

NAMES OF PLACES LOCATED
IN
LAWRENCE COUNTY, OHIO

“HOW SOME GOT THEIR NAMES”

*Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these, “It might have been.”
Whittier.
Ironton Register, August 19, 1875.*

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Notes to myself: - Add story about Rome Beauty Apple.

Pictures: Sulphur Springs, Cold Springs Farm, Superior, Vesuvius

2011 - NOTE TO READERS: I am making this available as an ebook – if you have other places that I have missed, please feel free to email me at skouns7@aol.com and I will update this file. I would like old photos of these places if you have any. Also, if you have a better description of where these places were located, please let me know. Thanks. Sharon

The following article was written while Lawrence County was suffering from the Cooke Panic that began in 1873. Many of the "Ironmasters" never recovered and many lost their vast fortunes. I included this story, not only because it gives how the county was named, but, to show that hardships can be overcome and our county did continue to grow and to be what it is today. We never gave up the ship.

It has been written: "*For everything, there is a Season,*" and I add, "*For everything, there is a Reason.*" Sharon M. Kouns.

"Don't Give Up The Ship"

Ironton Register, June 27, 1878

Lawrence County was named after the brave commander, James Lawrence, who, when he fell mortally wounded on the deck of the Chesapeake, and was borne down into the hatchway, cried to the sailors, "Don't give up the ship!"

As we have adopted the name, let us appropriate the motto. For these are days that require resolution and courage, which, if we practice, will sooner and surer promote the returns of a happier era.

This is an iron community. It has staked its welfare, perhaps too much, upon the iron industry. We have ignored the pursuit of those specialties in which the forms of labor are more certain and remunerative. We have disdained the golden opportunities of our hillsides, and left their broad acres bare and fruitless. While iron was prosperous, so were we all. The byways of life were everywhere bright and pleasant. "Iron is King," we shouted, "Long live King Iron." But finally, the King took sick. He was living too fast, and all of a sudden, when we were staking our all on his everlasting grandeur, he was attacked with a grievous complaint, was put to bed, and is yet being treated with syrups, nostrums and nauseating drugs. In this season of anxiety, it may be some relief to our careworn spirits to recall the old adage, "The King never dies."

The distress which we struggle is just as natural as any of the calamities that befall mankind. We are too apt to think that business, pushed by ambition, distorted by avarice, tainted by fraud, swollen by speculation, and mangled by every artifice of competition and rivalry, is a thing that in itself is not subject to those disasters that overtake all sublunary things. This is a sad mistake, and causes the despair that some suffer. Distress comes periodically to every business, to every industry, in periods less or greater. So it has always been; so it will always be. It is one of the evils attending enterprise and the human passion for making money.

But the long continuance of the depression makes some think there will be no end of it. The argument is just the other way. Reaching the turning point is simply a question of time. We hope it is at hand. It certainly cannot be far off.

But the duty of the hour is to shun hopelessness, and not give up the ship. On the heels of a general revival, iron will look up. This county is rich in natural resources. Good metal is being made here as cheap as any place on the American continent. The vast enterprises, now sunk in financial embarrassment, will emerge somewhere and somehow, and though they leave some wrecks, will, in the end, bless the community. They stand in their beauty, grandeur and strength and will not crumble away.

Let the Motto then be that of our gallant namesake, live in hope that very soon business will brighten and the wages of labor be continuous and large.

Insert Map of Lawrence Co. Here!

By 1875, Lawrence County had 21 Post Offices. Ironton Register, December 16, 1875. I have attempted to list the towns and villages that had post offices.

Those marked with an asterisk * can be found on our maps today.

***Aaron's Creek** - Aid Tp. - Aaron's creek was named for Capt. Aaron, a white hunter who camped on it while the Indians were still in existence.

Ada - not sure if this was in Lawrence Co. IR May 26, 1892 - R. G. Russell has returned from Ada, where he has been at college for two months.

Adelphi - Ross County, Ohio - I include this here for researchers who will often find the name Adelphi mentioned in our papers. Many of our early settlers were from there or had relatives that visited from that place. Especially the Peters family.

Aetna Furnace - See Etna Furnace. Etna Furnace was built in 1832 by Jos. Kelley, Chas. Kelley, Sr., Pleasant Ellington and Jas. McCoy.

Early History:

Aetna Furnace was built in 1832 by Jos. Kelley, Chas. Kelley, sr., Pleasant Ellington and Jas. McCoy. It went into blast in the fall of 1832. The company ran it until about 1837, when they broke and rented it in 1838 to Paul, Dempsey & Paul. They ran it five years and paid off debts, and in 1843 a new company was formed of Allen D. Kelly, Andrew Dempsey and Jas. Rodgers who ran it about a year and then it was idle a year. In the winter of 1845 the property was sold. The Kellys sold their interest, one-third, to Jno. Ellison. It was then conducted in the name of Dempsey, Rodgers & Ellison. In 1857 Jas. Rodgers sold 2-15 of his interest (which was one-third of the whole) to Cyrus Ellison and in 1858 sold the remaining 12-15 of his one-third to John Ellison, who divided it with his brother, Cyrus Ellison, giving him 4-45 of the whole property which made it as follows: John, 19-45, Cyrus, 7-45 and S. W. Dempsey, 19-45 of the property, and so remained until sold to the Aetna Iron Works Co., in 1872. The managers were Quincey Rodgers and P. Ellington, jr.; the next, Andrew Dempsey, for five years; next, Jos. Dempsey, and in 1846 John Ellison was chief manager until about 1870, when he put the management in C. W. Amos' hands who continued until some time after the property was sold to the Aetna Iron Works Co. The furnace had run as cold blast for many years and changed to be hot blast about 1865, and in 1875 was again changed to cold blast. Its average cold blast was about 9 tons per day. It has made over 3,000 tons of iron in one year but not made that on an average; on cold blast about 1800 to 2000 per year. Source: Ironton Register August 25, 1904 by Thos. A. Walton.

Aid - Aid Tp. - Named after the township. The Post Office was named Marion.

***Aid Township** - Mr. Haymaker went to Esq. Wm. Burk who was justice of the peace for Symmes Township and asked him to write a petition to have T. 4, R. 17 made into a Township. Esq. Burk wrote the petition and asked Mr. Haymaker what he wanted it called. Haymaker said he wanted a short name as he expected to be justice of the peace of it. He said he thought Aid would be a good name. His petition was granted and an election ordered to be held at Sharps house (on what is now called Sharps creek). Haymaker ran for justice of the peace and was beaten by Thos. Lambert. He said that if they

would elect an old fool that could not write his name instead of an educated man he would leave the county and he did so.

Early History:

In 1880 the first cabin was built by Captain John, a red man and Andy Friend, a white man. They were both squatters, and made their living by hunting and trapping along John's Creek. The first actual settlement, however, was made at Marion, in 1815, but the town of Marion was not laid out until 1840.

Some of the first settlers of this Township were Nathan Payton, John Cannon, William Nelson, Lawrence Delawter, Joshua Willis, William Pents, Isaac Payton, Cornelius Clark, John Russell and Richard Sharp.

Marion and Isaac Delawter, in 1812 built the first grist mill, which was a one-story log building and run by horse power. In 1837, Simlow Shutor built the first saw mill.

John Vermillion and Elizabeth Coofston were married in 1818, which marriage was the first in the Township.

In 1823, this Township was organized by Adam Haymaker, and the first election was held the same year.

The Township contains 36 sections of which 6 and 7 are fractional. The principal streams are Symmes Creek, Sharps Creek, Aaron Creek, John's Creek and Elkins Creek.

The first post office was Aid post office at Marion.

William Gillen taught the first school in 1820, on the right-hand fork of Storms Creek. The house was a log cabin with neither floor nor windows. There were 11 school houses in the Township, ten of which were one-story frame and one a two-story frame.

The first church was organized one mile northeast of Marion on Storms Creek by Adam Dickey, a Methodist minister, and its first members were Mrs. Dickey, Hannah and Tabby Blankenship, Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Lambert and Tabby Cooper.

The third church organized was the United Brethren, by Isaac Payton, and the first Sabbath school was organized in 1847, with a membership of 32 scholars.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Aid Township:

Jefferson Walburn, Captain

William Wilson, 1st Lt.

Wilson Clark, 2nd Lt.

Aldridge Hollow -

Alice Furnace - Upper Tp. - Alice Furnace was built in 1875 by Etna Iron Works. Alice Furnace was named for the daughter of George Willard. Blanche Furnace was named for Blanche McGovney. In the Spring of 1873, the company erected on the river bank, just above the city of Ironton, two hot blast coke furnaces, the "Alice" and the "Blanche." These furnaces are what is known as the Ferrie Patent Self-Coking Furnaces.

IR Feb. 20, 1873 - Location of the New Furnace.

Our readers will be gratified to learn that the question of the new furnace to be built by the Etna Iron Works has been settled and that Ironton is surely the lucky place. The Directors met last Tuesday evening and decided upon the Kemp lands near the Old Hecla Landing, scarcely a half mile above the corporation line. The tract of land which

they have secured is about fifteen acres. The company purchased from Thos. and C. T. M. Kemp, and about five acres from John A. Witman. Every one will concede the excellence this action of the Directors. The site chosen is near the upper terminus of the Iron Railroad and is favorably situated in reference to river landing. There was much anxiety felt in this community upon this subject, and the fear lest the institution would be located out on the railroad, or some miles below town, prompted much speculation on the matter.

Alshear - A south branch of Buckeye was called Alshear. Named for an old man who was called Hapshaer (Alshire) had a small improvement at its mouth.

Altop Hollow -

Andis - Lawrence Tp. - Andis Post Office.

Ankrim's Run - First known as Kerrs Run. Named after Samuel Ankrim who later owned the land first owned by Thos. Kerr.

***Arabia** - Mason Tp. - Arabia, or as it is sometimes called "Bradshaw's Mills," has been laid out in town lots and will, it is presumed, assume the more romantic name of Rising Sun. We hope the Rising Sunners will have a big city and a railroad. If it beats Ironton the latter, out goes the county seat. Ironton Register, March 26, 1868.

Asbury Creek - Symmes Tp.

Athalia - Rome Tp. - John Tierman laid out a town above the mouth of Two Mile Creek and named it Athalia, in honor of his daughter of that name. - The petition of people of Athalia for incorporation of that village was acted upon (by the Commissioners) and the village was incorporated. Ironton Register, June 9, 1887.

IR Oct. 1, 1885 - Our village is adorned with a new school house. Clark Bros. bought the old building for \$45. They will move it to the lot their store stands on.

***Back Creek** - Mason Tp.

***Baker's Fork** - A branch of Dollarhide fork on which Mr. Baker lived.

Bald Knob -

Ballards Mills. - The mill was built by Jno. Ballard and his brothers.

Bardsley Landing - Rome Tp.

Barnhart Hollow -

Bark Lick - Bark lick was named from the bark camp and screen built near the licks to shoot deer from.

***Bartles** - Elizabeth Tp. - Formerly known as Steece.

Bartles Station - Elizabeth Tp. - Post office was Steece.

***Bartramville** - Union Tp. - Bartramville is the name of Post Office at McCaffrey's store on Guyan. Takes its name from being near the old place settled by Mr. Bartram, father of M. S., when he first came to this county. Bartramville Post Office.

IR Aug. 28, 1890 - Bartramville - This place gets the name from the father of our old and long-trusted auditor, whose home was in the community for a number of years. This is one of the pleasant farming communities among the hills of this county. It was here in this community that old father, B. F. Wakefield reared his family and sent them out upon life's mission. Two are now in Missouri, one in Kansas, one in Marietta, and five are here in this community. Of the five in this community, two are the wives of well-to-do farmers, Messrs. C. and H. Forgey; and the one named for himself, B. F. Wakefield, has the old homestead with their mother. Miss Cora is one of our efficient teachers, and J. D. is studying for the medical profession. The two in Missouri are successful farmers, the one in Kansas is a mechanic, doing well, and the one in Marietta is the wife of a professional man. To rear as large a family as this and see them taking hold of the duties of life and making an honorable record for themselves, is, to your correspondent's mind, the greatest achievement allowed to man. Who can conceive of the possibilities to be reached by the members of such a family! Let them choose the God of their father, and He will lead them.

Old father Wakefield was one of the number who secured the erection of old Windsor Chapel here on the hill. While Allison was building the Oak Ridge Furnace, and the Democratic Party was bending its energies to put James Buchanan into the White House, father Wakefield with others was striving to secure a house in which to worship God. "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace."

C. Forgey has two farms under his control - his own here in this community and the late M. Forgey's up on the river above Labelle; hence he would, if possible, make two men out of himself and he can come as near doing that as the next one. His oldest son, Jesse, has just returned from the South, and comes in to make his father's efforts a success on that score. Mr. Forgey's mother is still living, and is an active lady yet although she was born in 1800. ...

David Kitts has added to his real estate by the purchase of another farm lying on the top of the hill between his home and Proctorville.

It is only six or seven miles from here to Proctorville, yet the people have to cross more hills to get to the river than the people of Marion have to cross to get to Ironton.

Peter Dillon, who now owns the farm formerly owned by Winchester Wakefield, has built himself a commodious residence on the opposite side of the creek from where the Wakefield residence stood, that was burned down several years ago. The old grist and saw mill that formerly stood near where the residence stood, is entirely gone, and the field that constituted the logway for the mill is now covered with waving corn, so that the "lay of the land" is all that is left of the Winchester Wakefield homestead, as known some years ago. These are some of the changes that old father Time is constantly making in our midst. Stanton.

Bay's Bottom - Gallia County - The post office was Millersport (1868). Has been known as Rankins Point, Hell's Half Acre &c. Ironton Journal, March 4, 1868 states that a gentleman by the name of Sidell has purchased the dwelling and storehouse formerly owned by Wm. Rankins. The obituary of Mrs. Sarah

Bay Smith in the Ironton Register, January 16, 1902, states that she was born May 17, 1841 in what is known as Bay's Bottom. Today it is known as Crown City.

Beach Grove - Located near Suiter.

***Bear Creek** - Runs through Decatur and Union Townships. There was a large she bear that had a den on a branch of Indian Guyan. She was hard to get. Several hunters searched for her, she was shot at several times, and was finally killed by a man who was not an expert hunter, and this gave him a name and the branch the name bear creek.

Bear Den - East of Vesuvius about one and a half miles. Famous in early history of Lawrence county for having been the location where the last bear was killed. Ironton Register, Feb. 13, 1879 - Bear Den. - About one mile from Vesuvius furnace is a singular place, known as the Bear's Den. It is a subterranean cavern which has never yet been explored. In early times, bears were frequently killed in the cave. W. D. Kelly informs us that his father killed five bears there. Stumbo, DeLong, and other pioneers have had numerous battles there with old Bruin. In latter years, it has been the safe retreat for wild cats and foxes. Explorers and hunters have never yet ventured in to a great distance than 100 feet. It seems the bears never went further than that, and then offered their resistance to the bold hunters. But beyond this point, the cave is said to extend mysteriously, though the exploration of it is by no means impossible. We hear that an exploring party will probably be organized to go out and examine the den to its furthest limits. The party will be provided with ropes, ladders, pick axes, and divers implements and weapons, to give the cavern a most thorough search.

Bear Run -

Beech Branch - Also known as Slate Run.

***Beech Creek** - Symmes Tp.

Beech Fork -

Beechwood Park - Upper Tp. - Located in Ironton near the High School.

Belfont Furnace - Upper Tp. - Was built in Ironton in 1867 by the Belfont Iron Works.

IR Oct. 1, 1885 - Belfont Furnace. - Fire was started in Belfont stack, last Tuesday, for the purpose of drying it out. The stack has been entirely overhauled - new hearth, inwall and lining complete. The hearth and top have been reduced a little but the bosh remains the same. The furnace is now supposed to be in better fix than ever before. It has also a new bell. The furnace will probably start this Fall sometime. The company have about 18,000 tons of ore at their mines, which they will work up, if business gets so they can do it. They have no coke as yet.

Ben Howell Road - Route 93. Named for Benjamin Howell, a landowner there.

***Bent Creek** - Union Tp. - Bent Creek was so named by the surveyors from the number of times it crossed the section line, and the number of directions its branches ran.

***Big Branch - Union Tp.** - On the west side of Symme's Creek was named "Wilson's Branch." On the west fork of it was called Chinn Branch. The whole creek was called by the surveyor's "Big Branch."

Big Cannon's Creek -

Big Creek

Big Etna Furnace - Upper Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio was built in 1872 by the Etna Iron Works. This included the Alice and Blanche Stacks.

Big Spring Creek

***Binion Hollow - Decatur Tp.**

***Black Fork - Washington Tp.**

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Blankenship's Landing - Symmes Tp.

Blodget's Run - First known as Red River; also known as Ned's Branch. See Red River.

Bloom Switch Road

***Bluegrass Ridge - Aid Tp.**

Blue Hollow - Pedro area.

Boat Yard - Union Tp. - On former years there was a number of flat-boats constantly on the stocks, being built above and below the mouth of the drain, called Skin Creek, which runs near Bradrick Chapel. This bank from the fence to the river and from near the mouth of Indian Guyan down to the mouth of Snake Creek was called "Boat Yard." This tract of land or part of it was owned by L. D. Suiter, for many years. He and others had built here a great many flatboats, which, when sold, brought many dollars into the county.

