter of section 11, Polk Township.

LEONARD. A post office (1883-1903) in the southwest corner of section 11, Holt Township.

LEXINGTON. A village in the southwestern part of Marshall Township, about five miles northeast of the town of Bedford. It was an aspirant for the county seat in the early 1860's. Post office, 1857-64.

LITCHFIELD. A post office (1858-72) in section 20, Grant Township.

LONE OFFICE. A post office from 1857 to 1859, in Platte Township.

MEMORY. A post office (1857-82) in the southwest corner of section 31, Dallas Township.

Mormontown. The name by which the present town of Blockton was known in its early existence. Mormontown was begun in 1861 and the post office went by that name from 1872 until 1887.

OVID. A post office in the southeastern part of Ross Township from 1861 to 1864, and again from 1868 to 1871.

PLATTE. A post office (1868-72) in Polk Township. (See Census of Iowa, 1870.)

PLATTEVILLE. A village in the southern part of section 32, Gay Township. Post office, 1856-1903.

RHOADS. Name of the post office at the railroad station of Sharpsburg for a few months in 1883.

SHARRPS. Name of the post office at the present railroad station of Sharpsburg from 1883 to 1886.

SIAM. The name of the post office from 1860 to 1906, except one intermission, at the town of Buchanan, which see above.

Windson. An early name of the present town of Conway, as appears on maps of 1870.

UNION COUNTY'

ALASKA. A post office in Jones Township from 1868 to 1869, located near the present town of Thayer.

BISMARK. Laid out as a town in 1876 in section 36, Pleasant Township, on Grand River, but never built up.

EDINBURG. Laid out as a town in 1875 in section 35, Dodge Township, five miles northeast of Afton, but not built up.

HIGHLAND. Laid out in 1855 in section 25, Highland Township, near the center of the county. It grew rapidly, contested for the county seat, but when Afton won it in 1857, it was soon deserted.

HAWKEYE Crry. Laid out in section 11, Douglas Township, as told by Colby's Atlas of 1876, but never built up.

Kings. Listed as a post office in Union County from 1855 to 1860, but the location not found.

Lee. A post office (1881-85) in the northeastern part of Lincoln Township.

McDill. A place in section 12, Dodge Township, as appears on maps of 1881 to 1889.

Mount Piscan. See Pisgah below.

MYERS. Listed as a post office in Union County from 1858 to 1860, but the location not found.

New Hope. A post office from 1856 to 1880 in the western part of New Hope Township.

Olio. A post office (1856-64) slightly northeast of the center of Pleasant Township.

⁷ The History of Union County, by George A. Ide, 1908, has been a helpful source of information concerning this county.

OLIVET. A post office (1871-74) near the center of Sand Creek Township, about two miles cast of the present town of Arispe.

PATRIOT. A post office (1861-66) about one mile south of the center of Jones Township.

PETERSVILLE. A town settled by the Mormons in 1847 in the northern part of section 30, Jones Township, north of Grand River. It was the first county seat, 1853 to 1855, losing to Afton in the latter year. The town was vacated about 1860. Post office, 1856 to 1858.

Philo. A post office (1856-64) in the southwestern part of Richland Township, about four miles southwest of Afton.

PISCAH. A populous village of huts settled by the Mormons in 1847 in section 8, Jones Township, about one mile northeast of the present railroad village of Talmage. It existed only about four years. Sometimes called Mount Pisgah. Post office, 1851-54.

Tingley. A post office by this name was in existence near the southwest corner of Pleasant Township from 1868 to 1881, until at the latter date the present town of Tingley in the northern part of Ringgold County was established.

Union City. Laid out in 1855 near the northwest corner of section 21, Platte Township, about one mile southeast of the present town of Kent. A stage road town of importance. Post office, 1858-72.

WEST UNION. Platted in 1854 in section 22, Jones Township, about one mile southwest of the present town of Thayer. A busy town on the stage line. Vacated in 1863.

Zalia. A post office (1879-88) in the northern part of section 12, New Hope Township, about one and one-half miles northeast of the present town of Lorimor.

VAN BUREN COUNTY8

ALEXANDRA. The early name of the present village of Douds.

BLACK HAWK CITY. A village laid out in 1848 in the southwest corner of section 7, Village Township, south of the Des Moines River and opposite Iowaville. It became extinct about 1861.

BOYER STATION. A former station on the C., B. & Q. Railroad about two miles west of Farmington. There was also a post office of the same name there from 1876 for a few years, when it was changed to Boyer, and discontinued in 1884.

Business Corners. A village on the north side of section 24, Village Township, established in 1846. Post office, 1849-64.

COLUMBUS. A pioneer village in section 27, Washington Township, on the northeast side of the Des Moines River, about two miles above Bentonsport. The government surveyors in 1837 report in their notes its existence.

DES MOINES CITY. A village founded in 1839 and now included in the northeast portion of the present town of Keosauqua.

⁸⁰ur chief source of information on Van Buren County's abandoned towns has been "The Place-Names of Van Buren County," by T. J. Fitzpatrick, which is being published in the Annals at this time.

Dogrown. An early nickname for the present town of Mount Sterling.

Gainesborough. A post office (1854-64) in or near the northeastern part of section 15, Harrisburg Township.

Harrisburg. A hamlet of brief existence established about 1840 in Harrisburg Township, and thought to have been near the center of the township.

Harrisburg. Another hamlet by this name in a very early day was laid out on the opposite side of the Des Moines River from Farmington, but its existence was brief.

Hedrolante. A hamlet in existence in 1840 in or near section 22, Des Moines Township, about five miles southwest of Keosauqua.

HICKORY. The name of the post office (1858-82) at the village of Independent, which see below.

Home. A post office (1849-82) on the east side of the southeast quarter of section 20, Des Moines Township.

INDEPENDENT. The pioneer name of the present village and railway station of Selma. Independent was laid out in 1851.

Indian Prairie. The name of the post office (1843-53) at what later became the present village of Lebanon.

IOWA CITY. A place referred to on pages 427, 433, 434, Acts of the Legislative Assembly of Iowa Territory, session of 1838-39, evidently meaning what was soon after known as Towaville, which see below.

