

PONTIAC BILL POSTER

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Died, at the age of 13 years, in this city on the 26th inst., after a brief but painful illness, Arthur, son of Mrs. E. C. Watson, who not only leaves a sorrowing household, but also a large circle of grieving school mates with whom he was a favorite. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the entire community. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. F. Rae, pastor of the Baptist church, and the remains interred in Oakhill cemetery.

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Last week we neglected to mention the fact that Mrs. Anna Clement died at her home in the third ward, Jan. 16, of consumption, and funeral services were held at the house the 18th, sermon by Rev. J. M. Gelston. She leaves a husband and five children. This makes the fourth death in the Clement family inside of two years, and the afflicted husband and father is certainly entitled to the substantial sympathy of the community.

Obituary.

William Flummerfelt, Sr. one of the oldest residents and citizens of the town of Oakland, died of pluro-pneumonia, at his home last Sunday night, aged 84 years. The deceased came to Michigan from Warren county, New Jersey, in 1830. In 1834 he located section fourteen, in the town of Oakland, living there until he died. He was a man of great energy, and full of days works, that by years of application resulted in the accumulation of quite a large fortune, which he generously used in aiding his children to start in life. His life of over 50 years in eastern Oakland, is an enduring memorial of his worth as a friend, and enterprise as a citizen.

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John Simpson died December 31st, 1883, at the residence of his son William M. Simpson, in Springfield, Oakland county, Michigan, aged 86 years, 8 months. He was one of the oldest settlers of the town, having come to the state in 1854, and settled on the farm where he died. His wife survives him. They were the oldest couple, having been married 66 year.

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At Fowlerville, January 19th, 1884, Benedict Baldwin, cousin of Hon. Charles Baldwin.

The subject of this notice was born in Brantford, Connecticut, ninety-seven years ago. When about nineteen years of age he located in Whitestown, New York. In 1812 he penetrated into the wilds of that State, and purchased a tract of land in Genesee county; about this time he was married. From this place he was twice called to defend Buffalo from the invasion of the National foe.

In 1826 he came to Michigan and located a farm in the town of Oakland, Oakland county. At this time the county contained but five towns, Avon, Addison, Oakland, Oxford and Pontiac. Pontiac extended north to Saginaw Bay, and west to the meridian line. On this farm the remainder of his days of active life were quietly and prosperously employed.

About thirty years ago his wife died, when he retired from his farm, and contentedly enjoyed the results of his industry. For several years his home has been with a son, at Fowlerville, where he died. He had the respect and esteem of all who knew him. Four sons and two daughters survive him. Thus the pioneers, who braved the danger and hardships incident to the subjugation of the unbroken wilds of a new country, to the highly cultivated fields of our state and county are passing away, and we can imagine with what delight they have seen the results of their combined labors.

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Correspondence of the Bill Poster.

Avilla, daughter of Geo. F. Coon, died of measles last Wednesday. Funeral Friday, and the remains placed in the vault at Pontiac. Feb. 6, 1884.