Bowling Green Quarter - The quarter section, southeast quarter of section 26, township 2, range 16, was called Bowling Green quarter, because there was grass green on it the year around except in extreme cold weather.

Bradrick - Union Tp. - It was formerly known by the name of Indian Guyan and Bradricksville, and was a river landing. It has long been a business locality. In an early day, many boats and barges were here. The lumber was obtained from a saw mill located a short distance up the Indian Guyan, and, also, one about three miles from the mouth of Symmes Creek. All traces of these mills have long passed away, and the generation who carried on this industry have gone to join the great majority. Ironton Register, September 15, 1887.

Bradricksville - Union Tp. - Was named for Samuel Bradrick, a Methodist Episcopal Preacher of this circuit for whom the chapel and post office were named, because of the esteem of the citizens of that place for him.

1888 Bradricksville

W. G. Smith, Post Master

Miss Angie Davison, will teach the Bradrick School

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IR July 23, 1863 - **The Raiders in Lawrence County.**

We learn from Edmund Brammer, Esq., who lives in the neighborhood, that on Tuesday afternoon last, a squad of Morgan's men, numbering 41, made their appearance in Lawrence county, near Sand Fork of Symmes Creek, and after getting their breakfast at Wm. Null's passed on to Bradshaw's Mill, where they tried to pass themselves off as Union scouts. From Bradshaw's Mill, they went to Greasy Ridge, stole a horse from of the Corns, and secured two guides - whether by compulsion or voluntarily, we know not - to conduct them to the river, distant of some ten miles. Thomas Tagg and Thomas Higgins were the guides. They struck off from Greasy Ridge nearly east to "Hell's Half Acre," opposite Jenkins' farm.

Before they got to the river, the militia had overtaken them, and flanked them on one side, and with the assistance of a portion of the 91st Ohio, and 9th Virginia, succeeded in capturing 33 of the rascals. Eight attempted to swim the river; six got over, and two drowned. On the route from Greasy Ridge, the rebels murdered Dr. Clark, of Greasy Ridge, under the following circumstances: He, with others, totally unarmed, was riding along after the rebels, for what purpose is unknown, when the rebels taking him for one of the militia, stepped off into the bushes, and as the Dr. came up, they fired at him, shooting through the breast. He fell from his horse, and jumped to his feet, and a rebel stepped out and caught him by the arm. He died instantly.

***Branch Hollow** - Decatur Tp.

***Brandy Run** - Washington Tp.

Bridgeport

Broad Hollow - The first branch of Turkey Fork was named by the hunters, "Broad Hollow," because its bottom was wide or broad. In this hollow grew a large number of very large beech trees. On two of the trees was engraved the picture of an Indian with a bow and arrow both pointing to a certain point. An old Indian down south told some men that these Indians were pointing towards a lead mine, in which the Indians procured their lead. The old Indian accurately described the place and country. In this hollow,

Col. Miller and Esq. Sprouse, procured lead for bullets, when it was not convenient for them to get at the other mines, but they said it was too hard to make good bullets. Before white men lived on this side of the river, a man, whose name may have been Goss, was captured by the Indians and brought over here, into their territory. There were three Indians who had him in custody. They were on the top of a ridge when two of them left him and went for lead. They started in a different direction from where the lead was, but Goss did not know this. After they had gone a deer came by the other Indian and the Indian started in pursuit of it. As soon as he was out of sight, Goss started, in an opposite direction to what the two Indians did, and ran down the hill at full speed; at the foot of the hill he saw it was steep and gave a leap alighting close to the two Indians who were getting lead. He saw that there was no chance for his escape, so he told the Indians that the other one had gone and left him, and he was afraid of being lost, so he came to them. They accepted his story as true and allowed him liberty and soon afterward, having his gun and an opportunity to escape, he did so; took his trail to the lead mine, then down the hollow and crossed the river at the shoals, and thence eastward to the white settlements. Many years afterwards, Mr. Goss stopped at Gen. Fuller's and told his narrative and said it was the shoal which he crossed and so accurately described the place where the Indians got their lead that Gen. Fuller said it was undoubtedly in Broad Hollow.

Brookdale

***Brushy Branch** - Mason Tp.

***Brushy Buckeye Creek** - Symmes Tp. - Aid, Waterloo area.

Brushy Creek -

***Brushy Fork** - Decatur and Washington Townships.

Buck Creek - Located within a few rods of Long Creek is Buck Creek, so named for the large buck killed on it.

***Buckeye Creek** - Mason Tp. - East side of Long Creek. So named by the hunters; the principle timber near its mouth being Buckeye. Also for the buckeye troughs used in the sugar camp.

Buckeye Creek Road - Ironton Register, December 16, 1875 says the Commissioners refused to order the establishment of Buckeye and Panther Creek Road.

Buckeye Fork

Buck Grove - Had a school house there near Platform (1894).

***Buckhorn** - Decatur Tp.

Buckhorn Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1833 By: JAMES & FINDLEY Daily ton was 15, the stack 32 Feet. It was a hot blast charcoal furnace. From 1840-1843 (2 ½ years) John Peters, Sr., along with J. O. Willard, leased Buckhorn Furnace. John Peters, Sr., was the manager. Ironton Register, July 13, 1899 - The Buckhorn Furnace, the property of McGugin & Co., Olive Furnace Post Office, Ohio, will probably be started in the near future. It is some time since the stack was operated. It is 38x10 and has a capacity of 8,000 tons annually. The Olive Furnace of the same firm is in operation and will run regularly. *American Manufacturer.*

Buckhorn Hill - IR Oct. 4, 1900 - Squire Calloway, a colored resident of this city, mysteriously disappeared about a year ago. He was traced as far as Buckhorn hill this county, but there all trace of him was lost. ...

***Buckhorn Hollow** - Decatur Tp.

***Buffalo Creek** - Runs through Washington, Symmes, Union and Fayette Townships - On the creek called Buffalo, was killed a large female buffalo when there were but few in the country; there was much talk about this buffalo and finally the stream on it was called "Buffalo Creek."

Buffalo Fork

***Burlington** - Fayette Tp. - The town was originally located on lands owned by John Ferguson and Wm. Elkins, and was owned at that time by E. B. Greene, now known as the Delta, the school house and church of that name being on or nearby the same land. There were several log cabins erected, but the question of title arose, and upon examination, they concluded to move their location and selected the present site; John Davidson and William Burton each giving 25 acres of land, in all 50 acres, which now composes the present town of Burlington. Several of the houses which had been built on the Delta lands were torn down and hauled to and erected at the new place, which was named Burlington for a Burlington in Vermont. Ironton Register July 11, 1895. Burlington was named by E. B. Greene and Carpus Clark for Burlington, Vt., and Carpus Clark and S. M. Browning named Burlington, Iowa, for our chief town. Burlington was organized in March of 1817 as the county seat of Lawrence county. Burlington was the only post office in the county until 1821. Thomas Kerr was the first postmaster. Burlington was the first town laid out. The brick tavern at Burlington, was the first brick house. The first road surveyed was from Burlington to the mouth of Symmes.

First Post Masters:

Thomas Kerr
Solomon Buckley
Samuel Browning
Dr. Camilius Hall

***Burlington-Walmart Plaza** - Fayette Tp. - Named in 1990's when the Walmart Plaza shopping center was established there.

Bushy Creek - May be same as Brushy Creek.

Buzzard Rock - Back of Ironton was so named because a buzzard built a nest there.

Buzzard's Roost - Buzzard's Roost, near Hanging Rock, was so called on account of the number of buzzards that formerly roosted on it while the timber yet stood. The buzzards make no nest but lay two eggs on a rock or bare ground.

Cabbage Patch - The late Don Brammer, Chesapeake, called the little area above Burlington and below Sybene, "Cabbage Patch". I never did know why he called it this - smk.

Cade Hollow

California Hollow - Perry Tp.

California Rocks - Union Tp. - Coryville, named after Dr. Cory, of Ironton, was formerly known as the California Rocks. This locality is known to steamboatmen from one end of the river to the other. It derives its name from the steamer California. This craft was wrecked in the river here by colliding with the steamer Isaac Newton, in the year 1848. This was before signals were used. The California was descending the river laden with the wealth of the East, which had then to be transported by water. On board were many passengers. She had made a landing at Indian Guyan, had got out into the river again and was proceeding on her way when she met the Newton coming up with a full head of steam. The usual fearful consequence resulted, and all was terror and confusion. Twenty lives were lost. Most of the goods were recovered in a damaged condition. The dead were buried among the rocks, far from friends and home. Costly silks and satins were spread out on the rocks to dry. By the aid of a diving bell all the goods except the iron safe were recovered. The safe containing many thousands of dollars still lies beneath the placid waters of the beautiful river, and but few are left to inquire about the terrible tragedy enacted at the base of this little village. The Newton was said to be a wild boat, commanded by Capt. Hopkins and piloted by Tom Hamilton, with whom she had run away.

***Cambria Creek** - Washington Tp.

***Campbell** - Decatur Tp. - Campbell Post Office. Possibly named for Hiram Campbell who owned a great portion of this township at one time.

Campbell Hill - back of Ironton, belongs to Nixon and Miller, and they have made it into two great pastures. ... The hill is an interesting place, very romantic in spots and affording interesting views of Ironton and the river. At one place there are great cracks in the hill made by the sinking of the earth into the big coal entry that penetrates the center of the hill. Mr. Nixon tells us he intends to cut off the trees on the side of the hill to give the pasture a chance. That is business, but it will rob the hill of its greatest interest to the citizens of Ironton. "Woodsman, spare that tree." IR 26 may 1887.

IR Nov. 12, 1885 – Purchased – Col. Gray, D. Nixon and Thos. Miller have bought the "Campbell hill" back of Ironton. It contains 115 acres and has on it 11 houses and stables, good, bad and indifferent, and 900 apple trees, bearing and barren. The price paid was \$2,700. This property was once owned by John Campbell but was sold, last winter, at Assignee's sale and bought in by a syndicate of creditors. It contains a quantity of coal, and the big orchard is worth something but the chief value lies in its pasturage. It is dirt cheap at the price paid.

***Camp Branch** - Mason Tp. - Branch above Buckeye on the west is Camp Branch which derived its name from a camp which was built near its mouth by some hunters, and afterwards there was a large sugar camp on it.

Camphouse Hollow

***Cannons Creek** - Elizabeth Tp. - Cannons Creek named for John Cannon who lived near its mouth. A tributary of Pine Creek. John Cannon married Ruth Cumpston.

Carmon Hollow

***Carpenter Creek** - Symmes Tp.

***Caulley Creek** - Symmes Tp.

Ceebee - Initials of C. B. Dillon who resided there.

***Cecil Hollow** - Elizabeth Tp.

Cedar Cliff Hollow

Cemetery Lane - Upper Tp. - Ironton Register, August 27, 1874 - The Trustees of Upper township have appointed T. I. Murdock, M. B. Gates and Sam Sparling, views on the road petitioned for by the Cemetery Trustees and others. The road is only a little strip of about 400 yards in length running from near the school house in Adams' Lane, across Ice Creek to the Cemetery grounds. The 2nd day of September is the time of view.

Centenary Hill - On Route 243 back of Coal Grove.

Center Furnace - Also spelled Centre Furnace.

Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1836 By: Wm. Carpenter & Others

Daily Ton: 16 Stack: 40 Feet Blast: Charcoal

IR Apr. 14, 1892 - An Old Timer ...letter from Amos Carpenter... "My father (Wm. Carpenter), Fred Bartles, John Steece, Joseph Huffman and Wm. Wolf built Center furnace in 1836 and sold it to Robt. Hamilton, Jas. Rodgers and Wm. Shirer."

William D. Kelly leased Centre Furnace from 1862-1867 and made money. Another article stated that he bought Centre Furnace in 1862. (need to verify) Center Furnace was once the home of the Superior Cement Company.

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Lindsey Kelly to Ironton A. Kelly, one-twelfth of Centre Furnace, \$3,866; Lindsey Kelly to Wm. D. Kelly, one-twelve of Centre Furnace, \$3,866; Wm. D. Kelly to Lindsey Kelly, 1/2 of Grant Furnace, \$1; Wm. D. Kelly to Ironton A. Kelly, 1/2 of Grant Furnace, \$1; Wm. D. Kelly to James Craig, lots 50, 51, and 52, W. D. Kelly add. to Ironton \$350.

Center Station - Decatur Tp.

Center Township - First known as Centerville Township. Name changed in 1821-22 to Rome Township.

Centerville Township - This indicates that all north of Union Township was called Centerville Township, which formerly indicated all territory back from the river and above Strums Creek.

Chafin Mills - see Sand Fork.

***Charley Creek** - Fayette Tp.

Charred Hollow -

Cherrington - Between Grant Town and ?

Cherryville - Aid Tp.

Some Residents

1896 - Rev. M. Warren, Miss Lillian Jones, Thos. Markin, W. J. Thornton, G. H. Roush; Edward Payne, Edward Warner...

***Chesapeake** - Union Tp. - Named for the ship on which Captain James Lawrence fell mortally wounded. Lawrence County was named after Commodore James Lawrence.

Chinn Branch - The west fork of the west side of Symmes was called Chinn Branch for Wm. Chinn, an old Scotchman who lived on it. The whole creek was called by the surveyors "Big Branch."

Clarkson Hollow - May be in Gallia County.

***Clean Fork** - Rome Tp.

Coal Drain McKinney's Creek - There was coal in the bed of a small stream which emptied into Symmes at Fish Trap which the surveyor's called Coal Drain McKinney Creek.

Coalford - Former name of Sheridan Coal Works. This famous vein of coal was first discovered by L. R. Chatfield, who lived a short distance up Lick Creek.

***Coal Grove** - Upper Tp. - Named for the grove of trees that were there in early history. Also known as Hill's Store, Petersburg and Monitor. Ironton Register, June 26, 1890 - The Common Pleas Court has changed the name of Petersburg to Coalgrove.

IR Jan. 16, 1902 - Big fire - 22 families were rendered homeless: John Sherman, Jesse Runyan, John Fuggitt, Jon Ruggles, Arch Thompson, Robert Humphreys, John Gannon, Henry Artis, Grandma Sissler, John Price, Tom Wilson, Arch Bell, Saul Hammond, Mrs. Thompson, Nathan Jenkins, Tom Achison, Lemuel Platt, Levi Gammon, Thomas Huddle, Oscar Thompson.

Coffee Creek - Windsor Tp.

Coffee-Tea Branch

***Coffee-Tea Creek** - Aid Tp. - Above Aaron's Creek on the west side, a small creek which heads in Sects. 35,36 T. 5, R. 17 and Sec. 1-2 T. 4, Range 17. It is said that some years ago a woman living on this branch who was rather hard up for funds and who was over anxious for her husband to save money to buy land made her coffee very weak, so much so that two men who ate dinner at their house had a dispute as to whether they had tea or coffee for dinner. One said it tasted like coffee and the other said it was too pale for coffee and must be tea; they finally agreed to call it coffee-tea and thus named it Coffee-Tea branch.

Cold Springs Farm - Beyond Etna about one-half mile was one of the most beautiful summer resorts owned by Col. George Noah Gray.

Collins Coal Company Road

***Cooney Branch** - Elizabeth Tp.

Conway Town - At the end of a railroad branch a number of families, called Conway lived and from it the town was named Conway. Located on Vesuvius Road. Ironton Register, March 2, 1899.

Corbin Creek - Lawrence Tp.

Coryville (note Lawrence County had two Coryvilles) - Union Tp. - Coryville, named after Dr. Cory, of Ironton, was formerly known as the California Rocks. This locality is known to steamboatmen from one end of the river to the other. It derives its name from the steamer California. This craft was wrecked in the river here by colliding with the steamer Isaac Newton, in the year 1848. This was before signals were used. The California was descending the river laden with the wealth of the East, which had then to be transported by water. On board were many passengers. She had made a landing at Indian Guyan, had got out into the river again and was proceeding on her way when she met the Newton coming up with a full head of steam. The usual fearful consequence resulted, and all was terror and confusion. Twenty lives were lost. Most of the goods were recovered in a damaged condition. The dead were buried among the rocks, far from friends and home. Costly silks and satins were spread out on the rocks to dry. By the aid of a diving bell all the goods except the iron safe were recovered. The safe containing many thousands of dollars still lies beneath the placid waters of the beautiful river, and but few are left to inquire about the terrible tragedy enacted at the base of this little village. The Newton was said to be a wild boat, commanded by Capt. Hopkins and piloted by Tom Hamilton, with whom she had run away.

***Coryville** - Upper Tp. - Named for Dr. B. F. Corey who laid out Coryville and Old Maidsville. See his obituary in Ironton Register, Feb. 2, 1905.

Cox's School House - Windsor Tp.

Crabtree Hollow -

Crane's Nest - Elizabeth Tp. - A tributary of Pine Creek. So named because a crane built a nest in a hollow sycamore tree on it each year for a number of years. Later known as Lawrence Furnace.

Crane's Nest Hollow - Elizabeth Tp.

Crazy Hollow - Pedro area. School Teacher at the Crazy Hollow School in 1893 was B. C. Dovel.

Cronacher Hill - Upper Tp. - Today it houses the Ironton Hills Shopping Center.

