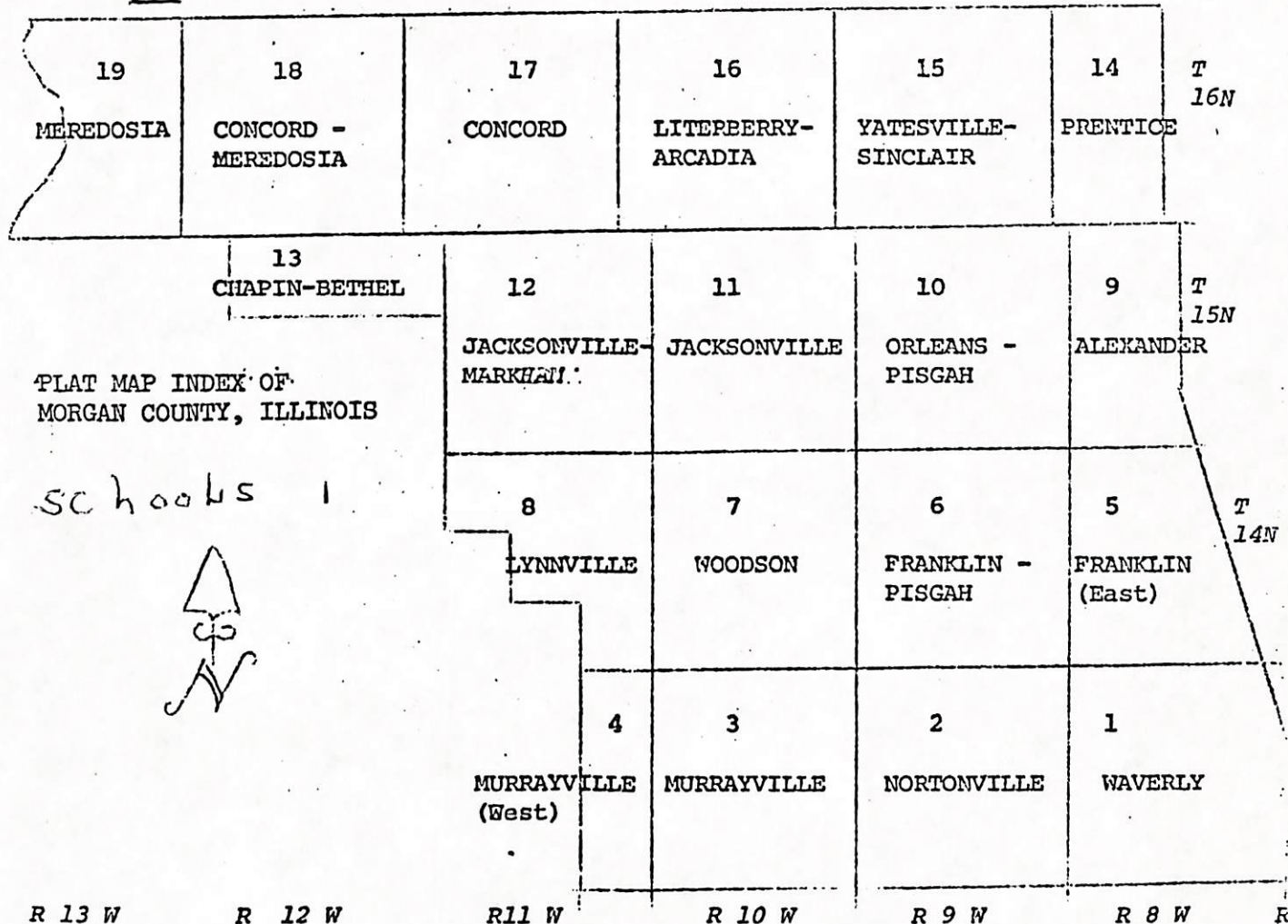


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with one or two towns in area, or East or West

No.	Township	Plat Map	* TN	RW	PM	No.	Township	Plat Map	* TN	RW	PM
1.	WAVERLY	.....	13	8	3	11.	JACKSONVILLE	.....			
2.	NORTONVILLE	.....	13	9	3	12.	JACKSONVILLE-MARKHAM	.....	15	11	3
3.	MURRAYVILLE	.....	13	10	3	13.	CHAPIN - BETHEL	.....	15	12	3
4.	MURRAYVILLE (West)	..	13	11	3	14.	PRENTICE	.....	16	8	3
5.	FRANKLIN (East)	.....	14	8	3	15.	YATESVILLE-SINCLAIR	...	16	9	3
6.	FRANKLIN-PISGAH	.....	14	9	3	16.	LITERBERRY-ARCADIA	....	16	10	3
7.	WOODSON	.....	14	10	3	17.	CONCORD	.....	16	11	3
8.	LYNNVILLE	.....	14	11	3	18.	CONCORD-MEREDOSIA	.....	16	12	3
9.	ALEXANDER	.....	15	8	3	19.	MEREDOSIA	.....	16	13	3
10.	ORLEANS-ARNOLD	.....	15	9	3						

\* Townships are North, and Ranges are West of the Third Principal Meridian.

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Hope you find a relative mentioned in these fine articles!

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EDITORIAL REMARKS

This issue has been cut to 18 sheets because of postal rates. Our postmaster ruled against our sending the *GENEAL JOURNAL* at book rate because he said it was a periodical, and not a book. Therefore we have to send our Journals for third class postage. Each additional 4 sheets would cost an extra 13 cents. Our stapler does better on smaller books anyway. However, with pages now printed on both sides, at home instead of the printers, our member have not lost in reading material. This necessitated your editor purchasing another mimeograph which operates more efficiently than our first one bought when we were experience-less!

We hope that these church and land records will please many of you because I found many names that our genealogical researchers have written to us about. We are pleased to have completed the lists of schools for our readers. In the near future we will publish the 168 cemeteries we have pinpointed as to section, township and range. The map on the front of the Journal is your guide as to area location. If you purchased our 1872 Atlas you will see many of these schools pinpointed. We have given you the page to find it on.

Those of you who do not have the 1872 Atlas Map and 1894 Plat Map combination can still purchase one for \$16.00 as we had some reprints run recently. Send check for \$16.00 to our Society's address above.

It is time to remind our genealogical sisters and brothers that it is "High Time" you were getting some of your research put down on paper, and getting it published one way or another so that all of that valuable information will not be lost in your files, or under the bed. If no other way, xerox it and send to us. We have a "Family File" started.

We hope to acquire the family histories that were written for the 1976 Morgan County History Book, which has over 900 biographies in it. You can still order your numbered copy for \$19.95 plus \$1.00 for mailing. Make checks payable to Morgan County Treasurer, and send to Family History Room, Municipal Building, Jacksonville IL 62650.

The world is not very much interested in the storms you encountered at sea --  
The question is:

"Did you bring your ship to port? Or did you get grounded on a lee?"



# ALPHABETICAL INDEX: MORGAN COUNTY (IL) SCHOOLS OF THE PAST

This alphabetical Index of old Morgan County schools has been compiled through the efforts of numerous persons, including Mary Frances Alkire and Elizabeth Hardy, and finalized by Florence Hutchison with nicknames and alternates being included, along with the Section, Township North, and Range West of the Third Principal Meridian, which is the guideline for land descriptions in our area of Illinois.

There was a list of the schools and a map to be found on page 24 of the *Jacksonville Journal* for July 28, 1968, which a great help. This is on microfilm at the Public Library. They can do a "print-out" of it on their reader. Other information was supplied to us by Paul Keller, and by Alvin H. Unland who gave a very interesting talk on this subject before our Society last year.

Most of the schools are shown by a school symbol in the 1872 *ATLAS MAP OF MORGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS* and the 1894 *PLAT MAP OF MORGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS*. The page numbers are indicated on the Congressional Township Index of schools.

For more complete information on Education 1900-1968 see the chapter by E. Wilfred Rice in *MORGAN COUNTY THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, SESQUICENTENNIAL EDITION* 1968, published under the auspices of the Morgan County Board of Commissioners and the Morgan County Sesquicentennial Committee, pages 97-135. There are city schools and colleges not listed in this index of early rural schools. Most of these old schoolhouses are not now existing, or are in a very sad state of existence. However, knowing the location, a genealogical researcher can follow plat maps to the site and see if a nostalgic shell still exists. If not, he can view the surrounding terrain and say "This was the domain of my ancestors. Were it not for them, I would not be standing on this spot today."

Current (1975) Plat Maps are available from the Morgan County Cooperative Extension Service, Extension Advisor, on East Morton Road. I notice that they are in the Courthouse for sale, and in some of the Banks. They are a project of the Morgan County 4-H Clubs. If you search for cemeteries, churches and schools, you need to purchase one of these plat maps. Also, you can make notes on it as to where your ancestors were located when you search Courthouse Deeds.

[Better yet, use your 1872 Atlas you purchase from us!]

MAP#	NAME OF SCHOOL	SEC-TN-RW	MAP#	NAME OF SCHOOL	SEC-TN-RW
15	ALEXANDER	19-15--8	17	CARMEL (log school)	12-16-11
1	APPALONIA	9-13--8	3		25-13-10
3	APPLE CREEK	24-13-10	7	CENTRAL POINT	35-14-10
16	ARCADIA	17-16-10	13	CHAPIN	2-15-12
18	BAKER	35-16-12	6	CLAYTON'S POINT	26-14--9
14	BEREA	19-16--8	5	COLLEGE CORNER	33-14--8
13	BETHEL	3-15-12	6	COLLEGE GROVE	28-14--9
10	BLUE GRASS	11-15--9	17	CONCORD	30-16-11
16	BRUSH COLLEGE	4-16-10	2	CRISWELL	10-13--9
	(Or, "Busthead")		7	CROSS ROADS	14-14-10
3	BRUSH COLLEGE	5-13-10	7	DOUGLAS INSTITUTE	17-14-10
3	BRUSH COLLEGE, S.E.	25-13-10	17	DUNCAN SPRINGS	27-16-11
8	BUCK HORN	14-14-11	6	DURBIN	31-14--9
18	BURRUS	2-16-12	18	EAGLE	20-16-12
16	"BUSTHEAD"	4-16-10		(Also, "Spunky Ridge")	
	(See Brush College)		3	EAST GREASY	28-13-10
4	"BUZZARD'S ROOST"	12-13-11		(East Greasy & West Greasy at opposite ends of Greasy Prairie, named for greasy soil in area.)	
†	(See: Oak Hill)				

"Map #1," etc. refers to township maps. when using plat maps by the page.

See map # on front cover.



MAP#	NAME OF SCHOOL	SEC-TN-RW	MAP#	NAME OF SCHOOL	SEC-TN-RW
10	EAST LIBERTY	27-15--9	7	OAK RIDGE SOUTH	13-14-10
16	EBENEZER	32-16-10	10	"OLD STAR SCHOOL HOUSE	23-15-9
8	ELK HORN	26-14-11	17	PLEASANT GROVE	7-16-11
8	ELM GROVE	21-14-11		(At Arenzville)	
1	FOREST VALLEY	14-13--8	3	PLEASANT GROVE	9-13-10
6	FRANKLIN	36-14--9		(At Murrayville)	
4	GARNER	24-13-11	3	PLEASANT HILL	12-13-10
18	German Luthern School	27-16-12		(Also, C.C. Henry, Monkey Ridge)	
1	GOURD NECK	22-13--8	18	PLEASANT VIEW	24-16-12
17	HARMONY (Chapin)	32-16-11	12	POINT	33-15-11
1	HARMONY (Franklin)	17-13--8	5	PRAIRIE COLLEGE	9-14--8
2	HARTLAND	27-13--9		(At Alexander)	
15	HAZEL DELL	23-16--9	10	PRAIRIE COLLEGE	29-15--9
15	HEBRON	23-16--9		(At Jacksonville)	
3	"HENRY, C.C."	12-13-10	11	PRAIRIE UNION	1-15-10
	(See: Pleasant Hill)		14	PRENTICE	8-16--8
11	HICKORY GROVE	10-15-10	2	PROVIDENCE	9-13--9
18	HICKORY GROVE WEST	15-16-12	7	ROUTT	4-14-10
18	HOPEWELL	13-16-12	6	SCIENCE HILL	8-14--9
2	HURRICANE NECK	12-13--9	1	SCIOTA	27-13--8
16	INDEPENDENCE	25-16-10	**	"SEEDTICK"	
16	JERSEY COLLEGE	18-16-10	T1	SHERMAN	5-15-10
15	JORDANVILLE	9-16--9	13	"SPUNKY RIDGE"	20-16-12
12	KINMAN (See: Little Brick)			(See: Eagle)	
		12-15-11	9	STRAWN	7-15--8
18	LAKE VIEW	17-16-12	11	STRAWN'S GROVE	31-15-10
16	LITERBERRY	11-16-10	6	SULPHUR SPRINGS	10-14--9
12	LITTLE BRICK	12-15-11	12	SUNNYSIDE	5-15-11
	(Also, Kinman)		19	SYCAMORE	25-16-13
6	LITTLE HOPE	12-14--9	7	THE NARROWS	2-14-10
5	LITTLE YORK	22-14--8	18	THOMPSON	32-16-12
5	LONG POINT	19-14--8	8	TIMBER EDGE	10-14-11
9	LOST GROVE	8-15--8	11	TRINIDAD	10-15-10
8	LYNNVILLE	5-14-11	15	UNION GROVE	19-16--9
11	MAPLE GROVE	33-15-10	4	UNION SOUTH	36-13-11
7	MAPLE GROVE SOUTH	16-14-10	12	UNION WEST	2-15-11
10	MAUVAIS TERRE	8-15--9	19	UNIQUE	11-16-13
19	MEREDOSIA	22-16-13	13	VICTORY	6-15-12
3	"MONKEY RIDGE"	12-13-10	5	WALNUT GROVE	8-14--8
	(See: Pleasant Hill)		17	WALNUT GROVE WEST	35-16-11
11	MORTON	23-15-10	1	WAVERLY	11-13--8
12	MOUND	24-15-11	3	WEST GREASY	30-13-10
17	MT. VERNON	16-16-11	12	WEST LIBERTY	16-15-11
3	MURRAYVILLE	7-13-10	2	WEST POINT	25-13--9
7	NARROWS	2-14-10	1	WEST UNION	28-13--8
	(See: The Narrows)		17	WHITE OAK GROVE	14-16-11
2	NORTONVILLE	19-13--9	1	WHITE PILGRIM	30-13--7
4	OAK HILL	12-13-11		(in a very small part Range 7 belonging to Morgan County)	
	(Also, "Buzzard's Roost")		7	WOODSON	28-14-10
16	OAKLAND	27-16-10	15	YATESVILLE	12-16--9
7	OAKLAND SOUTH	30-14-10			
15	OAK RIDGE	7-16--9			

