

De Soto, R. W. Laughlin.
 Duquoin, D. B. Van Winkle.
 Blairsville, Othniel Bruner.
 Saratoga, R. G. Ayres.
 Vienna, one to be supplied; Henry Chaplain.
 Metropolis, Milo Powers.
 Dingola, O. H. Clark.
 Pulaski, to be supplied.
 Cairo and Mound City, J. W. Lowe.

ST. LOUIS GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

HENRY LAHRMAN, P. E.
 St. Louis: Washington-street, Philip Kuhl.
 Eighth-street, George Boeshenz.
 Benton-street, John Koelle.
 Manchester, William Floret.
 Union, William Meier.
 Herman, Henry Granemann.
 Marthasville, Gerhard Timken.
 Warren, William Kleinschmidt.
 Valley Mines, Gastaf Zollmann.
 St. Charles, John G. Kost.
 Second Creek, Henry Hankemeyer.

BELLEVILLE GERMAN MISSION DISTRICT.

WILLIAM SHRECK, P. E.
 Belleville, Rudolph Havighorst.
 Mascoutah, Henry Pfaff.
 Red Bud, Henry Schulae.
 Chester, Jacob Merkel.
 Appleton, to be supplied.
 Cape Girardeau, Friedrich Stoffregen.
 Golconda, John Henry Brune.
 Nashville, Justus Baab.
 Vandalia, to be supplied.
 Highland, William Koeneke.
 Alton, John Ritter.
 Edwardsville, Michael Schnuerle.
 T. N. Ralston, transferred to Southeastern Indiana Conference.
 Lucius Hawkins, transferred to Rock River Conference.

QUEST. 16. Where and when shall our next Conference be held?

At Alton, Illinois. Time not given.

NORTHWESTERN INDIANA CONFERENCE,

Held at South Bend, Indiana, October 10, 1861.

BISHOP SIMPSON, Presiding. CLARK SKINNER, Secretary.

QUEST. 1. Who are Admitted on Trial?

W. D. F. Lummis, (readmitted,) Samuel M. Hays, Lafayette Buckles, Charles W. Tarr, Henry N. Ornbaum, Joseph S. Budd, James H. Claypool, John H. Cissel, Aaron Conner, James S. Chadwick, O. H. Smith—11.

QUEST. 2. Who Remain on Trial?

Oliver C. Haskell, John L. Boyd, Henry C. Fraley, John E. Wright, B. W. Smith, W. W. Jones, E. W. Lawhon, George W. Rice, E. Roszel—9.

QUEST. 3. Who are Admitted into full Connection?

John E. Newhouse, Isaac W. Joice, E. H. Staley, Daniel A. Grime—4.

QUEST. 4. Who are the Deacons?

Those marked thus (*) were ordained this year.

John E. Newhouse,* Isaac W. Joice,* E. H. Staley,* Daniel A. Grime,* Miles H. Wood, James Ricketts, Leander C. Buckles, George Gayon, D. F. Barns, W. D. F. Lummis—10.

QUEST. 5. Who have been Elected and Ordained Elders this year?

William R. Mikels, Thomas C. Stringer, Thomas C. Hackney, John B. Adell, John C. Mahin, Charles N. Sims, James A. Clearwaters, David F. Dunham, Wilson Beckner—9.

QUEST. 6. Who have Located this year?

J. T. Jones, A. Utter, A. Gurney, P. H. Dutch, D. F. Dunham, J. H. Keyt, R. S. Robinson, W. Copp, C. L. Smith—9.

QUEST. 7. Who are the Superannuated or Worn-out Preachers?

James Ricketts, H. Vredenburgh, M. Blackstock, M. Johnson, G. W. Hamilton, Richard Hargrave, H. S. Shaw, W. P. Watkins, R. H. Calvert, W. J. Forbes, A. J. Sheridan, Joseph White—12.

QUEST. 8. Who have been Expelled from the Connection this year? None.

QUEST. 9. Who have Withdrawn from the Connection this year? None.

QUEST. 10. Were all the Preachers' Characters examined?

This was strictly attended to, by calling over their names before the Conference.

QUEST. 11. Who have Died this year?

James L. Thompson, Wade Posey—2.

1. Rev. JAMES L. THOMPSON was born March, 1791, and died September 15, 1861. He was a native of Kentucky, embraced religion in his youth, and was licensed to preach at the age of twenty years. He was married to Rachel J. Duncan in 1815. He settled in Spencer County, Ind., and in 1821 he joined conference, and was appointed to Patoka Circuit. From this he went to Corydon Circuit, thence to Charlestown Circuit, thence to Lawrenceburgh, thence to White Water, thence to Madison Station, thence to Bloomington Station, thence to Crawfordville District four years, then to Attica Circuit two years, and his health failing he superannuated, and soon after removed to Iowa, where he resided ten years. His health restored, eight years ago he resumed his effective relation to the Northwestern Indiana Conference, and was appointed to Bainbridge Circuit. Then he was stationed at Rockville two years, and then one year at Williamsport Station. He then traveled Newtown Circuit, the two following years was stationed at Frankfort, after which he superannuated, and removed to Thorntown, Ind., where he died on date as aforesaid.