Crowe Ridge -

Crown City - In Gallia County just over the Lawrence County line. Known as Bay's Bottom, Rankins Point and Hell's Half Acre.

Culbertson - Elizabeth Tp. - Culbertson Post Office. In existence in 1886.

Cummings Hollow

Cutright's Mill - Located on Porter Gap Road.

Darby Creek

Dean Hollow

***Dean State Forest** - Decatur Tp.

Dearing - Perry Tp. - Dearing Post Office.

Decatur Township - Decatur Township was named for the celebrated Naval Commander. Organized June 6, 1820 from part of Elizabeth Tp.

Early History:

Among the earliest settlers of this township were George W. Flower, who settled here in 1841, and Jefferson Morris in 1850. In the year 1882, there were five school houses in the township, but the township had no post office.

John and Sarah Little came to Lawrence County in 1850 and settled in Decatur Township. Their son, Richard B., married Harriet N. Stewart. Richard, a farmer, served as enumerator of the township in 1880.

Mary Jane Spencer, Junior, was born in Decatur Township, March 12, 1860, the daughter of George and Mary Jane Spencer, settlers of Lawrence County in 1857. She was a school teacher...In 1880-82 she taught several terms in this township and had an average of thirty-eight pupils.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia**Decatur Township**

1st District - L. C. Nevis, Captain

N. K. Hanley, 1st Lt.

William Mountain, 2nd Lt.

2nd District - G. W. Flower, Captain

P. Bailey, 1st Lt.

B. H. Burr, 2nd Lt.

Deep Cut Road - Once known as Yellow Branch.

Deering -

***De Loss Creek** - Lawrence Tp.

Delta - Perry Tp. - Prior to construction of the industrial complex in 1941 Buckeye Ordnance Works, Delta Lane stretched from the hills, where Sand Road and Willow Branch Road joined, to the county highway. The junction there developed into a left-right forked pattern of wagon ruts which formed the Greek letter for "Delta," hence its name. Since then, Delta Lane has been relocated along what was once Fulton's Lane and connects to County Road One to U.S.52. Source: The History of South Point Village by Art Ferguson.

Dennison's Branch - The creek that enters Symmes from the east side near the camp grounds was called Dennison's Branch, for Capt. Jonathan Dennison who settled on it in an early day.

***Derifield Hollow** - Perry Tp.

Devil's Den - Symmes Tp. - One mile from Sherritts. It was a noted scenery of Lawrence county. But we are glad to say, you can visit in safety as the Devil is never at home, for he always has business in

other places. Named after the wildcat and catamount that lived in the dens. Dick ___ lost a steer and after some days found it in a very rocky rough place in s. 27, t 5, r 17, and when found was nearly starved to death. Dick gave it the name of Devils Den. This place was a resort for people who want to view nice scenery, or gather flowers. 'Tis said that flowers grow earlier there than anywhere else. The rocks and scenery are grand.

***Dicks Creek** - Lawrence and Windsor Townships - Named for James Dick, who built a cabin by the point of rocks by its mouth. Post Office was at Millville.

Dilley Branch - The widow Dilley gave this branch its name.

Dillon City - (written about in 1917 paper - society news)

Dillon Ridge

***Dirty Fork** - Rome Tp.

Dobbstown - Windsor Tp.

***Dog Fork** - Lawrence Tp. - Also known as North Fork, sometimes Little Guyan, and sometimes Dog Fork, the last because the dogs ate the meal out of the mill hopper. Another story was that Dog Fork was named from a dog fight of a number of dogs there.

Resident:

1896 - Edward Jenkins

Dogham Bar - Also known as Dogham Ripple. In the first settlement of the country the people did not keep their hogs up, but let them run out and get their own living and frequently did not even feed them food to fatten them, but one man who had a claim that is, who had carved a broad spot out into the woods, would kill what hogs he could find near his improvement, when he wanted to kill them. Esq. J. Bowen, had a claim and would kill, in the fall all hogs he could find, hitch a horse to the hog, haul it home and scald it, and take off what hair would come, but owing to the long distance he sometimes had to haul them and then make a fire, carry the water and heat it, all taking so much time that sometimes the hair would set, and he could get only part of it off. He sold whisky and pork to the boatmen. Some of the hogs were very small and lean especially when there was no mash. Some boatmen bought some of those small hams that had some hair on, and said that they were dog hams. It soon got "noised around" among the boatmen and they gave the bar which is in the river near where he then lived, the name "Dogham" bar or "Dogham" ripple.

Dogham Ripple - Named by a boatman who bought hams of Esq. Bowen, who lived near the bar. He said they were so small he believed they were doghams. Bowen sold them dog hams representing that it was a saddle of venison.

Dollarhide Creek - Was named for Wm. Dollarhide who settled on it.

***Drift Creek** - Lawrence Tp. - Named for the great quantity of drift wood at its mouth in Symmes Creek, so much having accumulated that it had created islands in the creek and in one or two places changed the bed of the creek.

Dry Ridge -

Duncan's Landing - IR Aug. 25, 1859 - On last Friday night (19th inst.) about 11 o'clock, Benj. Frederick was robbed at Duncan's Landing in this county, about two miles above Symmes creek. He had a lot of wheat on a flat boat, and was watching for a steamboat to ship it up the river. - While sitting near the boat, two men with their faces blocked approached him. He sprung up to his feet, but they both took hold of him, one with a pistol, the other with a large knife, and they forcibly took from him six \$20 gold pieces, once \$2 1/2, and some silver, all the money about him at the time. They then left him, and before a pursuit could be made had escaped. Frederick is from Columbiana county. Wm. M. Suiter and Wm. Duncan gives us this statement.

Easter Hollow

East Ironton – IR Nov. 1, 1877 – We are informed by Dr. Mathews that Mrs. George Bare, who lives in East Ironton, became the mother of three bouncing babies, last Monday. There were two girls and one boy, and they weighed four pounds each, and everybody doing well. This is the first case of triplets that ever transpired in this balliwick.

Ebenezer

Eckhart Hollow - An unofficial name given a branch of Sugar Creek Road. Located on Rt. 141 across from the Rock Hill Middle School. Star Route.

Edgemeade

Edgemont

Elizabeth Township - Elizabeth Township was named for Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton. Organized June 4, 1817. By 1895, there were 14 schools in Elizabeth Township. Ironton Register, March 3, 1892 - Elizabeth Township Divided. - The County Board of Election met and divided Elizabeth Township into two election precincts. The division is made by a north and south line, between sections 5 and 6, about a mile west of Lawrence furnace. The voting place of the west division will be at the Fox Hollow school house; and in the east division, near Etna furnace. The Board did right in dividing the township.

Early History:

The first settlement in this Township was made at Kelley's Mill, and here also was the location of the first and only post office.

In 1837 the first saw mill was built on Pine Creek.

Sections 12, 14, 18, 19, 20 and 21 in range 19 are fractional. In Section 7, Range 19, the first school was taught.

The first election was held in Section 16, in 1821.

St. Mary's Church in Pine Grove was organized in 1849, and the Presbyterian Church at the same place was organized in 1835.

The land throughout the Township is very hilly, covered with sand rock, iron ore, limestone, and coal. Pine Creek, emptying into the Ohio River, Little Pine Creek emptying into Big Pine, and Hales Creek are the principal streams.

In March 1803, Scioto and Gallia Counties were formed, and the eastern boundary of Adams County was taken as the dividing line between the two counties, hence the whole of Lawrence County was in Gallia County, except for a few small sections in the eastern part of Elizabeth Township, which belonged to Scioto County.

On December 20, 1816, Lawrence created a separate organization.

On April 12, 1817, James Webb was first Justice of the Peace. First marriage recorded was between James Ferguson and Elizabeth McCoy, April 11, 1817.

Furnaces in Elizabeth Township - Centre, Vesuvius, Old Union, Pine Grove, Empire, Lawrence, Etna.

Transportation included: turnpike, tramway, railroad, roads.

There were no churches and no cemeteries in Elizabeth Township at this time.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Elizabeth Township

1st District - George N. Gray, Captain

J. W. Halliday, 1st Lt.

Isaac Yates, 2nd Lt.

2nd District

Thomas Crantz, Captain

F. M. Harrison, 1st Lt.

Frederick Locy, 2nd Lt.

October 1885 - The Elizabeth Township Teachers Association was organized. Miss Hattie Vinton, of Pinegrove, is Secretary and J. W. Cox, Chairman.

***Elkins Creek** - Aid Tp. - Elkins Creek was named for Marvel Elkins who lived on it and hunted on it.

Ellison - Elizabeth Tp. - IR Oct. 23, 1873 - From Vesuvius...Sporting is still the order of the day in our adjacent little village, called Ellison. ..We hope that the good citizens, of a flourishing and promising little village, will hoot out all proceedings and promulgate the truths of Christianity; raise a subscription; build a church and pronounce the curse on all those, "who giveth their neighbor drink and putteth the bottle to his lips and maketh him drunken also."

Ellisonville - Elizabeth Tp. - Was near Vesuvius Furnace.

***Ellisonville Creek** - Elizabeth Tp.

***Ellsworth Ridge** - Mason Tp.

Enochs Branch - Windsor Tp.

Ensee - Initials of Nelson Cox.

Residents: U. T. Cox 1902 newspaper

Enterprise - Perry Tp.

Essex - IR Dec. 24, 1903 - Luther A. Arthur returned Sunday from Essex, where he has been visiting his grandfather for the past week.

Etna - Upper Tp.

Etna Furnace - Elizabeth Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1832 By: James Rodgers & Others. In 1820 Joseph and Kitty Dollarhide Kelly moved their family to this area where Etna Furnace was later

built. In 1832 Joseph Kelly sold this land to James Rodgers and others and built Etna Furnace. Joseph Kelly going into the company.

William Dollarhide Kelly, son of Joseph and Kitty Dollarhide Kelly, began his career as an Iron Man when he became a member of the firm of Dempsey, Rodgers & Co., proprietors of Etna Furnace in 1844.

Etna Station - Elizabeth Tp.

Fairgrounds - see Lawrence County Fairgrounds

Fairview Park - Upper Tp. - First known as Fleetwood Park. See Fleetwood Park.

Fall Hickory - Many years ago on Trace Fork stood the tallest hickory tree, for a great distance around that was the trace which lead from Guyan ripple to the Salt Springs on Salt Creek, a distance of about 50 miles. It was known to the old citizens, and all who traveled the trace, as the Fall Hickory.

Faulkner's Branch - Named for Rev. Jno. Faulkner, who for many years owned a large farm and lived on this branch.

Fayette Township - Fayette Township was named by Judges Miller and Davidson, who admired General De La Fayette. First settled in 1798.

Early History:

This Township was settled in 1798. The Davidson families, Kouns, Crawford, Freemans and Wards were among those who settled here between 1798 and 1828. Dr. C. S. Hall came in 1837. Many descendants of these families still live in the area.

The first school was built on Section 3, in 1812. Its seven or eight pupils were taught by John Phillips. They now have four Elementary Schools and one High School.

In 1817 Edward Tupper laid out the town of Burlington. It had the first Post Office, and because of the location, Lawrence County's first Court House.

In 1941 much of this fine farm land was purchased by the government for the Buckeye Ordnance Plant, which later became Nitrogen Division of Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation.

The First Baptist Church of South Point organized in 1823. Has since built a new church prior to 1966.

The town of Burlington and South Point were once on Route 52. They have now been by-passed by the new Route 52, a four-lane expressway, but they are easily reached by good access roads.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Fayette Township:

Lawson Drury, Captain

W. A. Campbell, 1st Lt.

G. K. Crawford, 2nd Lt.

***Federal Creek** - Rome Tp. - Federal creek was so called because Mr. John Miller, who lived at the mouth was a Federalist. See Miller's Bottom.

Ferguson's Run - Stream below Burlington was named Ferguson's Run for Mr. Ferguson the father of Jno. Ferguson.

Ferguson's Sandbar - Named after Vincent Ferguson who settled it in 1796.

Firebrick - Washington Tp. - The post office was located in the Donley Store with the post master being C. C. Donley. Firebrick was famous for its clay industries.

***Fisher Hollow** - Elizabeth Tp.

Fish Trap Shoals - The shoals above Big Branch was good fishing ground in an early day, fish were caught here in traps and thus derived the name Fish Trap Shoals.

***Fitch Hollow** - Windsor Tp.

Five Forks

Five Mile Creek - Tributary of Guyan and puts into stream near Bartramville. Five Mile Creek was named for the distance on the Trace Path from Guyandotte Ripple.

Fleetwood Park - Upper Tp. - Ironton Register, March 17, 1892 - Messrs. Jacob Emmons, L. D. Davis and William Clarke have leased the Fleetwood Park of T. I. Murdock and will fix it up and arrange the race track and the diamond field and will treat the citizens to some first class games and races this season. Ironton Register, March 24, 1892 - The name of "Fleetwood Park," has been changed to "Fairview Park," and the work of preparation for the races and ball games are being pushed rapidly forward.

Flemingsburg - Located just below Rockwood. Flemingsburg received its name from Fleming Booth, an old resident of that place, who was the blacksmith. It was an older town than Rockwood.

Forest Dale - Perry Tp. - Forestdale Post Office. The Post Master General has established a new post office at Johnstown, between Rock Camp and Forest Dale, to be known as Ice Creek P. O., with James Mayes as P. M. IJ July 28, 1869 - New Postoffice - Forest Dale is the name of a new post office, on the Marion road, beyond the Ballard-School house.

Residents:

1899 - Albert Steed, Irving Willis

Forest Glen - In existence in 1888.

Forest Ridge

***Four Mile Creek** - Union Tp. - Four Mile Creek was named for the distance on the Trace Path from Guyandotte Ripple.

Fox Hollow - Elizabeth Tp. - Formerly called Nance's. Located on the north side of Paddy Creek. So named for the many fox dens on it. A man often went fox hunting, claiming that the foxes had killed the wife's hens and part of her roosters and carried them up this hollow to their den, said he tracked feathers to the fox dens, but the boys, or young men said he was the fox and a widow's house - the den. So it was called Fox Hollow.

Fox Hollow Road - Was established at the Commissioner's meeting, see Ironton Register, December 16, 1875.

Frampton - When Col. A. Kouns sent to Washington to have a post office established at this place he sent several names for the post office but there were post offices by the same name in the state. They asked him to name some creek near. So he named the small stream near his home Symmes Run and had the post office so named; but when Jas. Frampton was appointed post-master, he had it changed to Frampton.

Ironton Weekly Republican, April 15, 1893 - Messrs. John Snyder, J. C. Snyder, C. A. Hutsinpillar, M. O. Maddy, and a Huntington party have formed a syndicate and purchased the land of the Frampton heirs at Rockwood opposite Huntington, 430 acres, which they will lay out in town lots and small farms and put on the market at once. County Surveyor Egerton is now making the surveys. There are several houses on the land purchased and also a fine stone quarry, from which much of the stone used in the Kenova Bridge was taken. This quarry the syndicate will operate through a lessee. The new town site, while distinct in itself will probably be made a part of the village of Rockwood and known by that name.

Franklin Furnace - Scioto County - Not far from the Lawrence County line. Franklin Furnace was built in 1827.

Freeman's Creek - Was named for Mr. Freeman who owned the farm and lived at its mouth for many years.

French Grant - Scioto County, near the Lawrence County Line. For more information about the French Grant see Ironton Register, June 21, 1855; Ironton Register, June 15, 1857; June 25, 1857; July 2, 1857 and Ironton Register, October 9, 1890.

Friends Creek - Mr. Friend, an old hunter, who owned a large farm on Raccoon had a camp on the west side of North Fork for several winters, where he cured his bear meat and venison.

Frogtown -

Furnace Hollow

Gennett's Creek - Named for John Gennett. It was near or in Scioto County, close to the French Grant.

***Getaway** - Union Tp. - The village in question was first called Unionville and then Russell's Place. In recent years, however, it has been generally known as Getaway. The story of its receiving this unique name is interesting. It seems that a stranger riding into the village one day, in about the year 1870, stopped to chat with the Rev. Elisha Thacker who was building a fence along the road. The stranger probably was not very favorably impressed with the place and asked, in derision, "What is the name of this CITY?" Whereupon, the Rev. Thacker exclaimed in somewhat the same vein, "Get away!" The stranger took the reply good naturedly but defended himself by saying that he though such a title appropriate for the name of the place and so after this story was told to others a few times, the name began to actually be applied to the village. And so Getaway it became and has remained ever since.

Another story goes: Getaway was named by Francis Russell. When asked why he called it that, he said "Why everybody that's been here yet always managed to get away."

***Gina Lake** - Perry Tp.

Goldcamp Mills - Upper Tp.

Goodall Hollow - One of the unofficial names for a branch of Sugar Creek Road.

Grant Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio, was built in 1869 by W. D. Kelly & Sons. In 1869 W. D. Kelly built Grant Furnace in Ironton, operated under the firm name of W. D. Kelly & Sons and operated for some years.

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Grant Town - Located near Proctorville.

Grant Town Road - Alterations ordered in 1875. See Ironton Register, December 16, 1875.