IOWAVILLE., A village on the west side of section 7, Village Township, and the north side of the Des Moines River, about one mile northwest of the present village of Selma. At one time in the 1860's it was prosperous, having some 200 inhabitants.

LEXINGTON. A village established in 1838 in section 21, Washington Township, on the north side of the Des Moines River, about four miles above Bentonsport.

LICK CREEK. The name of the post office at Philadelphia, which see below, from 1849 to 1855.

Longview. A former railroad station and a post office in the 1880's in section 14, Union Township, about two miles west of Stockport.

McVeigh. A former railroad station and post office (1882-1901) near the southwest corner of section 21, Cedar Township, about three miles east of Stockport. See Zanesville below.

MECHNICSBURG. A pioneer place and a post office in the early 1850's in the southwestern part of Chequest Township.

MEEK'S MILLS. The original name of the place that later became the present town of Bonaparte.

Napoleon. A projected early village on the south side of the Des Moines River opposite Bonaparte. Never built up.

New Lexington. A town and post office from 1837 to 1842 one mile west of the present town of Bonaparte.

NEW MARKET. The name by which Black Hawk City, which see above, was known during a few of the later years of its existence.

New Market was the name of the post office there from 1851 to 1865.

Niles. A village in the southeastern part of the south section 5,
Des Moines Township. The village was laid out in 1855 and the post
office was from 1860 to 1874.

NORTH BENTONSPORT. The name by which the present town of Bentonsport was known from its founding in 1839 until 1852, while the portion of the town south of the Des Moines River was called South Bentonsport until 1852 when it was changed to Vernon.

OAKLAND. A town laid out in 1857 southeast of and adjacent to Bentonsport.

OAK POINT. A post office (1849-80) in the northeastern part of the north section 5, Jackson Township.

PALESTINE. The government surveyors of 1837 describe in their notes that they found this town in sections 16 and 17, Bonaparte Township, which would be on the south side of the Des Moines River opposite Bonaparte.

PAMERO. The name of the post office from 1854 to 1857 at or near where stands the present village of Selma.

PARKERSVILLE. The government surveyors of 1837 set out in their notes that they found this town in the northwestern part of section 17, Union Township, which would be about one mile southeast of the present village of Birmingham.

Philadelphia. The pioneer name of the present village of Kilbourn when it was laid out in 1839 and for several years. Philadelphia was also the name of the post office from 1841 to 1849.

PLEASANT HILL. A village across the river and south from Keosauqua, in section 36, Van Buren Township. It was founded in 1850 and had a post office by the same name from 1853 to 1855. A few residences still remain. It is now a part of Keosauqua and is sometimes called South Keosauqua.

PLYMOUTH. A village in the northern part of section 35, Farmington Township, adjacent to the town of Farmington on the north. Founded in 1842.

PORTLAND. The pioneer name of the present village of Leando from its beginning in 1837 to 1880. Leando was the name of the post office from 1840 to 1864. The government surveyors of 1837 report they found this village of Portland.

PORTORO. The name of the post office at Van Buren, which see below, for a few years in the early 1840's.

RISING SUN. The original name of the present village of Pittsburg from the time of its beginning in 1837 until 1842. The post office was Rising Sun from 1841 to 1844. The government surveyors report finding the town of Rising Sun at this location in 1837.

ROCHESTER. Laid out in 1837 near the center of the east section 29, Van Buren Township, on the left bank of the Des Moines River, about two miles northeast of Keosauqua. The government surveyors report finding this town in 1837. It contended with Keosauqua for the county seat in 1837.

SALUBRIA. A village laid out in 1838 about two miles south of Farmington and on the same side of the river. It existed only a few years.

SHERIDAN. A post office (1865-77) in or near section 29, Cedar Township.

SOUTH BENTONSPORT. The early name of what became Vernon in 1852. See North Bentonsport, also see Vernon.

SOUTH KEOSAUQUA. A hamlet laid out in 1840 on the north side of the Des Moines River and now absorbed in the southern part of Keosauqua.

STUMPTOWN. A local name given in pioneer times to the village of Independence, which see above.

SUMMIT. The name first given the present village of Mount Zion when it was laid out in 1860.

Union. A post office (1847-56) in or near section 34, Union Township.

UNION CORNERS. The early name of the post office (1849-53) at what later became the village of Mount Sterling.

UPTON. An important inland town near the center of the south section 17, Des Moines Township. It was on the state line, part of the town being in Missouri. Post office, 1852-1903.

VAN BUREN. A town laid out in 1839, now constituting the southern part of the present town of Keosauqua. Van Buren and Des Moines City, which see above, joined together, making Keosauqua. Van Buren was the name of the post office from 1841 to 1845 when it became Keosauqua.

Vernon. A village laid out in 1837 as South Bentonsport, but became Vernon in 1852. It was on the south side of the Des Moines River from Bentonsport. A few old buildings still remain. Vernon was the name of their post office from 1852 to 1903.

WATERTOWN. Laid out as a town in 1837 across the Des Moines River from Farmington. Little improving, if any, was done.

Willis. A hamlet, former railroad station and post office from 1872 to 1894, excepting the interruption of a few discontinuances, located in section I, Vernon Township, about midway between Farmington and Mount Sterling.

WILSONVILLE. A post office (1872-1901) in the southern part of section 9, Cedar Township.

Woons Mills. The early name of the present town of Mount Sterling. Zanesville. [Note: Lanesville as listed earlier in this article by Dr. Fitzpatrick, and by any whom he may have followed, should have been Zanesville. The name came from Zanesville, Ohio, at which place was born and brought up J. H. McVeigh, on whose land the post office was kept, and who was the second postmaster of Zanesville post office. This was for some time after its establishment the post office of the subscriber.—E.R.H.]

· WAPELLO COUNTY

ALPINE. A post office (1860-72) in section 18, Washington Township. Amador. A hamlet in section 14, Adams Township.

AMSTERDAM. This town is reported by William Vandever, deputy U. S. surveyor, in his notes of the survey of 1843, as being in the center of section 14, Center Township, about two miles northwest of the business section of Ottumwa.

