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# PULTENEY'S HISTORY NEWSLETTER

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## Historians Report

I received an email with this message from a lady trying to locate an old school house her father attended in our community years ago. I'm glad I was able to help them locate the school, and also very happy that they had a positive experience when they went there.

Thank you for giving us direction on where the one room school house is located. We went up Gibson Hill and there it was...renovated and being used as a garden shop. The owner and partner have purchased other land adjacent and across the street, and are renovating an old farm house as well! We had a nice talk with her, her family has been in the area for several generations, and we noted a couple of Wheelers on the Honor Roll in Hammondsport where my dad's and uncle's name (McLean) are also found as having served in WWII. She also went to school with the son (Grant Carlson) of a close friend of my dad's! So lots to talk about. She was so kind to allow us to scatter some of our parents' ashes on the old school house property. We found some very old trees that had to be there when dad was a boy playing near his school. So that was a beautiful closure.

## Military Wall

Recognition and support of our veterans is a cause near and dear to me. Anybody from our town who has served our country belongs on our wall. If you are a veteran from our community, or know somebody else that is, and you do not have your name and picture up there, please contact me so that we can make it happen.

## This Month in History

Catawba--August 1919--Sgt. Paul French, Company B 5<sup>th</sup> ammunition train, was honorably discharged from camp Upton and arrived home Tuesday. He was over across 18 months. And was in the front line 6 months. His youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. Willard French. Welcome home.--There was an automobile accident on the Lake Rd., Sunday at Drakes point. A party from Palmyra of three people went over the bank; the vehicle lodged in a tree and saved it from going into the lake. A man had a very bad cut on the knee and a little boy had his nose cut nearly off; the rest were badly bruised.

Pine Grove--August 1895—Father Whitether preached here last Sunday. Is making a tour reaching his farewell sermons. He has followed the ministry for nearly 66 years, and has not laid off a month during the time. Father Whiteher began preaching when he was \$.20 that has devoted himself entirely to Christianity and the saving of souls.

Elmbois--August 1910--wonder was going on this week? Why, the ice cream social at Elmbois Hall, Thursday night, August 11, and the M. Y. P. S. Next Saturday, August 13 at Gibson's. Every member has a right to invite a friend.--At the harvest picnic that is to be held Saturday in Depew's Grove, a cane will be given to the oldest demand present, in umbrella to the oldest lady, and a silver teaspoon to the youngest baby.

Pulteney-- August 1894--Tuesday the second, William Mattice met with a serious accident while making a stack of straw at the tail of the threshing machine, for Mr. Barton. Yet nearly finished the top when he slipped and slid backwards off the stack, following some 30 feet striking in a double up shape, breaking an ankle, tearing the muscles lose from the bottom of the sport, injuring his spine, hip and shoulder. It is strange that did not kill him out. He is feeling quite smart now.— News came last week Marcus Ford of Rochester, who has been laid up for several weeks from getting a rusty nail in his foot, was much worse again and there are fears of his losing. His wife's mother and his own mother are there caring for him.

South Pulteney—August 1894--a few weeks ago Rev. G. A. Beers of South Pulteney resigned the pastorate of the church to take effect last Sunday in August, the people were not satisfied with nor prepared for such a step, and by a decisive vote the church refused to accept the resignation and with a liberal congregation added \$150 to his salary. After due deliberation he has decided to be almost unanimous call of the church and congregation, to remain with and has withdrawn is resignation, although a sister church in Yates County has been untiring in its efforts to obtain services.

Cholera Morbus is a dangerous complaint and often is fatal in its results. To avoid it you should use DeWitt's Colie and Cholera Cure as soon as the first symptoms appear.