Gray Gables - Ironton Register, June 20, 1976 - Article titled "As I Remember," stated that: Many people remember the big white brick house at Hanging Rock situated on the river bank, with 8 acres of land, and beautiful pine trees. Built above the 1884 flood water, it was the home of Thomas W. Means, founder of the Hanging Rock Iron Company and other furnaces around 1890. The building was sold to Dr. C. G. Gray and was the first hospital in Lawrence County. It was also owned by Joe Clutts, a wealthy ironmaster. Later owned by Dr. Gray and turned into a Sanitarium.

Graysville - Ironton Register, July 30, 1885 - Graysville is about three-fourths of a mile below Vesuvius Furnace, and was named for Col. G. N. Gray, of Ironton, who instituted some mining operations here and built the village. The place now has a forlorn appearance, and don't look as though it would perpetuate in perennial freshness the name of our worthy townsman.

***Greasy Ridge** - Mason Tp. - Greasy Ridge Post Office, the first postmaster was a Mr. Tagg who died in 1893. The Dingess, Spurlocks, David McComas and his brother went to their camp around the head of Indian Gyan and East Symmes in the winter of 1802 and they and everything about them, guns, dogs, and clothes were so greasy from eating bear meat that McComas called the ridge Greasy Ridge. McComas had first called the hill or ridge Greasy Camp Ridge now shortened to Greasy Ridge. Described in the Ironton Register of December 8, 1864 as being on the waters of Symmes Creek about 50 miles a little east of south from the town of Jackson.

Greasy Camp Ridge - Mason Tp. - First name of Greasy Ridge.

Greazy John's Branch - Also known as Stony Fork. East side of North Fork. A man whose name was John Sowards, formerly lived on this branch. It was called by the hunters Stoney Fork, because there were so many stones in the branch.

Green Hollow - West branch of Mill Hollow was named for a person named Green and called Green Hollow.

Green Valley -

***Greenville Hollow** - Decatur Tp.

Ground Hog Run - Branch of Little Paddy Creek on the north side, was called "Ground-hog Run;" for the ground hogs seemed to have possession of it; they were numerous on its hillsides.

Gump Stump Branch - Named for a very large stump which was much marked and stood where the road crosses near its mouth.

Gum Stump Fork

***Gum Stump Hollow** - Aid Tp.

Gun Miller's Branch - On the north fork of Bear Creek lived a gunsmith whose name was Samuel Miller, when he felt his liquor enough to be talkative, he would say, "I am Sam Smith, the gun miller, fetch your guns along," and from this the boys called it Gun Millers Branch.

***Guyan Creek** - Rome Tp.

Guyan Ripple

Hacker's Hollow - Apparently it was located close to Vesuvius.

***Hales Creek** - Washington Tp.

Hamilton Furnace - Hamilton Tp. - Hanging Rock, Lawrence County, Ohio was built in 1884-5 by Means, Kyle & Co. Part of the old Pine Grove Furnace was remelted and used in the erection of Hamilton Furnace. See Pine Grove Furnace.

Hamilton Township - Hamilton Township was named for Robert Hamilton, an iron furnace man.

Early History:

The village of Hanging Rock is located in Hamilton Township and is bordered by the Ohio River. At one time it was a fair sized town and was the forerunner of present-day Ironton, Ohio.

Today, Hamilton Township is geared to modern times, and includes part of North Ironton. Dow Chemical is located in the area. The Ohio Power and the N. & W. Railroad have purchased tracts for industrial sites. A Boat Ranch, with storage, dockage, fuel and repairs, Collins Coal Tipple and the Marquette Cement Storage and Loading are in Hanging Rock. A flood wall divides Hanging Rock and North Ironton; both are in the same township.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Hamilton Township:

A. J. Trumbo, Captain

W. S. Yingling, 1st Lt.

D. B. Sheridan, 2nd Lt.

Handley Branch

***Handley Creek** - Symmes Tp.

***Hanging Rock** - Hamilton Tp. - Hanging Rock was the name given it from the overhanging cliff above the town, where the bold front of a huge rock juts from the hill, threatening the village below, literally with a "hanging rock." [Hardesty Atlas] Another story: The Indians called it "Heap Big Rock." When the white man arrived in 1794, they chased the Indians back and told them they'd hang the first red skin that peeped over the rock, and since then it has been Hanging Rock. Hanging Rock has also been known as the "Bend in the River." Another story: There was a rock in the river that hung up the boats, thus calling it "Hanging Rock."

The first forge was at Hanging Rock, built by Andrew Ellison, James Rodgers and Robert Hamilton in 1830, and changed to the first rolling mill by Robert Hannah in 1840. The first foundry was built by Peebles, Wood & Co., at Hanging Rock in 1844. The Hanging Rock Railroad was commenced in 1846, finished in 1847, and the next year the locomotive Shawnee was placed on the track.

Early Pioneers:

Caldwell, John F. - SWR. Jan. 08, 1920 - Died Jan. 06, 1920 Hanging Rock, OH of infirmities of old age, age 88 years. He was a pioneer settler of Hanging Rock and for many years engaged in furnace work. He was a veteran of the civil war, a member of Co. I, 2nd KY Cav., and a member of the D. Lambert post G.A.R. He was survived by three daughters, Mrs. A. C. Rutledge of Portsmouth, Mrs. Charles Kemp of Miamisburg, Oh., and Mrs. Friedel, wife of Dr. Friedel of Memphis, TN.

Hamilton, Robert - was a great believer in reverencing the Sabbath, and instituted laws to that end at his furnace. He built the first railroad in the county, from Hanging Rock to Newcastle, a distance of three miles. He introduced the first locomotive in the county, in 1847, opened the first coal mine, laid out the town of Hanging Rock, in 1848, and helped to organize the first Presbyterian Church in this locality. With others he built Crane's Nest furnace, which is now called Lawrence furnace; he also, with others, built Mount Vernon furnace. Mr. Hamilton died September 12, 1856. His wife Anna (Ellison) Hamilton died in June, 1834.

Hanging Rock Forge - Hamilton Tp. - First forge built in the county in 1830 by James Rodgers and Robert Hamilton. Hanging Rock Forge was changed into a rolling mill in 1840 by Henry Hanna. Another article stated the Forge was built in 1832 by Andrew Ellison, James Rodgers and Robert Hamilton.

Hanging Rock Iron Forge - Hamilton Tp. - In 1833 John Campbell was employed in building the old Hanging Rock Iron Forge, and in the same year, he, with Andrew Ellison, built Lawrence Furnace for J. Riggs & Co., and took stock in it.

Hanging Rock Foundry - Hamilton Tp. - This was the first foundry built in Lawrence County by Peebles, Wood & Company in 1844. [IR Nov. 12, 1885 – Hanging Rock Foundry – This well known foundry began work under the new company (not named) last Monday, and made their first cast, Tuesday afternoon...The Plymouth, B. Estate, Great Western and other noted makes of stoves will be made there.

The first melt was made from Meta iron...Chas. Peters is Supt. and Business Manager; Henry Henderson is foreman; Wm. Halley is Engineer and Cupola tender. Under the new company, Capt. Ben Rodgers caught the first ladle of iron and his son Frank poured the first ladle...

Hanging Rock Landing - Hamilton Tp.

Hanging Rock Narrows - First settled by the Yingling family in 1796.

Hankins Hollow

***Happy Hollow** - Elizabeth Tp.

Harvey's Branch - Named for Harvey Corn who lived on it.

Haskellville - Rome Township near Athalia. Named because Jas. Haskell had a store there and wanted to have a post office established. It was located below Two Mile Creek. He called it Haskellville.

Haunted Lick - This was another name for Little Paddy Creek. It was so called by superstitious people, because there were strange noises heard near it, said noise afterward proved to be made by skunks, traveling about at night. They had a den near it.

Haverhill - Scioto County.

***Hecla** - Upper Township - First known as Hecla Furnace. I have been told that Hecla stood for Hamilton, Ellison, Campbell Land Association but to date I have never found proof - smk.

Hecla Furnace - Upper Tp. - Hecla Furnace was built on Leatherwood.
Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1833 By: R. B. Hamilton & Mccoy
Daily Ton: 10 Stack: 36 Feet Blast: Cold Charcoal

Heiner's Branch - Named for Lewis Heiner and his father's family being early settlers on it.

Hell's Half Acre - Gallia County - East of Greasy Ridge near Jenkins farm in 1863. Also known as Bay's Bottom, Rankins Point and today as Crown City.

Hill's Store - Upper Tp. - In 1838-1840 there were only six offices for mail between Guyandotte and Portsmouth, namely; Burlington, Hill's Store, where Coal Grove now is, Hanging Rock, Haverhill, Franklin Furnace and Wheelersburg.

Hilltop School - Fayette Tp.

Hog Back Ridge - Symmes Tp.

***Hog Run Creek**

Hog Run Road - Upper Tp.

Hog Skin Road - Upper Tp. - Now known as Porter Gap Road. Ironton Evening Tribune, May 5, 1948 - Bridge Cave-in on Hogskin Road. The bridge is located about a quarter of a mile off route 75 at the top of long grade hill. ...

Horseshoe Bend

IR Jan. 16, 1902 - Orson H. Roy shot by Jacob Myers at Horsehoe Bend.

Howard Furnace - Ironton Register, March 31, 1870 - New Locomotive - In a few days the Iron Railroad will receive a new locomotive from the Pittsburg Locomotive Works. ... The cost of the locomotive is \$10,000. It will be named Howard, after the Howard Furnace.

Howard Ridge

Howe Hollow

Howell

Huet's Gap - Ira Huet married Elizabeth, daughter of Dr. John "Paddy" Brown, in 1799, and settled in the low gap in the southwest quarter of section 36, t.2, r.16, at the head of Spring Branch and Wolf Creek, and Brown's Branch of Five Mile Creek, and from this the name Huet's Gap originated.

Hungry Hollow

Hunkeytown - Decatur Tp. - A Polish settlement at Superior.

Hunt's Branch - The first large branch on the north side of Lost Creek was known as Hunt's Branch. Mr. Hunt being the original settler on it.

Hurricane - Was named from a storm which passed over it many years ago.

Hush Hollow - William Hush with his large family moved up Little Pine Creek to a place that was known for a long time as Hush Hollow. Later William Hush moved into the first log house built on Pine Grove Furnace lands.

***Ice Creek** - Lawrence Tp. - Dr. Moore on Ice Creek and Dr. Brown, on Paddy Creek were the first doctors in Lawrence county. Ice Creek was so named for the ice pond near where Dr. Adams lived, and other ponds near there. Ironton Register, November 1, 1877 - New Post Office - The Post Master General has established a new post office at Johnstown, between Rock Camp and Forest Dale, to be known as Ice Creek P. O., with James Mayes as P. M.

Ida - Ironton Register, Oct. 25, 1894 - Ida. - This is the name of a P. O. on Greasy Ridge between Dobbstown and Suiter. The P. O. is at the store of Morris & Thompson. 1894 - This is the name of our new post office which was established on the mail route from Bradrick to Greasy Ridge, which is of great convenience to the people of this locality, for which the public is greatly indebted to Gen. Enochs.

***Indian Creek** - Washington and Symmes Townships.

Indian Guyan - Union Tp. - First name for Bradericksville, now known as Bradrick.

***Indian Guyan Creek** - Union Tp.

Indian Hills - Upper Tp. - Residential subdivision of Ironton. Also there is an Indian Hills in Rome Tp.

Indian Run - The creek Union Furnace was built on. Called Indian run for so many trees marked by Indians on it.

Indiana Pleasant

Institute – name of the school? Institute Gossip I.R. Aug. 30, 1877

***Irish Hollow** - Washington Tp.

Irish Town

Iron and Steel Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio. Built: 1871 dismantled in 1897.

Iron Railroad and Ohio Iron and Coal Co. were organized in 1849

Iron Rock - Hamilton Tp.

***Ironton** - Ironton is 540 feet above sea level. The latitude of Ironton is 32 degrees 22 feet and the longitude, 82 degrees 38 feet.

The two Vanbibbers and their mother were living in the bottom where Ironton now stands, before the Indians left that country. The Spurlocks left that region to follow the Indians and are now in the northwest among the mountains. I have met here many of the descendants of the early settlers of Lawrence County who were “going west” with the advance guard of civilization.” T. A. Walton Deerhead, Kan., Sept. 8, 1888.

The ordinance to change the name of Olive Street to Park Avenue, was presented, and the Council promptly suspended the rules and passed it, by a unanimous vote. Petitioners asked that Sycamore St. be opened from 4th to Front, and the name changed, in view of the existence of another Sycamore St. in the West End. Ironton Register, July 26, 1888.

Ironton Foundry - Upper Tp. - Ironton, Lawrence Co., Ohio. Built: Fall of 1850 By: John and Hiram Campbell

Ironton Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1875 By: IRON & STEEL CO.

***Izaak Walton Lake** - Aid Tp.

Jacksonville - One time called String Town, named for one of the denizen named Jackson. Located on or near Long Creek.

***Johns Creek** - Aid Tp. - On the west side of Symmes Creek in Sec. 36, T. 5, R. 17 is Johns Creek, so named for Capt. John Smith, an Indian who had a camp on it in Sec. 5, T. 4, Range 17 (near where

Walter Neal once lived) and hunted in this county at the same time that Aaron hunted here and had his camp at Aaron's creek. Aaron invited Capt. John to dine with him, gave him bear meat, venison, roasted fresh turkey eggs, etc. Capt. John invited Capt. Aaron over to see him and cooked like victuals for Capt. Aaron, waited on him the best he knew how and after Aaron had eaten his dinner John went up the hill side and drove a wild turkey off its nest where it was setting, took the eggs and roasted them. After they were roasted, he took the eggs, broke them and took a young turkey by the leg and held it up until cool and then dropped it into his mouth and ate it. Capt. Aaron said it made him sick to see him eat them. Capt. John then did not eat before Capt. Aaron but pointed to the fresh eggs and said, "Your mamma when you pappoosa said him good and you like him best," then pointing to the eggs with young turkeys in them said, "me mamma when me pappoosa said him good, me like him heap, him good meat egg too;" giving Capt. Aaron to understand that it is all owing to how a person is raised.

Johnstown - Register, November 1, 1877 - New Post Office - The Post Master General has established a new post office at Johnstown, between Rock Camp and Forest Dale, to be known as Ice Creek P. O., with James Mayes as P. M.

Johnstown - Sugar Creek Road

Junior Furnace - Scioto County.

Justice Hollow

Kaiser Hollow

Kanady Hollow

Kelly's Mills - Kellys Mills Post Office. The first settlement in Elizabeth Township. Located on Pine Creek. As described in 1885: Kelly's Mills is about seven miles from Hanging Rock, on the placid waters of Pine Creek, our principal places of business are a grist mill and a store.

Kelly's Bridge

Kelly's Fairgrounds - Upper Tp. - In existence in 1891.

Kelly's Run - Settled by Luke Kelly. Located on the upper point of Kelly's Run was the first graveyard ever used by white men in these parts. Also the first meeting house in Lawrence County was built here. This was a branch below Yinglings Run named for Luke Kelley.

Kern's Hollow -

Kerrs Run - The small stream below Burlington was called Kerrs Run. Thos. Kerr owned the land. The land afterwards came into possession of Samuel Ankrim and later known as Ankrim's Run.

***Kettle Creek** - Decatur Tp.

Kettle Run - Unnamed tributary of Pine Creek.

***Kimble Creek** - Decatur and Washington Townships.

Kimble Lookout Tower**Kinney Creek**

***Kitts Hill** - Lawrence Tp.

Kouns Chapel - Ironton Register October 12, 1895 - "Kouns Chapel"

Editor Register - About three years ago Union Chapel, situated in Chesapeake School District, was abandoned and allowed to decay and fall. The old church was the one in which such good old Christians as Asa Kimball and wife, Hibbert Kimball and wife, R. Bagley and wife, Amy Gillen, Col. A. P. Kouns and wife, and a great many others worshipped for years, and who have all gone to reap their reward. During the past summer, through many difficulties, a small band has succeeded in rebuilding the church which will be named "Kouns Chapel." We have a small balance to raise on Dedication day which occurs Sunday, Oct. 20, Rev. W. S. Filler, Presiding Elder officiating. All Christians as friends of Christianity cordially invited. Tom C. Smith, for Trustees.

Kouns Landing - Union Tp. - Andrew P. Kouns. The first steamboat on the Ohio landed at Koun's landing, and at no other point in the county.

Kounston - Union Tp. - Now a part of Chesapeake.

Kron's Branch - Named for K. Kron who owned and lived in the mouth of this branch for many years.

LaBelle - Former name for Rome, in Rome Township. Ironton Register, December 12, 1895.

LaGrange Furnace - Upper Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1836 By: HURD, GOULD & CO.

***Lake Forest** - Windsor Tp.

***Lake Vesuvius** - Elizabeth Tp.

Lambert - Located in Sec. 13, 14, 15, T 4, R. 17, Lambert, named for Reuben Lambert, the original settler.

Lambert Coal Bank Hollow**Lambert Hollow**

Laura - The next branch of North Fork on the west side was called Laura. The next branch on the east side of North Fork was called Laurel.

Laurel Branch - The branch on the east side of North Fork was called Laurel, because there was a large quantity of laurel growing on it.

Lawco Lake

Lawrence City - Union Tp. - Now a part of Chesapeake.

