

their associates and successors, as the "Grand Detour Manufacturing Company," with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars.

On the 10th of May, the names of Charles H. Lamb and A. G. Henderson appear in the paper as proprietors. In July, Mr. Henderson withdrew from the concern, leaving Mr. Lamb in sole charge.

No. 26, Vol. 2, of the *Register*, dated August 25, 1843, is the last one we can find. No notice is given of its suspension, and we are at a loss to know how much longer it survived—probably, however, but a short time.

We have before us No. 7, Vol. 1, of the *Illinois Tribune*, dated at Grand Detour, December 26, 1844, and published by John W. Sweetland. As this is the only number we have been able to obtain, we can give no further intelligence concerning it. From its typographical appearance, we should suppose it to be the *Register's* successor. It contains a notice of the marriage, on the 19th of that month, by Rev. D. J. Pinckney, of Henry A. Mix to Miss Catherine J. Bennett.

In looking over the files of the *Rock River Register*, we have found a great many matters which would be of interest if republished at this time, but our limits forbid our copying them.

[NOTE.—The statement on page 51, that the county seat was located at Dixon, is somewhat erroneous. The first Circuit Court was held there by direction of the County Commissioners, they having the power to direct where the courts should be held. The struggle on the question of a division of the county in 1838-9, was

animated and bitter. Petitions and remonstrances were the order of the day, and much ill feeling was engendered, which has not even yet died out. As many of those taking part in the struggle are still living, we prefer to leave the matter here, without "raking up" any old feuds.]

CHAPTER XIV.

In 1835, George R. Webster and Stephen Hull settled in this vicinity. Several of Mr. Webster's relatives have since settled here, and the family is now quite numerous. Mr. Hull left a large number of daughters, but no sons. The daughters are nearly all married, and now living in this vicinity.

In 1835, John Waterbury and Solomon Shaver came to this section to look out a place for settlement. In the following year, they, with six other families—those of Wm. Wamsley, Wm. Nichols, B. Beardsley, Duncan Grant, Abram Schryver and Thos. Worden—numbering in all seventy-two souls, left Delaware county, N. Y., and came to Buffalo Grove, where they settled. They performed the entire journey with wagons, and were seven weeks and two days on the route, and did not sleep in a house from the time of leaving home till they reached this point. With the exception of Mr. Beardsley, now a resident of Iowa, they are all still living in the vicinity of Polo. Since their arrival, four other families of Waterburys have settled here. In point of numbers, the Waterburys, with their