He preached his last sermon at a camp-meeting in Boone County. He spoke as one on the margin of time, and sweetly referred to his anticipated reward in heaven. His closing remarks were eloquent and impressively tender. The ensuing week he was attacked with pneumonia. No remedies could avail. During his afflictions he spoke of his labors in the ministry and his undying love for the cause of Christ and his love of peace, saying, "I have always tried to be a man of peace," and weeping freely, said, "My heart is at peace with all men." To an old friend he said, "Take care of my aged wife. She has gone side by side with me nearly forty years in the itinerancy." His friend said, "You are very weak; you must rest in Jesus." He meekly added, "He is all my hope and all my plea." When expiring in the arms of Brother G. W. Warner, he was asked, "Does the Gospel which you preached to others sustain you now?" To which he answered, "O yes!" When speech had failed him he nodded assent to like questions to his latest breath. He extended his hand to his family, and whispered, "Meet me in heaven." He then closed his eyes, and gently fell asleep in Jesus without a sigh or a struggle.

Brother Thompson was a good preacher. His person was large and commanding, and his bearing dignified and solemn. No one ever knew him to

trifle in the pulpit. His humility won the affections of the people, and his talents commanded the respect of all who heard him preach. His kind spirit made him friends wherever he went, who vied with each other to honor and aid him in his declining life. He was twice a delegate to the General Conference. His remains lie in the graveyard at Attica, Ind. Peace to his precious memory.

2. Rev. WADE POSEY, son of Richard and Frances Posey, was born in South Carolina May 10, 1807. In 1808 his parents removed to Knox County, Ind. He was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1834, and in 1836 he entered the traveling connection. He traveled various circuits in the state of Indiana twenty-four years, being superannuated one year on account of feeble health.

He married in 1838, and his wife and three daughters remain to mourn his death. Within the year past he experienced symptoms of paralysis, but was able to continue his work. When the time arrived to go to conference he felt his health to be too feeble to undertake the journey; but on the Sabbath when the conference was in session he preached at Jefferson, Ind., and this proved to be his last sermon. When he reached the house of a friend a short time after the service he became partially unconscious, and spoke with difficulty. Several times he said, "I want to tell you something," and struggled for utterance, but failed to deliver his message. He then composed himself, and continued to utter short sentences to himself of a devotional character, such as "Praise the Lord." In this state he continued during the night, and on Monday morning, October 14, 1861, at 5 o'clock, he calmly fell asleep in Jesus. None of his family were present when he died, and his brethren in the ministry were away at conference. The telegraph announced to the conference his transfer from the effective list to his reward in heaven. His remains rest in the cemetery at Thorntown, where several of his laborers in the conference were buried before him.

Brother Posey was a man of deep piety, of high conscientiousness, self-sacrificing in spirit, and a hearty lover of the Church of Christ. His talents were respectable, and his preaching sound and practical. He cordially hated sin in all its forms and guises, and severely rebuked it wherever he found it. He lived for the Church, and died in the Lord at his post.

QUEST. 12. What is the Number of Church Members, etc.?

INDIANAPOLIS DISTRICT.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	NUMBERS.				BAPTISMS.			CHURCH PROPERTY.		BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS.					SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				
	Members.	Deaths.	Probationers.	Local Pkts.	Adults.	Children.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Conference Chinnans.	Missionary Society.	Tract Society.	American Bible Society.	Sunday-School Union.	Schools.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Vols. in Library.
Indianapolis.....	135	1	4	1	1	2	1	\$3,000	1	\$1,000	\$7 00	\$64 50	\$3 00	\$5 00	\$6 00	1	17	106	200
Zionsville.....	493	6	23	4	7	2	1	5,780	1	400	14 63	\$8 20	0 60	1 70	0 85	4	26	130	900
Clemont.....	155	10	10	1	7	4	1	3,000	1	...	5 00	27 75	...	3 25	0 75	4	40	130	200
Cartersburgh.....	221	30	30	2	25	13	7	2,875	1	...	2 00	10 00	...	4 00	...	3	17	80	400
Danville.....	203	3	9	3	3	8	8	1,200	1	400	6 00	4 00	...	4 20	...	1	13	75	150
Filmore.....	250	3	3	3	3	12	6	3,000	1	500	4 50	12 55	...	4 00	...	2	10	75	300
Bainbridge.....	312	114	22	4	21	15	6	4,050	1	250	20 55	24 15	...	10 45	...	5	30	200	500
Ladoga.....	317	27	2	2	6	4	4	1,200	1	...	6 70	28 90	...	...	...	3	27	145	275
North Salem.....	194	5	2	2	6	4	4	1,700	1	200	...	5 00	...	...	...	3	12	60	200
New Brunswick.....	145	4	1	1	6	4	2	3,800	1	...	10 50	8 90	...	...	...	1	6	35	85
Darlington.....	200	1	4	1	1	4	3	3,200	1	...	9 55	...	...	...	...	3	10	115	212
Crawfordsville.....	218	1	42	4	34	3	5	2,500	1	...	6 30	60 00	0 41	0 50	1 00	7	61	220	776
Total.....	2,868	32	300	24	98	71	54	36,555	6	2,750	82 24	312 36	4 01	30 10	8 60	37	272	1,456	4,276