Lawrence County - Lawrence County was named for Commodore James Lawrence, who fell in naval battle crying, "Don't give up the Ship." The first county officers were: Clerk, W. G. Robinson; John Kelly, Sheriff; Joseph Wheeler, Auditor; Thos. Kerr, Treasurer; N. C. Clough, Prosecuting Attorney. Joel Bowen, Jos. Davidson and David Spurlock were the first Commissioners. The Justice of the Peace in 1821, were: Fayette, Daniel Brubaker, Thomas Kerr, S. Beckley; Union, Thomas Templeton, Edward Miller; Rome, Joel Bowen, Jacob Miller; Windsor, Peter Wakefield, Bazel Lewis; Symmes, D. Spurlock; Mason, Jacob Powell, H. Spear; Lawrence, James Webb, Elias Webb; Upper, Peter Lionbarger, John Kelly; Elizabeth, Thos. Triggs, A. Wolf.

Luther Blodget and Solomon Beckley were the first lawyers. Radey Root and Thos. Rose were the first school teachers in Lawrence county.

The first locomotive on the I. R. R. was the Essex in 1851.

By 1888 there were 145 school houses in Lawrence county. The average wages of school teachers in Lawrence county were \$40 for gentlemen and \$34 for ladies; in the state \$37 for gentlemen and \$26 for ladies.

The largest vote ever cast in this county prior to 1888 was in 1883, when it footed up 8056. Lawrence county has 61,000 acres of cultivated land. From 1858-1888, the valuation of real estate in Lawrence Co. doubled - from \$2,487,638 to \$5,191,746.

Lawrence County Fairgrounds - Ironton Register, August 19, 1875 gives a description of the "New Fairgrounds," but does not say exactly where it was at that time.

Lawrence Furnace - Elizabeth Tp. - Previously known as "Crane's Nest"

Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1834 By: J. Riggs & Co.

Daily Ton: 15 Stack: 40 Feet Blast: Hot Charcoal

In 1833, John Campbell and Andrew Ellison built Lawrence Furnace for J. Riggs & Co.

Doctors: 1892 - Dr. J. D. Wakefield practicing at Lawrence Fce.

Lawrence Township - Lawrence Township was named for the County.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Lawrence Township:

Samuel Justice, Captain

George Corn, 1st Lt.

E. F. Vaughn, 2nd Lt.

Leatherwood - Leatherwood was also named by the surveyors, there being so much large leatherwood bush on it, some of the bushes being from 26 to 30 inches in circumference at the ground. Hecla Furnace was built on Leatherwood.

***Leatherwood Creek** - Fayette Tp.

Lebanon

***Lecta** - Mason Tp.

Leet Ridge

Lewis Fork - Lewis Davidson was the first settler on the north branch of Salliday Creek and the creek was called Lewis Fork.

***Lick Creek** - Perry Tp. - Lick Creek received its name from a large deer lick situated near the Sheridan mines.

Lincoln Park - Upper Tp. - Was located in Ironton around the first courthouse. Ironton Register, March 19, 1888 - The Council passed the ordinance granting half of Lincoln Park for Memorial Hall. Ironton Register, October 11, 1900 - Council Notes - A petition from the W. C. T. U. asking for water connections for the new fountain to be put up in the corner of Lincoln Park at Fourth and Center streets, was referred to the water works trustees.

Linville - Windsor Tp. - Also spelled Lynville. Linville lies on the opposite side of Symmes Creek, near the mouth of Yellow and Dicks Creeks. The post office is Millville on the east side of Symmes.

IR Aug. 12, 1897 - Linville is a prosperous little city, situated in Windsor Tp. It is noted for its beautiful streets, homes, parks and good-looking girls. Dr. T. J. Sloan, our physician, is kept busy with the sick. Charles Haffner, the city barber has a large practice. Mr. Joseph Moberly is convalescing. Rev. Wickline preached an excellent sermon at the Baptist church last Saturday and Sunday. W. H. Dillon has been appointed Postmaster at this place. There will be a basket meeting at the Baptist Church on Friday and Saturday, before the first Sunday in August, and on the fifth the church will be dedicated. Let everybody come out with their baskets and pocket books well filled. Lovejoy.

***Lisman** - Elizabeth Tp.

***Little Buffalo Creek** - Symmes Tp.

Little Cannon Creek

Little Etna Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio was torn down in 1887.

Little Guyan - Also known as North Fork and Dog Fork. See Dog Fork.

***Little Ice Creek** - Lawrence and Perry Townships.

***Little Indian Guyan Creek** - Mason and Windsor Townships.

Little Paddy Creek - Union Tp. - The first branch of Paddy Creek on the west side, named because it was the smaller branch of Paddy Creek. Also known as "haunted lick."

Little Pine Creek

***Little Storms Creek** - Elizabeth Tp. - The branch going north from Strums upon the Railroad runs is called Little Strums. Now known as Little Storms.

***Little Teakettle Run** - Decatur Tp.

Little Texas Hollow - Pedro area.

Locust Grove

Lodge Ridge

Lombard - Upper Tp. - Ironton Register, July 9, 1891 - There is now a Lombard addition to the town of Ironton. It is destined to be a beauty. Named after the Lombard family that resided there. [smk - I believe it was named for the straight trees that lined the street - look up word Lombard]

Long Branch - Later known as Long Creek.

Long Branch Hollow

***Long Creek** - Mason Tp. - Home of the Ebenezer Schoolhouse. Formerly called Long Branch. Above Coffee-Tea Branch and at the east side of Symmes is called Long Creek. Formerly Long Branch from its great length to be running almost direct opposite course to the main stream of which it is a feeder. It being about 6 miles in a direct line from its mouth to the head of its west branch which is only about three fourths of a mile from Symmes Creek.

***Long Hollow** - Decatur Tp. - See Long Branch Hollow.

Lost Creek - Lost creek, named by the surveyors who were lost on it. This creek comes in west of Marion; its first large branch on the north called sometimes Hunts branch.

Low Gap - Between Buffalo and Solida.

Lunsford's Branch - A north branch of Buckeye was called Lunsford's Branch because Jno. Lunsford lived near its mouth for many years and owned a large farm there.

Lynville - see Linville.

***McCall Creek** - Rome Tp.

McCarty Place - Elizabeth Tp.

McCorkle's Branch - The east fork of Buffalo Creek was settled by Jno. McCorkle and for him was called McCorkle's Branch.

McCorkle Road - Union Tp. - Auditor instructed to notify Trustees of Union Township to have McCorkle road opened. Ironton Register, June 9, 1887.

McCoy's Branch - A branch which enters Indian Guyan a few rods above Old Maids Branch was called McCoy's Branch, he being the first settler on it, but Wagoner living on it afterward; it was changed to Wagoner's branch.

McCoy Hollow - Also known as McCoy's Branch and Wagoner's Branch.

McDaniels Crossroad - Past Waterloo on 141 or 775.

***McKinney Creek** - Windsor and Union Townships - See Coal Drain McKinney Creek.

McKnight's Branch - Located on the north side of Lost Creek was McKnights branch named for Pleasant McKnight, who had the original settlement on it.

Macedonia - Fayette Tp. - Macedonia was an African settlement two miles back of Burlington. Also known as Macedonia Hill.

Maddyville

Malone Hollow

Mamre Church - As described IR 9 Feb. 1899 - We are the regular Baptist church; organized about 25 years ago. We had a membership of about 100 when this protracted meeting started.

Mancker - In 1898 they changed the name from Mancker to Manker.

Manhattan - I doubt if in the County of Lawrence, a more congenial society can be found than is located in the neighborhood round about the headwaters of Buffalo Creek. In the midst of this peaceful and harmonious vicinity is situated the new P. O. called Manhattan. This P. O. was established here some five months ago, and being in an intelligent and appreciative locality, is thriving beyond all expectation. Mr. J. J. Ryan, assistant P. M. in whose store the office is kept, carries on a brisk trade in general merchandise, and is a jolly, accommodating fellow. In this same store, some few weeks ago, originated Manhattan Library and Debating Society, which now holds its weekly sessions at Grant School house. Ironton Register, February 9, 1888. The Manhattan post office was located at Ryansville. IR May 7, 1891 - From Fayette - A new P.O. is soon to be established at J. J. Ryan's store, the original location of Manhattan. The latter post office was very unjustly removed from Mr. Ryan's store some time ago.

Manker - In 1898 they changed the name from Mancker to Manker.

Marion - Aid Tp. - Aid Post Office was called Marion. Marion was laid out by Thos. Walton for John Stumbo, and named for Gen. Marion. The first actual settlement was made in 1815, but the town of Marion was not laid out until 1840.

***Markin Creek**

Markin Fork

Mason Township - Mason Township was named for the Free Masons, as the old lodge was opposed to the Anti-Masons. The township was organized August 3, 1819. First settled around 1810.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Mason Township:

E. C. Massie, Captain

Robert Massie, 1st Lt.

J. F. Brumfield, 2nd Lt.

Mays - The name of the Post Office at Kitts Hill in 1890's. J. M. Dement was the mail carrier in 1891.

Means Farm - Also see Gray Gables - Ironton Register, December 17, 1891 - The obituary of F. D. Norton states: In 1863,.... F. D. Norton moved here and was manager of the mill (Belfont Iron Works), he bought the "Means farm" at Hanging Rock and lived there two years, when he resigned his place at

Belfont and returned to Wheeling. ... He returned to Ironton in 1867. Ironton Register, February 16, 1893. Sheriff's Sale - Last Saturday, the Sheriff sold the Means' Farm above Hanging Rock to D. H. Clark and Col. George N. Gray for \$17,156, being two-thirds of the appraisement. The sale was in partition. There was no other bid. This is a valuable purchase, and the price is low. This land comprised over 300 acres of which 180 acres are bottom land extending from the river to the hills. No name has yet been selected for the new town.

***Middle Leatherwood Creek** - Lawrence Tp.

Miller - Rome Tp. - Name of the Post Office.

Miller Bottom - Named for the Millers who settled it. The original John Miller, who settled here, was a very strong federalist and was generally known as one, and the boatmen gave the creek the name "Federal Creek."

***Miller Creek** - Symmes Tp.

Miller Hill - Waterloo. George Miller lived on top of Miller Hill and there is where the family graveyard is.

***Millersport** - Rome Tp. - Millersport was named by Thos. Walton for Jacob Miller. Thos. Walton had laid out this town for Jacob Miller.

Mill Hollow - The first branch of Big Branch Creek on the west side was called Mill Hollow because Asa Rumble had built his first mill up this hollow.

Millville - Windsor Tp. - Millville was so named for the milling business was the principle business carried on there. Lies on the opposite side of Symmes Creek near the mouth of Yellow and Dicks Creeks. Millville is the Postoffice (on east side of Symmes) for Millville and Lynville.

Monitor - Upper Tp. - Now a part of Coal Grove.

Monitor Furnace - Upper Tp. - Coal Grove, Lawrence County, Ohio was built in 1868 by John Peters & Others. John Peters laid out the town of Petersburg, four miles above Ironton, and built Monitor Furnace at that place, the town being named for him.

Montreal

***Morris Creek**

Moscow

Moulton

Mount Olive

Mount Pleasant

Mounts Branch

***Mounts Creek** - Windsor Tp.

Mt. Tabor - Located near Unionville.

Mt. Vernon Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1833 By: R. Hamilton, John Campbell & William Ellison

Daily Ton: 16 Stack: 32 Feet Blast: Hot Charcoal

John Peters, Sr. worked at Mount Vernon Furnace from 1835-1840. He then joined J. O. Willard and leased Buckhorn Furnace.

Mt. Zion

***Mud Hollow** - Decatur Tp.

Music Hollow - Still in existence in 1904

Myrtle Ridge - Lawrence Tp.

Myrtle Tree- Symmes Tp.

Nance - Located on the south branch of Harvey's Branch was Nance or Fox Hollow, formerly called both and sometimes Nance's Hollow. Mr. Nance lived on it and it is said there were a number of fox dens there. Mr. Nance knew where they were and when the young ones were large enough to begin to come out to sun themselves, Mr. Nance and his boys would go to these dens and bait fish hooks with fresh meat or of some kind (generally chicken or some kind of bird meat) and having secured the hook to a strong linen cord would drop the hook with the bait into the hole. The young foxes smelling the most came and picked it up. Nance would jerk the line and generally pull the fox out with it and continue so doing until he got all the young foxes.

Nancy Branch Indian Guyan Creek

***Nancy Creek** - Windsor Tp.

Nafe Branch - A south branch of McKinney Creek was called "Nafe Branch." About 1820 Wm. Neff, a young man who was subject to fits went off from home and when found was lying on his face in the edge of this branch dead. No person lived in this branch and as the families were called "Nafe" it was called "Nafe" instead of Neff Branch.

Narrows - Located above Ice Creek.

Neals Fork - on Leatherwood. Thomas Neal lived on the north fork of the south Branch of Leatherwood so it was called Neal's Fork of Leatherwood.

Ned's Branch - Known also as Red River and Blodget's Run. See Red River.

***Ned Fork** - Lawrence Tp. - Ned's Fork of Ice Creek was named for Ned Bailey who lived there.

***Negro Creek** - Decatur Tp.

Newcastle - Located on Hamilton and Upper Township lines.

New Richland - Elizabeth Tp. ..1885 Ed Kelley lived at New Richland.

Newton - Upper Tp.

Nigger Hollow - Ironton Register, January 2, 1902 -Cousins Shoot Each Other, was the heading. The location was Nigger Hollow which was near the tunnel about 3 miles back of Ironton. As a result of the affair, Frank Murnahan or Wilson is dead and his cousin, Fred Wilson, is fatally injured. IR Jan. 16, 1902 - Dec. 31 - Frank Murnahan, killed at "Nigger Hollow" by Frank Wilson.

Nixon Hill - Upper Tp.

Nobles Branch - This was settled by G. W. Noble and called Nobles Branch.

***Norman's Run** - Hamilton Tp. - Named for an old German named Norman who first settled there. Ironton Register, April 14, 1892 - Mr. Norman who lived at the mouth of the branch at Hanging Rock. The lower branch was named Norman's Run after Mr. Norman who lived at the mouth of the branch on the lower side of the branch.

Norris Branch

North Fork - Also known as Little Guyan and Dog Fork. See Dog Fork.

North Kenova - Ken stood for Kentucky, the O stood for Ohio and Va stood for Virginia. IR Dec. 24, 1903 – Samuel Ferguson of North Kenova was in the city Friday. Mr. Ferguson has charge of the North Kenova Land Co.'s property. It consists of 250 acres of pasture and farm land and a number of vacant town lots.

Oak Ridge - Aid Tp.

Oak Ridge Furnace - Aid Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1856 By: PROF. W. W. MATHER, GEN. O. M. MITCHELL It was a Charcoal Furnace. Ironton Register, February 19, 1857 - Oak Ridge Furnace - which will probably commence its first blast in May next, is the 14th furnace built in Lawrence county.

Ohio Furnace - Green Township in Scioto county just past the Lawrence County line.

Okey - Must have been around Lecta.

Old Maid's Branch - Branch above Slate Run. Named for a single woman, or old maid who was the first person living thereon.

Old Maidsville - "Old Maidsville," is the name of the village laid off recently by B. F. Cory, back of the tunnel. It is quite a town already, and will, no doubt, soon stir up the question of annexation in the city. Ironton Journal, March 22, 1871. Later known as Coryville.

***Olive Creek** - Decatur and Washington Townships.

Olive Furnace - Washington Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1846 By: John Campbell, John Peters and others. Daily Ton: 16 Stack: 37 Feet Blast: Hot Charcoal. In 1845 John Peters, Sr. joined John Campbell, Madison Cole, William Clements, and J. L. Thompson in erecting Olive Furnace. Mr. Peters became superintendent. John Peters was active manager of Olive Furnace for about six years. . . . John Peters was also one of the original owners of the Olive Foundry and Machine Shops, now operated by Lambert Brothers. By 1899, the McGugin Co. had possession of Olive Furnace.

Ora Richey Road - Upper Tp. - Just outside of Ironton on Rt. 141.

***Osburn's Run** - Hamilton Tp. - Named for Mr. Osborn who settled where the old rolling mill was.

Ox Road - Upper Tp. - Now known as Campbell Drive.

***Paddle Creek** - Aid Tp.

Paddle Fork

Paddy Bar - Bar below Paddy Creek named by the boatmen of that era.

***Paddy Creek** - Rome Tp. - Named for Dr. John "Paddy" Brown, who built a pawpaw cabin at its mouth sometime between 1800 and 1808. Dr. Brown lived on lot 738. Dr. Moore, on Ice Creek and Dr. Brown, on Paddy were the first doctors in Lawrence county. Dr. Brown was the first doctor in the county. Paddy Creek is a short distance from the headwaters of Five Mile across to Big Paddy. This creek flows into the river near Proctorville, passing LaBelle in its course.

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...In the same issue I saw an account of the death of John L. Brown, who was born in Proctorville, Ohio in 1814. I would like to know to which family of Browns he belongs.

Dr. Brown, known as Paddy Brown, built a cabin entirely of pawpaw trees just above the mouth of Paddy Creek and left there before 1832. He was a noted physician.

