

DELAWARE COUNTY.

A move in the right direction, and we hope the editor will

“Shove along, shoye along, keep moving,”

till his History is completed, and a copy furnished our Library. We commend his Prospectus to all other County Editors that they may “go and do likewise.” The materials thus aggregated will go very far when systematized toward making a history of our glorious young State. ED. AN.

HISTORY OF DELAWARE COUNTY.

The Editor of the *Delaware County Union* proposes, provided the necessary assistance will be promptly rendered, to publish, during the ensuing year, in regular installments, a complete and reliable HISTORY OF DELAWARE COUNTY. Alone he can do but little toward the accomplishment of this object, for his time is almost wholly occupied with the editorial and mechanical duties of his printing-office, but with the assistance of the people of each township, the work may be easily consummated in a worthy manner.

There are old settlers in every township who are in possession of the facts and incidents concerning the first settlement of that particular locality, and unless these facts are gathered soon, many important items will go down to the grave with their present possessors and never be heard of more, except, perhaps, as hear say or tradition.

The common interest which such a history should elicit from the public, and the most incalculable benefits that are sure to accrue to the people of the county, should at once enlist the hearty co-operation of every person who can use a pen, or answer a question relative to the early settlement and progress of our county.

Therefore, we will be much obliged to any person who will

furnish us facts, statistics, incidents and anecdotes, such as will be proper to become component parts of a History of Delaware county, which we will file away as they come to hand, and when the contributions shall be complete, we will compile and arrange them in proper order, and then the publication will begin.

Let energetic persons in each township take the matter in hand at once—*obtain the particulars of the first settlement made in that particular township, by whom made, who followed, the progress from year to year, (be particular with dates,)* describe the general face of the country, estimate the amount of prairie and also timber land, the price thereof as near as may be, the number and names of streams and their courses, the soil, the average amount of various kinds of grain grown to the acre, the amount of uncultivated land, general statistics, future prospect, and everything that would be of general interest. Give us these, and we will furnish you a readable history that you may not be ashamed of.

Shall the work begin? We are ready to do our part. Who will assist us? We will wait and see.

PATRIOTISM OF IOWA—A BOOK FOR EVERY FRIEND OF IOWA SOLDIERS.

The undersigned, (formerly editor of the Dubuque *Times*, and other Iowa Journals,) is collecting materials for a History of the part taken by the State of Iowa in the war for the suppression of the Great Rebellion now happily near its end. No State has been rendered more illustrious by the valor of her sons in the field, than has Iowa. The people of no State have more honored themselves by the moral and material support they have rendered their sons and brothers in arms.

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