ASHLAND. A town of importance on the stage line, having several stores, an academy, and a few hundred population. It was in the southern part of section 9, Washington Township, about three miles north of the present town of Eldon. Post office, 1844-80.

ASHLAND CROSSING. The name first given the place that later became Williamsburg, and finally the present town of Eldon.

AYERSVILLE. A town reported by William Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the southeast quarter of section 26, Center Township, making it appear to have been the town later called Port Richmond.

BEAR CREEK. A station on the C., M. & St. P. Railway about four miles west of Ottumwa. It had a post office by the same name from 1909 to 1914.

BLADENSBURG. A village laid out in 1853 in the southeastern part of section 9 and the northeastern part of section 16, Pleasant Township. Post office, 1855-1906.

Bryson. A post office in 1872 at a location on or near that of the present railway station of Cliffland.

Burron. A station on the Wabash Railway in the western part of Keokuk Township, about eight miles south of Ottumwa, as shown on maps of 1878 and 1880.

Christiansburg. A hamlet in the northern part of section 27, Polk Township. Post office, 1859-72.

COLUMBIA. A post office from 1846 to 1849, the name being changed to Fountain Spring, which see below, in 1849.

COMPETINE. The name of the post office (1851-1903) at the town of Marysville, which see below.

Comstock. The early name of the present Kirkville Station. Comstock was also the name of the post office from 1861 to 1877.

COOPERSYLLE. A post office (1867-75) in the central part of section 36, Polk Township.

CYNTHIANN. A post office from 1850 to 1852 near the central part of Polk Township.

Dahlonega. This town in the northwest corner of section 9, Dahlonega Township, five miles northeast of Ottumwa is reported in the notes of the government surveyors in 1843. It was an important town in an early day, had at one time 300 inhabitants, and aspired to be the county seat. Post office, 1844-1907.

Defiance. A town reported by William Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being at the common corners of section 20, 21, 28 and

29, Richland Township, which would make the location about two miles northeast of the present Kirkville Station.

DES MOINES CITY. Listed as being a post office in Wapello County from 1851 to 1853, but maps of that period show the place to have been in Mahaska County about one mile west of the northwest corner of Wapello County. See Mahaska County list of abandoned towns.

FAIRPLAY. A town reported by W. Barrows in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the southeast and southwest quarters of section 5 and the northeast and northwest quarters of section 8, Keokuk Township.

FOUNTAIN SPRING. A post office (1849-53) formerly called Columbia, the location being at or near where now stands Kirkville Station.

GODFREY. A post office from 1872 to 1874 in the southern part of Richland Township, at or near the later place called Keb, which see below.

Green. A post office (1851-59) slightly north of the center of Green Township.

HAPPY HOLLOW. A post office (1870-77) at or near the location where later appeared Shock's Station, which see below.

Keb. A place in section 34, Richland Township having a post office from 1891 to 1905.

LOUISVILLE. The name given Ottumwa when it was laid out in 1844, but which it kept but a brief time.

Marion. A town reported by William Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the southeast quarter of section 15, and the west half of section 14, Columbia Township, on the north bank of the Des Moines River.

MARYSYILLE. A village in the southern part of section 15, Competine Township. Its post office was Competine, which see above.

MECHANICSBURG. A town reported by W. Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the south half of section 24 and the north half of section 25, Columbia Township, on the north bank of the Des Moines River.

MIDLOTHIAN. A town reported by W. Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the west part of section 15, Columbia Township, on the north side of the Des Moines River.

MUNTERVILLE. A hamlet and post office (1870-1905) in the western part of section 17, Polk Township.

NANISEE. Listed as a post office in Wapello County in 1854 and 1855, but the location not found.

Opposition. A town reported by W. Vendever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the southern part of section 8 and the northern part of section 17, Columbia Township, on the north side of the Des Moines River.

Ormanville. A once busy town in the northwestern part of section 33, Green Township. Post office, 1869-1903.

PALESTINE. A place near the center of Columbia Township on the north side of the Des Moines River some four miles southeast of Eddyville, as appears on maps of 1857.

PHILLIPS. The former name of Rutledge, a station on the Milwaukee Railway some three miles north of Ottumwa.

Ріскwick. The name by which South Ottumwa was known during the first several years of its existence.

PLEASANT LANE. A post office in 1854 and 1855 at or near where later was located the village of Bladensburg, which see above.

POINT ISABEL. A village in the northwestern part of section 27, Green Township. Post office, 1851-68.

PORT RICHMOND. A village in the northwestern part of section 27, Green Township, about one mile southwest of Pickwick, which see above, and on the south bank of the Des Moines River. Post office, 1858-75. Sometimes appears on the maps as Richmond.

RICHMOND. See Port Richmond above.

SAC AND FOX AGENCY. The name of the post office from 1844 to 1849 at the place that later became the present town of Agency.

SAILORVILLE. A town reported by W. Vandever in his survey notes of 1843 as being in the south half of section 19 and the northeast quarter of section 30, Richland Township, the location being about one mile north of the present Kirkville Station.

Shock's Station. A station on the C., B. & Q. Railroad in the southwestern part of section 5, Cass Township on the south bank of the Des Moines River, two miles southeast of Chillicothe.

Sickles. A station on the Wabash Railway about three miles south of Ottumwa, as appears on maps of 1887.

Tunis. A post office about two miles north of Agency from 1897 to 1900.

VILLAGE. A post office southeast of Ottumwa on the south side of the Des Moines River from 1847 to 1850.

WILLARD. A station on the C., M. & St. P. Railway in the south-western part of Polk Township. Post office, 1890-1906.

WILLIMSBURG. The name of the village that later (1870) became the present town of Eldon. The name of the post office was Williamsburg from 1868 to 1871.

YAMPA. A place shown on maps of 1900 in the southern part of Pleasant Township. Post office, 1899-1900.

WARREN COUNTY

BANNER. A post office (1874-75) near the center of section 7, Virginia Township.

Bellemont. The name of the post office from 1870 to 1871 at what later was called Schonberg, which see below.

BELMONT CENTER. See Schonberg below.

Cool. A hamlet and a post office (1879-1904) on the line between sections 11 and 12 at the cross roads one-fourth mile north of the south line of the sections, Squaw Township. A church and three or four dwellings remain.