John J. Brown went west about 1846. He had lived on Turkey Fork of Paddy Creek. George Brown, who lived up in Rome Township, died before 1836 and the widow Brown (mother of Capt. Wm. Brown, of Scott Town) living few rods north of where Rome Chapel is moved away about that time. T. A. Walton, Lambert, Woods Co., Ohio. 1902

Paddy Landing - A boat landing below Paddy Creek.

Paddy Run - The boatmen named this stream which was a part of Paddy Creek.

***Painter Creek** - Decatur Tp.

Palestine - Symmes Tp.

Panther Creek Road - Ironton Register, December 16, 1875 - The commissioners refused to order the establishment of Buckeye and Panther Creek road.

Panther Run - Near the mouth of a small stream below Lick Creek (later owned by Mrs. Israel) was where a panther caught Mother Hatcher when she was a small child and this was named "Panthers Run."

Paradise Park

Patriot

***Payne Hollow** - Mason Tp. - Located at Wilgus on Venisonham Road.

Peach Orchard

***Peckerwood Hollow** - Symmes Tp.

***Pedro** - Elizabeth Tp. - Pedro Post Office.
School Teacher 1893 - D. F. Halley.

Penrod Hollow

***Periscope Ridge** - Decatur Tp.

***Perkins Branch** - Windsor Tp.

Perry's - The first branch from the North of Aaron's Creek was called Perry's for Perry Peyton who owned at the mouth of it.

Perry Township - Perry Township was named for Naval Commander, O. H. Perry by some of the men from this county who were in the War of 1812. First settled around 1799.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Perry Township:

1st District - G. W. Keyes, Captain

R. C. Brammer, 1st Lt.

Daniel Allen, 2nd Lt.

2nd District - G. N. Knight, Captain

William Winters, 1st Lt.

W. C. Cassiday, 2nd Lt.

Petersburg - Upper Tp. - Now a part of Coal Grove. John Peters laid out the town of Petersburg, four miles above Ironton, and built Monitor Furnace at that place, the town being named for him. Ironton Register, June 26, 1890 - The Common Pleas Court has changed the name of Petersburg to Coalgrove.

Peter Cave Hollow

Peters Run - Decatur Tp.

Peterstown - Between Chesapeake and Bradrick.

Petre Cave Branch - Wm. Reeves squatted, and made salt-peter on a branch of Indian Guyan, and thus it was named Reeves Creek. On a branch of it he leached the petre in a rockhouse, and gave the branch the name Petre Cave Branch.

Phillips Knob

Pigeon - Formerly known as Pigeon Roost Creek.

Pigeon Roost Creek - A branch above John's Creek and on the east side is Pigeon, formerly called Pigeon Roost Creek, there being a large pigeon roost on it for a long time.

Pilot Knob Lookout Tower

***Pine Creek** - Elizabeth, Decatur and Rome Townships. Pine Creek named for Capt. John Pine who had his camp at the forks of the creek in the edge of Lawrence County.

***Pine Grove** - Elizabeth Tp.

Pine Grove Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio. Built: 1828 Closed: May 10, 1895 Torn Down: April, 1899.

Pine Grove Furnace was built in 1828 by Andrew Ellison, sr., Andrew Ellison, jr., and Robert Hamilton*, who from a tour through the country in the fall of 1827 became convinced that there was ore enough to justify them in building and therefore selected the site and made entries of land. Whether their investments proved profitable may be told hereafter. The difficulties of building a furnace at that time and of getting things from a distance, we will not here state. The furnace was fired Jan. 1, 1829 and blowed January 13, 1829. Up to the year 1832 the business was carried on under the style of "Ellison & Hamilton," then the firm changed to "Ellison, Hamilton & Co." About the year 1834 Andrew Ellison, jr., died and the property was rented to Robert Hamilton at an annual rent of seven thousand five hundred dollars. Up to 1834 most of the iron was made into stoves and castings. Sundays however were devoted to the making of pig iron exclusively. The furnace made three or four tons of iron in 24 hours and sometimes thirty tons per week of seven days.

In 1837, a new theory dawned on the iron business, the introduction of heated air into the blast. Some three or four furnace men met at Vesuvius furnace carried on by Hurd, Gould & Co., and there agreed that they would test the hot blast principle, employ a man to put up a hot blast at Vesuvius and if it proved to be a satisfactory experiment Hurd, Gould & Co., were to pay all the expenses, but if a failure the expenses were to be divided among the agreeing parties. Wm. Firmstone put up the hot blast and it proved satisfactory to all parties. This was the introduction of hot blast into Lawrence County. Mr. Hamilton immediately had a set of pipes, very different from those now used made and put up at Pine Grove; although it was contended by those opposed to the principles that the iron was weakened by the hot blast and made unfit for casting purposes but the result proved that it was the very best kind of iron that foundries wanted. Mr. Hamilton rented the entire property until 1840 during the last year he made nothing but pig iron. In 1840 he became the sole owner and associated with him as partners, John Ellison, J. A. Richey and Joseph S. Peebles under the style of Hamilton & Co. This partnership continued three years to January 1844, and during that time made 4500 tons of pig iron. Mr. Hamilton now having the entire property determined to try the experiment which he had long desired to try, the stopping of the furnace on the Sabbath. It proved a success and from December 20, 1844, to January 6, 1847 Mr. Hamilton carried on the furnace on

his individual account long enough to satisfy him that there was no need of blowing a furnace on the Sabbath day. About the 1st of January 1847, Mr. Hamilton associated with him John G. Peebles, John F. Steele, and Samuel B. Hempstead, the first as manager of the furnace, the second as clerk and the last as river agent at Hanging Rock, under the style of R. Hamilton & Co. This firm continued until October 25, 1850 when Mr. Steele died, when the other partners purchased his interest and the firm became Hamilton-Peebles & Con.

On the 1st of March 1854 Mr. Hamilton sold one-half of the furnace to John G. Peebles, Jos. Peebles and Samuel Coles under the firm name of Hamilton-Peebles & Co. Source: Ironton Register August 25, 1904 by Thos. A. Walton.

*Robert Hamilton was married to Nancy Ellison. Their niece, Elizabeth C. Clark, married John Campbell, founder of Ironton.

Last of Pine Grove Furnace. Ironton Register, April 6, 1899 - Pinegrove Furnace, another of the historic and profitable properties in the iron business of this section, is being torn down by its owners, Means, Kyle & Co. and the cast iron about the plant, of which there was a large amount, is being remelted in their modern Hamilton Furnace at Hanging Rock.

Pinegrove was one of the very first furnaces erected in the Hanging Rock Iron Region, and was the last of the earlier furnaces to be abandoned. Only five furnaces in this region antedated Pinegrove. Argillite in Greenup Co., Ky., was built in 1818, Steam and Pactolas of Greenup in 1824, Union in 1826 and Franklin in 1827 in Scioto County, and Pinegrove in Lawrence in 1828. Scioto furnace was built the same year, and Amanda across the river from Ironton, in the year following.

Robert Hamilton and A. Ellison were the builders, and the furnace continued in blast almost every year until finally closed down May 10, 1895. Now, two boilers which were used there from 1849 till that time, are converted into smoke stacks and project from the roof of the Eagle Mill, and the materials available to other uses are being removed from the site, which was the scene of activity in iron making for nearly 70 years.

Pioneer Furnace - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: Feb. 6, 1857 By: W. Colvin, U. Tracy & Others.

Ironton Register, February 19, 1857 - **Pioneer Furnace** - New furnace in Washington Tp., midway between Olive and Washington Furnace, began on February 6th. Stone Coal Furnace, FIRST to manufacture Pig Iron with Stone Coal in Lawrence County. Pioneer is the 13th Furnace built in Lawrence County; Oak Ridge which will probably commence its first blast in May next, is the 14th. Pioneer Furnace built by Wm. Colvin, F. J. Oakes, Uri Tracy, and Thomas Pugh, under the style of Wm. Colvin and Co., Benjamin Perry directed the construction. Ironton Register, February 18, 1858 - Proprietors of Pioneer Furnace have sold out their entire interest to Mr. John L. Reed, of Jackson County.

Plain View Farm - Owned by Henry Kouns in 1912.

***Platform** - Rome Tp. - We have received a short letter from Mr. Fulks, protesting against the origin of the name of Platform given in these columns to the post office back of Millersport. We don't see any necessity for this. It is no stigma or joke on the place, that there was a platform there for dancing, even if the post office was named from it which Mr. Fulks denies. There is no chance for any harrowed consciences. The article was not intended to be unfriendly in fact or spirit. Platform is a good name, and as Mr. Fulks says, "there are other vices we shun more than dancing," though we wouldn't class it as a vice unless abused. I.R. July 5, 1883.

Pleasant Ridge

Pointer Creek

***Polecat Branch** - A branch of Ice Creek, was so named from a den of polecats on it. Jno. Broom, a German, was murdered on this creek, his body was put in a coal pit and burned and the bones were afterward raked out of this pit from the ashes for proof of his death. The cause was prosecuted by E. T. Chestnutwood, of Burlington. He was murdered for his money, but they got only 25 cents, he had left his money, \$400.00 with a friend. This stream came in at Ballards Mills.

***Polkadotte** - Windsor Tp.

Pomaria - in existence in 1887.

Pond Hollow

***Poplar Branch** - Elizabeth Tp.

Poplar Flats

Poplar Fork - The first large fork of Buffalo Creek on the east side was named Poplar Fork, there were many large poplar trees on it.

Pops Lake

Porter Gap Road - called Porter Gap as early as 1875.

***Possum Hollow** - Perry Tp. - At the mouth of a branch of Paddy Creek lived a lady who was frequently visited by a young man. He would say he "was going possum hunting," and would always go there; he was ashamed to say he was going there. So the boys called him the "possum hunter" and the branch Possum Hollow.

Powellville

Prickley Ash - Prickley Ash, a stream of Pine Creek was named from the Prickley Ash Grove at the head of it.

***Proctorville** - Union Tp. - Proctorville is located twenty two miles above Ironton and is on the Ohio river almost opposite the old town of Guyandotte. The village was named for Jacob Proctor.

Ironton Register, Thursday, September 20, 1877 -It seems that at the incorporation of Proctorville, a variety of names for the town, was suggested among which was "Cherrington," as a sort of a golden mean between Grant town and Proctorville, but the latter was adopted. Now why not call it for short, Proctor, and thereby save a lot of useless writing? By the time a hundred years or so roll around, that unnecessary tail *ville*, will have absorbed several days' hard work. Amputate the tail.

Ironton Register, May 5, 1892 - T. A. Walton wrote about the "Mound Builders," the Indians that were in this area. He wrote, "Where Proctorville now stands was one day part of a well paved city, but I think the greater part of it is now in the Ohio River. Only a few mounds there; one of which was near the C. Wilgus mansion and contained a skeleton of a very large person, all double teeth, and sound, in a jaw bone that would go over the jaw with the flesh on, of a large man; the common burying ground was well filled with skeletons at a depth of about 6 feet. Part of the pavement was of boulder stone and part of well preserved brick...."

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Jacob Proctor and Abner Smith, I think were the only resident land owners in 1841 in what is now Proctorville.

Public Fountain - Ironton Register, March 16, 1871 - A petition was presented to the Council recently, signed by a number of citizens, representing that if the Ohio Iron & Coal Co. would donate to the city the triangular tract, near the corner of Railroad and Second, the citizens would erect thereon a beautiful fountain and surround it with the usual attractions. The petition contained a pledge of \$500 subscription from J. P. Morris, to start on. The matter was referred to a committee for a report.

Quaker Bottom - Union Tp. - Quaker Bottom is now a part of Proctorville. Some of the earliest settlers of Quaker Bottom were "In 1796 John Phillips, Jesse Baldwin and family, members of the Friends from Westfall, North Carolina; Phineas Hunt and his family, all members of the society of Friends except himself (and he soon became a member) moved to the Virginia side of the Ohio River. In the latter part of the year 1797, Jesse Baldwin, after raising some corn opposite Green Bottom, moved some eighteen miles down the Ohio and settled in what is now called Quaker Bottom, opposite the mouth of Guyandotte river and present town of that name. Ironton Register ..."

James Buffington, owned and lived on a farm just below Proctorville, told how Quaker Bottom got its name; that the farm which he then owned, once belonged to a Quaker, who was one of the earliest settlers in that part of the country, and on the farm was a small stream, a tributary of Indian Guyan, and that on the place the stream had a fall of about 10 feet, and he conceived the idea that he would utilize the power; so he made a chute for the water and got a stump which was hollowed out for the purpose and had a long pole put up like a mill sweep. Instead of a bucket he attached a sugar trough to the pole by two ropes of raw hide which was lowered into the water where the falls came down. On the sweep or pole was a heavy piece of wood, made in the shape of a pestle, which when the trough filled with water and sank it lifted the other end of the pole or sweep, and as soon as the trough sank to a certain distance, the force of the current overturned it when it arose and the pestle came down in and on the hollow stump where the ingenious Quaker had put his corn. Then the trough was again filled and the same process was gone over; and all that the good Quaker or his neighbors had to do was to put their corn in the hollow stump and go to their work, coming back when the corn

was done. The neighbors who used the good Quaker's mill alluded to it as being on bottom land belonging to the Quaker, and Quaker's Bottom was the result. Ironton Register, Nov. 14, 1895.

Dec. 30, 1872 - The citizens of what was sub-dist. No. 6 of Union township have voted themselves into a special district which they call Quaker Bottom, and have chosen F. M. Reckard, A. Fuller and H. Pritchard, as Managers and Directors. They talk of erecting a school house, near where the Quaker (Sasafras) church house was, said to be the first chapel built in Ohio, west of the Muskingham river.

Quicks Run

Rachel Creek - Upper Tp. Ironton Register, July 20, 1899 - Rachel creek was so named because a horse belonging to a pioneer was drowned in it at an early day.

Rader Hollow

Railroad Runs

***Rankins Creek** - Fayette and Union Townships - Rankins Creek was named for Hiram Rankin who first built a cabin near its mouth at the south end of the bridge that was later built across it. His brother was Col. Armstrong Rankins who also had a son Hiram. Armstrong Rankin and his wife were both buried in the same grave. Located in Fayette Township.

Rankins Point - Also known as Bay's Bottom, Hell's Half Acre and today is called Crown City. Located in Gallia County just over the Lawrence County line.

Rappsburg - Mason Tp. - Name of the Post Office at Daniel Rapp's place (1885).

Red River - Also known as Blodgett's Run and Ned's Branch. There was in an early day, some girls living on the west branch of Indian Guyan, a young man had been to visit them. While there, there was a hard storm, the creek rose very high, the young man on his road up the creek, nearly swam his horse. The water was reddish with mud, it colored the horse as high as its nose. He was asked where he had been, and being very bashful and not wanting to tell where he had been, replied that he had been on Red River. It is called by some Blodget's Run, Luther Blodget once living on it, and by some Ned's Branch. Mamahan being an early squatter of the branch.

***Reeves Creek** - Windsor Tp. - Wm. Reeves squatted, and made salt-peter on a branch of Indian Guyan, and thus it was named Reeves Creek.

Reptile Branch - North side of Lost Creek was Reptile Branch, named for the number of petrified bones of reptiles on the hill which it drains.

Richey Hollow

***Riders Pond** - Elizabeth Tp.

Right Ridge

Rising Sun - Aid Tp. - Arabia, or as it is sometimes called "Bradshaw's Mills," has been laid out in town lots and will, it is presumed, assume the more romantic name of Rising Sun. We hope the Rising Sunners will have a big city and a railroad. If it beats Ironton the latter, out goes the county seat. Ironton Register, March 26, 1868.

***Rockcamp** - Perry Tp. - Rockcamp Post Office. It has been said the Ramey's were among the first settlers of Rock Camp.

Rockhill

Rockwood - Union Tp. - Now a part of Chesapeake. Rockwood received its name by company vote. Rockwood was founded on part of a tract of 445 acres, owned by the Rockwood Mining Co. The company consisted of ten members, each of whom is commemorated in the records by having a street named after him. Rockwood was so named by the combination of rocks and woods, both of which were near at hand; J. E. Wood wanted it called Woodsville but there being another Woodsville in the state they could not have the post office of the same name so they called it Rockwood. Rockwood was in existence in 1883 and maybe before. Ironton Register, April 15, 1893 - The New Town of Rockwood - Mssrs. John Snyder, J. C. Snyder, C. A. Hutsinpiller, M. O. Maddy, and a Huntington party have formed a syndicate and purchased the land of the Frampton heirs at Rockwood opposite Huntington, 430 acres, which they will lay out in town lots and small farms and put on the market at once. County Surveyor Egerton is now making the surveys. There are several houses on the land purchased and also a fine stone quarry, from which much of the stoned used in the Kenova bridge was taken. This quarry the syndicate will operate through a lessee. The new town site, while distinct in itself will probably be made a part of the village of Rockwood and known by that name. The syndicate have not fully organized yet will meet in this city Tuesday for that purpose.

1888 Rockwood

___ Smith, Post Master
Sadie Boothe, School Teacher
A. W. Hurt, Constable

Rocky Fork - Fork of Guyan Creek.

Rome - Rome, now called LaBelle, in Rome Township. Ironton Register, December 12, 1895.