\*\* Seedtick is a church in T13 R11



# INDEX: MORGAN COUNTY SCHOOLS OF THE PAST

This index of old schools in each of the 19 whole and fractional Congressional Townships of Morgan County lists them in the order of their section number starting in the southeast corner with lowest township and range numbers. This method follows the format of the old Atlases and Plat Maps. The references given are to the 1872 *ATLAS MAP OF MORGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS* and the 1894 *PLAT BOOK OF MORGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS* which the Jacksonville Area Genealogical Society has recently completely indexed and published as a reprint of both books under one cover.

Morgan County is one of 17 counties in Illinois which has the County Commissioner form of government; therefore there have never been any named townships in its history. The old maps with designated areas are not townships - those are precincts, or the political divisions for the purposes of voting. On some maps they delineate the road districts.

A numbering and naming system has been developed by our Genealogical Society for the purposes of identifying cemeteries, schools and churches. This involves the use of the plat map for a specific Congressional Township of six square miles (more or less). The 19 plat maps have all been numbered and the name of one or two towns inserted so that a person searching for a cemetery, etc., will have a nearby town name to relate to. See accompanying map.

All land descriptions must include "3PM" which means Third Principal Meridian in order to place it on the right place on the globe. This Third Principal Meridian extends North to the Wisconsin line through Winnebago County, from the approximate juncture of the 4 counties of Washington, Jefferson, Clinton and Marion. For brevity, this designation 3PM is omitted in the land descriptions which follow. If any item is extracted for reference, be sure to add this figure to section and township numbers; i.e. Sec 30 T13N R7W 3PM

MAP #	SEC	TN-RW	NAME OF SCHOOL	P.O.ADDRESS	Rte.	DIST.	Page ATLAS 1872	Page PLAT 1894
1	30-13--7		WHITE PILGRIM	Waverly		6	--	65
1	9-13--8		APPALONIA	"		2	16	65,49
	11 "	"	WAVERLY	"		1 view	21	68
	14 "	"	FOREST VALLEY	"		5	16	15
	17 "	"	HARMONY	Franklin	R.2	3	16	65
	22 "	"	GOURD NECK	Waverly		4	16	65
	27 "	"	SCIOTA	"		7	16	65
	28 "	"	WEST UNION	"		8	--	65
			1st School in Township taught by John Scott				16	
2	9-13--9		PROVIDENCE	Franklin		21	28	63
	10 "	"	CRISWELL	"	R.2	20	28	63
	12 "	"	HURRICANE NECK	"		19	28	63
	19 "	"	NORTONVILLE	Murrayville	R.3	22	28	63
	25 "	"	WEST POINT	Waverly	R.3	24	--	63
	26 "	"	An early school on W. Wood				28	
	27 "	"	HARTLAND	Franklin	R.2	23	28	63
			1st School in Township taught by John Shepherd				28	



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MAP #	SEC	TN-RW*	NAME OF SCHOOL	P.O.ADDRESS	Rte.	DIST.	Page	Page
							ATLAS 1872	PLAT 1894
#3	5-13-10		BRUSH COLLEGE	Murrayville		44	33	61
	7	" "	MURRAYVILLE	"		45	--	77
	9	" "	PLEASANT GROVE	"		43	33	61
	12	" "	PLEASANT HILL	"		42	"	"
			(Also, C.C.HENRY & MONKEY RIDGE)					
	24	" "	APPLE CREEK	Murrayville R.3		46	--	"
	25	" "					33	--
	25	" "	BRUSH COLLEGE, S.E.	Murrayville		47	"	61
	28	" "	EAST GREASY	Roodhouse R.2		48	"	"
	29	" "	An early school on Jonas A. Spencer				33	
	30	" "	WEST GREASY	Murrayville		49	--	61
			(East Greasy & West Greasy at opposite ends of Greasy Prairie named for the greasy soil in the area)					
			1st log school on Nichols farm, 1 mile North of Egypt Prairie					
#4	12-13-11		OAK HILL	Murrayville		73	32	59
			(Also, Buzzard's Roost)					
	24	" "	GARNER	Manchester		74	"	"
#5	36	" "	UNION SOUTH	Murrayville		75	--	59
	8-14--8		WALNUT GROVE	Franklin		10	36	51
	9	" "	PRAIRIE COLLEGE	Alexander R.1		9	"	"
#6	19	" "	LONG POINT	Franklin		11	"	"
	22	" "	LITTLE YORK	Waverly		12	"	"
	33	" "	COLLEGE CORNER	"		13	"	"
#7			1st School taught by Manning Mayfield in 1833					
							36	
	8-14--9		SCIENCE HILL	Jacksonville R.5		27	40	53
#8	10	" "	SULPHUR SPRINGS	Franklin R.3		26	"	"
	12	" "	LITTLE HOPE	" R.3		26	"	"
	26	" "	CLAYTON'S POINT	"		30	"	"
#9	28	" "	COLLEGE GROVE	"		29	"	"
	31	" "	DURBIN	" R.1		28	"	"
	36	" "	FRANKLIN	"		31	--	75
#10			1st School taught by Rice Duncan, 1825					
#11	2-14-10		THE NARROWS	Jacksonvil. R.5		50	52	55
			(Also, Narrows)					
	4	" "	ROUTT	"		51	--	--
#12	13	" "	OAK RIDGE SOUTH	" R.5		55	52	55
	14	" "	CROSS ROADS	Woodson R.1		54	"	"
	16	" "	MAPLE GROVE SOUTH	" R.1		53	"	"
#13	17	" "	DOUGLAS INSTITUTE	Murrayville		52	"	"
	28	" "	WOODSON	Woodson		57	--	69
	30	" "	OAKLAND SOUTH	Murrayville		58	52	55
#14	35	" "	CENTRAL POINT	Woodson		56	--	"
			"Rev. James Rives preached occasionally in the log school houses.					



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MAP #	SEC	TN-RW*	NAME OF SCHOOL	PO. ADDRESS	Rte.	DIST. No.	Page	Page
							ATLAS 1872	PLAT 1894
#8	5-14-11		LYNNVILLE	Lynnville		77	--	29
	10	" "	TIMBER EDGE	Jacksonville		76	--	57
	14	" "	BUCK HORN	"	R.2	79	56	57
	21	" "	ELM GROVE	Murrayville		78	--	"
	26	" "	ELK HORN	"		80	56	57
			"William Brisbane taught 1st School at his house".56					--
			"1st school house built 1830"					--
#9	7-15--8		STRAWN	Alexander		14	--	49
	8	" "	LOST GROVE	New Berlin	R.1	16	60	--
	19	" "	ALEXANDER	Alexander		15	--	59
	3	" "	"Log School taught by Col. Richard Matthews"					64
#10	8-15--9		MAUVAIS TERRE	Jacksonville		33	64	47
	11	" "	BLUE GRASS	"		32	"	"
	23	" "	"Old Star School House" (Biog. Hiram Smedley)					64,79
	27	" "	EAST LIBERTY	Jacksonville	R.6	35	"	47
	29	" "	PRAIRIE COLLEGE	"		34	64	47
#11	1-15-10		PRAIRIE UNION	"	R.3	59	76	45
	5	" "	SHERMAN	"		61	"	"
	10	" "	HICKORY GROVE	"	R.8	60	"	"
			(In NE 1/4 NE 1/4)					
	10	" "	TRINIDAD	"		62	--	73
			(In SE 1/4 NW 1/4)					
	23	" "	MORTON	"		63	76	45
	31	" "	STRAWN'S GROVE	"	R.2	65	--	--
	33	" "	MAPLE GROVE	"	R.2	64	--	--
	33	" "	"Early School on John C. Taylor"					
			"1st School taught in Jacksonville by Wm. Thomas in 1826."					
#12	2-15-11		UNION WEST	Jacksonville	R.4	81	112	43
	5	" "	SUNNYSIDE	Chapin	R.3	82	"	"
	12	" "	LITTLE BRICK	Jacksonville	R.7	84	"	"
			(Also, Kinman)					
	16	" "	WEST LIBERTY	Markham		83	"	"
	24	" "	MOUND	Jacksonville		85	"	"
	33	" "	POINT	"	R.1	86	"	"
#13	2-15-12		CHAPIN	Chapin		94	115	79
	3-	" "	BETHEL	"		95	--	29
	6	" "	VICTORY	Neelyville		96	115	41
#14	8-16--8		PRENTICE	Prentice		17	60	29
	19	" "	BEREA	Ashland		18	"	"
	2	" "	"1st School in Section 2"					117
#15	7-16--9		OAK RIDGE	Literberry		38	117	31
	9	" "	JORDANVILLE	Ashland	R.1	37	"	"
	12	" "	YATESVILLE	"		36	"	"
	19	" "	UNION GROVE	Sinclair		39	"	"
	23	" "	HAZEL DELL	"	R.1	41	"	"
	28	" "	HEBRON	"		40	"	"
	23		Early School on James Longworth					



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MAP #	SEC TN-RW*	NAME OF SCHOOL	PO.ADDRESS	Rte.	DIST No.	Page ATLAS 1972	Page PLAT 1894
#16	4-16-10	BRUSH COLLEGE (Or, Busthead)	Literberry		67	119	33
	9	" " "1st School on A. V. Patten's" "1st teacher William Manleve"				"	---
	11	" " LITERBERRY	Literberry		66	"	33
	17	" " ARCADIA	JacksonvilleR.4		69	"	"
	18	" " JERSEY COLLEGE	"	R.4	68	---	---
	25	" " INDEPENDENCE	Literberry		70	119	33
	27	" " OAKLAND NORTH	"		71	---	"
	32	" " EBENEZER	JacksonvilleR.2		72	119	---
	34	" " Early School on George Laurice Farm					
#17	7-16-11	PLEASANT GROVE	Arenzville	R.2	88	121	35
	12	" " CARMEL, 1st log school in Section 12 1st teacher Johnathan Atherton, 1829				"	
	14	" " WHITE OAK GROVE	Jacksonville\$.4		89	"	35
	16	" " MT. VERNON	Concord		87	"	"
	27	" " DUNCAN SPRINGS	"		91	"	"
	30	" " CONCORD	"		92	"	35,41
	32	" " HARMONY	Chapin		93	"	"
	35	" " WALNUT GROVE WEST	"	R.3	90	"	"
#18	2-16-12	BURRUS	Arenzville	R.1	97	122	37
	13	" " HOPEWELL	Concord		100	"	"
	15	" " HICKORY GROVE WEST	Meredosia		99	"	"
	17	" " LAKE VIEW	Arenzville	R.1	98	"	"
	20	" " EAGLE (Also, Spunky Ridge)	Bluffs	R.2	102	"	"
	24	" " PLEASANT VIEW	Concord		101	---	37
	27	" " German Lutheran School Early School on B. B. Brockhouse					
	32	" " THOMPSON	Chapin		103	122	37
	35	" " BAKER	"		104	"	"
#19	11-16-13	UNIQUE	Meredosia		105	124	39
	22	" " MEREDOSIA	"		106	---	72
	25	" " SYCAMORE	"		107	124	39
		(This school on Levi Hodges, 1872 - hidden by line) "1st school taught by Thomas Pickett				124	

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"Now that's the end of that!" said the cannibal who was expelled from school when they caught him buttering up the teacher.

We would like to note here that this is the first part of a complete record of schools, cemeteries and churches in Morgan County, which are located in the 19 townships of the county. This will then give you a complete picture of your ancestor's possibilities, not only for making a living off their particular spot of ground, but their educational and religious opportunities, and social contacts of nearby neighbors who were intermarried with them, and became your collateral relatives.



## ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF SERVICE

An Historical Sketch of the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, Illinois,  
written for the Centennial Service Sunday Morning, October 5, 1941 by Rev.  
Charles Arthur Boyd, Minister.

[What a pleasant surprise to read this excellent article and to find it included the history of several other churches in the area which we were trying to pinpoint as to location and time. Why should we bother to try to write history when we can bring such as these out of limbo?]