DORRVILLE. A hamlet in the northwest quarter of section 32, Vir-

ginia Township. It had a post office by the same name from 1855 to 1863.

ELLENDALE. A place marked on maps of 1869 as a post office about one mile southeast of the present town of Carlisle.

Felix. A post office from 1876 to 1883 in the northeastern part of Belmont Township.

FORT PLAIN. The name of the post office from 1854 to 1870 at the town of Green Bush, which see below.

FORT PLAIN. A place shown on maps of 1868, 1869 and 1878 in section 8, White Breast Township.

FRIENDS' GROVE. Listed in the U.S. Postal records as a post office in Warren County from 1864 to 1865, but the location not found.

Green Bush. A village in the southeast corner of section 31, Greenfield Township, and in the northeast corner of the west section 6 of Washington Township, or about one mile northwest of the present town of Spring Hill. The post office of Green Bush ran from 1850 to 1854 when the name was changed to Fort Plain, which see above.

HACKNEY'S GROVE. A post office (1852-53) at or near the later post office of Handsome View, which see below.

Hammondsburgh. A hamlet on the line between sections 11 and 14, Otter Township, a little west of the midway part of the line, and about two and one-half miles northwest of the present town of Milo. Post office, 1851-79.

Handsome View. A post office (1853-59) slightly east of the center of Squaw Township. See Hackney's Grove above.

IRISH GROVE. Another name for Dorrville, which see above.

Latimer. A post office (1861-64) in the western part of Jackson Township.

LAWRENCEBURG. A village located about midway of the north line of section 7, Virginia Township. Post office, 1857-79.

LORETTO. Listed in the U. S. Postal Guide as a post office in Warren County in 1889, but the location not found.

LYNN. A post office (1855-72) in the southwest corner of section 3, Jefferson Township.

Medford. A post office (1890-1903) in the southwestern part of White Oak Township.

MONTPELIER. A post office (1853-60) in the northwestern part of Jefferson Township.

Motor. A hamlet at the corners of sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, Belmont Township. Post office, 1890-1902. A church, schoolhouse and a few scattered dwellings remain.

Oswego. Listed in the U.S. postal records as a post office in Warren County from 1864 to 1869 (with short interims), but the location not found.

PLANEVILLE. Listed in the U. S. postal records as a post office in Warren County from 1855 to 1859, but the location not found.

PYRA. Listed in the U. S. postal records as a post office in Warren County from 1856 to 1859, but the location not found.

ROSEMOUNT. A village at the corners of sections 34 and 35, Belmont Township, and 2 and 3, White Breast Township. Post office, 1864-80.

Sandyville. Laid out in 1851 in the northeastern part of section 21 and the northwestern of 22, Union Township, five miles east of the present town of Ackworth. A town of importance at one time. Post office, 1855-1903. A few scattered buildings remain.

SCHONBERG. A post office (1871-79) at the northwest corner of section 21, Belmont Township about two miles east of the present town of Milo. It was sometimes called Belmont Center, but was one mile west of the center of that township.

SHARON. A post office (1861-99) on the north line of section 2, Squaw Township.

SUTTON. Listed in the U.S. postal records as a post office in Warren County from 1897 to 1900, but the location not found.

TAUNTON. A post office (1876-83) at or near the later post office of Felix, which see above.

THREE RIVERS. A post office from 1848 to 1854 at or near the location of the present town of Hartford.

TWELVE MILE GROVE. Listed in the U. S. postal records as a post office in Warren County in 1863, but the location not found.

UNION HILL. A place in the southern part of section 9, Union Township, as shown on maps of 1869.

WESTFORD. A place shown on maps from 1856 to 1868 on Middle River at or near the location of the present village of Somersct.

WHITE OAK POINT. A post office (1852-54) in section 19, White Oak Township.

WILMINGTON. A post office in 1855 in section 24, Palmyra Township, some two or three miles northwest of the old village of Palmyra.

Wisconsin. A post office (1865-66) in the northern part of section 19, Belmont Township, at or near the location of the present town of Milo.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Ambov. A post office (1851-62) in the southwestern part of Oregon Township.

ASTORIA. Laid out as a town in 1837 in section 28, Oregon Township, in anticipation of being the county seat. A post office named Pottsville (which see below) and a store were all it ever attained to.

Bethel. A post office (1897-1904) on the east side of section 24, Highland Township.

CEDARVILLE. A post office from 1860 to 1864, and later from 1866 to 1868 at or near where later was the town of Lexington, which see below.

CENTER HILL. Listed as a post office in Washington County in 1851 and 1852, but the location not found.

DAIRY. A post office (1863-75) in the western part of section 9, Highland Township.

Davis Creek. A post office (1850-67) near the southwest corner of Iowa Township.

DAYTON. A town laid out in 1854 in the eastern part of section 13, and the western part of the east section 18, Lime Creek Township, about one mile north of the present town of Wellman. A few scattering houses remain.

DAYTONVILLE. The name of the post office from 1875 to 1906, except some intermission, at the town of Dayton, which see above.

DUBLIN. The name of the post office kept at a country store at Dutch Creek, which see below, from 1879 to 1905.

DUTCH CREEK. A post office in the northeastern part of section 22, Dutch Creek Township, from 1845 to 1879, when the name was changed to Dublin, which see above.

EUREKA. Laid out as a town in 1857 in the northwest quarter of section 18, Marion Township, five miles south and one mile west of Washington. It never grew to be more than a hamlet. A few scattering houses remain.

Grace Hill. A village in the northwestern part of section 31, Franklin Township. Post office, 1889-1904.

HARRISBURG. A town laid out in 1855 in section 14, Highland Township. It proved short-lived.

JUAN. A post office (1844-50) in the northwestern part of Marion Township, about five miles south of Washington.

Lake. A post office (1860-65) in the northeastern part of Marion Township.

Lexington. A town laid out in 1865 in the southern part of section 8, Cedar Township. Post office, 1868-1905. It still has a church and a few scattering houses.

Marcellus. A post office (1850-59) in the western part of Marion Township.

MIDDLEBURG. A post office (1870-82) in the eastern part of section 9, English River Township.

Mills. Another name, as appears on maps of 1854, of Wassonville, which see below.