Rome Township - Judge E. B. Green and Esq. Joel Bowen had the naming of Rome Township. Bowen wanted it called Bowenville; Green proposed to cut a piece out of a rough pumpkin and throw heads and tails, this was done. Green prepared the piece, left the oval green side on and the bottom flat, threw it up and chose the green side. The oval side made it come up three times, and he named it Rome; he had just been reading the history of Rome. This township was first composed of fractional townships 1 and 2 of range 15. Rome Campground and Rome Chapel were named for the township. First called Center Township until 1820-21. Rome Township was first settled around 1787.

Round Bottom - see Strum's Creek for story.

Round Top Farm - Located near Rock Camp and owned by Miles Ramey.

***Royersville** - Elizabeth Tp.

Ruby - Symmes Tp. - Former name of Waterloo.

Russell's Fork - The south fork of Sharp's Creek was principally owned by Thos. Russell who lived at the forks, and was called Russell's Fork. He was a very clever man and his wife knew how to make a person feel comfortable and feel at home when at her house. This creek, according to Walton, has more minerals in its hills than any other of the same draining capacity in the county.

Russell's Place - Windsor Tp. - Once owned by Frank Russell, who owned the store, the tan yard, the mill, the farm on which the village now stands - everything was directed by him. Now known as Getaway. The village of Getaway was first called Unionville and then Russell's Place. In recent years, however, it has been generally known as Getaway.

Ryansville - Ironton Register, January 22, 1891 - Ryansville, the famous and magnificent city of commerce, beautifully located on the head-waters of Buffalo, is noted for its fine dairy of "Jerseys." It is true that Ryansville is no railroad center or manufacturing seaport, but the cradle of Manhattan P. O. and the birthplace of more school teachers than any other village of the county. The school of this place was the Grant School.

Salliday - Salliday was named after a man who lived there for a number of years. Today it is known as Solida.

Salliday Creek - Known now as Solida Creek. Salliday Creek was named for Geo. Salliday Sr. (father of J. Salliday Sr.) who had for three winters a wolf scalp hunting camp near its mouth at the entrance into the bottom. He took in all the venison hams he wanted for summer use, which with the bear meats and hides of the animals were here cured; the meat for family use, the skins for sale or trade but the wolf scalps were cash for paying taxes. Mr. Salliday for many years lived in Scioto County, and was much esteemed.

Salt Creek

***Sam Miller Hollow** - Symmes Tp.

Sampsonville

***Sandfork** - Mason Tp. - Not far from Symmes Creek in Greasy Ridge in the vicinity of where the Chafin Mills stood.

Sand Hill

Sand Hollow

***Sandusky Creek** - Fayette Tp.

Sarah Furnace - Upper Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1877 By: Hiram Campbell & Sons and two Son-In-Laws. Named for Mrs. Hiram Campbell.

Ironton Register, Thursday, October 18, 1877 - **SARAH FURNACE** - This is the name of H. Campbell & Sons' new furnace, which enterprise is being pushed far toward completion. About all the brick work is done; the stack is up and nearly lined; one of the

three Whitwell ovens is completed and the sheet iron portion of the others is finished; the smoke stack, which is to be 107 feet high, is now at an altitude of 54 feet, the base of 15 feet, being brick; the underground flues are all completed; the boilers are in position; the engine house is nearly ready for the machinery, which is far advanced at Lambert & Gordon's; the fire brick for the hearth is in the casting house; work on the stock house is about to commence; the incline for the purpose of bring stock up from the river is nearly finished. This is about the status of things at the furnace. Putting in the hearth and placing the machinery are the principal items still to be done, before the furnace is ready for blast. By the first of January next, the furnace can blow in, but the proprietors are disposed to take it leisurely.

The general supervision of the furnace construction has been undertaken by Mr. J. H. Campbell, and the institution will, without doubt, be a standing compliment to his taste and judgment. The furnace is not a large one, but is provided with modern appliances, calculated to cheapen the cost of production. This in connection with the fact that the furnace has been built at a time when labor and material are low, will give "Sarah" furnace a marked advantage in the market.

Ironton Register, June 9, 1887 - On Wednesday of last week, A. Pleumer of the Etna Iron Works, bought Sarah Furnace, paying \$52,000 for it. Bird & Peters' lease expires October 1st, but arrangements may be made by which the purchaser will take the property July 1. The price covers the mortgages on the property.

Saundersville - Mason Tp. - Saundersville Post Office, located on the Mason Township line.

***Sawmill Run** - Decatur Tp.

***Scarey Creek** - Fayette Tp.

Schweickart Hollow

Scioto Furnace - Scioto County - Was built in 1828.

Scott Town - Windsor Tp.

School Teacher 1902 - W. A. Dillon left in 1902 and settled in Geary Okla.

Sedgwick - Hamilton Tp.

***Sharp's Creek** - Aid Tp. - The next creek on the west side of Symmes Creek was first settled by Jack Sharp. At his house were held several township elections. The first held in Aid Township for Justice of the Peace was held at this house. For him it was called Sharp's Creek.

She Bear Branch - West side branch of North Fork was occupied for several years by a she bear as supreme ruler, where she raised several cubs and was finally killed. It is said she weighed 400 lbs. net. This branch is called She Bear.

She Bear Hollow -

Shelton Hollow

***Sheridan** - Perry Tp. - Named for Gen. Phil Sheridan.

Sheridan Coal Works - The Sheridan Coaling Co. was first organized in 1864, under Bimpson and Nigh. A short time after, Charles Kingsbury, fresh from the war and full of enthusiasm over the fame of Gen. Sheridan, with Mr. Bimpson's consent, named the place Sheridan. It had formerly been called Coalford. This famous vein of coal was first discovered by L. R. Chatfield, who lived a few miles up Lick Creek. Sheridan Coal Works Post Office. Ironton Weekly Republican - Sheridan Sold - The Coal Works Finally Purchased by a Company of Eastern Capitalists. ... The deed was executed and delivered Tuesday, and the purchasers are now in possession of the property. As has already been stated...negotiations have been pending for some time for the sale of the Sheridan works through Dr. E. P. Gould, trustee for the owners of the Sheridan and Messrs. Kingsley & Brewer, of New York, who represent the company of eastern capitalists who have held an option on the property for the past six months and who have now become its owners.... The nominal consideration is \$35,000. The new company will be known as the Sheridan Coal co.

Sheridan Coal Works - see Sheridan.

Sherritts - Symmes Tp. - Sherritts is in Symmes Tp. within half a mile of Aid Tp. line; is 3 miles from Arabia and 3 from Waterloo; was named by Amos Griffith and named in honor of John Sherritts, who bought out a man by the name of Spice, who then kept a tan yard where Sherritts now stands and turned the tannery into a blacksmith shop, and carried on a very successful shop many years; saved up a few thousand, then took the money back with him to Gallia county and bought his father's home farm; returned there and there died. This is why we have Sherritts P. O. If I (A. S. Cooper) had named the office I should have called it John's creek, as I did name the one just above it. That there is no one living in the town now but J. J. White and family. The P. O. is kept in A. S. Cooper's store, and is wholly managed by the Deputy P. M. Sherritts is located within one mile of the noted scenery of Lawrence County, the Devil's Den.

Shoal Creek - Shoal creek was named so, because it came in at the shoals.

Shock Hollow

***Skillet Handle Hollow** - Lawrence Tp.

***Skin Creek** - Lawrence and Union Townships - Runs near Bradrick Chapel in the town of Bradrick.

Slab Camp - Now known as Slab Fork.

***Slab Creek** - Aid Tp.

***Slab Fork** - Decatur Tp. - First known as Slab Camp. The main north fork of John's Creek was called slab-camp from a slab-camp built near its mouth by Jno. Kelley and afterwards called Slab Fork.

Slate Run - Also known as Beech Branch. The branch opposite Wolf Creek was called Slate Run on account of the quantity of slate of shale on it, and by some Beech Branch, for a woman who lived on the waters of it.

Slope Hollow

Smith Bottom

***Smith Hollow** - Elizabeth Tp.

Smith Point - Nearly opposite the mouth of Big Branch was Smith Point and Bottom. John Smith, being a very early settler on this point and cleared the bottom.

Smokey Row - Elizabeth Tp.

Snag Bar**Snake Creek**

Solida - Former name was Salliday. See Salliday.

***Solida Creek** - Perry and Fayette Townships - Former name was Salliday Creek.

***South Point** - Fayette Tp. - Petition for the incorporation of South Point was presented to the Commissioners and set for hearing on September 7, 1887. Ironton Register, June 9, 1887. Incorporated November 6, 1887. Named because it is the most southern point in Ohio.

Ironton Register, November 17, 1887 - The County Commissioners granted the petition for the incorporation of the village of South Point. It is understood that an effort will be made to change it into a village school district. This will bring up a question as to whether the law gives that right. Ironton Register, June 25, 1891 - It is proposed to change the name of South Point to North Kenova. What wipe out the venerable, sentimental name for an importation? (of course this didn't happen - smk)

Sow Branch - The branch above Ned's Branch. In a large bottom lived a squatter at the mouth of this branch. The family let their sow and pigs sleep in the house. Two men went to the house and when they stepped in the door, the sow and girl both started for the hole by the side of the chimney and both got to the hole at once, they were too much to get through at the same time. Both tried hard to get through at the same time and the more they struggled, the tighter they were wedged in. The men as soon as they could, for laughing, pulled the old sow out and let the girl through, and they let the old sow go. The girl was washing her only garments therefore was nude and made a readily laughable spectacle. This was a good joke for some time in the neighborhood. So these men gave it the name Sow Branch. This branch has had several names.

Spears Fork - Named for Peter Spears who was the only resident on it.

***Sperry's Fork** - Elizabeth Tp. - Jas. Sperry was the first settler on a branch of Pine Creek and for him it was named Sperry's Fork. Pine Grove Furnace was built on this creek; it empties into Pine Creek below Kelley's Mills.

***Spot Hollow** - Mason Tp.

***Spring Branch** - Perry Tp.

***Spring Creek** - Windsor Tp.

***Stanley Hollow** - Perry Tp.

State Run

Steece - Elizabeth Tp. - Now known as Bartles. Steece Post Office.

Steel Fork - The east branch of Dog Fork was called Steel Fork for a Mr. Steel who owned and lived for years near its mouth.

***Steel Trap Creek** - Windsor Tp. - The branch which comes into Symmes on the east side between the mouths of Leatherwood and Drift Creek took its name from the large steel trap kept set to catch wolves for many years. Thus giving it the name of Steel Trap Creek.

Stewart Hill

Stewart Knob

Stoney Fork - First known as Greazy John's Branch. Called Stoney Fork because of all the stones in the branch.

***Storms Creek** - Elizabeth, Aid and Lawrence Townships - Strums now called Storms Creek was named for a Pennsylvania German hunter, who camped at its mouth and hunted for bear in the back hills and carried the hides to Pittsburgh annually. The first church was a Baptist church near the mouth of Storms Creek. The first preaching was by Robt. Scott in 1802. It has been said he Mr. Strums camped here in the winter to hunt and went back to Pennsylvania with his bear, bacon, venison ham, bear skins and deer hides in the spring to sell them; he had his son and dogs with him. From fifty to one hundred crows built nests on top of Sycamore trees above the Bartles Farm; when they left there they went on to Round bottom on Strum Creek and there built on Sycamore trees on what was known as the A. D. Kelley farm. They were driven from Crane's nest near the Bartle's farm by the settlers who shot them because they ate their fish. The crows stayed at Round Bottom till the timber was cut off.

String Town - Former name of Jacksonville. Located on Long Creek.

Strobel Hollow - One of the unofficial names of a branch of Sugar Creek Road. Named for the Strobel family that lived there. John B. Strobel was an Ironton Post Master in 1905.

Strums Creek - Strums now called Storms Creek was named for a Pennsylvania Dutch hunter, who camped at its mouth and hunted for bear in the back hills and carried the hides to Pittsburgh annually.

Sugar Camp Branch - North branch of Aaron's Creek which comes in at the n.w. corner of Section 16 was called Sugar Camp Branch, because Mr. Delawder for a number of years had a large sugar camp on it.

***Sugar Creek** - Perry Tp.

Sugar Creek Ridge

Sugar Creek Road - Has had many names. Those names given it in the latter years have been Eckhart Hollow, Strobel Hollow, Sutton Hollow and Goodall Hollow for the names of the families that live there. It is located on Star Route 141.

Sugar Grove - Located near the French Grant in Scioto County. It was owned by A. LaCroix in 1851. The location is one mile from Junior Furnace Landing on the Ohio River.

Suiter - Windsor Tp. - First known as Ida. Suiter Post Office.

Suiter's Gap - Between Fish Trap Shoal and the river was a low gap in the ridge and on the river side of this gap at the foot of the hill lived Jacob Suiter, and it was called Suiter's Gap.

Sulphur Springs - Fayette Township.

Sunrise

***Superior** - Elizabeth Tp.

Sutton Hollow - One of the unofficial names given a branch of Sugar Creek Road. Named for the Sutton family. Route 141 near the Rock Hill Middle School.

Swan Creek

Swartz Road

***Sybene** - Fayette Tp.

***Symmes Creek** - Symmes, Aid and Union Townships - Symmes Creek was named for John Cleves Symmes. The first and only salt well from which salt was made was on Symmes Creek, in Windsor Tp., in section 31. J. C. Symmes had cut his name on a beech tree on its bark, and the people finding his name there called it Symmes Creek.

Symmes Run - Named by Col. Andrew P. Kouns but was later changed to Frampton. See Frampton.

Symmes Township - Symmes Township formerly included most of Symmes Creek and its tributaries, and was named for it. Organized in December 2, 1823. First settled around 1820.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Symmes Township.

E. McK. Hanley, Captain

Logan Barber, 1st Lt.

A. N. Stewart, 2nd Lt.

Table Rock

Tar Kiln Hollow

Teter Run - A branch of Friend's Creek was named after Teter Null, who lived on this branch.

***Texas Hollow** - Elizabeth Tp.

Doctors:

1892 - Dr. W. L. Griffith practicing at Texas Hollow.

***Tick Ridge**

Teachers: 1885 - Jesse Vermillion

***Timber Ridge** - Mason Tp.

Tipton Knob**Toad Hollow**

Townsend Branch - The first branch of Gum Stump Fork on the north side was called Townsend Branch for Dan Townsend the fox hunter who first settled on it.

Townsend Hollow

***Trace Creek** - Windsor Tp.

Trace Fork - The first branch of the North Fork (Dog Fork) was called Trace Fork because the Indian Trail from Guyan ripple went up this branch its entire length. Trace Fork flows through a large valley, is nearly straight, and has but one branch.

Trace Path

***Two Mile Creek** - Rome Tp. - The first Methodist chapel was built in 1820, at mouth of Two-Mile. Two Mile Creek is named for being about two miles in length and its mouth about two miles from Federal Creek.

IR May 15, 1902 - Ye Olden Times

Lambert, Woods County, O.

Editor Register: In a recent issue of the Register a correspondent from West Virginia spoke of the early settler, Ventraux. I find in looking over my "Notes of Early Settlers of Lawrence County" this statement: "In 1819 the first above Two Mile was Ventraux. He afterwards died. His widow Virginia Fannie Madrid Ventraux, who owned the land, sold out to John Tierman, and took four of her children and went back to France and left four in this country. Some of her descendants live in Kanawha Valley. Her son William kept store at Coalsmouth, a sister Fanny lived with him, and Edward, I think is dead. Mr. Ventraux built the first brick house (except the Burlington tavern) in this county. The house is yet standing and owned by Ephraim McGee and son." The above was written in 1877... T. A. Walton

Tunnel

Tunnel No. 2 - Tunnel between Olive and Gallia Furnaces. A cave-in in 1887 killed two men, Wm. Burchfield and I. Oshman, both of Zaleski.

Tunnel Hill - Upper Tp. - Ironton Register, October 4, 1900 - At a recent meeting of City Council, Messrs. C. H. Ketter, F. W. Ehrlich and E. F. Hannon were appointed as members of a special committee

to investigate and report on a desirable site for a new city hospital building. The committee has agreed to recommend to the Council at its next meeting the purchase of the house on the top of the hill to the right of the Olive (now Park) street tunnel, with an acre of ground surrounding it. The property is owned by D. Nixon, and the proposed purchase price agreed upon is \$550.

Turkey Creek -

***Turkey Fork** - Lawrence and Mason Townships. A fork of Paddy Creek. Named because a large turkey was stolen and taken on it to be eaten. Turkey Fork was named from the great number of wild turkeys which were found on it by the hunters and still remained numerous after Mr. Webb settled there and they often came near his sugar camp and his home.

Twelve Pole

***Twin Lakes** - Windsor Tp.

Two Mile Creek

Union Chapel - Ironton Register October 12, 1895 - "Kouns Chapel"

Editor Register - About three years ago Union Chapel, situated in Chesapeake School District, was abandoned and allowed to decay and fall. The old church was the one in which such good old Christians as Asa Kimball and wife, Hibbert Kimball and wife, R. Bagley and wife, Amy Gillen, Col. A. P. Kouns and wife, and a great many others worshipped for years, and who have all gone to reap their reward. During the past summer, through many difficulties, a small band has succeeded in rebuilding the church which will be named "Kouns Chapel." We have a small balance to raise on Dedication day which occurs Sunday, Oct. 20, Rev. W. S. Filler, Presiding Elder officiating. All Christians as friends of Christianity cordially invited. Tom C. Smith, for Trustees.