### THE BEGINNINGS

One hundred years ago the 11th of last February a small group of Baptists met in the parlor of Mr. Moore C. Goltra's home on West State Street, Jacksonville. (The house is still standing, at #830)\* They were gathered to consider the advisability of organizing a Baptist Church in Jacksonville, for it is reported that several of the earliest itinerant preachers to visit the pioneer town in the 1820s were Baptists.

Unfortunately, the earliest Record Book of the Clerks of this church have been lost, so we have no detailed account of the discussions of that evening. We do know, however, that the names of thirty persons were recorded as being Baptists, either actual members of Baptist churches or having Baptists preferences. Evidently, it was decided at that meeting to proceed with the organizing of a Baptist Church, for we find that very soon the names of twenty-four of these were recorded as "Constituent Members". The name of John Humphrey is mentioned as having had much to do with this organization. He was elected as the Church's first Deacon.

#### The Religious Complexion of Jacksonville in 1841:

These Baptists of one hundred years ago must have had both convictions and courage. Convictions as to the vital importance of the principles of the Baptists, and courage to dare what might have seemed to many a quite unneeded undertaking.

The organizing of this church was not a piece of missionary work on behalf of a totally unchurched and religiously destitute group of "Pioneers". In 1841 Jacksonville was a well-organized town (with a municipal charter granted by the Legislature on February 3rd of that year), with a population of 1800 or 1900 people. Seven years before that, in 1834, according to John Mason Peck's "Gazeteer of Illinois", there were about 30 mercantile establishments of various sorts, two taverns, two printing offices, no less than eleven lawyers and ten physicians! (Strange to say, Peck fails to mention any clergymen!)

To meet the religious needs of that population of 1900 when this town was 16 years old there had been established between 1827 and 1841 no less than six churches:

The First Presbyterian, 1827  
The Jacksonville Methodist Circuit, 1830  
The Christian Church, 1832 (January)  
The Trinity Episcopal Church, 1832 (August)  
The Congregational Church, 1833 (December), and  
The Second Presbyterian Church 1838 (Old School) and also,  
The Mount Emory Baptist Church, 1837, for the negroes.

\*These side remarks in parentheses are the author's, not your editor's. Mine are in [brackets]!



There must have been in the hearts and minds of those people who met in Moore Goltra's parlor that February evening a very real and deep conviction of the importance and necessity of the principles for which the Baptist denomination stood, to make them willing to undertake in faith and courage another church enterprise here.

Mention should be made just here of the organization as early as 1823 of the Baptist Church at Diamond Grove. It was organized April 26th of that year, with 12 members. One of its own members, Daniel D. Holmes, was both licensed and ordained by that church, and served as its pastor from 1865 to 1890. It continued to hold services until 1919, and to hold its church building till 1922 - a significant history of 99 years.

All of these six churches had built meeting-houses by 1840; the Methodists occupying their second house in 1839. The First Presbyterians had built the first church in the town, on the site on which this building now stands, in 1821. [Somebody has written in the margin ??1831].

The Methodists' first building built 1833 was located on Morgan Street, west of East, facing south, and their second one, in 1839 on East State St., south side, west of East St. The third church building in town was the Congregational, dedicated in September, 1835, on the south half of the east side of the Square.

The next year, 1836, Trinity Episcopal folks built their first building about where their Rectory now stands, a one-story brick structure, facing Morgan St. The same year the Christian Church built on North Main St. at the corner of East Douglas (then North St.), and in 1840 the Second Presbyterian Church built a frame building on West State St. between North West St. and the Square.

It is evident that in early Jacksonville, Religion, as expressed in the organized life of the Churches, had a larger place than was customary in pioneer communities.

#### The First Pastor:

of our church was Rev. Alvin Bailey, who was then located at Upper Alton. He had come to Alton immediately upon his graduation from what is now Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y. to establish a School, which when united with Rock Spring Seminary, founded by John Mason Peck, became Shurtleff College. Bailey was 39 years old when the Baptists of Jacksonville persuaded him to spend every other Sunday here as their pastor. The first preaching service on the second Sunday in April, 1841, was held in a small building on West Court Street, used for a day school by Miss Sarah Melindy. Other services were held from time to time in the Court House. Mr. Bailey served this church for the first two and a half years of its existence on half time, and then for three and a half years lived on this field and gave his whole time to this work. The "Recognition Service", when this church was publicly "recognized", was held in the Christian Church, on North Main St. on Sunday, June 27, 1841. "A significant gesture of friendly welcome to the newest comer to the fraternity of churches.)

Our church was received into the membership of the Springfield Baptist Association, then just four years old, at a meeting with the Island Grove Baptist Church on September 14, 1841. (We planned this Centennial observance for that date, but found it impracticable) Three other churches were welcomed into the Association at the same time - Virginia, with 9 members; Big Spring, with 62 members, and Winchester, with 117.



#### OUR CHURCH'S FIRST HOME

August 3, 1845, was a day of great rejoicing for our church, for on that day the first Church Home was dedicated. This first Baptist meeting-house in Jacksonville stood on West State Street, on the south side, near the corner of Dunlap Court. It was a story and a half frame structure, 40 x 40 feet in size. It was by no means an elaborate building - the cost was \$2,200.

One of the unique features of it for that early day was that it had a Baptistery. But the Baptistery was not in the building, it was located outside in the yard at the rear, near Morgan Street. A printer's mistake makes one of the historical accounts of this fact state a very significant truth about those early Baptists:

"The Baptistery was not in the church at all, but was in the back yard back of the church entirely exposed to the weather. Candidates for church membership were baptist even in the coldest and most inclement weather."

Unfortunately, the old records give no details about this first Baptist church building, save its size. Careful research has failed to bring to light any photograph of it. It is probably safe to assume that it was plain and that it consisted chiefly of the one room for the preaching services.

The growth of the church was so rapid that in eleven years this building became too small, and in 1856 plans were begun for the erection of a new church. When this new building was completed in 1858 the first one was sold to the German Methodist Church (organized in 1856) and was used by them until they built a new church on South Church St. in 1890.

#### INCIDENTS OF OUR CHURCH'S LIFE IN ITS FIRST HOME

Among the many interesting facts revealed by a study of the records of the 13 years in this building, the following are significant:

The very year (1845) in which we dedicated this building having raised "at a great sacrifice" no less than \$2200 for it, our church gave to Missions \$45.98. A revelation of the fact that this church's interest was from the very beginning as widespread as the "field" which is "the world".

That first pastor, Alvin Bailey must have been a rare man. After he had settled here as full time pastor, he found time to publish a semi-monthly religious paper, "The Western Star" and to serve as Moderator of the Springfield Baptist Association for four years. During that pastorate of six and a half years the membership was almost trebled, 16 being received by Baptism and 31 by Letter.

This church, through all of its history has been actively interested in its Sunday School. Three years after the organization the Letter to the Association reported the "Sunday School flourishing; with six teachers, fifty pupils and 63 volumes in the library."

In 1845 this church was the only one in the Springfield Association which reported having preaching every Sunday.

That the influence of such faithful and earnest work abides is indicated by the following extract from a "Historical Sketch" prepared for the Association in 1856:

"while the church was destitute of a Pastor (1843) the good work of salvation commenced in the Church, and the members were drawn together for prayer and supplication and the Holy Spirit came to revive his



Page 4: people and save sinners. A protracted meeting was held and Rev. W.F. Boyakin of Jerseyville was invited to preach awhile, and accordingly he came about the middle of February, 1848, and labored about six weeks, as the result of which 37 were added to the church by baptism and 6 by letter."

(Mr. Boyakin became the second pastor, serving from January, 1849 to February, 1850.)

This "Historical Sketch", written by C.E. Wheeler, Clerk of the Church 83 years ago recounts the fact that the additions from 1841 to 1858 had been -

"By Baptism, 169; By Letter, 127; By Experience, 4"  
a total of 300 additions to the church in its first 17 years! And Mr. Wheeler concludes"

"Being the last denomination organized into a Church in this town, and having been without a pastor a considerable portion of the time (almost one third) God has blessed us far beyond our deserts or efforts. He has been better to us than our fears. For the past we will Thank God, and for the future we will take courage."

#### THE SECOND CHURCH BUILDING

With such an increase as that named above, it was quite natural that the church should seek to provide itself with a new and larger building. So it moved directly across the street, building its second building where the Professional Building now stands on the north side of West State St. next to the Court House.

On April 7, 1858, the services of Dedication were held in this new church home, which had cost nearly \$14,000. The dedicatory sermon was preached by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Pendleton, from the text, "I will fill this house with glory". (Haggai 2:7) The pastors of the "Old School" and the "New School" Presbyterian Churches took part in the service, as did also Prof. Wood of Shurtleff College.

This building was equipped with a basement, which not only had a large assembly or Sunday School room, but also some smaller rooms for classes and for the Primary Department, or as it was probably called at that time, "The Infant Class". The auditorium, on the floor above, was reached by semi-circular stairways leading up from each side of the main vestibule. One feature which was somewhat out of the ordinary was the placing of the Baptistry in the basement, instead of in the auditorium, as is ordinarily done.

For almost exactly forty years this structure served our church as its home and center of inspiration and work. The records of these four decades are so full of challenging stories of progress and persistence, of faith in the midst of difficulties, and of triumph over obstacles that it is difficult to choose just a few out of the many which would interest us on this Centennial Day.

#### Significant Actions in Our Second Home

Rev. W. F. Nelson was called to the pastorate in August, 1861, and just one year later resigned to become a Chaplain in the Army.

That church members were expected about eighty years ago to show their interest both by giving and by reporting on their "Spiritual State" is indicated by the "Rules" of the Church adopted January 30, 1862:

"Each member of the Church not a Minor nor supported by Charity is expected to contribute something each Quarter towards the Current Expenses of the Church; and if possible, toward other benevolent object."

"Members removing beyond the bounds of this Church should in every case



take from the pastor or clerk a certificate of introduction, and are expected to aid in sustaining the cause of Christ where their lot may be cast. If they are located within the bounds of any church of our denomination for more than six months they will be expected to take from us a letter of dismission and join such church.

"Members should not be absent from the bounds of the Church more than a year without writing to the Church concerning their Spiritual State and thus renewing their standing. If they fail to do so, they will be liable to be proceeded against for disorderly walk and breach of covenant."

(As though the adoption of this "Rule" was not enough, it was formally reaffirmed by Resolution sixteen years later, on Oct. 7, 1878!)

In 1865 the Church went on record that it "should favor the practice of occupying the front and central seats on Communion occasions."

(It might be a good idea to have that also "Reaffirmed" and applied today to all Sunday services!)

In that same year, 1865, one member discovered one way to get out of a church job - on April 3, 1865 it is recorded:

"It appearing the Bro. Wheeler to whom was intrusted the fixing of the front windows of the church, had moved from town, and he was discharged from that duty."

That the members of our church sixty years ago were real workers is evident from this entry under date of August 21, 1878:

"Besides sustaining the regular Sabbath services and our weekly Prayer Meetings, some of our members have been engaged a portion of the year in carrying on from one to three neighborhood prayer meetings, and five Sunday Schools aside from the home school."

(This is in the Annual Letter to the Association, and goes on to say:) "We would especially recommend this form of Church work adapted to develop a larger working element in the Church."

#### RENTAL OF PEWS

Soon after the dedication of this new (1858) meeting House it was voted at a special business meeting (May 10th)

"That we proceed to rent the pews in our Meeting House for the purpose of defraying the expenses attending public worship."

Two months later it was reported that \$667.00 worth of pews had been rented. However, this method of raising the church funds did not prove to have a lasting appeal, for on October 10, 1870:

"After due consideration it was recommended by Bro. I.D. Rawling that seat renting be discontinued and Comte of Bro. Goltra and Shreve was appointed to call on the members to solicit subscriptions for Pastor's salary for the ensuing year."

#### THE CHAPIN MISSION

In 1887 we find that twelve of the members of this church living near Chapin were organized and recognized by the church as "The Chapin Mission of the Jacksonville First Baptist Church." They held regular prayer meetings, a Sunday School with an attendance of about 30, and once a month the pastor Rev. F. M. Mitchell conducted a preaching service for them.



#### ANALYSIS OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

In the Report to the Springfield Baptist Association at its 50th Annual Session in 1887 this Church analyzed its membership of 26 officers and teachers and 175 scholars as having 40 percent over 16 years; 40 percent belonging to the church and 60 percent attending church services.

#### ENTERTAINED STATE CONVENTION

In 1872 this church entertained the Illinois Baptist State Convention. This was the third time we had played host to Illinois Baptists in the thirty-one years; the other dates being 1847 (when John Mason Peck was the preacher) and 1859.

#### A PROTEST AGAINST A MISSIONARY CALL

In June, 1880 the Church called to the pastorate a young man, Charles C. Pierce, who was not yet ordained. On July 4 his ordination service was held in our church. A little less than two years later (May 21, 1882) Mr. Pierce presented his resignation, as he had been called to the service of the denomination in a Foreign Mission field. The Church passed a Resolution asking the pastor to reconsider his resignation and appointing a committee to draft and send to the Missionary Union a "Protest" "against the action of said Union in calling our pastor." The "Protest" was effective - but for a short time only, when the voice of the Government was heard and Mr. Pierce again resigned, this time to accept a Chaplaincy in the 9th Regiment, U.S. Cavalry. This time the resignation was accepted with regrets.

#### THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY

was observed with special services on June 14 and 15, 1891. One feature was a paper read by Miss E. Rawlings on "Fifty Years of Missionary Spirit", in which she showed how the influence of this church was being felt almost "unto the uttermost part of the earth". She quoted Missionary H.H. Tible of Burma as saying that he first felt the call of God to missionary service as he listened in our Sunday School to the earnest words of an aged deacon.

In the Historical Address the Pastor, Rev. F.M. Mitchell, reported that in the fifty years there had been added to that original 26 members no less than 507 by Baptism and 525 by Letter and Experience (1032 new members, an average of 50 per year!) He also stated that the total contributions for all benevolences during the half-century had totalled \$10,415.95. The Clerk closed his account of this important occasion with the words:

"We believe that the Church will in the future step forth into a larger, grander work that it has ever done. Consecrated men of God have served as its pastors and have sown seed that must bring a golden harvest. The Church through all these years has been making a record that strongly appeals to us who have received the heritage of fifty years of toil and sacrifice to use it grandly for God and humanity. I. N. Wright, Church Clerk"

#### CHURCH UNION

In 1866, during the pastorate of Rev. S.A. Kingsbury, occurred an incident which emphasized the ideals of cooperation and Kingdom-building among God's people. There was at that time in Jacksonville a church called "The Church of Christ in Jacksonville", sometimes known as the "Russell Church". Meeting in the Walnut Grove School House on August 11, 1866 this church passed the following Resolution: Whereas, we believe that we can be more effective in advancing the cause of Christ by a union with the Baptist Church of this place, than by maintaining a separate organization, and whereas we believe that said union



can take place without any sacrifice of principles, therefore,

Resolved, that this church will unite with said Church if agreeable to its membership. W. W. Happy, Presiding"

On August 12th our Church voted "that this church be received into our membership and fellowship." Accordingly 29 persons were received from this "Russell Church".

#### THE THIRD (AND PRESENT) CHURCH HOME

Almost exactly thirty-nine years after the dedication of the second Baptist church building, a special Business Meeting of the Church was called to consider the purchase of another and better church home. On March 4th, 1897, the Church voted unanimously to instruct the Trustees to purchase the "Presbyterian Church property known as Lot One, Block One, in Chandler's addition to the City of Jacksonville." By that action we came into possession of this present building which has served us now for about forty-four years.

The history of this building, and particularly the lot on which it stands is a matter of real interest to anyone concerned with the development of Jacksonville. While it has been impossible to trace out every detail of its ownership and occupancy since the town was platted, it is almost certainly safe to say that this corner is the most continuously religious spot in Jacksonville (and probably in the county).

On October 1, 1830 this lot was conveyed (as a gift) by Dr. Ero Chandler and his wife Emmeline (Dr. Chandler was the first physician in Jacksonville) to the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Jacksonville "on which lot a meeting house or place of worship for the Presbyterian Church of Jacksonville was to be erected."

On June 19th, 1831 the First Presbyterian Church was dedicated. It stood on this corner, was a frame building 30 x 40 feet in size, one story in height, and had the remarkable distinction of being "the first Protestant church in the state equipped with pews."

After thirteen years of constant use of this building, the Presbyterians became acutely conscious of their need for a new building, as indicated by the following record of a meeting of "The Jacksonville Sewing Society". This Society was the first organization of the women of Jacksonville, and goes back to August, 1830. In December, 1844 a meeting was held to consider the matter of the possibility of doing something about a new church building, for:

"It appeared that in the providence of God the time had come for us to arise and assist in building a house for the Lord; that the house that we now occupy could not be used much longer. Comfortable, it never had been, as it was built of unseasoned timber and designed only for a temporary building fourteen years ago. (1830). The floor soon shrunk, and the half-inch opening between the boards of the floor had always made it cold and uncomfortable.... The sun has so shrunk the whole house that no fire can warm it.

Resolved; that we pledge ourselves to assist in the building of a church by our own efforts, labor and self denial to the amount of \$2,000.00" (Eames *Historic Morgan* )

So the First Presbyterian Church built a new building, dedicating it in 1847, on the corner of West State and South West Streets. The lot and first building were sold to the Universalists, who occupied it for some time.



In 1850 the "West Charge" (Grace Church) of the Methodists was set off from the original church, and while they were building their first church on the site of the present Grace [Methodist Episcopal] Church, they occupied this former First Presbyterian Building for about a year. (Their first building, a two-story brick structure, faced east. It was replaced in 1874 by a much larger building fronting on West State St., and this one, in turn, by the present building in 1910).

After the Presbyterians, Universalists and Methodists on this corner which we now call ours, came the Portugese Presbyterians, to occupy the old frame building of 1831 for a time till they built their first meeting house in 1853.

At some date which it has been impossible to ascertain definitely, but probably in the 1850s, the old frame structure which was the very first church building of any denomination in Jacksonville was moved on to the back of the lot - probably fronting Church Street and converted into a dwelling house.

From 1858 to 1868 the property is listed as owned by three individuals, the last of whom, Emily Stout, conveyed it on March 2, 1868, to the Trustees of the Second Presbyterian Church.

This "Second Presbyterian Church", which separated from the original "First Church" in 1833 on the "Old School-New School" issue, and became the "Old School" group, had a meeting house on West State (north side) east of North West Street. This they had dedicated in 1840 and occupied until 1871. Having acquired in 1868 this lot on the northwest corner of West State and Church Streets they proceeded to build. The basement rooms were occupied in 1871 and the building was completed and dedicated on April 19, 1874. The name of this church was changed in 1870 from "Second" to "Central" Presbyterian.

In September, 1883, when the beautiful and elaborate building of the First Presbyterian Church was burned, the Central Church invited the homeless congregation to worship with them in this building. The result of this fellowship in worship and work was a decision to unite the two organizations, which was done in 1885 and the present building, with its impressive spire, was dedicated December 27, 1885 as the State Street Presbyterian Church. A minority of the members of each congregation were organized as "The Jacksonville Presbyterian Church", and in 1889 the Trustees of that organization received the title to this property which had been for fourteen years the home of the Central Presbyterian congregation. It was from this group that we purchased in 1897 this lot, the Church building thereon, with its equipment and furnishings, and the residence on the rear of the lot (the old original "First Church") for the sum of \$5,000.00 and the assumption of the \$2,000.00 mortgage then on the property.

After very extensive alterations and repairs, which changed materially the appearance and added to the usefulness of the Auditorium, the building was dedicated as The First Baptist Church on January 30, 1898. The dedicatory sermon was preached by Rev. E. B. Rogers, D.D. of the Central Baptist Church of Springfield on the text, "What mean ye by these stones?" (Joshua 4:6). In the evening at the dedication of the Baptistery, seventeen candidates were baptized by the pastor, Rev. I. W. Read.

Although there is that gap above referred to, of ten years, from 1858 to 1868, when this property was owned by individuals, it is probably historically correct to make the claim that this corner on which our church now stands has been owned by a religious body, and has been occupied by a church building longer than any other piece of ground in our city, almost certainly for one hundred and ten years!



We ought therefore to have a feeling of peculiar sacredness in this spot. And there should be also a feeling of Christian Fellowship here of peculiar strength - for on this spot have worshipped three varieties of Presbyterians, the Universalists, the Methodists, and the Baptists. It is very significant that the final chapter in the history of that original "First Church" was written by the Baraca Class of this First Baptist Church, when they used it, after making some alterations which perhaps made it more like its original condition, for a Class Home. This was in the years between 1910 and 1920. The building was torn down about 1924 or 1925.

#### GLIMPSES OF BAPTIST CHURCH LIFE HERE

The forty-three years since that Dedication Sunday have seen many significant occasions and very much of Kingdom activity centering in this doubly set-apart building. To recount even a tithe of the important events in the eleven pastorates from 1898 to the present would make this paper altogether too long for its purpose. But it would surely be inappropriate to allow this Centennial occasion to pass without at least a mention of some of the achievements and influences.

#### "Success at Any Time"

In the resignation of Dr. Horace W. Tilden, the second Pastor to serve in this building, dated October 5, 1899, occurs this striking sentence which is well worth remembering

*"With the many facilities for work in your possession  
you may have success at any time you are willing  
to claim it in God's way."*

#### The Right Kind of a Church Roll

In the 1900 Letter to the Springfield Association, the Clerk, Mr. W. B. Pearson refers to a Revision of our Church Roll in the following significant words:

*"We have been earnestly striving on our roll of membership,  
and as a result report less members than last year; this  
work of revision we hope to continue until our Church  
membership shall consist of real, live, energetic  
followers of the Master."*

#### A New Use for the Church Covenant

At the Annual Meeting in 1905 the Juniors report that "A thorough study of the Church Covenant has been completed."

#### A Generous Church

When, in 1904, some minor repairs on the building proved to be necessary, \$96.35 was raised to pay for them, and only \$63.95 was needed, so the balance of \$32.70 was turned over to the Treasures. Another case of "more than enough" giving, like that of the Hebrews of old (see Exodus 36:5).

#### Rapid Growth

In 1901 a "Baraca Bible Class" was organized by and for young men. It started with 5 members. Two years later it reported a membership of 31.

In 1906 the "Marsh Bible Class" for ladies was started with 16 members. Four years later it reported that it had no less than 154 on the roll!



### A Cooperative Demonstration of Appreciation

Our Church is unique in having a Memorial Window in the basement. It is the window on the State Street front, and the room which it lights is now used by the Primary Department of the Sunday School. Though unusual, it is very appropriate in its location, for it was given in memory of the man who for nine years was the Superintendent of our Sunday School, Mr. Thomas D. Richardson, from 1887 to 1896. The Church Records in connection with the account of the move into this present building give more than two pages of space to the list of the names of those who contributed to this window. There are no less than 172 names on that list, from church officials to members of the Primary Class. Mr. Richardson also served the church as a Deacon. (The Centennial Exhibit contains the original pencilled copy of that list.)

### Some Interesting Names of Church Organizations

During our forty-three years in this building our church has had many organizations; some of them, of course, going back into the years in the second building. Among these the first place of "Honorable Mention" goes to

#### "The Ladies Sewing Society"

which was organized in 1884, adopted a Constitution in 1897, and in the 19 years from 1884 to 1903 raised for the Church a total of \$2146.00! Antedating the "Sewing Society" by 12 years was

#### :The Ladies Working Band"

significant title! They gave \$79.00 toward the first Parsonage Fund.

Later Came "The Pastor's Aid Society". It was probably from this Society that the volunteers were obtained when the records, May 30, 1894, say that the Pastor received the names of several ladies who were willing to give "one afternoon each week to calling in the Master's name for the Church." In 1919 the "Sewing Society" and the "Pastor's Aid" were merged.

#### The "Inasmuch Band"

was a group within the Junior Society about 1904 who sought "to do good when, where, and to whom they can."

#### "The Pickets"

were an active organization of young ladies who later became "The Young Ladies Aid Society."

#### "The Loyalists"

was a group of young men, organized by Rev. I. W. Read in 1895 "For the purpose of advancing Christ's Kingdom among young men by the study of the Bible, literary work, and social enjoyment."

They had a most excellent motto, "Not to seem, but to be."

### Associational Relationships

In our Baptist polity the Association is the first organization outside the local church in which Baptist are interested and actively engaged. This church lost no time after its organization in identifying itself with the Springfield Baptist Association, which had been organized only four years before. On September 14, 1841 we were welcomed into the membership of that Association, and we remained in its membership until 1906, and again resumed our membership in 1935. The years between 1906 and 1935 we were affiliated with the Morgan-Scott Association.

The early pastors of this Church were active leaders in all the work of the Springfield Association.



"The North Side Mission" and "The Baptist Chapel"

In the very year of our coming into this building, while we were meeting under "very unfavorable conditions", having sold our former building and this one being in process of re-building, our Church demonstrated its vision and readiness to serve by voting to "establish a Mission in the northern section of the city."

That Mission was established and successfully carried on for a number of years beginning in the summer of 1897 - a flourishing Sunday School and a prayer meeting were conducted. In 1910 it was "re-established" and provided with a building, erected for the purpose on a lot on the corner of Farrell St. and Ashland Ave. offered "free gratis" for three years by Mr. Jerry Cox. It was continued with varying degrees of success for more than twenty years.

An Unusual Church Official

In 1917 the Church voted the appointment of an officer somewhat unique in the annals of church officialdom - namely, an "Official Announcer." Mr. L. B. Turner was the first to be elected to this office.

"Proclaimers of the Gospel"

Through the years God has from time to time spoken to some of the young men and women of this church and has called them to service as His messengers. While the following list is probably incomplete, it is given here as one of the evidences that the Spirit of God has been working through this Church.

