RUTH HUMPHREY CAMPBELL - 94

Ruth Campbell 94th birthday ...(little bit missing - sorry) after remaining here a day or two her father decided to go and locate on a farm and chose a site on what afterwards became the Stubbins farm. Mrs. Campbell was then six years old and that first winter was spent in a hut fashioned out of poles laid together pen fashion with a rude roof of brush and bark and there was no chinking between the poles to keep out the snow or wind. Whenever it snowed of a night or in the day time either for that matter, the snow was blown through the cracks between the poles until it was just as deep on the inside or the penhouse as it was on the outside. This is only one of the many hardships Mrs. Campbell experienced when a child? While her parents were living in this uncomfortable house of poles a sister to her was born during the winter season. After living east of Alamo for a time Mr. Humphrey moved with his family to what was afterward known as the Humphrey farm, near the Texas school house, three and a half miles SW of Alamo. This school house was not there then though it has served its purpose like other little red school houses of long ago and is no more; but Mrs. Campbell lives on and is happy. Mrs. Campbell was born Oct 27, 1820 in Hardin ?)) County, Ohio and came to this county six years later. When she was 20 years old, she was married to Henry Campbell and moved to Alamo, where the great part of her life was spent. Seven chiildren were born to her and five of them are living and are Mrs. Alice Ammerman of this city, Mrs. Edna Irwin of Indianapolis, Mrs. Martha Harp of Alamo, Andrew and Alexander both of this city. George and John are dead. Mrs. Campbell still has her spinning wheel and she spends a part of her time spinning flax and is an expert. Only recently she spun enough flax to provide thread enough to make a pretty collar for a granddaughter. -- kbz

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