***Union Branch Creek** - Hamilton and Elizabeth Townships.

Union Furnace - Union Tp. - In 1826, James Rodgers, John Means, John Sparks and Valentine Fear built Union furnace, the first in the county. The creek Union Furnace was built on was called Indian Run for so many trees marked by the Indians on it. Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1826 By: JAMES RODGERS & CO. *One article stated that Union Furnace was in Scioto County - I need to verify this.

Early History:

Union Furnace was built in 1826 by Jas. Rodgers, John Means, John Sparks and Valentine Fear. The firm name was Jas. Rodgers & Co. It went into blast in 1827, and the first fire in it was built by Thos. W. Means, the senior member of Means, Kyle & Co., of Hanging Rock, Ohio. It produced but a ton daily of cold blast charcoal iron, but the experience of the managers raised the production to two and a half tons daily which was considered as doing very well. Firm name was afterwards changed to Jno. Sparks & Co., afterwards owned by Thos. W. Means and David Sinton, firm name of Sinton & Means. The furnace is now dismantled and the land owned by Means, Kyle & Co., who own also the Pine Grove and Ohio furnaces and the property attached thereto. In those days wages were low. Wood was cut for 25 cents per cord; corn cost 12 ½ cents per bushel; hay from \$4 to \$6 per ton, and whiskey was the almost necessary adjunct to every bargain and contract. Abner Dilley worked at the Union furnace as a rouser or general hand about the furnace for \$6 per month. A yoke of oxen was worth from \$20 to \$40, but they were extra cattle that sold for \$40. At that time there was but very little

land except along the river bottom and the bottoms of the larger streams. The most of the land was subject to entry and purchase of the government for \$1.25 per acre. Source: Ironton Register August 25, 1904 by Thos. A. Walton.

Thomas Williamson Means became storekeeper at Union Furnace, which his father and others were then building four miles from Hanging Rock. This was the first blast furnace built in Ohio in the Hanging Rock iron region, and he had the pleasure of first "firing" it. The old Steam, Hopewell, Pactolus and Argillite were the only furnaces previous in existence in that region and they were in Kentucky.

Union Landing - Union Tp. - In 1797, the Kelleys came and settled in the neighborhood of Union Landing. Rev. John Kelly built the first horse mill near Union Landing.

Early Pioneers:

About the first of the century, Luke Kelly moved from Russell county, Va., to Ohio. He bought 500 acres of land at what is now known as Union landing. This tract he divided up among his five sons, Reuben, Joshua, Charles, Joseph and John Kelly, into tracts of 100 acres each running down the river in the order named. Rev. J. M. Kelly was a son of Joshua; the late General Kelly was a son of Charles; Samuel was a son of Reuben; Whitfield was a son of John, and William D., was a son of Joseph. W. D. Kelly was born on the farm, next below the well-known Gen. Kelly farm, January 13, 1815.

Union Township - Union Township was named by the Jackson men who believed that Calhoun, the Nullifier, should be hung.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Union Township:

1st District - S. C. Johnson, Captain

George Noble, 1st Lt.

Nathan Chapern, 2nd Lt.

Unionville - Union Tp. - The village of Getaway was first called Unionville and then Russell's Place. In recent years, however, it has been generally known as Getaway.

Upper Township - Upper Township was the Upper Township in Adams County, Ohio, and afterward in Scioto County. When Lawrence was taken from Scioto and Gallia County, it retained the name.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Upper Township:

1st District - George Carp, Captain

John Abrams, 1st Lt.

C. Matthews, 2nd Lt.

2d District - Henry C. Rodgers, Captain

John Hays, 1st Lt.

James Williams, 2nd Lt.

3d District - Allen T. Brattin, Captain

James Alexander, 1st Lt.

C. B. Egerton, 2nd Lt.

4th District - A. F. Lambert, Captain

P. P. Sloan, 1st Lt.
 James Warren, 2nd Lt.
 5th District - J. N. Bimpson, Captain
 Frederick Frawine, 1st Lt.
 Justice Heberline, 2nd Lt.

***Venison Ham Creek** - Windsor Tp. - Named by a hunter who killed some deer on it in August, and not being able to carry them home took the skins off and sunk the hams in a deep hole of water, while he could fetch a horse to take them home. They kept safe in the creek. Located below Millville.

Early Pioneers:

Holderby, William b. 22 Jan. 1786 Cabell Co. WV, emigrated to Lawrence Co. 1816 settled in Symmes Creek Valley near the mouth of Venison Ham. Obit. IR 12 Jan. 1871.

***Vernon** - Located near Pedro. First known as Mt. Vernon Furnace. - Decatur Tp.

Vernon Township - No longer in existence. It was first organized June 2, 1817.

Vesuvius - Vesuvius was formerly known as Wild Cat. It received the latter name from the great number of these animals which infested the region in its earlier days. It is located on Storms Creek, in the S. E. corner of Elizabeth Township.

Vesuvius Furnace - Elizabeth Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1833

Early History:

Vesuvius Furnace was built in 1833 by Samuel Gould, Jno. Hurd and Jos. Smith. Firm name was Gould, Hurd & Co. They about 1839, sold it to Wm. McLund and Mr. Wade and it was run under the name of McLung, Wade & Co. About 1848 they sold to Jno. Ellison, Jos. Dempsey and Jas. Rodgers. The firm name was Dempsey & Co. About 1858 Jno. Ellison rented it to Calvin Brooks, Washington Boyd and Thos. Allen Dempsey. They ran it in the name of Brooks, Boyd & Dempsey for five years. Then S. W. Dempsey, T. A. Dempsey and Jos. Gilliland rented it for five years; firm name Dempsey, Gilliland & Co., and in 1868 rented to C. W. Amos, G. N. Gray, T. A. Dempsey, L. Amos and Oliver Lyon; firm name Gray, Amos & Co., who held it until sold to Aetna Iron Works Co., in 1872. It was run as a hot blast from 1837 until 1868 and then changed to cold blast. Managers names, Jo. Smith, Wm. Patton, Jno. Rogers, Jos. Dempsey, Jno. Herrald, Wash Boyd, Jos. Gilliland, G. N. Gray and C. W. Amos. The scaffold at Vesuvius, when putting up the warm blast fell with Jos. Dempsey and killed him. Source: Ironton Register August 25, 1904 by Thos. A. Walton.

Ironton Register, October 5, 1899 - David Halley, J. O. Yates and Isaac Yates have closed an agreement with the Ironton Coal & Iron Co., for the lease of Vesuvius Furnace and expect to take charge about November 1st, or as soon as the present management works up the stock on hand. The furnace will be operated as the Vesuvius Charcoal Iron Co. and an organization will be effected as soon as the papers are received from Philadelphia.

***Vesuvius Lake** - Elizabeth Tp.- The Vesuvius Recreational Area, named for its location on historic old Vesuvius grounds, was completed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1940, eight miles north of Ironton, a mile off State Route 93. This great outdoor playground is under the supervision of the U. S. Forest Service, open to the public for swimming, boating, picnicking, camping, hiking, horseback riding, trailer camping. The lake covers 142 acres and reaches a maximum depth of 40 feet. It extends two and half miles up the valley, and has 8 miles of shore line. The road around the lake is 12 miles. [Source: A Story about Lawrence Co. by Paul Brown 1966]

Vesuvius Station - Elizabeth Tp. - Vesuvius Station Post Office.

***Wagoner's Branch** - Windsor Tp. - Also spelled Wagner. Also known as McCoy's Branch. See McCoy's Branch.

***Wall Creek** - Windsor Tp.

Washington Township - Washington Township was named for General Washington. First settled around 1828.

Washington Furnace - Washington Tp. - Lawrence County, Ohio Built: 1853 Torn down before 1899. Built by John Campbell, John Peters & Others. In 1851, John Peters moved to Ironton, and became one of a company, consisting of Samuel McConnell, Isaac Peters, John Campbell, W. M. Bowles and Thomas McGovney, to build the Washington Furnace, and the erection of which he superintended.

Ironton Register, April 20, 1899 - **Washington Furnace**. - This is one of the historic places of Lawrence county. It is being rapidly converted from a mining and manufacturing to a profitable agricultural locality. Nothing remains of the old iron plant - once the pride of the pioneer furnace men - but the dilapidated stone stack. The Union Iron Co. divided the lands among the creditors, who in turn have disposed of them to individuals of an agricultural turn of mind.

***Waterloo** - Symmes Tp. - Was first known as Ruby. Waterloo Post Office. Home of the famed basketball team, "Waterloo Wonders."

***Watson Creek** - Mason Tp.

Waugh Hollow

***Wayne National Forest**

Whitehead's Branch - The first run on the east side of Symmes Creek was called by the mill boys, Whitehead's branch. Mr. Whitehead lived about it and having a blacksmith shop at its mouth and being a favorite of the boys, always ready and willing to help them to fix their grist when it needed it. They named it thus.

***White Hollow** - Aid Tp.

White Hollow - Decatur Tp.

Whitehouse -

Whitwell - Upper Tp. - Ironton Register, June 23, 1887 - ANNEXED - The Circuit Court has decided the Whitwell Annexation case, and now, that enterprising little suburb is a part of Ironton. The company will be very pleasant, and we are quite proud of our addition, but as a financial venture, the City Council will have reason to indulge in demonstrations of woe for some years to come. [also see IR May 26, 1887]

IR Jan. 29, 1902 - Real Estate Deal. Fifteen Acres in Whitwell Changed Hands Today.

Messrs. John Lucas, E. S. Culbertson and E. G. Scripture concluded a deal Tuesday, whereby they become owners of 15 acres of land in Whitwell, embracing the territory between Kemp Avenue and Pleasant street and Ninth street and the hill road forming the east corporation line of the city. The territory comprises 80 lots and it is likely that these will be platted and put on the market this spring. The property is the John Lang farm adjoining the Warne lands.

Wild Cat - Elizabeth Tp. - The former name of Vesuvius. It received its name from the great number of wildcats which infested this region in its earlier days. It was located on Storms Creek.

Wild Cat Branch - Wild Cat Branch of the Ice Creek comes in near where W. F. Payton once lived and was named for the number of wild cats which formerly inhabited the place; a very large one was killed there.

Wild Cat Hollow

***Wilgus** - Mason Tp. - Wilgus P. O. is situated at a junction of roads, from which more than 35 families receive their mail. Ironton Register, March 31, 1892.

IR March 10, 1887 - Long Creek (news) - We are to have the postoffice at Wilgus again.

***Willow Creek** - Perry and Fayette Townships.

Willow Wood

Wilson Ridge Branch - Big Branch on the west side of Symmes was named "Wilson's Branch," for William Wilson an early settler on it.

Windsor

Windsor Ridge

Windsor Township - Windsor Township was named by Esq. Peter Wakefield for Windsor, Vermont. He was the first Justice of the Peace in it and held the office, while he lived. Organized June 2, 1817. First settled around 1800.

1863 - Lawrence County Militia

Windsor Township:

Clinton Forgey, Captain

J. K. Davis, 1st Lt.

L. Dunfee, 2nd Lt.

Winkler Grove

***Winkler Hollow**

Wintergreen Branch - The east fork of Little Paddy Creek was called "Wintergreen Branch," because there was a large bed of winter green or mountain tea near its head.

Winter's Branch - Geo. Winters lived on this branch and thus it is called Winter's Branch.

Wolcott Hollow - Named for the Wolcott family that lived there.

***Wolf Creek** - Windsor and Rome Townships - There were a number of wolves' dens on Wolf Creek, and from this the hunters called it Wolf Creek.

Wolf Hollow

***Woltz Hollow**

Yarico

Yellow Branch - Now Deep Cut Road.

***Yellow Branch Creek**

***Yellow Creek** - Postoffice was Millville. In existence in 1885.

Yingling's Run - Located above Kelley's Run. Named for the Yingling family.

***Youngs Branch** - Decatur Tp.

Zaleski

Zalmon's Branch of Long Creek - The first branch on the west side of Long Creek was known as Zalmon Wilson's.

Zoar Hill

***Zoar Ridge** - Decatur Tp.

Misc.

Ironton Register, Thursday, April 10, 1851 -Origin of the Name of Sheboygan - According to the Cleveland Plaindealer, the name of the above place originated as follows:

An Indian chief who once occupied the present site of that place, had several daughters but no sons; and anxiety for such an event increased as the chance grew less. At last, circumstances again renewed his hopes, and with it sprung up a general curiosity among the settlers to know the result. The settlement was on tiptoe - and a deputation was dispatched to the wigwam of the old Sagamore to enquire

and report. He met them at the door, with a scowl that made their scalps start - and to the inquiry, "what is the pappoose?" the old warrior contemptuously growled "She-boy-a-gain!" and thus came that now flourishing town by the name of Sheboygan.

Sources: A story about Lawrence County, Ohio by Paul Brown, 1966.

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Ironton Register Newspapers

Interviews with local citizens.

Old Soldiers that served our county and the positions they held.

County Treasurer	Dates	Years
Jere Davidson	1865-67	2
Jere Davidson	1879-83	4
Simeon Crossley	1869-73 died in office	4
Wm. Betts	1873-79	6
John Hayes	1883-87	4
Joseph A. Turley	1887-91	4
	Total Number of years	24
County Auditor:		
Seth Sutherland	1862-68 died in office	6
J. N. Thomas	1868-77	9
G. C. Varnum	1889-92	3
H. R. Brown	1895-98	3
	Total number of years	21
Probate Judge		
G. W. Thompson	1875-87	12
Sheriff		
John W. Earles	1865-67	2
W. S. Merrill	1869-73	4
T. W. Rose	1873-77	4
L. D. Markin	1877-81	4
F. C. Gates	1889-93	4
	Total number of years	18
Recorder		
W. H. Donohoe	1868-74	6
Harry Riggs	1874-77	3
P. F. Gillett	1886-92	6
	Total number of years	15
Clerk of Court		
C. C. Bowen	1870-76	6
W. C. Belcher	1876-82	6

	Total number of years	12
Prosecuting Attorney		
Thos. Cherington	1869-73	4
Walter S. McCune	1873-77	4
	1879-83	4
	Total number of years	12
Representative		
T. N. Davey	1867-69	2
W. H. ENochs	1869-71	2
Henry Berkstresser	1871-73	2
Dr. J. Morris	1873-75	2
Elias Nigh	1875-77	2
W. B. Tomlinson	1885-87	2
Geo. H. Holliday	1889-91	2
	Total	14
Commissioner		
W. E. Rowe	1875-81	6
Geo. N. Gray	1870-73	3
Geo. N. Gray	1891-93 resigned	2
Elisha T. Edwards	1884-89 died in office	5
Chas. Brammer	1886-92	6
Thos. F. Payne	1888-91	3
Basil Lunsford	1892-98	6
	Total number of years	31
Additional offices found by smk		
School Examiners		
Jos. R. Cooper	1892-	
W. D. Corn resigned	18? - 1892	

In addition to the above the following-named ex-soldiers have served as infirmary directors: mr. Clay, I. N. Willis, John A. Jones, J. H. McGee, M. J. Cullen, A. N. Stewart, while the position of infirmary superintendent has been filled since 1883 by two ex-soldiers, M. B. Ryan and W. E. Rowe.

The office of Coroner was filled by Dr. O. Ellison and Dr. J. S. Henry, ex-soldiers, and Dr. Arnold and ex-soldier was elected to that office in 1868 but did not serve.
[may not be a complete list of old soldiers - IWR Apr. 25, 1896.]

Ironton Churches.

IR May 26, 1892 - The frame work of the East Ironton M. E. church is up. It will be a commodious building.

IR May 26, 1892 - Ironton National Building & Loan Association Co.; J. D. Jones, Pres., S. W. Boothe, Sec'y; Jno. Sheridan, Treas. The Directors are: P.S.Hart, Jno Sheridan, C. S. Gray, G. H. Peterson, S.W.Booth.

IR May 26, 1892 - Interior of Memorial Hall ..relic room, library apartments will be elegant... No Memorial Day parade this year because it was held earlier for the dedication of Memorial Hall.

Schools - Ironton Kingsbury (mentioned in 1892)

Mr. Thomas G. Brown sells the Ironton Republican, and the new owners take charge today and will have control of the paper in the future. The transfer was made to F. A. Ross today, the consideration being \$7000. IR Jan. 9, 1902

1856 - Rev. J. W. Wakefield was **Recorder** for LCO, when his term expired he entered the Ohio Conference.

IWR Jan. 26, 1917 - The big fire which burned the block on Buckhorn street during the flood was relayed via grapevine telegraph to the outside world and the horrors of uncertainty suffered by the many persons who had friends in this city was terrible while the inability of Ironton folks who were safe from the flood to hear word from their friends and relatives whom they knew to be in the flood wake was the cause of much anxiety. Ironton has two wireless stations and in time of flood could communicate with the outside world very nearly as easily as in ordinary times.

IWR Jan. 26, 1917 - Bank Leases Quarters - At the meeting of the directors of the Iron City Savings Bank Tuesday evening the lease for the entire Center street frontage of the new Masonic Temple was signed and the bank will occupy this spacious quarters making one of the largest banking rooms in this section of the country. ... Mr. Egerton the cashier and acting head ...

Duvall's Landing in Kentucky...Portsmouth Times 12 April 1872