New Haven. A post office (1857-66) in the eastern part of Dutch Creek Township, about one mile east of Dutch Creek, which see above.

Paris. A town laid out in 1846 in the southern part of section 30, Dutch Creek Township. Its post office was Valley. One store, a church and a few scattered dwellings remain.

PILOTBURG. A hamlet in the northeastern part of the east section 33, Lime Creek Township, two miles south and three miles east of the present town of Wellman. Post office, 1891-1903.

Pottsville. The name of the post office from 1839 to 1860 at Astoria, which see above.

SEVENTY SIX CENTER. A post office from 1870 to 1873 near the center of Seventy Six Township.

Titus. A station on the C., M. & St. P. Ry. in the northwestern part of section 28, Franklin Township, about five miles southwest of Washington. It had a post office from 1910 to 1913.

Valley. The name of the post office from 1851 to 1905 at the town of Paris, which see above.

VINCENT. A station on the C., R. I. & P. Ry. in the southern part of Franklin Township, as shown on maps of 1887.

Wassonville. A village laid out in 1848 in the eastern part of section 12 and the western part of the east section 7, Lime Creek Township, about midway as to north and south of the two sections and on the north side of English River. It had a good mill and was an important town on the stage routes and underground railroad. Post office, 1849-75.

WHITE ASH. A post office (1873-85) in section 1 of Highland Township.

YATTON. A town laid out in 1856 in the northeast corner of section 19, Iowa Township, about one mile south of the present town of Riverside. At one time it had a population of about 300. Post office, 1843-75.

WAYNE COUNTY

Aetna. A former station on the C., B. & Q. R. R. about three miles east of Corydon, as shown on maps of 1909.

BENTONVILLE. A village and station on the C., B. & Q. R. R. about five miles northwest of Corydon. Post office, 1887-95. Formerly called Peoria, which see below.

Bethlehem. A town platted in 1853 in the southeast corner of section 24, Union Township. Prosperous in its day. Post office, 1852-1902.

Big Spring. A post office (1875-1901) in section 17, Jefferson Township.

BRIDGEPORT. A former station on the C., B. & Q. R. R. about four miles west of Promise City.

Cambria. A former village and station on the C., B. & Q. R. R. about seven miles northwest of Corydon.

CLINTON CENTER. A hamlet in the southeastern part of section 9 and the southwestern part of section 10, Clinton Township. Post office, 1893-1902.

CONFIDENCE. A village in the southeast corner of section 11 and the northeast corner of section 14, Wright Township. Post office, 1859-1903.

Genoa. A village laid out in 1855 in the southwestern part of section 13, Monroe Township. Post office, 1856-1904.

Grainville. The former name of the present village of Harvard. Grainville was also the name of the post office from 1876 to 1882.

Grand River. A post office (1851-72) in the southwestern part of Grand River Township, at or near the location of the present town of Lineville.

HAPPY HOLLOW. A hamlet about two miles east of Harvard in the years around 1900, principally occupied by coal miners.

HARVARD. A former village and station on the C., R. I. & P. Ry., about five miles east of Allerton.

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Hodge. A station on the C., R. I & P. Ry. between Allerton and Clio. Post office, 1884-98.

KNIFFIN. First, a country post office, and after the building of the railway in 1871, a station on the C., R. I. & P. in section 18, Walnut Township. Post office, 1858-1903.

Lewisburg. A village in the center of section 20, Clay Township. Post office, 1857-1902.

LUCERNE. A post office (1860-67) in the eastern part of Richman Township.

New York. A village platted in 1855 in the northern part of section 22, Union Township. Post office, 1856-1903.

ORLANDO. A post office (1860-62) somewhat southwest of the center of Benton Township, or about five miles west of Corydon.

Ovid. A post office (1891-1902) in section 19, Union Township.

Peoria. Platted as a town in 1853 on the south line of section 10, and the north line of section 15, Benton Township, midway as to east and west of that line and about five miles northwest of Corydon. In the late 1880's the name was changed to Bentonville, which see above.

Samville. A post office (1886-87) at or near the later village of Bentonville, which see above.

SAXON. A post office (1888-1901) in section 25, Clay Township.

Selma. A post office (1866-78) in section 4, Richman Township.

SOUTH FORK. A post office (1849-62) near the northeast corner of Walnut Township, on the South Fork of Chariton River.

UNA. A place in the southwestern part of Union Township, about six miles north of Corydon, as appears on maps from 1863 to 1869. Post office, 1863-64.

Warsaw. A hamlet in the northwest corner of section 8, Howard Township. Post office, 1855 to 1861 and from 1866 to 1903.

WAYNE CROSS ROADS. Listed as a post office in Wayne County from 1858 to 1860, but the location not found.

WEBSTER COUNTY

ALISBURG. A place near where now stands the town of Lehigh, as shown on maps of 1862.

Belleville. A post office in the southeastern part of Webster County in 1859 to 1861 at the forks of the Boone and Des Moines rivers.

Border Plains. Platted in 1857 in the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter, and the southwest quarter of section 30, Washington Township. It was a town of importance. Many soldiers of the Union Army were sworn in there. It became extinct after the Civil War.

BUCHANAN. Platted as a town in 1856 slightly west of where now stands the village of Burnside. It aspired to be the county seat, but when that went to Fort Dodge in 1859, it declined. Soon the name was changed to Hesperian, which see below, and later to Burnside.

Carbon. The former name of the present Illinois Central Railroad station of Gypsum. Carbon was a post office from 1870 to 1872.

Casady. A post office (1883-90) in the southeastern part of Dayton Township. It is shown on maps as Casady's Corner.

CRAIG'S HOLLOW. See Kalo Junction below.

CROOKS. The former name of the interurban station of Palm Grove in the eastern part of Clay Township. Crooks was a post office from 1909 to 1914.

FRANKFORT. A place in the northern part of Yell Township, on the south side of the Des Moines River, as shown on maps of 1857 and 1862.

Greensides. A post office from 1869 to 1873 in the northern part of Elkhorn Township, about five miles south and one mile west of Fort Dodge.

HASKALIA. A proposed town on the Illinois Central near the present town of Judd.

