Field Trip to Toquerville – Saturday, September 19, 2015

The September Washington County Field Trip will be to the site of one of the first Washington County murders. On March 16, 1875, in the little town of Toquerville, an undreamed of tragedy occurred. Richard Fryer, a founding pioneer of Toquerville and a well-loved musician and teacher, in a fit of rage killed his neighbor and then his own wife and baby. Later that same day, Richard himself was killed in a shoot-out with the sheriff.

Richard Fryer's decent into mental instability had been noted by his family. Their appeal for help did not bring action in time to avert this tragedy.

Members of the Historical Society and all others who wish to join them for this field trip should meet in the parking lot of the BLM at 9 a.m. Alternatively, participants may meet at 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot of the L.D.S. chapel in Toquerville. The field trip will visit the site of the murders and learn more information about this event. Other historical sites in Toquerville will also be visited.