History Mystery: Why did the early Pioneers Come to Walworth County?

Did you every wonder why early pioneers came to Walworth County? Part of the answer is many came to take advantage of the rich farm land that is available here compared to where they lived in the eastern part of the United States. Good farm land meant rich soil—sometimes up to two feet deep—plus good weather and hard work (as pictured above and below) often paid off for the early settlers here in our county. Farms were very productive with good harvests of crops like wheat and corn. Dairy cows produced large amounts of milk used for several products like milk for drinking, making cheese and butter.

Muscles provided power to get wok done. Here oxen and people do hard work.

Tree stumps were cleared to make farm fields using the muscles of horses and man.
DO YOU KNOW WHAT EXAGGERATION IS?
To Exaggerate is to make larger what is really the case or beyond what is true. Can you tell what is exaggerated in these old photos?
A cornucopia is also called a “Horn of Plenty.” It is a symbol often used to recognize a successful fall harvest.

WINTER TRIVIA FOR KIDS

What is your winter IQ?

1. The season that comes after Fall and before Spring is ____________.
2. The Winter season begins on the Winter ____________.
3. Winter takes place during four months—December, January, February and ________.
4. Seasons change because the earth rotates on its ____________.
5. In winter hours of daylight are ____________ than in the other seasons.
6. During the winter animals such as chipmunks and bears ____________.
7. Name one other holiday that occurs in winter along with Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Kwanza, President’s Day, Christmas, Groundhog Day and ____________.
8. During winter the earth is tilted (toward or away) from the sun.
9. If you live in the Northern Hemisphere Winter begins on the 21st of what month?
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10. In Winter precipitation is more likely ____________ than rain.

Bonus Question:

Chionophobia is the fear of ____________.

ANSWERS

11. Snow
10. Snow and Ice
9. December
8. Away
7. Valentine’s Day
6. Hibernate or sleep
5. Shorter or fewer
4. Axis
3. March
2. Solstice
1. Winter