HESPERIAN. The name of the post office at what is now Burnside from 1858 to 1882. Also see Buchanan above.

JACKSON CENTER. A post office (1879-89) a short way south of the center of Jackson Township.

KALO JUNCTION. A station and hamlet on the main line and spur of the M. & St. L. Railroad which extended to the town of Kalo and the coal mines about a mile distant. The neighboring community was also called Craig's Hollow.

Kesho. The former name of the present town of Calender. Kesho was the name of the post office from 1873 to 1877.

LACKAWANA. A coal mining town laid out in 1876 on the east bank of the Des Moines River opposite where now stands the town of Lehigh.

LATHAM. A place slightly northeast from the center of Deer Creek Township and on the west side of the Des Moines River, as shown on maps of 1878. Post office, 1875 to 1879.

LINNBURG. A former village, principally occupied by coal miners, on the C. & N. W. Ry. about three miles east of the present town of Dayton.

Lunds. A railroad station and village a short distance northeast of the center of Washington Township.

McGuire. A post office in the late 1890's in the southeastern part of Webster County, sometimes called McGuire's Bend.

McLaughlin's Creek. A place in the southwestern part of Douglas Township near where Tara now is, as shown on maps of 1868 and 1869.

Nebraska. Listed as a post office from September 29, 1851, to November 29 of the same year in Yell County, which was the same as the present Webster County, without its north tier of townships, but its location not found.

Newark. A post office (1875-87) in section 23, Newark Township. Otho. The original post office of Otho was located in section 28, township 88, range 29, in the C. B. Andrews home. The town itself was

located on each side of the public highway north of District No. 1 schoolhouse.

PORTERS. A railroad station and village slightly north of the center of Washington Township.

SLABTOWN. A local name given the present town of Lehigh in its early existence.

Tyson's Mills. The pioneer name of the present town of Lehigh. It was begun in 1855 as Tyson's Mills. The name was changed to Vesper, and later to Lehigh. Tyson's Mills was the name of the post office from 1870 to 1876.

VESPER. See Tyson's Mills above.

WALBRIDGE GROVE. A place in the northwestern part of Badger Township near the east bank of the Des Moines River, as shown on maps of 1878. Post office, 1868 and 1869.

WEST DAYTON. The name of the post office (1858-77) at the present town of Dayton.

WINNEBAGO COUNTY

AMUND. A hamlet and post office (1888-1907) in the northwest corner of section 22, Eden Township.

Benson Grove. A village and post office (1866-84) about one mile to the east of the present railroad station of Leland.

Benson Grove Station. See Lelandsburgh below.

Deering. A post office from 1880 to 1886 and again from 1890 to 1891 in section 7, Newton Township.

Delano. A post office (1890-1902) in section 36, Center Township. Grytte. A post office from 1897 to 1900 in the southwest corner of section 36, Logan Township.

HOLLANDALE. A post office from 1897 to 1902 in section 24, Grant Township.

LELANDSBURGH. The name of the present village of Leland for a time. The post office was also Lelandsburgh from 1881 to 1885. On the founding of the place in 1880 it was called Benson Grove Station, but the name was soon changed to Lelandsburgh, and finally to Leland.

LIME CREEK CITY. See Mount Valley below.

Mount Valley. A post office (1877-97) in the southeastern part of section 11 and the northeastern part of section 14, Mount Valley Township. It was called Lime Creek City on maps of 1857.

Nasheim. The name of the post office at the present hamlet of Vinje from 1889 to 1891.

NORMAN. A former station and town on the M. & St. L. R. R. a short distance south of the present station of Emmons.

RATNA. A post office (1889-1900) in the northeast corner of section 9, Mount Valley Township.

STEEN. A post office from 1892 to 1894 in Grant Township, west of and not far from the later post office of Hollandale, which see above.

TWEETEN. A post office from 1900 to 1903 in the southwestern part of section 11, Newton Township.

WINNESHIEK COUNTY

AGENCY. A place shown on the early maps of the 1850's in the same location as Old Mission (which see below), as shown on later maps.

Alba. See New Alba below.

Aquilla Grove. See Springwater below.

BURR OAK SPRINGS. A post office (1858-64) in the northeastern part of Sumner Township, or the northwestern part of Calmar Township.

Canoe. A post office (1857-1905, including two intermissions) in section 26, Canoe Township, on Canoe Creek.

CLIFTON. A post office in section 35, Fremont Township, near the location where later stood the village of Plymouth Rock, which see below.

Eide. A post office (1876-81) in section 23, Pleasant Township.

FRANKLIN PRAIRIE. A post office from 1857 to 1864 in the northern part of section 18, Canoe Township.

Hyde. A post office (1886-89) in section 19, Frankvale Township.

ISTED. Listed as a post office in Winneshiek County from 1890 to 1895, but its location not found.

JAMESTOWN. See Trout River below.

Lewiston. A town in the northeastern part of section 28, Washington Township, or about one mile north of Old Mission (which see below). It contended for the county seat in 1851, but failing in that, its existence was brief.

LOCUST LANE. The same as the present village of Locust. Locust Lane was the name of the post office from 1857 to 1883.

MARYSVILLE. The pioneer name of the present town of Calmar.

MONEEK. An important village on both sides of the line between sections 1 and 2, Bloomfield Township, and about midway of that line as to north and south. Post office, 1851-64. It was an aspirant for the county seat in 1851.

Morgan. A post office (1857-66) in section 8, Orleans Township.

New Alba. A post office (1861-81) in the northern part of section 20, Jackson Township. It ran as Alba a few months in 1861 previous to the change of the name to New Alba.

OLD MISSION. A post office (1850-82) in the northwestern part of section 34, Washington Township, about five miles southeast of Fort Atkinson and on the west bank of the Turkey River. The noted Winnebago Indian school and mission was located in the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 33, just a short way southwest of the Old Mission post office.

ORLEANS. Listed as a post office in Winneshiek County from 1854 to 1857, but its location not found.

PLYMOUTH ROCK. A village platted in 1855 in the southern part of section 35, Fremont Township, on the south side of the Upper Iowa River. Post office, 1856-1907.

Sampson. Listed as a post office in Winneshiek County in 1893 and 1894, but its location not found.