1880	Oct. 4	Charles C. Pierce	Ordained. Pastor of this Church
1881	Oct. 26	Joseph L. Tosh	Licensed to Preach
1891	July 15	Charles N. Busey	Ordained
1900	Oct. 4	William C. Burke	Licensed to Preach
	Nov. 10	Lawrence L. Abbott	" " "
1905	Nov. 5	W. G. Manes	" " "
1907, or 1908		Frank M. Arnold	" " "
1917	June 6	Jesse L. Hastings	" " "
	June 27	" " "	Ordained
	Aug. 29	William J. Boston	Licensed to preach
1918	Apr. 24	L. F. Girard	Ordained
	May 8	Ernest C. Rutherford	Licensed to Preach
1919	Mar. 12	" " "	Ordained
1922	Jan. 24	Arthur L. Howells	Licensed to Preach

In addition to these W. C. Van Meter was a Missionary to Rome more than fifty years ago, and the following young women have served as Missionaries:

Miss Peabody	On the Foreign Field
Miss Olive Blunt	in Japan
Miss Susan Jones	in Mexico
Miss Helen Rawlings	in China
Miss Ruby Norton	among the Crow Indians

Rev. Arthur W. Rider, whose father was one of our Deacons, and who served as Superintendent of our Sunday School while he was in Illinois College, was for many years the Western Representative of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society on the Pacific Coast.

"INCOME DAY"

On April 10, 1918, it was voted that May 15, 1918 be set as "Income Day";



on which day the gross income of the members of the church be donated to the Church for general expenses."

#### The Sunday School's Record Attendance

The year 1924 was memorable for two things which had an intimate relationship. On September 16th (Rally Day?) the Sunday School reached the highest attendance of its whole hundred years, no less than 595! In 1927 there was a close second record vic. 592. The other event of that year was the purchase by the church of the lot adjoining our property on the west, at a cost of \$7400. on which, says the record,

"We are hoping to erect a modern Sunday School building in the near future."

#### A Summary of Gains and Losses through 85 Years

In the "Church Directory" of 1926 there is a very interesting summary of the Gains and Losses in our membership during 84 years. The gains are listed:

By Baptism	1535	
By Letter	1353	
and Otherwise		2858
The Losses		<u>2181</u>
Leaving a Membership of 677	in 1926	

#### The Contribution of Clark's Chapel

In 1865 there was organized a Baptist Church in a neighborhood about five miles northeast of our Church. It took the name of Rev. Clark of Petersburg, who was largely instrumental in the organization, and was known for 63 years as the "Clark's Chapel Church". Owing to the death of many workers, and changes in the neighborhood, this church was disbanded and the property sold (they had built a building in 1884) in 1928.

The proceeds of that sale were given into the keeping of our Church as a Trust Fund, known as the "Clark's Chapel Fund", and of the membership, at least twelve was received into our Church.

Thus, our church has been enriched through the years by the Diamond Grove Baptist Church, the Centerville Baptist Church, and Clark's Chapel.

#### A Second Pastorate

Only one of the twenty-seven men who have served this Church as Pastors during the one hundred years has had the experience of being called back to a Second Pastorate, the Rev. T. Harley Marsh, D.D. His first pastorate, from 1900 to 1908 was one of the longest in the history of the Church, and when to the eight years of that service are added the three years from 1931 to 1934 of the second pastorate, we find Dr. Marsh given the distinction of serving this Church much longer than any other man.

Other long pastorates in our history have been the very first one, Rev. Alvin Bailey, who served the Church 6½ years, from 1841 to 1847; and Rev. F. M. Mitchell, who served eight years, from 1885 to 1893. Of all the others, the 5½ years of Rev. S. Washington, from 1869 to 1875, is the longest.

#### Church Membership Record by Twenty-five Year Periods

It may be interesting to review the figures of church membership by quarters of the century:

In 1841	we had	26 members
1869		193 members (figures for 1867 cannot be found)
1891		288 members; and in
1941		580 members (as of May 1st, date of Associational Report)



A Long Membership

What is probably the record of the longest membership in our Church is that of Mrs. Mary J. Laurie. Mrs. Laurie was called into the fellowship of the Church Triumphant in 1934 (February 15th) after having been a member of this church continuously for 67 years! She joined by Experience on July 5, 1867.

The Anniversary Program

which we are using today is an almost exact duplicate of the program used at the last Anniversary, the 75th, on July 2, 1916. The form and style of the printed pages, the hymns sung (in the Morning Service) and the Anthem sung by the Choir are the same as those used twenty-five years ago. Thus we are emphasizing the continuity of Spirit which exists within the Church.

A First Baptist "Hall of Fame"

As the names of all the Pastors of the Church are printed on the Centennial Program, it would seem to be only natural to include in the Historical Paper a Church Members' "Hall of Fame."

Two reasons only have presented - first, the lack of time for the presenting of such a list in the Centennial Service; and, second, the difficulty, if not the impossibility, of wisely honoring all who deserve a place in such a "Hall of Fame". There are many names which recur in the records with great frequency - e.g. those of Deacons John W. Goltra and Richard E. Hocking, who on April 6, 1864 were made by vote "the permanent Deacons of the Church", and who served very actively, the one for 25 years (from 1854 til his death in 1879) and the other for 43 years (from the organization of the church till his death in 1924). There are many others whose names may be mentioned only once or twice in the records, but who were doubtless as genuinely interested and as unselfishly concerned with the Church's life and work as the more prominent members.

Jesus once expressed his approval of a woman's deed in the words, "She hath done what she could". Equally well has He seen and known all of those who during this Hundred-Year History of Our Church have merited that commendation. And those of the Past have already heard His "Well, done, good and faithful servant". They need no eulogies nor fulsome praises from us.

Among the 3,500 or more individuals who have joined this Church during its history there are very many who have made outstanding contributions to the progress of the Master's Kingdom both here in Jacksonville and elsewhere. We would do well today to honor their memory by a moment of reverent silence and sincere thankfulness for what they were and did.

Fully sensible of the glory of our heritage from the Past, conscious, to some degree at least, of the challenging needs of the present, this Church faces the Future with the confident assurance that He who has led through a Century of Service will continue to lead on into the unknown Tomorrow, and will use us as He used our predecessors for the glory of His Name and the advancement of His Kingdom. Amen.

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[It is this kind of history that has made our nation great, and so successful through 200 years of national government. Aren't you genealogical researchers proud of your ancestral heritage with its guidance of Divine Providence?]

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Contributed by Eileen Cunningham

[This record is preserved from handwritten notes found among papers pertaining to Civil War vets found in the files of the Greene County Historical Society when they recently had to move from the Hinton House. They are currently moving into another building on the Square. A list of the 127 Charter members of the William Passmore Carlin Post #442, Carrollton Department, of the Grand Army of the Republic has also been found and xeroxed for our records to publish in the future.]

COMPANY A -- White Hall Unit

Jno. N. Ashlock	Carrollton
Geo. W. Mason	"
John Marshall	"
Jeremiah J. Rose	Glasgow
John Romines	White Hall
Leonard M. Starkey	Breeze

COMPANY B -- Walkerville Unit

Geo. C. Bryan	Carrollton
Joseph H. Elkington	"

COMPANY C -- Jerseyville Unit

*Capt. John T. Hesser	Jerseyvl
Wm. P. Bates	Jerseyville
Amos Davis	"
John Ennel	"
John B. Faulkner	"
Sgt. Wm. Linnell	"
John Michel	"
Henry Milford	"
Patrick Mack	"
John T. McQuiddy	"
(or James D.)	"
Henry L. Staton	"
Wm. H. Sweeney	"
John F. Wentworth	"
Richard Robbins	"
Isaac N. Vinson	"

COMPANY D -- Fieldon Unit

Wm. J. Miller	Elsah
Ransom C. Bingham	Otter Creek
Ammon Burris	Grafton

COMPANY E -- Kane Unit

Capt. Manning	?
Wm. R. Clark	White Hall
(died at Annapolis Md. on way home)	
Wm. H. Hart	Bloomington
Sgt. James Miller	Kane
Robert Stewart	"
(Died in prison)	
Amos Talbot	?

COMPANY F -- Winchester Unit

Geo. L. Barton	Winchester
Chas. G. Crump (?)	"
Francis M. Manor	"
Luke Mallow	Bedford
John McCarty	"

COMPANY G -- Carrollton

(under Capt. Nulton)	
Jesse Kimball	Carrollton
Chas. Kelch	Jersey Co.
(died at Andersonville)	
LeRoy Stephenson	Greene Co.
Robert H. Jones	Kane
John Lofton	"
Corp. Ge. L. Scoggins	Carrollton
James W. Turpin	Fieldon

COMPANY H -- Greene

(under Capt. Dayton)	
Capt. Grass (?)	Eldred
Lewis Glass	Lincoln
John Hallet	Russelville
John R. Hodges	"

COMPANY I -- Many Towns

John Boon	Fredinca(?)
John C. Oscar	Delhi
Hugh Tiffany	Chrystal Lake

Men in Prison at close of war:

Co. C	14
" E	5
" F	7
" G	7
" H	3
" I	4
	<u>40</u>

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(Your editor cannot guarantee the accuracy of these spellings of names, as this was written on small bits of paper more than 100 years old, and well-handled during the intervening years. It was difficult to decipher.)

\*Capt. H. Hesser was paroled and was not sent to Andersonville.



[From a print-out of The Jacksonville Daily Journal Sunday, January 29, 1911]  
Contributed by Mrs. Ann Clary Trafton

"Interesting Facts Connected With Antioch Church East of the City"

"One of the Oldest Religious Organizations in the County and One Which Has Accomplished Much Good."

"Names of Many of Its Early Supporters and of Those Who Have Since Been Allied With the Society Down to the Present Time and Some of the Records of the Cemetery Adjacent."

One of the early religious organizations of the county is Antioch Christian Church, seven miles east of the city. Unfortunately its early records are lost and never have regular records been kept or minutes of important events, the main existing thing in that line being a list of members from 1839 down to the present time. There are a few minutes of some events, but they have not been followed up and most of the history of the church is traditional.

The Journal is indebted to its worthy friend, M.A. Hulett, for the book which contains all that is now in existence and that says the church was organized in 1839, but there must be an error somewhere, for the writer called on F.M. Springer who came to this state from Kentucky in 1833 and that gentleman was positive the society then was in existence, though it had no regular house of worship, but met in a schoolhouse. He thought the society must have been organized some time in the 20's, though he could give no absolute dates.

The first preacher Mr. Springer could recall was James Green, father of the late Stephen Green, who was the father of Marshall, Horatio and others so well known in this community. After him came Barton Stone, who served a long time back. His body was buried near the spot on which he served his Lord and Master, but it was taken up and removed to Kentucky.

One of the early elders was James Henderson, father of D. Pat Henderson, so widely known and respected. That good man with his family was always ready for work in the Master's vineyard. His brother, Archibald and family were with him.

Other early members were Robert Cassell, George Haggerty, Benjamin Cassell and their families, and the Huffakers. Following James Henderson came Harrison Osborne, who served for a long time. After him was Samuel Brockman, who lived near Ashland and served the church as preacher. He was the father of the well known Samuel C. Brockman of this city and so the old adage that ministers' sons and deacons' daughters are proverbially hard cases will not hold good in this case.

There is a little conflict of recollection here. Some of the elderly members think the church was founded in 1834 and that the meetings to which Mr. Springer refers were informal, conducted by good men, but not the gatherings of a regularly organized society. [Your 1976 Editor would disagree with this, having read the minutes of other early churches. Whenever a few persons met together, they formed an association in regular order. There were strict rules and regulations laid down by whatever the name of the church society.]

Others also are quite confident that the early ministers or pastors were in the following order:

Barton, Stone, Harrison Osborne, D. Pat Henderson, Samuel Brockman, John T. Jones, and W. W. Happy.



They are certain James Henderson was not a regular pastor, though a peculiarly Godly man and efficient in the work of the church. To any who have additional facts relating to the history of the church, the Journal will say it will be glad for all such information which will have due consideration and proper use.

There is no way to get at the history of the church except by tradition, though in the present record there are a few scraps which are appended. Some clerk or secretary began with a record, but it was long ago lost. Another was started in 1874. It says:

Brother James Roach held a protracted meeting at Antioch on Friday evening before the fourth Lord's day, Sept. 27, 1868, holding it two weeks with thirty-two additions, all of whom were received by baptism except two which were received by letter.

On the third Lord's day in January 1873, Brothers John Strawn and J. F. Curts were chosen deacons of the congregation.

Books placed in J.F.Curts' possession Aug. 1873, and all the papers with the exception of the two notes in favor of the church on James G. Strawn and James Boston, and which are in the hands of Brother John Corrington.

Brother Marshall M. Good began a protracted meeting at Antioch on the first Lord's day in January 1874, holding it till Tuesday after the fourth Sunday with ten additions, two by immersion, five by letter and three reclaimed.

Brother M.M.Good began his regular services for Antioch church congregation Sept. 17, 1873, for one half of his time at \$250 for one year. (Then follows a record of various payments of the salary of the pastor).

The church held a meeting the first Lord's day in June and had an election of officers. Brother Oliver Cully was elected elder of the congregation and Brother J.W.Ball was elected deacon.

Brother William Vanters began his services as pastor of Antioch church on the third Lord's day in September (year not named) for which we agree to pay him \$500.

On the third Lord's day in 1878 Brother Stephen Green and Sister Green asked for letters of commendation.

On the second Lord's day in January 1879 Sister Sallie Richardson called for a letter from the church which was granted. In another part of the book are a few entries as follows:

The following were elected trustees of Antioch church Sept. 4, 1878, and also chosen a building committee to build a new house of worship:

John W. Corrington, James G. Strawn, Oliver W. Cully, James H. Martin, and James H. Babb.

