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SUPPORT
HIS FAMILY**

1869 tax bill for Fred Opfer's 40 acre farm on 13 Mile Rd.

DUPLICATE No. 31
 RECEIVED of *Fred Opfer* upon the following described tracts of land, the same stated below, for taxes assessed in said County for the year 1869

Sub-division of Section	Ac.	Town	Range	Acres	State Tax	County Tax	Town Tax	Dist. Tax	Other Tax	Interest	Penalty	Total
<i>A 8/4 of A 20/14 12</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>1.03</i>	<i>1.84</i>	<i>1.32</i>						<i>1.32</i>
											<i>1.82</i>	
											<i>1.14</i>	
											<i>1.03</i>	
											<i>5.13</i>	
											<i>30</i>	
											<i>19</i>	
											Total \$ 6.12	

Interest from February 1st 1869, to date, 2 months, 19 days, at 15 per cent.

COUNTY CLERK: *W. H. ...* COUNTY TREASURER: *D. Schapatus*



John Beebe's son Charles became a sailor, preacher and undertaker. John's wife Ester D and the Davys were born in England as were many Warren Village residents. The toll gate was located probably on Mound south of Chicago Road. If Beebe was to work his trade and watch the toll gate it had to be near his shop there. Later James Strong took over as toll gate keeper.

Peter Gillette was a pioneer farmer on Chicago Rd, The Gamble family, two boys of which appear to have served in the Civil War. **Both names appeared on a veterans memorial stolen by the Warren grave robber gang Isaac and Oliver Barton organized the First church in Warren the Warren M E Church c1850s.**

The foto at the left shows property tax on 40 acres of only \$6.12 Thank you Shirley Opfer. Early pioneers were Ames, Davy, Halsey, Hoxie, Royce, Smith, McGrath, Torry, Sherry, Dunning, Johnson, Glaziers, Coreys, Beaufaits, Wilsons, Kingscott, (John Kingscott was listed as a soldier in the 1850 census.) Civil War soldiers: Ira F. Benson, Nicholas Berger, William L Cole, Lewis Conrad, John N Cook, Oscar Cooley, James M Crawford, Frederick Eckstein, Benjamin C Gamble was shot in the leg, Charles Gamble, Henry Gies, John Hartman lost a thumb, Frederick Heidt injured left leg, Jacob Heipple, Levi Hoard, Charles Jacob, Henry Jenks, Mat & Frank Kaltz, Charles Kidd suffered deafness, Ernst Lorenz, Joseph Matre, Joseph Metro, William Moor, Mahala Norris,

Frederick Opfer, Manuel J Pereira had a bad right ear injury, John Smith, James M Stanley suffered chronic diarrhea as did many who served, Frank Tatro, Theodore F. VanFleet, David Wolf, Samuel Wodie? and more. WWI Otto J Abey, Kamiel Blondeel, William Gietzen, Neil Reid Warrenner, Edward Thimian, Roger W. Jannus, Ormal Dewey Stevens, Edward W Grimms and others. WWII; Hugh Alexander, Floyd F Reddick, Merrill Stevens. and many others. **The only stone that named many of these men was stolen by the Warren hysterical grave robber gang in July 2011.** See cemeteries page for details. Other notables were first the Groesbeck family who were the first to officially buy land and settle in Warren Township, and bought more land here than anyone else. They had the first sawmill, first log cabin, probably first frame house,

first residents who claimed to be lawyers, first lawsuit to sue boys over chasing a skunk, and many other firsts. There were many other families and names of prominence such as the Rivards, Gibbs, Glaziers, Denisons, Rhodes, Ecksteins, Schusters and others named above. Many had family members that served as Township officials