

Fall of 1835 Rev. Sylvester Cochrane of East Poultney, Vermont came to Michigan. Returned to Vermont - thought out the plan of a colony and held a meeting early in the winter of 1835-36 at East Poultney - also in Castleton, Vermont - on March 27, 1836 forty two (42) citizens of Addison, Bennington and Rutland Counties signed the Constitution of "The Union Colony". This being an unusual and unique inception of a colony for the settlement of a Michigan village and town, it is on file in the Register of Deeds of Eaton County, Michigan. Twenty Two (22) became actual residents.

Summer 1836 - Bazelael Taft and family

Fall 1836 - Jacob Fuller and wife

Elijah S. Mead and wife

Jay Hawkins and wife, 1 child

W. S. Fairfield

Oren Dickenson and 2 hired men

Middle of November 1836 - S. S. Church & family
they arrived in Battle Creek - moved to Vermontville
January 1837.

April 1837 - Hail Squire & family

Fall 1837 - George S. Browning & family

Fall 1837 - Rev. Sylvester Cochrane & family