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Death of an Old Pioneer.

Died, at the residence of John Hall, in the village of Wixom, Oct. 29, 1884, Mrs. Phlla Dewey, in the 81st year of her age.

Phlla Green was born in Brookfield, Orange Co., Vt., Feb. 5, 1804, came to Michigan in her youth and settled in Oakland county. She was married to Deacon Josiah Dewey, of Oakland township, April 18, 1848, by Rev. B. F. Sheldon of the M. E. church. Her husband and herself were of the number who organized the Cong'l church at Orion and united with it at its organization in 1854. Her husband died in June, 1873, and she removed to this city (Pontiac) the following fall. In July 1882 she, being in poor health, took up her residence in the home of John Hall (she having no children, and he having looked after her interests since the death of her husband) and lived with him up to the time of her death. A few weeks before she died they removed to Wixom, and she was as well as usual until a few days before her decease. All that kind hands could do, or money procure, could not stay the fell destroyer, and she passed peacefully away on the morning of the 29th. The evening before her burial, the Rev. C. W. Hultz, of Wixom, together with the neighbors, accompanied by the choir, assembled to pay the tribute of respect to the deceased.

The early morning train of Oct. 31 conveyed her remains to Pontiac, where they were met by undertaker Bradford, of Orion, and conveyed thither, where the funeral services took place at the Cong'l church, the Rev. J. G. Whitcomb, pastor of the M. E. church, preaching the funeral sermon (he being an old and intimate friend of the family) and spoke in a very affecting manner. Her remains were laid to rest by the side of her husband's, in the Baldwin cemetery, in Oakland. She leaves a brother, Wm. Green of Oxford, and one sister, Mrs. Bishop of Orion, to mourn her departure.

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Mrs. A. P. Sikes, a sister of H. J. Axford, of this city, died at her home in East Saginaw, last Saturday of consumption. Nov 14 1884