The house was completed in December of said year and was dedicated January 4, 1878, Elder M.M.Good preaching the discourse. The house was dedicated without debt at a cost of \$2,900. The \$600 church fund was used in construction of house. J.H.Corrington, president; O.H.Cully, secretary building committee.

The following brethren were appointed elders of Antioch church in December 1887: O.H.Cully, A.C.Rice and A.Ferguson (United with M.E.church).

Also at the same time, Jacob Strawn, William Mason, W.M.Acken and James G. Strawn were appointed deacons.

One of the faithful workers for this new edifice was Miss Susan Hagerty, now Mrs. Frank Orear. This devoted lady did a large part of the soliciting for funds,



played the organ for twelve years and was in every way energetic in the work of the church. Many more doubtless deserve mention in an honorable manner. It has not been the intention to slight any, and all additional facts and credits will gladly be given by the Journal. [This refers to the *Jacksonville Daily Journal* of January 29, 1911 - not 1976!]

In the spring of 1890 the brethren and friends of Antioch church erected a parsonage costing \$1,025, also a barn. Abraham Smith and Isaac Tindale each donated half an acre for the same.

In the spring of 1890 the following named brethren was chosen as trustees of Antioch church: John Corrington, James Martin, James Babb, O.H.Cully, A.C.Rice and Jacob Strawn.

J.W.Corrington, president; O.H.Cully, secretary.

This is all the records there are in the book with the exception of a list of the names of the members, probably from the first. There is also a minute on the title page of the book which says:

"The church of Christ was organized at Antioch in Morgan county of Illinois, in the year of our Lord, 1839. The names of persons transferred from the old book who are now considered members of this congregation at the present date, Jan. 21, 1874." [This list was given after insertion of the following comments by the writer of this news article - his name not given in article. Please note here that the following information and names and dates on tombstones is the earliest record available, antedating the fine work of Mrs. Sara John English's readings of 1929. No doubt there are many persons mentioned in this valuable article whose stones might not have been there, or readable 18 years later. F.H.]

Of course, the writer cannot be positive, but it seems that there must be a mistake in the above named date of organization, for Mr. Springer distinctly remembers services when he came here in 1833, though there was no church building, the people meeting in a school house, but he is certain there was an organization and mentioned the names of several ministers who are away back of those mentioned in the record extant.

That gives the names of the persons received in 1839 and since the names of the ministers who received them, and, as mentioned, Mr. Springer recalls the names of several ministers away back of these. Names of the preachers mentioned are as follows:

James Robinson	1839	E. G. Rice	1886	G. M. Read	1894
H. W. Osborne	1839	J. D. Dabney	1888	H. P. Shaw	1900
M. M. Goode	1879	D. Hunter	1888	C. E. French	1903
J. P. Roach	1863	A. P. Arnold	1888	R. F. Thrapp	1906
P. Vanter	1875	J. B. Graves	1890	_____ Genders	1906
J. W. Richardson	1879	J. W. Strawn	1891	J. W. Camp	1908
M. R. Elder	1883	T. H. Murry	1893	J. O. Parley	1909
C. J. Burton	1885	J. C. McReynolds	1893	_____ Brooks	1910

The following is a list of the names of the church members from 1839 to date. The first thirty are all recorded as received in 1839 [which usually means a church reorganization by uniting with other groups] and from that time to 1868 there seem to have been no admissions:

H. W. Osborne	George Curts	Cynthia Green	A. P. Smith
Angelina Shuff	Ellen Smith	Eli Ranscell	John Corrington
George Haggerty	Catharine Anderson	Jane Huffaker	Ann Corrington
Eliza Haggerty	Stephen Green	George Graff	James G. Strawn
			Nancy Strawn



Ann Tindall	Sallie Richardson	Daisey Hamilton	Marcus Hulett
J. T. Alexander	Sarah J. Cully	Mrs. J. W. Strawn	Eva Hulett
Mary Smith	Katie Haggerty	Anderson Abner	Lyda Scott
Josephine Scottine	Sue Haggerty	William Beach	Effie Bingham
Sarah Art	Florence Levings	Nora Beach	Harry Rice
C. S. Anderson	Delia Levings	Cora Beach	Robert L. Harney
S. J. Smith	Nora Dunlap	Robert Bromley	Minnie Scott
Amanda Smith	Leslie Babb	Lou Lawrence	Katharine Leafhart
M. M. Smith	James Stice	Charles Lawrence	Charles S. Newman
William H. Cully	E. C. Bland	Frank Lawrence	Grace Strawn
Mollie Art	Alice Corrington	Frank Cosmic	Mike Frayner
Amanda Sparks	William Stice	George Crist	Mrs. Fox
John S. Strawn	Susannah Stice	Edward Baxter	Miss Crum
Joel Strawn	Jennie Stice	James Beach	Frank Wingler
Hattie Smith	Frank Mathews	Mrs. Charles West	Lucy Kline
William Corrington	Henry Reeve	Miss Lottie Green	Walter Robertson
Mary Corrington	Lizzie Reeve	Miss Effie Mathews	Dr. S. G. Weagley
Emma J. Shuff	Annie Clyde	Mrs. Charles Smith	Amanda Weagley
Samuel Smith	Anthony Ferguson	Kate Crasroff	Cora Wackerle
Lizzie Cully	Sue Ferguson	George Wingler	Lizzie Foster
Alice Cully	A. J. Ferguson	_____ McLawrence	Mary Lukeman
Fanny Mathews	Belle R. Spires	Anthony Ferguson	Albert J. Campbell
Louisa Sparks	Sarah A. Busey	Iva Mason	and wife
Emma Corrington	Amanda Baker	G. M. Read and wife	Eva E. Cully
Francis Anderson	Sarah Baker	Georgia Perry	Learencia Ruble
S. O. Shuff	Mamie Corrington	James Rose	Walter Moore
William Strawn	Lyda Baker	Andrew Oleson	Anthony Ferguson
Fannie Huffaker	Sarah A. Busey	Homer G. Cully	Gertrude Lynn
Emma Strawn	Hattie M. Baker	Pearl R. Cully	Harold Harbison
Annie Green	Mervin Lewis	Samuel Dalton	Grace Lukeman
J. F. Curts	Mary Funk	Etta Dalton	Carrie Lukeman
Annie H. Powell	Mary E. Daggett	Lilly Clary	Pearl McDonald
Elvira Cully	William F. Acken	Cora Strawn	Charles Perry
Charles W. Levings	James G. Strawn	May Strawn	Hazel Strawn
Maggie Levings	Minnie M. Strawn	Charles West	Richard Harris
Jeanette Tindall	Leslie J. Martin	Pearl West	Mamie Wackerle
M. J. Smith	Lena A. Cully	Ed. Dyke	Claud Strawn
Oliver Cully	_____ Harris	Mrs. Dyke	Theodore Lukeman
E. A. Cully	Stephen Baker	Mrs. Horton	Mrs. Chas. Mathews
Sarah E. Babb	William Baker	Octavia Smith	Charles Campbell
James R. Babb	Minnie J. Rice	Ed. Hendricks	Ethel Campbell
E. S. Dunlap	Louisiana Mason	Mrs. Hendricks	Carl West
Francis W. Huffaker	David Funk	Charles Birsell	Oscar Waters
William R. Dunlap	Marion Funk	Laura Birdsell	Mack Laurent
Edmond G. Jennings	Marion Brokaw	Frank Birdsell	Roy R. Lukeman
John W. Fearier	Alice Green	John Wingler	Ralph E. Crabtree
Margaret Headington	Sadie Corrington	Herbert Graves	C. C. Funk & wife
Ophelia Smith	Charles O. Boston	Harold Graves	Sister Hull
Lizzie Alexander	Elizabeth Rufus	Cora Hull	Ernest Stephens
Isaac Coffman	Francis Rufus	Charles Jones	Minnie Darland
Elizabeth Coffman	Samuel Baxter	Florence Jones	Effie Kincaid
A. Ferguson	William Putnam	Al Kumle	Mrs. Coffee
Don Ferguson	Bertha Shrode	Mrs. Kumle	William Foster
Rosa Strawn	J. W. Strawn	Fanny Newman	Harry M. Genders



Mrs. H. M. Genders  
Hilding Mathews  
Mrs. Kate Robertson  
Effie Lukeman  
Libbie Waters  
Billie Mathews  
Will Baxter  
Eva Baxter  
Cliff Strawn  
Emily M. Kumle  
Charles Gomes  
Ernest Waters  
Mrs. Sutters  
Florence Smith  
Edna Harney  
Harold Harney  
Mrs. Robert Harney  
Crum Cleary  
E. E. Mason  
Neil Waters  
Mrs. Neil Waters  
Earl Beavers  
J. C. Helmick  
Mrs. J. C. Helmick  
Maurice Davis  
Barlow McIntyre  
Earl Baxter  
Thurman Waters  
Eula Trotter  
Luther Waterfield  
Mrs. Luther Waterfield  
Bryant Waterfield  
Miss Waterfield  
Mrs. Grant Kindred  
Lester Means  
Ed. Hurt  
Floyd Hurt  
Mr. Black  
Louis Davenport  
Nellie Rice  
Lola Waters  
Ada West  
Anna Clary  
Strawn  
Harold Mason

Wandering through the beautiful and well-kept cemetery one sees many objects of interest, stones with inscriptions that tells of lives some times ended in early youth, while in other cases in the prime of manhood and womanhood, and again when the shadows had been well lengthened toward the east.

An iron fence incloses a small space in which lie the remains of the faithful Harrison W. Osborne, who went home June 8, 1883, at the age of 83, and by his side lies the body of his wife, Eliza V., who died October 10, 1855, aged 52 years.

An old stone marks the resting place of Isabel, daughter of J.H. & S. Armstrong who died March 8, 1868, aged 18 years.

Alicia D., daughter of J.T. & M.A. Alexander died July 16, 1841, only 19 months old.

One of the oldest is that of Daniel Smedley, who died Sept. 30, 1845, aged 53 years. Lying nearby is the body of Daniel, son of D. & R. Smedley, and of Isaac W., their son.

Mary J. Dewees was the wife of William M. Dewees, and daughter of Martin J. Henderson. She died Sept. 7, 1846, and a second wife was Caroline, sister of the first, and who died Aug. 13, 1855.

Here is the monument of Sarah, wife of Dr. J.T. Cassell, died Oct. 10, 1849, and next the resting place of her son, James T., who died December 3, 1853, aged 11 years.

A fine granite shaft marks the resting place of Uncle Robert Cassell, who died July 28, 1886, aged 84 years, and his wife, Mary Royster, who died July 6, 1896, aged 94 years.

A shaft is over the grave of Alice, wife of F. Springer, died March 11, 1868, aged 81 years. Two small graves are of Maggie and James T., children of W.M. & M. Cassell.

Another is that of William R. Lynn, died Oct. 20, 1863. Marble monuments mark the resting places of Marietta and Margaret, children of George and Nancy Curts, and there also sleeps Nancy herself.

Another stone tells that Ervin Shuff was a member of Co. K, 101st Ill Infantry and died near Vicksburg July 18, 1863.

Other stones are those of Jennie, daughter of Ira A. & M.L. Shuff Angelina L. Shuff, died Oct. 10, 1893. James W. Shuff, drowned June 7, 1872.

A fine granite monument marks the graves of George Orear, an old time and highly respected resident, father of Judge T.B. Orear, Mrs. Stephen and Mrs. James M. Dunlap and Miss Nettie Orear. He died Feb. 11, 1889, aged 84 years, and Sarah, his wife, passed away Jan. 19, 1891, aged 78. Nearby lies their niece, Frances D. E., wife of John W. Crum, who died Aug. 30, 1888.



A granite monument is dedicated to the family of Horatio Green, marking the resting places of himself, his wife and daughter, Amy R.

Several graves are marked with markers, but without inscribed monuments to tell their tale. Other stones are those of

Annie V., daughter of T. and J. E. Thompson

J. Frank Curts, died Dec. 15, 40 years.

Lucinda, wife of A. Ferguson, died June 20, 1905.

Mack Laurent, died Oct. 10, 1873

Anderson Mullens and his wife.

A granite shaft marks the place of Charles Robertson, died March 19, 1903, aged 78.

Then come monuments of Mary E. Stubblefield, died July 1, 1900.

Richard Brown, member Co. H, 32nd Ill. Volunteers, died April 7, 1896, aged 78 yrs

Martin B. V. Roach, died April 11, 1893

Leonidas Davis and Harriet, his wife.

Lulu W. Hendricks.

Nettie R. Brannom.

Two infant daughters of C. and G. Comers.

James Irvin, son of William and Mary Runkle.

Hettie M., wife of R. W. Reeve.

A fine granite shaft is over the remains of John H. Mathews, died Aug. 26, 1890, aged 51 years, and Louise his wife; Louisa Mathews, who passed away April 21, 1907.

The grave of Mary Reeve, wife of John B. Corrington, aged 85, is nearby.

John F. Saffer, died Jan. 10, 1894.

Gertrude, daughter of F. J. and M. E. Cocoran.

Annie E., daughter of W. E. and N. T. Dalby.

Mary A., wife of S. Marker.

Mettie E., daughter of M. W. and A. E. Green, an infant.

Next came several of the Green family: Nathan J., Eliza, his wife; Mettie, an infant daughter, and Annie, wife of M. W. Green, who died Aug. 21, 1876.

William Strawn and sweet little Mabel lie side by side with a granite shaft above.

