Wayne County Pioneer # 37

Thomas Kelley (1800-1887)

Thomas Kelley was born 6 April 1800 in Huntingdon County, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Charles and Jemimia Crownover Kelley who settled on a farm four miles east of Wooster, Wayne County, Ohio in 1811. Thomas was eleven years of age and was reared and educated there. Thomas Kelley married twice. He married Catherine Lorah daughter of John Lorah of Wayne County, Ohio. They had the following children:

John Kelley (unknown dates) Amanda Kelley born 22 September 1829 married Ambrose Corey Sydna Kelley born in 1832 married Philip Faulhaber Charles Kelley born in 1833 Sarah Kelley born in 1836 married Thaddeus Ball Mineva Kelley born in 1837 married Christian German Albert Kelley born in 1845

Thomas Kelley married second in Fremont, Ohio in 1862 to Emily G. Bowen.

Early land records show that Charles Kelley, Thomas's father had purchased land in southwest quarter of section 5 and northwest quarter section 5 in East Union Township, Wayne County, Ohio. Charles Kelley was listed in the tax list of 1814 and 1819. He was listed in the 1820 census of Wayne County, Ohio.

In 1831 Thomas Kelley located in Washington Township, Hancock County, Ohio where he had the honor of naming the township. He had purchased 160 acres of land and cleared and made improvements. Thomas lived there up to 1856 when he sold his farm and moved to Fremont, Ohio residing there until 1866, when he moved to Fostoria, Ohio.

Cemetery records in Fostoria Cemetery, Fostoria, Hancock County, Ohio show he died 30 December 1887.

Administration of Estate of Charles Kelley, K 51 # 670 of Wayne County, Ohio list Thomas Kelley a son of Charles Kelley.

Thomas Kelley was entered in the Wayne County Pioneers in 1994.

Thomas Kelley (1800-1887) married Catherine Lorah Albert Kelley (1845-1928) married Helena Presida Richards Loyal Kelley (1884-1950) married Alberta Campbell Colen Campbell Kelley