Springwater. A hamlet in section 24, Canoe Township, on the north side of Canoe Creek. Its post office was Aquilla Grove from 1856 to 1864, and was Springwater from 1864 to 1896.

THOTEN. A post office (1876-1903) in section 14, Glenwood Township.

TROUT RIVER. A village in the central part of Frankville Township. Its post office was Jamestown from 1851 to 1852, but was called Trout River from 1852 to 1855.

Twin Springs. The name of the post office at the present village of Kendallville from 1856 to 1874.

TWIN SPRINGS. The present village of Festina in Washington Township was platted as Twin Springs in 1856, but the name was later changed to the name of its post office, Festina.

WILLIMANTIC. A post office from 1856 to 1858 and from 1861 to 1863 in section 23, Fremont Township.

WINNESHIEK. A post office (1851-65) in the southeastern part of Bloomfield Township.

Woodside. A post office (1876-86) in section 8, Frankville Township. Woodville. A post office (1866-87) in the western part of section 26, Greenwood Township.

WOODBURY COUNTY

ANNETTA. The name first given the present town of Oto.

Browns Settlement. A place in the northeastern part of Lake Port Township, as shown by maps of the 1850's and early 1860's.

BURR OAK GROVE. A place in section 12, Union Township near the Little Sioux River, as shown on maps of 1868 to 1881.

DISCORD. A post office (1870-84) in the northern part of section 21, Kedron Township.

Dones. A post office (1877-86) in the northwestern part of section 32, Banner Township.

FLOYD'S BLUFF. A post office for a short time in 1855 in the southern part of what is now Sioux City, near the bank of the Missouri River.

FRIENDLINGS TAVERN. A place (stage station) in section 30, Sloan Township, near where now stands the town of Sloan, as shown on maps of 1868.

Gale. A post office (1871-88) in the northeastern part of section 7, Miller Township.

German City. A hamlet and post office (1886-1903) in the eastern part of Willow Township. A church and a few houses still remain.

Grange. A post office (1877-78) in section 5, Grange Township.

Grove. A place near the northwest corner of Willow Township, as shown on maps of 1878.

Hamlin. A post office (1867-69) in Sloan Township.

Hoskins. A post office from 1875 to 1886 and from 1891 to 1902 in section 33, Concord Township.

LAKEPORT. A post office from 1857 to 1858 and from 1889 to 1902 in section 21, Lake Pork Township.

LINDALE. A post office (1863-64) a little southwest of the center of Liberty Township.

LISTONVILLE. A hamlet and post office (1872-77) a short distance north of the present town of Danbury.

LOZIER. Listed as a post office from 1880 to 1882 in Woodbury County, but its location not found.

LUCKY VALLEY. A settlement in sections 2 and 3, Grant Township, with a post office (1882-1903) by the same name.

MIDWAY. A post office (1890-1907) in section 10, Morgan Township.

MORRIS. A post office (1857-64) in the eastern central part of Liston Township.

New Buffalo. A movable country post office (1856-78) which was in the neighborhood where later was built the present town of Salix.

Odd. A post office (1879-82) in section 18, West Fork Township.

Petoro. A hamlet and a post office (1877-1904) in section 29, Grant Township.

ROCK BRANCH. A post office from 1872 to 1904, located part of the time in section 1, Wolf Creek Township and later in section 6, Kedron Township.

SMITHTOWN. The name given the present town of Smithland, as appears on maps in the 1850's.

SNYDER GROVE. A post office (1871-72) near the northwest corner of Willow Township.

THOMPSONTOWN. Staked off as a town in 1847 at Floyd's Bluff (which see above). Thompsontown became the county seat, although it had but one log hut, and was until Sergeants Bluff won the prize in 1854.

WOLFDALE. A country post office (1869-97) which occupied several different locations in farm houses in Wolf Creek Township.

WOODBURY. The name of the post office at the town of Sergeants Bluff from 1862 to 1870.

WORTH COUNTY

Bristol. A town platted in 1857 in the southern part of section 5 and the northern part of section 8, Bristol Township. It was the first county seat, 1858 to 1863. Post office, 1857 to 1902.

DEER CREEK. A village in section 5, Deer Creek Township. There is still a store and creamery located there. Post office, 1890-1907.

ELK CREEK. Listed as a post office in Worth County from 1890 to 1900, but the location not found.

Fern. A post office from February 18, 1889 to June 28, 1889, at or near the later post office of Polo Station, which see below.

FONTANELLE. A town in section 36, Fertile Township, as shown on maps of 1857. This was a town on paper only.

GLADE. A former railroad station and post office, previously called

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Polo Station, which see below. Glade was the name of the post office from 1900 to 1904.

GLENMARY. Laid out as a town in 1857 in the northeast quarter of section 24, Brookfield Township. Never had but one house.

HARTLAND. A post office which occupied, during its existence, from 1860 to 1875, two or three different locations in the northwestern part of Hartland Township. There is still a Hartland store and creamery in that township.

Hirondelle. A post office (1880-1900) in the eastern part of section 30, Danville Township, about one mile east of the present town of Hanlontown.

LANSRUD. A hamlet and post office (1899-1902) in section 21, Silver Lake Township.

LARK. A post office from 1884 to 1887 and again from 1889 to 1903 in the northern part of section 8, Fertile Township.

NORDLAND. A post office (1879-1901) first in section 8 and later in section 2, Fertile Township.

OAKVALE. A post office in 1859 near the Minnesota state line, but the exact location not found.

Polo Station. A former C. & Gt. W. R. R. station in Lincoln Township about four miles northeast of the present town of Manly. Its post office was Polo Station from 1889 to 1900 when it was changed to Glade, which see above.

SHELL ROCK. A station on the Iowa Central Railroad at or near the present town of Manly, as appears on maps of 1878.

SILVER LAKE. A post office (1867-1906) first in Silver Lake Township, but later in the northwestern part of Hartland Township.

Somber. A post office (1889-1902) in section 1, Bristol Township.

Tenold. A hamlet and post office (1881-1906) in the southwest corner of section 17 and the southeast corner of section 18, Brookfield Township. A store and a creamery are still there.