Jacob H. Strawn lies under a granite shaft.

A grey granite shaft marks the places of J. Irvin Layton and William E. Layton.

A red granite shaft is over the remains of William T. Layton.

Sarah Prouty died Nov. 15, 1852.

Here is the grave of Mary J., wife of F. G. Farrell, marked by a fine monument, and nearby is the grave of their daughter, Leonora.

Utie, wife of Elder J. A. Hedington, Jr.

William E. Smith died June 1, 1868; and Maria Smith, aged 91 years.

David P. Hedington was a member of Co. D., 101st Ill. Infantry, and was wounded at Dallas, Ga.

Elder Joel Hedington, who died Jan. 31, 1858.

Florence, daughter of D. W. Osborne.

Melvina, daughter of J. Hedington.

Albert, son of J. H. Dodd.

James A. Henderson.

Hulga A., daughter of J. M. Biggs, died in 1864.

Mary J. Astell, died in 1865.

Annie E., wife of J. R. Babb, died in 1865.

Hattie, wife of W. G. W. Cole, died in 1861.

George Lerew died in 1862.

Mary E. Young, died in 1867.

Frenz Weisenberg died in 1870.



Catherine Yehle died March 13, 1870

William D. Slater died in September, 1866.

Other graves are there for Charles Markes, James Grant,

Mary Shrader, who died in 1854, and Jacob Sharder, who died in 1858.

Emily, wife of L. Collins, died in 1862.

Here are four shafts of granite, more stately: The Waltman family, father and mother, Louisiana Mason, James Runkle, and the Baxter family.

Then come plainer stones marking the graves of John H. Saffer, Gertrude Corcoran, Bessie, daughter of George Fisher.

Here is the Gully shaft, marking the graves of Mary, Wallace, William H., Sarah Jane, and Mary Alice.

Next is the grave of Leverett Robinson.

A handsome grey granite marks the last home of the body of Wesley Robertson, a good man who died Jan. 18, 1876.

Here is the marble shaft sacred to the memory of the Robertson ancestors who are: Alexander, who died at the age of 81 years; Eliaz, his wife, died aged 81 years; Mary, wife of John Robertson.

A grey granite monument is dedicated to the memory of the Orear family and marks the resting places of Benjamin Orear and wife, Elizabeth Orear; son, Benjamin Orear; daughters, Della Orear, Spicy(?) Orear, Elizabeth Orear Green; granddaughter, Elizabeth Orear, daughter of George and Sarah Orear.

A beautiful combination marble and granite shaft is dedicated to the Corrington family, and under it is buried the body of Ann E., wife of J. W. Corrington.

Then there are graves of Dinah, wife of Robert Thompson; Franklin, son of S. and H. Dunlap; Emily J., daughter of H. F. and P. Fitch.

A fine grey granite monument is sacred to the memcry of Stephen Dunlap. Then follow the graves of John P. Artt; Alex. G. Molen.

Here is a granite shaft to the memory of a good family: Dr. Samuel G. Weagley, William Weagley, Martin H. Weagley.

There are the graves of: John H. Allen, Sarah his wife.

David Tindale, Jacob Tindale, and Isabel, his wife.

Mary E. Osborne, daughter of R. T. Osborne, and Edward O. Osborne, son of R.T.

Phebe J. Young, daughter of B. J. Young

J. T. Smedley, who died in 1857; Lloyd Smedley, who died in 1861; Infant son of Hiram Smedley, died in 1857;

Thomas H. Smedley, Co. K. 101st regt., killed in battle at Dallas, Ga., May 24, 1864.

Hiram Smedley died Nov. 30, 1899.

J. M. Smith died April 14, 1892; Joseph Smith died July 3, 1863.

Amanda Shuff died in 1904

James A. Henderson died Jan. 19, 1866

Mary G. Wasson died April 12, 1853.

Robert B. Smith, died Feb. 2, 1863; Ellen Smith, his wife died June 10, 1887.

Sallie J. Rearick died Sept. 20, 1880.

Another man widely known was Joel Corrington who died July 31, 1891.

Mrs. Ellen Wright died Dec. 19, 1872; Amarilla Springer, wife of George Springer, died April 23, 1853.

R. T. Roberts died May 30, 1857; James W. Allen died Feb. 27, 1800(?)

His daughter Ellen F., died Jan. 5, 1855. Thomas Allen, his son died July 4, 1860; Cassandra, daughter of W. W. Corrington, died Jan. 27, 1855.

"This is not a complete list of all the monuments in this last resting place of the dea, but the names mentioned will be familiar to many [as of 1911].

Occasionally there is a broken stone, and no friends to repair it; generally all is neat and the trustees of the cemetery keep it in good repair, looking trim."



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	Date*	
ABOTT, John	1840	PO
ABBOTT, John	"	"
(Lynnville)		
ADDKISSON, William	"	"
ADAMS, Elijah	1829	PA
ADAMS, John	1823	"
ADAMS, Jos. L.	1840	PO
ADAMS, Wm	1828	PA
ABAHAMS, Wm. G.	1823	"
ALLEXANDER, J.M.	1840	PO
(W. Jacksonville)		
ALLISON, Adam	1823	PA
"	"	"
(Lynnville)		
ALLISON, Thos.	1823	PA
ANDERSON, Dicky	1825	"
ANDERSON, James	1830	"
ANDERSON, John	1840	PO
ANGELOW, Benjamin	1828	PA
ANGELO, John	1828	"
ARNETT, Andrew	1828	"
ARNETT, James	1827	"
ARNETT, Thos. B.	1823	"
AUSTIN, Joshua D.	1823	"
AYERS, D. B.		PO
(W. Jacksonville)		
AYERS, D. B. (farm)		PO
AYERS, D.		PO
AYERS, H. H.		PO

An old tax assessor's book, found in the attic, was loaded with dust gathered through the intervening 135 years. Florence received permission to index it by a county official. Since it was taxation on lands including Lynnville, Mrs. Virginia Gordon agreed to index it, since she was familiar with the names after her excellent work on the Day Book of the Lynnville store we published in our December 1975 issue of the *Jacksonville (IL) Geneal Journal*.

Herewith is the index of men who were taxable in "Lands lying in the 4th Assessors District, 1840. J. Heslep was County Clerk, and E. W. Hammer the Assessor. The columns are as follows:

Date of Entry	Patentee (PA)	Present Owner (PO)	Number of acres, Section, Township and Range
	[on our index]	" " " as of 1840]	

We have chosen to give the name of the man who was either Patentee (PA) with year of first land ownership, or (PO) as of 1840, with date not repeated.

From this index a genealogical researcher would know that deed(s) could be found in the courthouse for this person.

As to how many tax Districts there were, or how they were divided we do not know, at this time. The 4th District took in a part of West Jacksonville and Lynnville. The name of the town is given for taxable property in its environs. (W. Jvl) or Lynvl)

	Date	
BACON, Elijah		PO
BAINS, Charles		PO
BAINS, Robert		PO
(Lynnville)		P
BAITMAN, Samuel G.		PO
BALEY, (Lynnville)		PO
BALLARD, Thos.	1825	PA
BARNETT, Moses		PO
(school land)		
BARNETT, Thomas	1829	PA
BATTY, Thomas		PO
(Lynnville)		
BANETT, William		PO
BARROWS, Isaac R.	1831	PA
BARROWS, I.R.&B	1831	PA
BARROWS, STACE R.	1832	PA
BARTLETT	1831	PA
BARTON, Jacob		PO
BATTY, Thomas	1830	PA
BATTY, William	1829	PA
BEAVERS, Benjamin		PO
BEECROFT, A.		PO
BEECROFT, Jonathan		PO
BELLAMY, Jesse	1833	PA
BENTLEY, Thomas	1828	PA
BERRY, G. W.	1824	PA
BERRY, Jane		PO
BERRY, Joseph	1829	PA
BERRY, Lucian	1828	PA
BERRY, Margaret		PO
BERRY, Mary		PO
BLACK, A.		PO
BLAIR, George	1825	PA
BOGART, Samuel	1824	PA
BRADSHAW, John	1823	PA
BRAIDWOOD, (W. Jvl)		PO
BRICH, John		PO
BRISBIN, William	1828	PA
BOTTS, Bernard	1831	PA
BRADSHAW, J.		PO
BRISBIN, William	1823	PA
BROWN, Bedford	1834	PA
BROWN, Elizabeth		PO
BROWN, Franklin	1830	PA

Isn't it fun to poke around in old attics to see what you can come up with? The problem is - all the work that follows!



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BROWN, L.	1830PA	CRAIG, James	1830PA	FANING, Abraham	1830PA
BROWN, Robert	PO	CRAIG, William	1833PA	FANING, Levi	1830PA
BROWN, William S.	1834PA	CRAWFORD, Hugh	PO	FATHERKILE, George	1834PA
BRYAN, Jacob	PO	CROWDER, Daniel	PO	FEATHERKILE, Geo.	PO
BRYANT, C.	PO	(Lynvl)		FEATHERKILE, Nicholas	
(Lynvl)		CRISMAN, George	PO		1828PA
BYANT, A. & P.	1831PA	CRISMAN, John	1826PA	FILSON, John	PO
		CRISMAN, Peter	1829PA	FINLEY, Moses	1823PA
CADWELL, George	1823PA	CUNNINGHAM, E.	PO	FLIGG, John	PO
CAMP, George	1824PA			(Lynvl)	
CAMPBELL, James G.	PO	DAVENPORT, Ira	PO	FORSEE, G. W.	PO
CANON, Samuel	PO	(school lands)		FRY, Joseph	1834PA
(Lynvl)		DEEDS, Jacob	1829PA	FUNK, Minrod	1827PA
CARLL, Wilbur	1826PA	DENBY, Thomas	PO	FUNK & TODD	1829PA
CAMPBELL, Hugh	PO	DEVORE, John	PO		
CAPPS, Joseph	PO	DEVORE, Uriah	PO	GARHAM, John	1836PA
CARTER, Ebenezer	PO	DEW, Peter	1828PA	(+ school lands)	
CARTER, John	1829PA	DEWITT, Abraham B.	PO	GARMON, George	1833PA
CATLIN, Joel	PO	(school lands)		(+ school lands)	
CATTON, Andrew	1824PA	DIAL, Isaac	1823PA	GARNEY, Henry	1830PA
CAULKIN, Nehemiah	PO	DIAL, Martin	1831PA	GEERS, William	1830PA
(School land)		DISCON, Hugh	PO	(+school lands)	
CHAMBERLAIN, T.	PO	DISCON, Samuel	1833PA	GENTRY, James M.	1834PA
CHANDLER, Mary E.	1833PA	DULANEY, Sophia	PO	GEST, Josiah	PO
CHAPMAN, Abner	1831PA	DULANEY, William	1830PA	(school land)	
CHURCH, Thomas	1827PA	DUNCAN, Joseph	1830PA	GEORGE, George (Lynvl)	PO
CLARK, Benjamin	PO	DUNLAP, James	PO	GIBBINS, Zachariah	1828PA
(Lynvl)		DUNSMORE, Daniel	1823PA	GILL, William	PO
CLARK, Duncan	1830PA			(also Lynvl)	
CLARK, Mathew S.	1832PA	EADS, John	1830PA	GILLET, T.	PO
CLARK, John	1828PA	EADS, J. M.	PO	GILLET & CODDINGTON	
CLARK, Thomas	1836PA	(W. Jvl)			1829PA
(Lynvl & School lands)		EDMONSON, Thomas	1828PA	GILLILAND, Thomas	1828PA
CLAY, Elizabeth	PO	EDWARDS, Joseph B.	PO	GILLAND, William P.	1830PA
COBB, Jonathan	1824PA	EDWARDS, William	PO	GILMORE, Henry	1828PA
COBB, Hart L.	1826PA	(Lynvl)		GOODPASTER, Abraham	1829PA
CODDINGTON, James	1828PA	ENDUSLY (Endersly)		GORDON, William	PO
COFFMAN, Philip	PO	Frederick	PO	(Also Lynvl)	
(school lands)		ENNIS, William	1823PA	GORHAM, Stephen	1825PA
COGAR, Thomas	1825PA	EVANS, Janus	1828PA	GRAFF, Daniel	PO
COLE, Stephen	1830PA			GRAHAM, Z. W.	PO
COOKSEY, Hiram	1830PA	FERGUSON, J. B.	PO	(School lands)	
COONS, Jessee	1830PA	(Lynvl)		GRAVES, Geo. W.	1829PA
COUCHMAN, Ann	1828PA	FAIRBANKS, E.	PO	GRAVES, W.	PO
COULTAS, John	PO	FAIRWEATHER, R.	PO	(W. Jvl. 10 lots)	
(Lynvl)		FAIRFIELD & HACKETT	1826PA	GRAY, George	PO
COULTAS, William	PO				
COWAN, Godfrey	1831PA	PA = Patentee; Date = His first year of ownership			
CRAGGS, William	1831PA	PO = Present Owner, but not original Patentee			
(school lands)		(Lynvl) = property in town of Lynnvile			
CRAIG, David	PO	(W. Jvl) = " " West Jacksonville, which was			
CRAIG, E.	PO	in the 4th Assessor's District			
CRAIG, G.	PO	Names are spelled as they were written!			



