

and the organization of Juneau, this town organization seems to have been abolished, and the territory composing it divided between the present towns of Marion and Kildare.

The town of Marion, lying north and east of the town of Lemonweir, was settled first by John Mason, in the year 1851. This settlement was made on the Lemonweir Prairie. About the same time, a Mr. Brandebury made his home with Mason, and took up a claim in the near vicinity; but erected no substantial improvements. Dow Clute made a location in the town in the year 1852 or '53; and John and Jacob Tolls followed, about the year 1854. No date of the organization of the town has been obtained.

Town of Kildare. Henry Carpenter, living at Portage City, and a man by the name of Randall, were engaged in the logging and lumber business on the Lemonweir; and, in the year 1849, commenced the erection of a sawmill on that stream, in the present town of Kildare. The mill was completed early in the following year; but after running it one season, they sold out their claim and mill to Jacob Rogers, who continued to operate the mill for some years afterward. Pine timber becoming scarce on the river, the lumber business at that point was subsequently abandoned.

Peter Arntz made a location in the town, and built a steam sawmill on the Lemonweir, two or three miles from the mouth, in the year 1852. He also abandoned the lumber business after a few years. A year or two previous to the settlement of Mr. Arntz, Frank Webster and George Walker made a location in this town, on the Wisconsin River, at the foot of the Big Dells.

Jacob Rogers at one time took quite an active part in the politics of the county, and was elected county treasurer for one term. He subsequently removed to the village of New Lisbon; but some years since left the State, and now lives in Iowa, a few miles west of Dubuque. Mr. Arntz has also been quite a prominent man in county affairs, and has several times been elected to represent his town in the county board.

In 1849, William Green emigrated to Wisconsin, and made his home during the season with a Mr. Mackay, in the town of Del-