Wales. A post office (1869-73) in the central part of Union Township.

WESTFIELD. A post office (1870-71) on the west line of Union Township about midway as to north and south.

WRIGHT COUNTY

ALDRICH. Listed as a post office from 1882 to 1891 in Wright County, but the location not found.

BACH GROVE. A post office (1858-81) in the southern part of Troy Township near the Boone River.

Bruce. A post office from 1883 to 1893 and from 1897 to 1901 in section 15, Norway Township.

CROWN POINT. The original name of that portion of the present town of Belmond that is west of the Iowa River, previous to its platting in 1856.

Drew. A post office (1892-1901) in section 16, Norway Township.

DRY LAKE. A post office (1871-82) in the northern part of section 16, Vernon Township.

EAGLE GROVE. The post office of Eagle Grove was near the northeast corner of section 20, Eagle Grove Township, two miles north and about two miles west of the present town of Eagle Grove, from 1861 until the founding of the town in 1881.

EAGLE GROVE JUNCTION. The name of the present town of Eagle Grove when it was platted in 1881.

EAGLEVILLE. Selected as the county seat and platted as a town in 1855 in the southeast quarter of section 12, Eagle Grove Township. However, the town was never built and the county seat was given in 1857 to Liberty, which see below.

EMPIRE. A post office (1868-83) in section 26, Lincoln Township.

FRYEBURG. A post office (1856-86) in the northeastern part of section 4, Blaine Township, near where now stands the town of Rowan.

Galtville. The name for a time of the present town of Galt. See Norwich below. The post office was Galtville from 1882 to 1888.

GRANT. The name first given to the present city of Clarion when it was made the county seat in 1855 and until 1869, when it became Clarion.

LIBERTY. The former name of the present town of Goldfield. Liberty was platted in 1855. It was the county seat from 1858 to 1865.

LUNI. A post office (1858-88) at the center of Boone Township.

MONTGOMERY. A post office from May 5, 1864, to December 12 of the same year, on the Boone River a short distance north of the present town of Goldfield.

MORHAIN. A post office (1897-1902) in section 4, Wall Lake Township.

Moscow. A place in the northwestern part of Dayton Township as shown on maps from 1857 to 1878.

NORWICH. The first name given the present town of Galt. Norwich was platted in 1881. The name was soon changed to Galtville, and later to Galt.

OTISVILLE. The name of the post office at the town of Dows from 1858 to 1880.

OTSEGO. Platted as a town in 1855 in sections 2 and 3, Eagle Grove Township.

PALSVILLE. A former station on the Great Western Railroad and a post office (1898-1902) in section 10, Pleasant Township. A farmers' elevator still operates there.

ROSEDALE. A post office from 1857 to 1860 and again from 1877 to 1886 in the northwestern part of Troy Townshipp.

Thrall. A former platted town and station on the C. & N. W. Ry. about one mile north of the present town of Goldfield. Post office 1882-1907.

WATERMAN. A post office (1871-1900) in the northwestern part of section 29, Wall Lake Township.

WILLIAMS POINT. A place a short distance north of the center of Troy Township, as shown on maps of 1862 to 1869.

WOOLSTOCK. The post office of Woolstock from 1868 to 1881 was some two miles east of the present town of that name.

ADDENDA AND ERRATA

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY

Mezeka. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 439, should be Nezeka.

BENTON COUNTY

GOMERAL. This as it appears on page 444, Vol. XVII, should be Gomersal.

LIKENS. A post office in section 16, Polk Township, as shown on plat book of 1885.

Spencer Grove. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 445) was in the northeast corner of section 10, Polk Township.

TERRY. The former name of the present Milwaukee R. R. station of Walford, Florence Township.

BREMER COUNTY

KNITTED. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 449, should be Knittel.

CALHOUN COUNTY

CRANDALL. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 453) was in section 33, Williams Township.

ELM GROVE. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 453) was two miles north and two miles east of the present town of Yetter.

KISSEMMEE. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 453) was near the north end of North Twin Lake.

CARROLL COUNTY

Ketner. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 454, should be Kentner.

CEDAR COUNTY

Walden. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 457, should be Wald.

CHICKASAW COUNTY

Mansen. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 459, should be Nansen.

PEARL ROCK. A prosperous town in the 1870's in section 31, Bradford Township, on the west side of the Cedar River.

CLINTON COUNTY

Wapello. [The notes of William A. Burt of the government survey of 1837 say: "On or about the northeast corner of section 31, township 82, range 7 east, there has been a town laid out, called Wapello, four families in the town."—E.R.H.] This location is in the east central part of that portion of the present city of Clinton, formerly called Lyons, and on the bank of the Mississippi River.

FREMONT COUNTY

EASTFORT. This which appeared in Vol. XVII, p. 526, should be Eastport.

JEFFERSON COUNTY

AARONVILLE. Laid out as a town in 1853 in section 33, Polk Township, but apparently never built up.

BUENAVISTA. Laid out as a town in 1851 in section 13, Buchanan Township, but apparently never built up.

MILTON. Laid out as a town in 1855 in sections 8 and 9, Des Moines Township, but apparently never built up.

MITCHELL COUNTY

Durea. This which appeared in Vol. XVIII, p. 46, should be Dureau.

MAHASKA COUNTY

ONESKA. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 599) was in section 34, Pleasant Grove Township.

STONERIDGE. This post office (see Vol. XVII, p. 599) was in section 15, Monroe Township.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

ALIX. A post office (1895-98) in Douglas Township.

HAWTHORNE. A former village and C., B. & Q. railroad station about one-half mile south of the present village of McPherson. Hawthorn was the name of its post office from 1871 to 1892, when it was changed to Hawthorne, and was discontinued in 1908 after the railroad was located farther to the north.

Sciola. A country post office (1855-1905) in Washington Township, occupying different locations, the last one being in section 16.

Wales. A post office (1886-1901) near the center of Lincoln Township.

POLK COUNTY

HATTON. See Polk County list, Vol. XVIII, p. 61. Hatton was the name of the post office at the village and railroad station of Kelsey, for which see same page.

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY

COUNCIL BLUFFS. This which appeared in Vol. XVIII, p. 64, should be Council Bluff,

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