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GREEN, James (Janus)	1824PA	HENRY, James	1830PA	JENKINS, Christopher	PO
GREEN, John	1823PA	HENRY, John	PO	(school land)	
GREEN, Joseph (Lynv)	PO	(+school land)		JOHNSON, Benjamin	1831PA
GREEN, Stephen	PO	HENRY, Richard	1829PA	JOHNSON, Isaac	PO
GREEN, William B.	1828PA	HENSON, Henry	1829PA	JOHNSON, Nancy	PO
GREENUP, William	PO	HERRING, John	1831PA	JONES, Joel	1834PA
GRIMSLEY, Wm. Sr.	1831PA	HERRING, Lewis & Simon	1830PA	JORDAN, William	1823PA
(+school lands)				(+school land)	
GROUND, Burying	PO	HICKMAN, David M.	1834PA	KEITH, Ebenezer	1830PA
(A.B.Dewitt)		HILLS, G.	PO	KERR, Janua	1823PA
(Evidently a cemetery)		HITT, J.	PO	KILLIAM, John	1829PA
(Sec. 16-15-10)		(+school lands)		KILLIAM, William	PO
GROVES, Joseph, Jr.	PO	HILL, James (Lynvl)	PO	KILLIAM, William H.	PO
(Lynvl)		HILL, Robert	PO	KING, Jacob	1830PA
GROVES, George (Lynvl)	PO	(+Lynvl)		KING, Nichola	1820PA
GUNN, John	1830PA	HOAG, Ebenezer	1829PA	KING, William	PO
		HOFFMAN, H. L.	1826PA	KIRKMAN, George	1830PA
HADENBERG, James	1830PA	HOLIDAY, Charles	1829PA	KING, William	1827PA
HALL, Capt.	PO	HOLIDAY, Hiram	PO	KLEIN, Joseph	1824PA
HALL, Eliza	PO	HOLIDAY, James B.	PO		
HALL, Richard	PO	HOLMES, James	1830PA	LANDRUM, F? A?	1836PA
HALL, William	PO	(+Lynvl 8 lots)		(+school land)	
HAMILTON, John C.	1831PA	HOLME'S (Heirs)	PO	LAZENBY, John	1829PA
HAMILTON, William	1823PA	HOLMES, Paris	1829PA		
HAMEY, James	PO	HORRELL, James S.	1827PA	LAWERENCE, Samuel	1834PA
HAMY, Conrad	1830PA	HORTON, Joseph	1823PA	LEACH, John	1830PA
HAMY, Margaret	1830PA	HORTON, Urias	PO	LEACH, Thomas	1830PA
HANNEY (HAMY) Saml	PO	HOWARD, Alleson	1833PA	LEE, John (Lynvl)	PO
HAMY, Sophia	1831PA	HOWARD, E.	1827PA	LEEPER, James	1830PA
HAMILTON, William	1823PA	HOWARD, H.	PO	LEEPER, John	1823PA
HANEY, Allen	1833PA	HOWARD, Reubin	PO	LEMON, Jacob	1830PA
HANY, Daniel	1833PA	HOWARD, Stephen	PO	LEMON, William C	PO
HARDIN, John J.	PO	HOWARD, Sylvester	1829PA	LIBES, John	PO
(+school lands)		HUGHES, John	1831PA	LIBES, John (Heirs)	PO
HARNEY, C.	PO	HUNTER, C.	1829PA	LONG, Joel	1831PA
HARKIN, John	PO	HUNTER, Edward	1829PA	LORANCE, Samuel	PO
HARP, William	1831PA	HURST, James & John	1829PA		
HARREY, Conrod	1831PA			MABE, William	1828PA
HART, James (Lynvl)	PO	ILLINOIS COLLEGE	PO	MAGILL, George	PO
HART, Thomas	PO	INGLESS, Henry L.	1833PA	MAGILL, Janus	1823PA
HART, William (Lynvl)	PO			MASSEY, H.H.	PO
HASSELE, Tilton	PO	JACKSONVILLE, TOWN OF	PO	MAKIN, Richard	PO
(school lands)		(Secs 20,21 T15N R10W)		MANDON, F.	1829PA
HATH, Andrew	1830PA	JAMISON, Samuel	PO	MANSFIELD, George	1836PA
HAYNES, Daniel	1830PA	JAMMY, .G T.	PO	(+school land)	
HAYS, William	1829PA	JAYNE, Gersham	1823PA		
HEDENBY,	1828PA				
HEMBROUGH, John	1829PA				
HENDERSON, Joseph	1838PA				
HENDERSON, James	1830PA				
HENDERSON, Smiley H	PO				
HENDERSON, W. (heirs)	PO				
HENRY, George	1830PA				

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MAPES, Ira	PO	NORTON, William	PO	RETTET, John W.	PO
(+school land)		(Lynvl)		RHODES, James	1831PA
MAPES, John	PO			RICHARDS, Daniel	1829PA
(+school land)		Olmstead, S.	1824PA	RICHARDS, Elisha	PO
MASON, Allen	1830PA	OFFICER, William	PO	RICHARDS, George W.	1826PA
MASSEY, H.G. & S.S.	PO	ORR, Margaret G.	1834PA	RICHARDSON, B. .	PO
MASSEY, Silas	PO	ORR, Thomas	PO	RICHARDSON, D.	PO
MASTERS, James	PO			RICHARDSON, John	1831PA
MASTERS, Hillory	PO	PALMER, James	1823PA	RICHARDSON, Samuel	PO
MASTERS, Thomas	1830PA	PARKINSON, James	PO	RICHARDSON, Vincent	1831PA
MATSON, David	PO	(School land)		RING, Jacob	1829PA
(+school land)		PERRY, James, Jr.	1823PA	RINNY, S. M.	1828PA
MAWSON, Robert (Lynvl)	PO	PHETERS, Adison	1833PA	RITCHEY, George	PO
MEARS, James	1828PA	PHILIP, Richard	PO	ROBLEY, Henry	1823PA
MEARS, Robert (Lynvl)	PO	(+school land)		ROCKWELL, Dennis	1828PA
MEARS, Edwin A.	1828PA	PIERSON, Daniel	PO	ROSE, E.	PO
MEETY, Charles (Lynvl)	PO	PITNER, Montgomery	1826PA	(Williamsburg 120 lots	
MEEKER, (Lynvl)	PO	POST, T. M.	PO	ROUT, Harvey	1834PA
MEGGESON, Ralph	PO	POWEL, J. R. (Lynvl)	PO	ROUT, Henry	1834PA
MELVILLE, Robert	PO	PRENTISS, Thomas	1829PA	ROUT, Thomas C.	PO
MESICAR, James (Lynvl)	PO	POSEY, William	1826PA	(+Lynvl)	
MICKALWAIT, Willaby	PO	PRENTIS, Agnes	PO	RUCKER, John	1833PA
(Lynvl)		PRICE, P. B.	PO	RUSSELL, Agnes	1834PA
MILLER, Hanessen	1836PA	(+school lands)		RUSSELL, Andrew	1834PA
MILLER, Jacob	PO	PULLIAM, Dryry	PO	SAMUEL, Jamison	PO
MILLION, Squire	1834PA			SAMUEL, W. P.	PO
MILLS, Chester L.	1831PA	QUARTON, Thomas	1824PA	SAMURE, David I	1833PA
MILLIN,	1829PA	(also Lynvl)		SAVAGE,	1829PA
MOORE, David	PO			SCHOLEY, Charles	PO
MORGAN, Obediah	1833PA	RAFFETY, Thomas	PO	SCOTT, James D.	PO
MORTON, Joseph	1828PA	RANNELLS, David A.	1833PA	(+school land)	
MOSS, William	1823PA	RANSON, J.	PO	SCOTT, William	PO
MOSS, William L.	1829PA	RANSON, James (Lynvl)	PO	SCOTT, Levi	1830PA
MURPHY, Stephine	PO	RANSON, John B. "	PO	SCOTT, Zachariah	PO
		RAY, William "	PO	SCROGGINS, John	1828PA
McALLISTER, James	PO	REAUGH, Samuel	1830PA	SCROGGINS, John (Heirs)	1830PA
McCARLY, Ezekial	1831PA	REDDING, Jacob	1828PA		
McCONNELL, M.	1823PA	REAUGH, Robert	1836PA	SHACKFORD, William	PO
McCORMICK, Walter	1822PA	(+school lands)		SHARES, Bartlike	1831PA
McGILL, George	PO	REED, John	PO	SHARPE, William	PO
McGILL, James	1823PA	REEVE, Daniel	1829PA	(+ school land	
McKINNEY, Stephen	1828PA	REEVE, Lazarus	1825PA	SHEPPHERD, Stephen	1831PA
McMAIN, William	1829PA	REID, Andrew	1829PA	SHEPPERD, Thornton	1833PA
McNEIL, H.	PO	REID, George	PO	SHERY, William A.	1830PA
(W. Jvl (9 lots)		REID, M.	PO	SHIRTLEFF, Edward	PO
McPHETONS, A.	PO	REID, Stephen W.	1825PA	(Also Lynvl)	
McREE, William	1823PA				
NASH, Moses	1823PA	PA = Patentee; Date = His first year of owndership;			
NASH & SPENCER	1825PA	PO = Present Owner, but not original Patentee			
NEWBY, John	PO	(Lynvl) = property in town of Lynnvill			
NEWMAN, George	1830PA	(W. Jvl) = " " West Jacksonville tax District			
NORTHCUT E.	PO	Names are spelled as they were written! (we think)			
NORTHCUT, John	PO				



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SIMMONS, William	1826PA	SWEET, Francis	1831PA	WADDLE, O.	1823PA
SIMS, Wesley	PO	SWEET, Joel	1834PA	WADHANE (Wadham), Orlando	PO
SIMMS (Simons) J.R.	1828PA	SWEET, Jonathan	1823PA	WAIT, John	1834PA
SMEDLEY, Daniel	1828PA	SWEET, Peleg	1828PA	WARREN, W. B.	PO
SMEDLY, Daniel	PO	SWIGART, Samuel	1830PA	(school land	
SMITH, A.	1830PA	SWINTEN (Swinerton)		WASSON, Joseph	1831PA
SMITH, Bira	1830PA	James	1823PA	WATSON, David	PO
SMITH, Green	1836PA			(+school land)	
(+school land		TAGGART, Isaac & SMITH	PO	WESTHOPE, John	PO
SMITH, Chauncy	PO	(school land		WESTROPE, Mary	1830PA
SMITH, Geo.	1833PA	TANKERSLEY, Chas.	PO	WHITE, Sherwood	1831PA
SMITH, Isaac	1824PA	TANKERSLEY, J.M.	PO	WHITLOCK, John	1830PA
SMITH, John	1830PA	(Lynvl)		WHITLOCK, Luther	PO
SMITH, Robert	1829PA	TAYLOR, George	PO	WHITLOCK, Thomas	1834PA
SMITH, William	PO	TAYLOR, John	PO	WHITLOCK, William	1831PA
(Also Lynvl)		(school land)		WILKINSON, William	1830PA
SMITH, W. B.	PO	TERY, William C.	1826PA	WILLIAMS, Josiah	PO
(school land		THOMPSON, E.	1829PA	WILLIA, James	1829PA
SNIDER, Gilbert	PO	THORPE, Martin (Lynvl)	PO	WILSON, Ann	1824PA
SOLOMON, Henry	1827PA	TICKNER, Olney	1826PA	WILSON, Edward	1830PA
SPARKS, Mathew	PO	TILTON & BROWN	PO	(+school lands & Lynvl)	
SPENCER & HAMILTON	1823PA	(school land)		WILSON, George W.	1836PA
SPENCER, E. N.	1823PA	TILTON, James	PO	(+school land	
SPENCER, STEPHEN W.	1825PA	TODD, Coleman	PO	WILSON, James	PO
SPENCER, Thomas	1829PA	TODD, Henry	1830PA	WILSON, John	1834PA
SPRAGUE, Joshua	1828PA	TUNNELL, David	1830PA	WILSON, Willis T.	PO
STEBBINS, John O	1827PA	TODD, Howard	1831PA	WINTERS, Nathan	1823PA
STACY, Mathew	PO	TUCKER, Jane	1836PA	WISWALL, Elijah	1823PA
(+school lands		(+school land		WISWELL, Jerry	1827PA
STEWART, Jane	1831PA	TUNNELL, Jessie	1831PA	WISWALL, Noah	PO
STICE, A.	1826PA	TUNNELL, Nicholas	1831PA	WISWALL, Thomas	1828PA
STONE, Barton W.	1830PA	TUNNELL, Wesley	1824PA	WOLCOTT, E.	1831PA
STRAWN, Jacob	1828PA	TURNER, John D.	PO	WOLCOTT, Elisha	1830PA
STUART, Wm. (Lynvl)	PO			WOOD, James	1829PA
SWALE (S), Thomas	1830PA	VANWINKLE, Abner	1827PA	WOOLEMS, Absalom	1823PA
(Also Lynvl)				WYATT, John	1828PA
				WRIGHT, John	1834PA
				WYATT, Edward	1830PA
				WYATT, George	PO
				WYATT, James	PO
				WYATT, John	1823PA
				WYATT, Thomas	1830PA

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Your Editor is sorry to omit the usual Estate Administrations, but the space was limited. We felt that these records of remote source would be more valuable than an official record available at the Courthouse. If any person would like to know if their ancestor has an estate administration, they can write to us and we will make the determination.

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