1819  BUTLER, ORANGE

Settled at Adrian in Lenawee County about the year 1833. He came here from the State of New York where he was admitted to practice. He practiced law a short time, attended court in the fall of 1836, and in April, 1837, but afterwards engaged as a contractor on the Toledo railroad and left the profession. He afterwards removed to Lansing, soon after the removal of the capital there, where he was engaged in land operations. Was elected justice of the peace, and served a number of years, and died about the year 1855.

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Orange Butler was the first District Attorney of Wyoming County, N. Y.

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ORANGE BUTLER, 1819, of Pompey, N.Y., was a member of the Adelphic Society.
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ORANGE BUTLER

June 11, 1870. Orange Butler, of this city, who died very suddenly on Saturday evening, was a man of talent and distinction—one of those to whom our State was early indebted for her good start in intellectual as well as material growth. He was born in Pompey, Oneida county, New York, March 5, 1794; graduated at Union College, Schenectady; studied law with Victor Bircle, of Pompey, and taught classical languages at about the same time. He commenced the practice of law at Vienna, Ontario county, but removed to Gaines, Orleans county, N. Y., he was district attorney of Orleans county for several years, and had a very extensive practice, being prominent in the famous Morgan trials, during the anti-Masonic excitement. He removed from Gaines to Adrian, Michigan, about the year 1835, and was a member of the Legislature from Lenawee county while Stevens T. Mason was Governor of the State. Mr. Butler came to Delta, Eaton county, in April, 1847, and to Lansing in 1849. He practiced law here, and was justice of the peace for a long period in the early days, with general acceptability. He has filled up the measure of a long and useful life, being 76 years old when called away.

Mrs. Franc L. Adams
Lansing, Michigan
1923.
ORANGE BUTLER

Was born at Pompey, N. Y., March 5, 1794, graduated at Union College, and soon after entered the office of Hon. Victory Birdseye, with whom he pursued his legal studies till admitted to the bar—removing to Vienna, Ontario Co. He commenced the practice of law, but remained only a short time, when he settled at Gaines, Orleans Co. He was District Attorney of Orleans Co., for several years, and had a very extensive practice, being prominent in the famous Morgan trials during the anti-Masonic excitement.

Full of enterprise, he removed to Adrian, Michigan. Soon becoming popular by his ability and affable manners, he was sent to the Legislature during the administration of Stephen T. Mason. Declining political preferment, he addressed himself studiously to his profession, establishing an enviable reputation as a sound lawyer and brilliant advocate. In 1849 he removed to Lansing where he resided till time of his death in 1870. Abandoning his profession, for a number of years before his death he lived in agreeable retirement. He was an accomplished classical scholar and fine linguist; clear in judgment, cheerful, upright in all his intercourse with his fellow men. He lived to fill up the measure of a long and useful life, being 76 years of age when called away.

He married Miss Wealthy Handy, of Pompey. They had five children:

1. John
2. Charles W., still residing at Lansing
3. Augustus S., deceased
4. Helen, wife of O. A. Jenison
5. Augusta, wife of C. M. Beebe of Lansing.

Mrs. Butler lived till within the present year, 1876, and during the fall of 1875 paid a visit to Pompey, enjoying for the last time the scenes of her childhood home.

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Representatives from Lenawee County, 1837. Was born in Pompey, Onondaga County, N. Y., Mar. 5, 1794. He graduated at Union College, studied law with Victor Birdseye, at the same time teaching classics. He commenced practice at Vienna, N. Y., then at Gaines, N. Y., where he had a large practice and was prominent in the famous Morgan trials, during the Anti-Masonic excitement, and was Prosecuting Attorney. He came to Adrian, Mich., in 1835. He removed to Delta, Eaton County, in 1847, and purchased the Ingersoll mills. He sold the property in 1849 and removed to Lansing, where he died July 11, 1870. He practiced law and was Justice of the Peace for many years. In politics he was a Democrat.

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